



BYLAW NO. 2025-06

A BYLAW OF THE NORTHERN VILLAGE OF AIR RONGE IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN TO ADMINISTER A FIRE DEPARTMENT AND PROVIDE FOR THE PREVENTION OF FIRES AND THE PRESERVATION OF LIVES

Whereas 8(1) of the *Northern Municipalities Act, 2010* provides:

A municipality has a general power to pass any bylaws for the purposes of the municipality that it considers expedient in relation to the following matters respecting the municipality:

- a) The peace, order and good government of the municipality;
- b) the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property;
- c) people, activities and things in, on or near a public place or place that is open to the public;
- d) nuisances, including property, activities or things that affect the amenity of a neighborhood.

The Council of the Northern Village of Air Ronge, in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

1. SHORT TITLE

- 1.1. This Bylaw may be cited as the **Fire and Emergency Services Bylaw**.

2. DEFINITIONS

- (i) **Apparatus** means any vehicle provided with machinery, devices, equipment or materials for fire protection, firefighting and rescue as well as vehicles used to transport fire fighters or supplies to and from the scene of an emergency.
 - (ii) **Authority Having Jurisdiction means:**
 - a. the Fire Chief or Acting Fire Chief;
 - b. in the Fire Chief's absence, the Deputy Fire Chief; or
 - c. any other Member of the Department appointed by the Fire Chief or Acting Fire Chief.
 - (iii) **Bylaw Enforcement Officer** means the Fire Chief or any person authorized to act in his/her behalf.
 - (iv) **Chief Administrative Officer or CAO** means the person appointed by Council under section 126 of the *Northern Municipalities Act* by the Council as Village Administrator of the Northern Village of Air Ronge.
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- (v) **Chiminea** a freestanding front-loading fireplace or oven with a bulbous body and usually a vertical smoke vent or chimney.
 - (vi) **Council** means the Council of the Northern Village of Air Ronge.
 - (vii) **Deputy Fire Chief** means the Member or Officer appointed by the Fire Chief or person appointed to act as Fire Chief and having the authority to perform the duties of the Fire Chief in the Fire Chief's absence.
 - (viii) **Emergency** means any situation when lives and property are at risk, or are likely to become at risk, from the unexpected, or uncontrolled, occurrence of fire, explosion, spill of hazardous goods, environmental extremes or any other occurrence potentially dangerous to life and public safety.
 - (ix) **Equipment** means any tools, devices or materials used by the Fire Department to combat a fire, other emergency or in the completion of their regular duties.
 - (x) **False Alarm** means an alarm in which it has been activated for no reason, and in which no smoke or flame was detected when the alarm was activated or an alarm that was maliciously activated.
 - (xi) **Fire Chief** means the Member appointed by the Hiring Committee outlined in the Fire Service Agreement signed by the Regional Fire Advisory Board as head of the Fire Department, and includes a person temporarily authorized to act in that position.
 - (xii) **Fire Commissioner** means the officer in the public service employed as a Fire Commissioner pursuant to *The Fire Safety Act*, as amended and revised from time to time, for the Province of Saskatchewan.
 - (xiii) **Fire Department** means La Ronge Regional Fire and Rescue Services.
 - (xiv) **Fire Protection** means all aspects of fire safety including but not limited to fire prevention, firefighting or suppression, pre-fire planning, fire investigation, public education and information as well as firefighter training and development.
 - (xv) **The Fire Safety Act** means *The Fire Safety Act*, as enacted by the Legislature of the Province of Saskatchewan, as amended and revised from time to time, or any such replacement successor legislation.
 - (xvi) **Tri-Community** means the communities of the Town of La Ronge, Lac La Ronge Indian Band and the Northern Village of Air Ronge collectively.
 - (xvii) **Hazardous Conditions** means conditions or a situation that may cause or contribute to the cause of an unlawful or unsafe fire, or that may create the risk of such fire or condition, or which may create any other dangerous or unsafe situation or risk, or an accident or injury to property or person.
 - (xviii) **Inspector** means the Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief or Member appointed by the Fire Chief, charged with the responsibility to enter premises for the purpose of
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conducting fire safety inspections in accordance with *The Fire Safety Act*, and *National Fire Code of Canada* as amended and revised from time to time.

