

VILLE DE - TOWN OF Gravelbourg

BYLAW 1504/22

A BYLAW TO GOVERN THE MANAGEMENT OF SOLID WASTE IN THE TOWN OF GRAVELBOURG

WHEREAS the municipality provides public utilities, including the management of solid waste; and

WHEREAS the municipality is obligated to provide an environment free of litter and debris; and

WHEREAS every council may adopt a bylaw in accordance with the Municipalities Act;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Gravelbourg in the Province of Saskatchewan enacts as follows:

Short Title

1. This Bylaw shall be cited as "The Waste Management Bylaw".

Definitions

- 2. In this Bylaw,
 - a. "Bins" refers to large capacity containers used for the collection of commercial waste
 - b. "Carts" refers to the containers provided by the contractor for the purposes of recyclable and household waste
 - c. "Compost material" means garden waste, grass clippings, leaves, fruit, vegetables, and other vegetative matter, but does not include branches, trees, or household waste.
 - d. "Contractor" means the individual or corporation retained by the Town for the purpose of collection and disposal of waste.
 - e. "Council" means the Council of the Town of Gravelbourg.
 - f. "Hazardous waste" means oil, fuels, lubricants, antifreeze, oil base paints, solvent cleaners, herbicides, pesticides, insecticides, noxious chemicals, containers for herbicides, pesticides, insecticides or noxious chemicals and any other material or element that is considered harmful to the environment. Soil, or material contaminated with any of the above, is also considered hazardous waste.
 - g. "Household waste" includes food scraps, packaging, and general household waste that cannot be recycled or composted and is not considered hazardous to the environment.
 - h. "Landfill" is another term for the waste management area.
 - i. "Public Works Manager" shall mean the individual appointed to manage the affairs of the Public Works Department, regardless of title.
 - j. "Recyclables" means any items or material that can be diverted from the waste stream for reuse or reprocessing.

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- k. "Recycling depot" means an area designated by Council where bins are provided for the deposit of some recyclables.
- 1. "Recycling program" means opportunities provided locally by the Town, or approved by the Town, that divert recyclables as determined by the program from the waste stream.
- m. "Refuse" means carcasses of animals and all filth, manure, offal, and related items.
- n. "Rubble" means broken cement, pavement, rock, bricks, asphalt shingles, or similar items.
- o. "Town" means the Town of Gravelbourg.
- p. "Transfer Station/Site" means a location set aside for large containers designed for the deposit of either recyclables or bulky solid waste items.
- q. "Virgin wood" means branches, trees, lumber scraps, or any other wood product that is still in an untreated or unprocessed form or is in its basic natural wood form.
- r. "Waste management area", hereinafter referred to as "WMA", means that portion of the Parcel A, Plan No. 65MJ13714, in the Northeast Quarter of Section One (1), Township Eleven (11), in Range Five (5), West of the Third Meridian, designated for the handling and disposal of waste material.
- s. "White metal" means appliances, water heaters and softeners, furnaces, and similar household equipment.

Preparation of Solid Waste Material for Collection

- 3. All residents are provided with one blue cart for recyclables and one contrasting colour cart for solid waste. Carts are approximately 95 gallons in size and have wheels and a hinged lid. The carts are the property of the Contractor.
- 4. Residents of the Town are encouraged to remove all recyclables, covered by the Town's recycling program, from their waste stream and deposit them into the Blue Cart provided.
- 5. Residential waste material being accumulated and stored for the purpose of being collected by the Contractor shall be:
 - a. clearly divided between household waste and compost material.
 - b. in the case of household waste, before placing it in the grey bin, residents must put their household waste (including pet waste) in a plastic or similar bag. This reduces the likelihood of left-over organic waste spoiling in the cart. Primary bagging also prevents loose material from blowing away in the wind as it is being emptied into the collection vehicle.
 - c. except on special collection days specified by Council, residents must take their compost to the Town's compost area located off Bettez Street at 5th Avenue West or manage it on their own site.
- 6. Residents shall place their carts at the curb on a bi-weekly basis, one per week in accordance with the schedule as provided by the Contractor.
 - a. Carts shall be place by the curb no earlier than 7:00 pm the night before collection and no later than 7:00 am on the day of collection.
 - b. Carts shall be removed from the curb and returned to the residence before 7:00 pm on the day of collection.
- 7. Residents are responsible for the general cleanliness of the carts provided.
- 8. The Contractor shall have the ultimate determination of acceptable waste. Residents placing unacceptable material in the carts may see their waste collection suspended.



