

#### BYLAW 1154-P-24

# OF THE TOWN OF UNITY IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

A Bylaw of the Town of Unity, in the Province of Saskatchewan to provide for the collection, removal and disposal of solid wastes, and other refuse in the Town of Unity.

The Council of the Town of Unity in the Province of Saskatchewan enacts as follows:

### Part 1

### 1. Short Title:

This bylaw shall be known as "The Waste Collection and Disposal Bylaw" of the Town of Unity.

# 2. Purpose:

The Council enacts by Bylaw to provide for the collection, removal, or disposal of solid wastes and other refuse subject to The Environmental Management and Protection Act. The Council deems it necessary to have certain standards and regulations regarding the collection and disposal of garbage and Section 3 of The Municipal Refuse Management Regulations made under the authority of The Environmental Management and Protection Act requires every urban municipality to provide a scavenging system and a waste disposal ground.

## Part 2

### **Definitions:**

- 1. "Administrator" shall mean the Administrator appointed by the Town of Unity.
- 2. "Dwelling Unit" shall mean any building or portion of a building used as a place of abode by not more than one family.
- 3. "Apartment House" shall mean a building in the Town which is or is intended to be, occupied as a habitation or place of residence by more than one (1) family living independently of one another upon the same premises, and shall also include hotel, tenement house, lodging house, row housing, or place of residence where two (2) or more families live, abide or dwell. Notwithstanding anything contained in the above, Apartment House shall also include any room or suite of rooms in any building containing any trade premises irrespective of the number of families living, abiding or dwelling therein.
- 4. "Dwelling" means any building or place in the Town occupied or used as a dwelling place, a place of abode or place of living by no more than two families, but does not mean or include any apartment house, hotel, tenement house, lodging house, row housing or any room or suite of rooms in any building containing any trade premises, any building in which more than two (2) families live, abide or dwell.
- 5. "Garbage" shall mean the refuse from animal or vegetable matter, which has been used or is intended to be used as food originated from any dwelling, apartment house or trade premises.
- 6. "Garbage Tag" shall mean a self-adhesive tag sold by the Town of Unity or its agents.
- 7. "Householder" shall mean the occupant, lessee, tenant or the person otherwise in charge of any dwelling, business building, institution or other building.
- 8. "Household Wastes" means any non-food wastes consisting of both combustible and non-combustible wastes such as paper, cardboard, tin cans, wood, glass, clothing, crockery, and other like materials originating from any dwelling or apartment house.
- 9. "Person" includes a corporation or partnership and women as well as men.
- 10. "Refuse" shall include leaves, grass clippings, and garden refuse.



- 11. "Director of Public Works and Utilities" shall mean the Director of Public Works or Utilities appointed by the Town or his alternate.
- 12. "Hazardous Refuse" shall mean any and all kinds of materials that may be hazardous for collectors to handle including but not limited to explosives, detonators, ammunition, volatile flammable materials, poisons, acids, caustics and infected materials, bedding and clothing.
- 13. "Waste Disposal Grounds" shall mean the areas designated from time to time by the Town Administrator for which authorization to operate for disposal of waste material has been received from Saskatchewan Environment and Resource Management.

### Part 3

### Control:

- 1. No person shall dispose of refuse in the Town of Unity except in the manner provided in this bylaw.
- 2. The collection, removal and disposal of waste shall be regulated by the Council of the Town of Unity and shall be directed and supervised by the Director of Public Works and Utilities, or his alternate, or such other person as may from time to time be appointed by Council.
- 3. The collection and disposal services as provided for in this bylaw shall be rendered at the cost of the owner except as specifically authorized by Council, and failure to pay such charges as may be fixed therefore shall be deemed to be a breach of this bylaw.
- 4. Where an invoice has been issued and remains unpaid at November 30 in that year, the invoice shall be added to the tax roll or the utility billing, whichever is most applicable for the property in which the invoice was first issued.
- 5. The decision of the Director of Public Works and Utilities shall be final as to the quantities and classes of material to be removed and as to number and size of waste receptacles required to contain the entire normal accumulation of wastes originating from any dwelling.