- (xix) **Member** means any Firefighter or Officer who is appointed as a Member of the Fire Department.
- (xx) **Officer** means a member appointed by the Chief and given specific authority to assist in the management and departmental operations of the Fire Department.
- (xxi) **Municipality** means the Northern Village of Air Ronge.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

3. OFFICIAL NAME

- 3.1. The “Fire Department” referenced in and administered pursuant to this bylaw is to be known as the, **La Ronge Regional Fire and Rescue Services**, and shall operate under the direction of the Fire Chief, who shall be responsible to the CAO of the Northern Village of Air Ronge.

4. DEPARTMENT POWERS

- 4.1. The Fire Department, under the authority and direction of the Fire Chief, may develop programs, procedures and organizations directed toward the goal of preventing the outbreak of fires and to reduce the danger to persons and damage to property caused by fires. The Fire Department also may carry out other compatible emergency services, including, but not limited to:
 - (i) aircraft rescue and firefighting;
 - (ii) vehicle extrication services;
 - (iii) ice and water rescues;
 - (iv) urban wildland firefighting services;
 - (v) hazardous goods response at an Operations Level;
 - (vi) public assistance during natural, other disasters and civil emergencies.

5. DUTIES OF FIRE CHIEF

- 5.1. The Fire Chief is the Director of the Fire Department.
 - 5.2. The Fire Chief shall administer and enforce this Bylaw within the Municipality.
 - 5.3. The Fire Chief is responsible for maintenance of discipline within the Fire Department and may make rules and regulations necessary to carry out the daily operations of the Fire Department.
 - 5.4. The Fire Chief or their designate may at any fire, have the right and authority to:
 - i. Enter or authorize the entry of any firefighter to a building or structure;
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- ii. Pull down or demolish a building or any structure where they deem is necessary to extinguish a fire to prevent the spreading of a fire or to protect the public from a possible collapse, and:
 - iii. Has the authority to Order a demolition of any abandoned building or structure they deem to be a life and safety hazard, in which the building or structure has been left in a derelict condition that is beyond repair.
- 5.5.** Nothing in this Bylaw limits the powers granted to the Fire Chief by means of all Provincial and/or Federal legislation.

6. LOCAL ASSISTANT

- 6.1.** The Fire Chief shall be the designated Local Assistant to the Province of Saskatchewan as described in *The Fire Safety Act*, as amended and revised from time to time.

7. NATIONAL FIRE CODE

- 7.1.** *The National Fire Code of Canada*, as amended or revised from time to time, is hereby declared to be in force in the municipality, and together with such amendments or revisions is incorporated into, and forms part of this bylaw.

8. OPERATIONAL STANDARDS

- 8.1.** The Fire Department shall follow at all times the guidelines, procedures and overall operational standards and best practices set down in *The National Fire Prevention Association, (NFPA)* as amended or revised from time to time, except when those guidelines and recommendations conflict with the provisions of *The Fire Safety Act*, as amended or revised from time to time, in which case the provisions of *The Fire Safety Act*, and its amendments and revisions shall apply.
- 8.2.** The Fire Department has declared under the Saskatchewan Fire Service Minimum Standards Guide as an “Operations Level Fire Department” and will adhere to all minimum operating standards outlined in the guide, as amended or revised from time to time.

9. ENFORCEMENT JURISDICTION

- 9.1.** The Authority Having Jurisdiction is charged with responsibility for administering this bylaw.

10. AREA OF SERVICE

- 10.1.** Fire Department apparatus, equipment and personnel will be authorized to respond to emergencies outside the municipal boundaries of the “Tri-communities” only:
- (i) in circumstances where the Department has sufficient resources and ability to effectively provide priority emergent response situations requiring firefighting, rescue or other emergency services within the municipal boundaries of the “Tri-communities”; and,
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- (ii) where a Mutual Aid agreement, ratified by the Regional Fire Advisory Board is in place;
- (iii) where, as approved by Council(s), contracts for the services of the Department are established;
- (iv) at the discretion of the Fire Chief or their designate, in event of fire or other emergency which requires response in order to protect the “Tri-communities”; or
- (v) to provide road rescue and any other emergency services, as assigned by the Fire Chief or their designate.

