A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION

WHEREAS Section 9 of *The Emergency Planning Act* provides that the council of a municipality shall appoint members to a committee for the establishment and implementation of a local emergency plan;

AND SHALL establish an emergency management organization;

AND SHALL appoint a person as co-ordinator of the municipal agency and prescribe his or her duties which shall include the preparation and coordination of emergency plans and programs for the municipality;

AND SHALL prepare and approve emergency plans and procedures;

AND MAY enter into agreements with and make payments to organizations for the provision of services in the development or implementation of emergency plans or procedures;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Rural Municipality of Canwood No. 494 enacts as follows:

- 1. In this bylaw:
 - a. "Emergency" means:
 - A calamity caused by accident, by an act of war or insurrection or by forces of nature; or
 - ii. A present or imminent occurrence that has resulted or may result in serious harm to the safety or welfare of people or in widespread damage to property.
- 2. The term "Co-ordinator" shall mean the person appointed by the Council of the Rural Municipality of Canwood No. 494 to organize emergency management in the Rural Municipality of Canwood No. 494.
- The Emergency Management Organization of the Rural Municipality of Canwood No. 494 shall be comprised of the Emergency Management Committee, municipal departments and volunteer organizations within the Rural Municipality.
- 4. Subject to Section 5 of this bylaw and subject to any directions of Council, the Emergency Management Committee is hereby designated and appointed to be a special committee of Council pursuant to Section 81 of *The Municipalities Act* and shall be responsible for the carrying out of any emergency management or emergency activities or works in the furtherance of *The Emergency Planning Act* or this bylaw, and to that end shall have and is hereby granted and delegated to it the duties and powers of Council except the power to borrow money, to pass a bylaw or enter into any contracts. Provided, however, such delegation of the duties and powers of Council is expressly limited to only the powers of Council necessary to carry out its rights, responsibilities, or duties under *The Emergency Planning Act*.
- 5. The Co-ordinator shall have the following duties and responsibilities:
 - a. Acts as Chairman of the Emergency Management Committee established under this bylaw;
 - Stimulates and coordinates the development of an emergency plan for the community in cooperation with the departments and agencies of the rural municipality;
 - Provides emergency plans from guidelines laid down by the Emergency Management Control Group;

 d. Submits regular reports to the Emergency Management Control Group to keep them fully informed of progress;

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- c. Correlates all activities of those persons and/or organizations involved within the Rural Municipality of Canwood No. 494 and designated for the Emergency Management Organization;
- f. Ensures that a continuous program of training for local Emergency Management Organization personnel is carried out, either by local training classes or attendance at provincial or federal training schools;
- g. Cooperates with Mutual Aid Area and Saskatchewan Corrections and Public Safety on all matters pertaining to planning and operations;
- Submits a projected budget to cover costs of emergency management operations within the municipality;
- Acts as advisor to the Rural Municipality of Canwood No. 494 during emergencies or disasters.
- 6. There shall be an Emergency Management Committee comprised of the Emergency Coordinator, the Municipal Administrator, Director of Public Works (Superintendent), RCMP representative, Fire Chief from designated fire protection areas, Forest Protection Officer and such other persons, when required, that may be deemed necessary to formulate a municipal emergency plan (or their delegates who are hereby empowered to act on their behalf).
- 7. The Emergency Management Committee as a whole, under the coordination of the Chairman, will integrate the municipal and voluntary emergency services plans into one comprehensive emergency plan.
- Each municipal department or voluntary organizations of the municipality shall be responsible to develop and execute the emergency plan of the service he or she represents, train municipal employees and volunteers and make a comprehensive study of existing resources.
- 9. The Council may, from time to time, appropriate and expend monies required to meet the ordinary operating expenses of the said organization.
- 10. The Council may cooperate with Councils of other municipalities for the purpose of jointly establishing and operating an Emergency Management Organization upon appropriate agreement with the Province of Saskatchewan.
- 11. The Rural Municipality of Canwood No. 494 may enter into agreement with the Province of Saskatchewan or any other governmental agency as authorized by the provisions of *The Emergency Planning Act* or regulations thereunder.
- 12. The Emergency Co-ordinator of the Rural Municipality of Canwood No. 494 shall be the Chairperson of the Emergency Management Committee.
- 13. In the absence of the Reeve or Deputy Reeve, a majority of the members of Council are hereby authorized to declare a local emergency in the Rural Municipality of Canwood No. 494. Upon such declaration being made, the Emergency Management Organization shall exercise all powers conferred upon them by *The Emergency Planning Act* of the Province of Saskatchewan.
- 14. On the making of a local emergency declaration and for the duration of the local emergency, Council may do all acts and take all necessary proceedings including the following as per Section 21(1) of *The Emergency Planning Act*:
 - a. Put into operation any emergency plan or program that Council considers appropriate;
 - Acquire or utilize any real or personal property that the local authority considers necessary to prevent, combat or alleviate the effects of an emergency;

Authorize any qualified person to render aid of a type that the person is qualified to provide;

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- Control or prohibit travel to or from any area of the rural municipality;
- Provide for the restoration of essential facilities and the distribution of essential supplies;
- f. Provide, maintain and co-ordinate emergency medical, welfare and other essential services in any part of the municipality;
- Cause the evacuation of persons and the removal of person or livestock and personal property from any area of the municipality that is or may be affected by an emergency and make arrangements for the adequate care and protection of those persons or livestock and of the personal property;
- Authorize the entry into any building or on any land, without warrant, by any person when necessary for the implementation of an emergency plan;
 - Cause the demolition or removal of any trees, structures or crops if the demolition or removal is necessary in order to reach the scene of the emergency to attempt to forestall its occurrence or to combat its progress;
- Conscript persons needed to meet an emergency; and
- Do all acts and take all proceedings that are reasonably necessary to meet the local emergency.
- 15. Bylaw No. 1-1989 is hereby repealed.
- 16. This bylaw shall come into force and take effect on the day of the final passing thereof.

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REEVE

LORNA BENSON `
ADMINISTRATOR

Read a first time this 21st day of March, 2017.

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Read a third time and adopted this 21st day of March, 2017.

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