## BYLAW 02-2000

## A BYLAW TO CONTROL DANGEROUS DOGS

The council of the Rural Municipality of Snipe Lake No. 259, in the province of Saskatchewan enacts as follows:

- 1. For the purpose of this bylaw the expressions:
  - a) dangerous dog shall mean:
    - i) any dog, which without provocation, in a vicious or menacing manner, chased or approached a person or domestic animal in an apparent attitude of attack;
    - ii)any dog having an inclination, tendency or disposition to attack without provocation, to cause injury, or to otherwise threaten the safety of persons or domestic animals;
    - iii) any dog with without provocation has bitten, inflicted injury, assaulted or otherwise attacked a person or domestic animal.
    - iv) any dog which is owned primarily or in part for the purpose of dog fighting or is trained for dog fighting;

but shall not include:

- i) any dog acting in the performance of police work; or
- ii) any dog working as a guard dog on commercial property:
  - securely enclosed on the property by a fence or other barrier sufficient to prevent the escape of the dog and the entry of children of tender years; and
  - 2) defending that property against a person who was committing an offence.
- b) owner includes:
  - i) a person who keeps, possesses or harbours a dog
  - ii) the person responsible for the custody of a minor where the minor is the owner of a dog;

but does not include:

- i) a veterinarian registered pursuant to the <u>The Veterinarians Act</u>, 1987 who is keeping or harbouring a dog for the prevention, diagnosis or treatement of a disease or an injury to the dog;
- ii) an urban or rural municipality, the Saskatchewan Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, a local society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals or a Humane Society operating pursuant to <a href="The Animal Protection Act">The Animal Protection Act</a>, with respect to an animal shelter or impoundment facility operated by any of them.
- c) provocation means an act done intentionally for the purpose of provoking a dog. A dog is presumed not to have been provoked, in the absence of evidence to the contrary.
- 2. No owner shall keep, possess or harbour a dangerous dog with the boundaries of the R.M. of Snipe Lake No. 259.
- 3. Any owner found guilty of an infraction of this bylaw shall be liable to the penalties provided in the general penalty bylaw of the municipality.

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**ADMINISTRATOR** 

Certified a true copy of Bylaw #02-2000 passed at a duly convened meeting of the Council of the R.M. of Snipe Lake #259 on June 13, 2000.

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Administrator