10.2. Notwithstanding subsection 10.1 above, the provision of firefighting, rescue, or other emergency services outside the municipal boundaries of the “Tri-Communities” shall be secondary in priority to the provision of emergency services within and for the “Tri-Communities”.

11. FEES FOR RESPONDING TO FALSE ALARMS

11.1. The Fire Department may charge a fee as set out in *Appendix “A”*, for responding to a false alarm as defined in section 2. (ix), where the Fire Department responds:

- (i.) To more than two false alarms at the same building within the same calendar year, the owner of the property will be given notice after the second false has been attended to, and will be advised that further false alarms to the property will be subject to the fee schedule defined in *Appendix “A”*;
- (ii.) to an alarm activated by any act of negligence, error or omission which results in a request for service from the Fire Department;
- (iii.) the fees provided for by this section, may be charged to the property owner, business owner, alarm company, property manager or the person(s) responsible for the false alarm, and;
- (iv.) upon the occurrence of a false alarm, the Fire Department will notify the owner of the building or property that a false alarm has occurred and the provisions of this bylaw and the fees to be imposed for any further subsequent false alarms, at the discretion of the Fire Chief.

12. EXTRAORDINARY COSTS

12.1. Where the actual costs of providing emergency services, *Appendix “A”* of this bylaw exceeded the amount set out in the fee schedule because, providing the emergency services took an unusually long time or required specialized equipment not in the Fire Department’s fleet that was outside the Fire Departments control, the Fire Department may charge an additional fee not defined in the fee schedule

in *Appendix "A"*, or charge the full amount incurred by the use of said specialized equipment that was needed.

- 12.2. The fees provided for by this section may be charged to either a registered owner, property owner, business owner, property manager, alarm company, or the person requesting the service.

FIRE PREVENTION

13. INSPECTIONS

- 13.1. Authority to Inspect – The Fire Chief and Bylaw Enforcement Officer may, at all reasonable times and at any time in the event of an emergency, enter into and inspect any building or premises, for the purpose of administering this bylaw. Failure to allow the inspector to complete a fire inspection, will result in the business to be ordered to shut down as per *The Fire Safety Act*, until an inspection can be completed. The Fire Chief may request a peace officer, Bylaw Enforcement officer or provincial fire inspectors to attend the inspection as defined in *The Fire Safety Act*.
- 13.2. Every person in charge of or responsible for the administration of:
- a. a hospital, senior complex, or nursing home,
 - b. a school, private school, day-care center,
 - c. a hotel, motel or hostel;
- (i) shall establish to the satisfaction of an Inspector, a procedure to be followed in the event of fire or an alarm of fire;
 - (ii) Shall ensure that copies of the establish procedure must be posted in prominent locations throughout the building and shall, additionally, ensure such posted procedures include diagrams indicating the safe route to exits.
 - (iii) Shall ensure that all staff be informed of the established procedures to be followed in case of fire and that evacuation drills be held not less than every six months, or more often, as mandated by the provincial or federal legislation governing each type of occupancy.
- 13.3. Every business, daycare, shelter, educational facility, group home, seniors complex and medical facilities in which the public are allowed to enter shall be required to complete a fire inspection on an annual basis. Fire inspections shall be completed by the Fire Chief or their designate. Businesses shall meet or exceed the minimum requirements outlined in *The National Fire Code of Canada* and *The National Building Code of Canada* at the time of the building's construction unless a certain requirement is not allowed to be grandfathered in.
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- 13.4. Third party fire inspections conducted by anyone other than the Fire Chief or their designate will not be recognized, and the businesses shall be required to still have an annual fire inspection conducted by the Fire Chief or their designate.
- 13.5. If deficiencies are observed, the owner must correct these deficiencies by a deadline determined by the Fire Chief or their designate. If the deficiencies observed are serious enough, the business will be ordered to shut down immediately as per *The Fire Safety Act*, until the deficiencies are resolved and until the business can have the property re-inspected by the Fire Chief or their designate.