Bulk Waste Items

- 9. Residents with bulky waste items may take them to the landfill/transfer station during scheduled hours and subject to the fees and regulations as approved by Council and contained within the Rates and Fees Bylaw, as amended.
- 10. Residents are responsible for the transport and handling of the bulk items. Town forces will not be able to assist.
- 11. Large quantities of construction debris must be placed in an appropriate bin acquired/rented by the property owner for that purpose.
- 12. Bins shall be provided by the Town for the purpose of disposing of scrap steel and (freon free) white goods
- 13. Large cardboard packing material should be cut down and disposed of through the existing blue cart recycling program

Burning of Waste Material

- 14. Subject to the Town's Bylaw No. 896/90 BONFIRE REGULATIONS, the burning of any waste material is strictly prohibited with the Town.
- 15. No person, other than the Public Works Manager, or Town employee so designated by the Public Works Manager shall start the burning of straw, weeds, leaves, grass, wood, or other flammable material at the WMA.

Miscellaneous

- 16. No person shall place solid waste or other material in a commercial bin located anywhere in Town unless they are the individual responsible for that commercial bin.
- 17. The Town shall provide a minimum of two separate days per year where garden waste shall be removed free of charge, providing the waste is conveniently stockpiled in an area accessible for collection adjacent to the curb. Yard waste must be contained within a paper bag or non-waxed box.
- 18. Tree and shrub limbs can be bundled and taken to the Landfill "clean wood" pile or other site as designated by Council Resolution.
- 19. Council shall designate, by resolution, the days when various types or different classes of waste material shall be collected.
- 20. The Town reserves the right to refuse to collect for removal any of the following waste:
 - a. any cart that does not have compost material separated from household waste
 - b. any cart where no attempt has been made to remove the recyclables, covered by the Town's recycling program, from the waste stream
 - c. any cart that is considered over-sized or overweight
 - d. branches and trees
 - e. any hazardous waste items
 - f. any waste material or item not acceptable under Ministry of Environment Guidelines and regulations for solid waste management
 - g. any other waste material or item that could be considered unsuitable for collection.
- 21. Any waste, once collected by the Town, or its Contractor is considered sole property of the Town to do with as seen fit. The Town or its Contractor reserves the right to return, to the original owner, any waste that is later determined to be hazardous or inappropriate for handling by the Town or to recover costs from the owner for its proper disposal.

- 22. It is the responsibility of the owner or occupant of property in the Town to ensure that any land or building is kept tidy, including the accumulation of waste material. Where it is determined, by the Town, that an owner or occupant of property in the Town is not adequately providing for the removal of waste material and the land has subsequently become untidy or unsightly, the Town shall proceed under Section 8(1) of The Municipalities Act, Chapter M-36.1* of The Statutes of Saskatchewan, 2005 to remedy the untidiness or unsightliness and the cost of such proceedings shall be collected in accordance with the provisions of Section 8(2) of the Municipalities Act, Chapter M-36.1* of The Statutes of Saskatchewan, 2005.
- 23. The following practices are strictly prohibited:
 - a. the dumping of waste material, by an individual or corporation, on any property within the Town, whether public or private, that is not designated as a site to accept waste material.
 - b. the dumping of waste material, by an individual or corporation, on the grounds and not into an appropriate receptacle of the Transfer Site.
 - c. the dumping in the Transfer Site bins of waste material that is not designated as acceptable for disposal through the Town's waste management program.

