

# Big Lakes County Bylaw

## Bylaw NO. 07-2023

Being a bylaw of Big Lakes County, in the province of Alberta, for the purpose of establishing methods for advertising statutory and non-statutory notices.

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to section 606 of the *Municipal Government Act*, a Council must give notice of certain bylaws, resolutions, meetings, public hearings or other things by advertising in a newspaper or other publication circulating in the area, mailing or delivering a notice to every residence in the affected area or by another method provided for in a bylaw under section 606.1;

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to section 606.1(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, a council may, by bylaw, provide for one or more methods, which may include electronic means, for advertising proposed bylaws, resolutions, meetings, public hearings and other things referred to in section 606;

**WHEREAS,** pursuant to section 158.1 of the *Local Authorities Election Act (LAEA)*, RSA 2000, if a bylaw is passed in accordance with section 606.1 of the *Municipal Government Act*, this bylaw shall be used for the purpose of notifications referred to in sections 26, 35, 53.01, 53.1 and 74 of the *LAEA*;

**WHEREAS,** the Council of Big Lakes County, is satisfied that the advertising methods set out in this Bylaw is likely to bring matters advertised by these methods to the attention of substantially all residents or groups of the County to which the bylaw, resolution or other thing relates, or in which the meeting or hearing is to be held;

**NOW THEREFORE,** the Big Lakes County Council, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

### SECTION I – Purpose, Name & Definition

#### Purpose

1. The purpose of this Bylaw is to establish methods for advertising statutory and non-statutory notices to the public within Big Lakes County.

#### Name

2. This Bylaw may be cited as the "Public Notification Bylaw."

#### Definitions

3. In this Bylaw,
  - a) "Act" means the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, as amended.



- b) "Council" means the Big Lakes County Council.
- c) "Public" means residents, groups or other stakeholders located within the boundaries of Big Lakes County required to be notified by the Act or a bylaw of the County of a proposed bylaw, resolution, meeting, public hearing or other things referred to in the Act or a bylaw of the County.
- d) "Method" means the preferred method(s) chosen by the Big Lakes County Council for advertising statutory and non-statutory notices to the public.
- e) "County" means Big Lakes County.

## SECTION II – Advertising Method

1. The notice of any proposed bylaws, resolutions, meetings, public hearings or other thing required to be given under Section 606 of the *Municipal Government Act*, or a bylaw of the County, shall be advertised in accordance with the timelines prescribed in the Act or the bylaw by one or more of the following applicable methods:
  - a) publishing in a local newspaper or any other publication circulating in the County;  
and/ or
  - b) publishing electronically by posting the notice prominently on the
    - i. County website; [www.biglakescounty.ca](http://www.biglakescounty.ca)
    - ii. County social media sitesand/or
  - c) posting the notice prominently on the bulletin board provided for that purpose in one or more of the following locations:
    - i. the County office
    - ii. community halls
    - iii. recreational facilities
    - iv. Post Officeand/or
  - d) Publishing in the Big Lakes Connections monthly newsletter or Hamlet newsletters  
and/or
  - e) Any other method as directed by Council.

## SECTION III – Contact

1. The Chief Administrative Officer or his designate shall be the official main contact person for all statutory and non-statutory notices to the public;

2. Notwithstanding Section III, 1., The public notice shall contain the name of a specific person the public may contact to obtain additional information.

#### Section IV – Repeal

This bylaw comes into effect after third reading and upon signing.

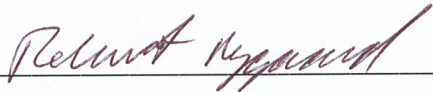
That bylaw 15-19, the Public Notification bylaw is hereby repealed.


Read a first time this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023

Read a second time this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023

Passed unanimously to proceed to third reading this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April 2023

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Reeve

  
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Chief Administrative Officer