# Part 4

### **Pre-Collection Practices:**

- 1. All garbage household wastes, leaves, lawn clippings or other refuse that the householder wishes to have the Town pick up shall be placed in plastic bags with a dimension not larger than 26" by 36" and placed in a metal, plastic or wooden container, prior to being put out for collection. Such plastic bags shall be securely closed and maintained in such a manner as to preclude liquids or solids escaping. All restaurants shall double bag their garbage when it originates from the main cooking area(s) of that facility.
- 2. Notwithstanding Part 4, Section 1 compost material shall be placed in a clear garbage bag with a weight not heavier than 44 pounds (twenty kilograms). No garbage tag is necessary for compost material to be picked up.
- 3. Every garbage bag intended to be picked up and dumped shall together with its contents weigh not more than forty-four pounds, (twenty kilograms) provided it can support the material it contains when lifted. The garbage bag shall be watertight and of suitable design to make handling easy.
- 4. All garbage bags shall have a garbage tag fastened to the garbage bag before they are picked up.



- 5. The householder of each premise shall supply and maintain a suitable garbage stand. Such garbage stands shall be constructed so as to prevent dogs, cats, skunks, gaining access to or overturning the stand.
- 6. All garbage stands shall be located on the owner's private property so that the stand and its contents are readily accessible to the Town's garbage collectors.
- 7. All garbage bags are to be placed within the stand except when the stand is full. All assembled wastes that are properly bagged so as to be capable of being handled as a unit may be placed on the ground adjacent to the stand where they will be picked up during regular collections, subject to the right of the municipality to refuse to remove such bags due to their condition.
- 8. No person other than the occupant of the premises on which the waste receptacle is located, or the Town's collection employees, shall open or interfere at any time with the contents of any garbage stand.
- 9. Residents are encouraged to recycle all applicable materials using Loraas bin provided or returning recycling items to Sarcan depot.
- 10. Garbage tag stickers will be available through the Town Office and other approved suppliers. The fee for each garbage tag shall be determined by resolution of Council.
- 10. Compost material placed in a clear plastic bag will be accepted at no charge.
- 11. \$5.00 charge per untagged bag set out for collection and this charge will be added to the individual/company utility bill.
- 12. Approved suppliers of Tag-A-Bag stickers shall purchase each sticker at a preferred rate determined by resolution of Council.

### Part 5

### Incineration:

1. Disposal of refuse will not be allowed in any area of the Town of Unity by means of incineration in an outdoor incinerator, burning barrel, open fire, or any other device.

### Part 6

# Collection Practices:

- 1. Collectors shall have the right to enter at all reasonable times all yards for the purpose of performing duties assigned to them.
- 2. The following wastes are excluded from collection by the Town of Unity:
  - a) Refuse not properly prepared for collection.
  - b) Refuse not placed as provided for in this bylaw.
  - c) Refuse that has been bagged so that the bag exceeds the size of weight limitation specified herein.
  - d) Refuse otherwise contrary to the requirement of this bylaw.
  - e) All recyclable material, unless in a garbage bag, with a garbage tag firmly in place. Recycled material shall include cardboard material, newspaper and magazine material, glass products, plastic and cardboard milk containers, other plastics containers and plastic bags, and tin cans.
  - f) All garbage or refuse disposed of contrary to the requirements of this bylaw.



3. The Town of Unity will not undertake the collection of hazardous waste materials. Persons responsible for hazardous waste materials shall make suitable arrangements for disposal of the materials as may be stipulated by the Town and Saskatchewan Environment.