Compost

- 24. The Town of Gravelbourg operates a compost facility, located west of Bettez Street on 5th Avenue W.
- 25. Acceptable materials at the Compost Site are:
 - a. Grass clippings
 - b. Vegetative and plant matter, including kitchen vegetative matter
 - c. Leaves
- 26. Trees, limbs, and woody clippings must be disposed at at the landfill/transfer station

Acceptable and Non-Acceptable Waste Products

- 27. Subject to Section 28, 29, and 30 the following waste material shall be accepted in the disposal carts:
 - a. household waste
 - b. Small light weight items such as toasters, small lamp and such items are acceptable.
 - c. pet waste (provided it is pre-bagged and double bagged)
 - d. fully extinguished wood ashes (pre-bagged)
 - e. any other material approved by Council and the Contractor
- 28. Subject to Section 27, 29, and 30 the following waste material shall be accepted in the designated locations at the Landfill/Transfer Site
 - a. Household furniture that cannot be donated to another organization
 - b. White metals (freon free)
 - c. Scrap steel
 - d. Larger items such as water heaters, water softeners, TV's, patio stone/bricks and heavier items, provided they are not prohibited items (Section 30)
 - e. Any other materials as approved by Council

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- 29. Subject to Sections 28 and 30 the following items can be recycled through depositing at a designated Town site
 - a. virgin wood (trees/branches)
 - b. rubble (concrete, asphalt & shingles)
 - c. Compost
- 30. The following waste material shall not be accepted as part of the Town's waste program but may be recyclable through appropriate programs operated by others
 - a. hazardous waste
 - b. batteries
 - c. motor oils and fluid
 - d. Expired propane tanks
 - e. paint
 - f. grain or animal feed stock
 - g. motor oils and fluids
 - h. wood from building materials or demolition
 - i. uncontaminated ashes
 - j. tires
 - k. electronic equipment
 - l. vehicle or machinery bodies
 - m. hay or straw bales
 - n. refuse
 - o. any other waste material that Council shall designate by resolution.
- 31. The following practices are strictly prohibited at the Landfill/Transfer Site:
 - a. the dumping or placing of any waste material in or near the gate, or on the roadway leading to the site
 - b. the dumping or placing of any waste material without the permission of the Public Works Manager or material contrary to that approved by Council.
 - c. the dumping or placing of waste material identified in Section 29 and 30.
 - d. the dumping or placing of any waste material not in a designated location.
 - e. the lighting of a fire by anyone other than by a designated Town official.

Fees & Charges

32. The rates and fees for the collection and disposal of solid waste and recyclable materials are contained in Rates and Fees Bylaw, as amended.



Violations and Penalties

- 33. Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this Bylaw is guilty of an offense and, upon summary conviction, shall be liable for the penalties provided for by the General Penalty Bylaw unless specific penalties are provided for in this Bylaw.
- 34. Each provision of this Bylaw shall be construed as separate to the extent that if any part of it shall be held invalid for any reason, the remainder shall continue in full force and effect.

Repeal Bylaw

35. Bylaw Nos 1081/98, as amended and Bylaw 1431/17, as amended and all associated schedules are hereby repealed.

Effective Date

36. This Bylaw shall take effect following the third and final reading.

READ A FIRST TIME this 23rd day of August A.D. 2022

READ A SECOND TIME this 23rd day of August A.D. 2022

UNANIMOUS CONSENT for THIRD READING given this 23rd day of August A.D. 2022

READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME this 23rd day of August A.D. 2022



Mayor

Administrator

Certified to be a true copy of Bylaw 1504/22 adopted by The Council of the Town of Gravelbourg on the 23rd day of August A.D. 2022

CAO, Carol White