BRAZEAU COUNTY

BYLAW NO: 517-05

BEING A BYLAW OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, TO REGULATE THE DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN BRAZEAU COUNTY.

WHEREAS, fireworks in the Province of Alberta are regulated within the Alberta Fire Code for which the County has the obligation to enforce through the joint fire Q.M.P. (Fire Quality Management Plan) with the Town of Drayton Valley and;

WHEREAS, there are two classifications of fireworks, that being "High Hazard" fireworks and "Family" fireworks and;

WHEREAS, the County has an obligation to require a permit under the Alberta Fire Code Regulations to purchase; possess; handle; discharge; fire; or set off fireworks and;

WHEREAS, the County can decide if they wish to allow either of the two classifications of fireworks to be discharged within the County and;

WHEREAS the Council of Brazeau County deems it expedient and appropriate to further regulate the discharge of "High Hazard" fireworks and "Family" fireworks.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of Brazeau County, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

That all classifications of fireworks are allowed to be discharged within the County as long as they meet the requirements of the Alberta Fire Code and the requirements of this bylaw;

Definitions:

"High Hazard" Fireworks – Those fireworks as defined in the "Alberta Fire Code" and meaning those listed as such under Section 14 (attached) of the "Explosives Act" (Canada) and its regulations.

"Family" Fireworks – Those fireworks not defined as "High Hazard" and meaning those as listed as Class 7, Division 1 (attached) of the "Explosives Act" (Canada) and its regulations.

Regulations

1. That "High Hazard" fireworks and "Family" fireworks will be allowed within the County with special conditions as outlined below,

"High Hazard" fireworks conditions:

"High Hazard" fireworks will be allowed only on/for special community events open to the general public at community functions and meeting <u>all</u> other conditions of the Alberta Fire Code Regulations.

"Family" fireworks conditions:

- a) Family Fireworks hours of use must be within the noise bylaw restrictions of 7:00 am to 12 midnight.
- b) All occupied adjacent landowners (occupants) within 200 meters (656 feet) must be notified of the intent to discharge by the permit applicant, and any objections must be addressed to the fire department, in writing, prior to a permit being issued.

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- c) "Family" fireworks shall not be allowed to be discharged in any "Hamlet".
- d) "Family" fireworks shall not be allowed to be discharged in any Brazeau County "Country Residential Subdivision" having more than 5 parcels.
- e) Fire suppression devices must be on site with a knowledgeable person capable of operating them present.
- f) Meeting <u>all</u> other conditions of the Alberta Fire Code Regulations.
- 2. Any person who contravenes any section of this bylaw shall be guilty of an offence and be issued a violation tag and fine of \$500.00.
- 3. That this bylaw shall take effect upon the final passing thereof.

READ a first time this 20th day of September, 2005

READ a second time this 22nd day of November ,2005

READ a third time and finally passed this <u>22nd</u> day of <u>November</u>, 2005

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County Manager