14. OPEN FIRES

- 14.1. No person shall light, ignite, start, or allow to be lighted, ignited, or started a fire of any kind whatsoever in the open air without first having obtained a written permit to do so from the Fire Chief substantially in the form of *Schedule "A2"* set out in Appendices of this bylaw. Approved fire pits are exempt from this section, see *Section 15*.
- 14.2. A person to whom a permit has been issued, shall ensure a competent person is in constant attendance to prevent the fire from getting beyond control, or causing damage, or becoming dangerous.
- 14.3. No permit shall be required to light, ignite, start, or allow to be lighted, ignited or started a fire in a barbecue, grill or similar device used to cook food. However, no charcoal burners shall be kindled or maintained on combustible balconies or within 3.1 meters (10 ft) of the base of combustible patio located in multi-unit dwellings.
- 14.4. The Fire Chief or their designate may, when conditions warrant, post a ban on all open fires, including cooking fires, with the exception of those cooking fires made with charcoal and enclosed in a sturdy metal container designed specifically for such a purpose, or those cooking fires made within an approved propane grill.
- 14.5. Nothing contained in this section shall relieve any person from complying with all relevant laws, regulations or bylaws, and in particular, with the provisions of *The Clean Air Act*, as amended and revised from time to time, and *The Fire Safety Act*, as amended and revised from time to time, and the regulations passed pursuant thereto.

15. FIRE PITS

- 15.1. Open-air fires must be contained in a manufactured noncombustible receptacle constructed of cement or brick, large rocks or sheet metal which has a minimum 10 -gauge thickness (1/4 inch to 5/16 inch) and designed for the use as a fire pit; and be approved by the Fire Chief or Fire Inspector.
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- 15.2.** The receptacle must be located on private property, a distance of at least 3.1 meters (10 feet) from any property line, building or combustible structures or from trees or combustible vegetation that might be situated on the property.
- 15.3.** The area 40 cm (16 inches) on the ground around the receptacle shall be free of combustible materials or vegetation and shall be covered with sand. The area directly under the receptacle shall also consist of sand or another type of noncombustible material such as concrete or brick.
- 15.4.** The fuel for open-air fires may consist only of charcoal briquettes or cut seasoned wood. The burning of the following or any other materials is prohibited
- (i) Rubbish;
 - (ii) Garden refuse or leaves;
 - (iii) Manure;
 - (iv) Livestock or animal carcasses;
 - (v) Any material classified as a dangerous good; and
 - (vi) Any material which when burned will generate black smoke or an offensive odor including insulation from electrical coring or equipment, asphalt roofing materials, hydrocarbons plastics, rubber materials, creosote wood or any similar material.
- 15.5.** Open-air fires must be supervised at all times to prevent their spread.
- 15.6.** Open-air fires are not to be set in windy conditions which are conducive to creating a running fire, and if smoke from an open-air fire causes an unreasonable interference with the use and enjoyment of another person's property the fire must be extinguished immediately.
- 15.7.** Continued offenses of this nature could call for the immediate removal of the fire pit at the discretion of the Fire Chief or Bylaw Enforcement Officer.
- 15.8.** If, due to excessive flames and/or smoke of any residential open-air fire pit, a call is placed to the Fire Department and firefighters are dispatched, the owner of the fire pit shall be assessed a fine in accordance with fee schedule outlined in *Appendix "A"*.
- 15.9.** Nothing in this section shall relieve any person from complying with the provisions of *The Clean Air Act* of the Province of Saskatchewan and the regulations passed pursuant thereto.

16. CHIMINEA AND PORTABLE FIRE PITS

- 16.1.** All chiminea and portable fire pits on private property shall:
- (i) Not be used on wood decks or on apartment balconies;
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- (ii) not be used within 3.1 meters (10 feet) of any building or combustible material;
- (iii) not be used in an enclosed, unventilated area, to prevent a dangerous and potentially fatal buildup of carbon monoxide;
- (iv) not be placed under a structure, awning, or trees;
- (v) be placed on a non-combustible surface such as concrete which extends far enough in front of the fire box opening to catch any embers that may fall out when cleaning or fueling;
- (vi) be removed if determined by the Fire Department if constituted as a fire or life safety hazard.