### Part 7

# Waste Disposal Grounds:

- 1. All garbage and refuse except hazardous refuse of materials not suitable for pickup by the Town, shall be delivered to the Waste Disposal Site.
- 2. No person shall deposit or dump any waste, or other material at the waste disposal site except in compliance with instructions given by the Director of Public Works & Utilities or his alternate or Landfill Custodian.
- 3. The hours of operation shall be those established by the Council of the Town of Unity.
- 4. No person shall remove, disturb or take away any material object or thing from the waste disposal grounds without permission of the Landfill Site Custodian or his alternate.
- 5. Clean concrete waste shall be taken to an alternate site at the discretion of the Director of Public Works and Utilities or his alternate.

### PART 8

## Transportation:

- 1. No person shall operate any vehicle transporting refuse of any kind along or over any highway, street or lane in the Town of Unity, unless said refuse is contained and secured in such a manner as to prevent any part thereof spilling, dropping or in any other manner whatsoever getting onto a highway, street, lane or any other place prior to actual dumping, unloading, or disposal at the Waste Disposal Site.
- 2. Any applicable loads subject to Part 8, Section 1 shall be subject to a surcharge established by the Town of Unity by Policy as amended from time to time.

### Part 9

# Penalties and Orders:

- 1. Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this bylaw or fails to comply therewith shall commit an offence and be liable to the penalty as herein provided.
- 2. Every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than:
  - a) \$500.00 in case of an individual
  - b) \$1,500.00 in the case of a corporation

### but not less than:

- a) \$50.00 in the case of an individual
- b) \$250.00 in case of a corporation
- 3. In case of a conviction under the provisions of this Bylaw the convicting justice shall order payment and compliance with any other provisions of this Bylaw in addition to the penalty provided herein.



- 4. Notwithstanding Part 9, Section 1 above if a person or persons to whom a SOTI (Summary Offence Ticket Information) has been issued presents such notice together with proof of payment as indicated on the SOTI (Summary Offence Ticket Information) to the Administrator of the Town of Unity or his/her designate, within 7 (seven) days from the date of service of such violation, that person or persons shall not be liable for summary prosecution for the violation in respect of which the ticket was given.
- 5. The SOTI (Summary Offence Ticket Information) shall be in a form similar to that provided in Schedule "A" of this bylaw and shall indicate thereon the amount of the penalty to be paid pursuant to *Part 9*, *Section 3* of this bylaw.
- 6. A person to whom a SOTI (Summary Offence Ticket Information) is being issued, pursuant to this bylaw shall furnish to any Special Constable, Bylaw Enforcement Officer, or *Member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police* upon request, his name and address.

<u>Part 10</u>
Enactment:

- 1. Schedule "A" Garbage Collection Fee Schedule referred to herein and attached and hereto shall form part of this bylaw.
- 2. Bylaw Numbers 1052-P-17, 1050-P-17, 981-P-13, and 476-P-93 are hereby repealed.
- 3. This bylaw shall come into force and effect of the date of October 1, 2024.

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Schedule "A" Fee Schedule To Bylaw 1154-P-24

# Low Amount of Waste:

\$18.00 per monthly billing period

During any billing period these individuals/companies may request a review of their quarterly charge in light of their increased recycling efforts and/or amount of waste disposed of each week.

The low amount of waste applies to those individuals/companies that have on average one (1) to two (2) bags of waste or equivalent per week.

# Medium Amount of Waste

\$55.00 per monthly billing period

During any billing period these individuals/companies may request a review of their quarterly charge in light of their increased recycling efforts and/or amount of waste disposed of each week.

The medium amount of waste applies to those individuals/companies that have on average three (3) to four (4) bags of waste or equivalent per week.

### High Amount of Waste

\$70.00 per monthly billing period

During any billing period these individuals/companies may request a review of their quarterly charge in light of their increased recycling efforts and/or amount of waste disposed of each week.

The high amount of waste applies to those individuals/companies that have on average than five (5) to eight (8) bags of waste or equivalent per week.

# **Excessive Amount of Waste**

\$208.00 per monthly billing period

During any billing period these individuals/companies may request a review of their quarterly charge in light of their increased recycle efforts and/or amount of waste disposed of each week.

The excessive amount of waste applies to those individuals/companies that have on average more than eight (8) bags of waste or equivalent per week."