17. WOOD STORAGE

17.1. Except for lumber in transit or in the process of erection on a construction site or materials stored at a lumberyard, no person shall:

- (i) Pile or be permitted to pile any lumber, wood or any other combustibles or debris on private property within 3.1 meters (10 feet) of any dwelling;
- (ii) allow piles of lumber to sit directly on the ground. Piles of lumber, wood, or other materials shall be raised at least 15.24 cm (6 inches) off the ground to allow for air circulation and prevent habitation for rodents;
- (iii) stack woods used for fireplaces or wood stoves in piles exceeding 1.5 meters (4.9 feet) in height or in amounts perceived by the local Fire Inspector as to constitute a hazard;
- (iv) be allowed to pile wood used for fireplaces or wood stoves, unless the piles are suitably braced or anchored as not to allow them to fall over, or
- (v) be allowed to stock pile excessive amounts of wood, lumber or other combustibles in or on any residential, commercial or industrial properties without first having obtained permission from the Fire Inspector.

18. STORAGE OF CONTAINERS AND MATERIALS

18.1. All boxes, crates, pallets, and other containers, empty or otherwise, used or kept in any building or on any lot shall be:

- (i) stacked or piled to keep them clear of windows and doors ensuring clear ingress and egress to or from any part of the premises or building;
 - (ii) piled or stacked so as not to encroach onto property lines or adjacent properties or streets and kept away from any source of ignition.
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- 18.2. The Fire Inspector shall order any accumulation of boxes, pallets, crates, or other containers, packing material or other such materials, which in their opinion constitute a fire hazard to be removed.
- 18.3. The accumulation of tall grass or vegetation around these boxes, pallets, crates, or containers, which constitute a fire hazard, is prohibited.

19. FIRE BANS

- 19.1. Notwithstanding any provision in this bylaw, the Fire Chief may under their discretion declare a complete ban of any burning of any kind in the municipality under the authority of *The Fire Safety Act*.
- 19.2. The Fire Chief will coordinate fire bans with Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency and;
 - (i) No person shall ignite or allow any kind of fire when a complete ban on burning has been declared by the Fire Chief;
 - (ii) active fire permits shall be rescinded immediately; and
 - (iii) a person who fails to comply with the fire ban and the direction of a member from the Fire Department to extinguish a fire during a fire ban will be subject to the fees outlined in Appendix "A"
- 19.3. Traditional smokers, propane grills and fire pits or fires contained in a stove, are exempt from all fire bans declared in the Tri-Communities.

20. FIRE HYDRANTS

- 20.1. No fence, shrub, tree or other object shall be placed:
 - (i) Within one (1) meter, (3 feet) of a fire hydrant.
 - 20.2. No vehicle shall be parked in front of any fire hydrant. Damages sustained to vehicles and or property due to firefighter(s) gaining access to a fire hydrant, will be the owner's responsibility.
 - 20.3. Private fire hydrants shall be maintained in operating condition and shall be inspected every 12 months, which includes:
 - (i) Hydrant caps are in place and worn or rusted threads shall be repaired or replaced;
 - (ii) the owner of the private hydrant shall provide a written notification when the fire hydrant is out of service and when it is back in service.
 - 20.4. When large amounts of snow have accumulated, fire hydrants are to be kept clear of snow with:
 - (i) A minimum of one (1) meter, (3 feet) circumference around all hydrants;
 - (ii) Access to the hydrant from the street must be kept clear of snow, and a path to the hydrant must be maintained;
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- (iii) Snow piles and snow ridges shall not be placed next to or on top of a hydrant in a way that blocks the visibility or the safe and efficient operation of a hydrant.

21. PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION

- 21.1.** The civic address of any building or structure shall be permanently displayed on the front of the building in a way that it can be clearly visible from the street and in accordance to each municipality's signage bylaws.
- 21.2.** In the event the building or structure has a driveway and/or laneway, and it isn't possible to display the civic address on the building or structure in a way that can be clearly visible from the street, the owner shall have the civic address posted the end of the laneway at the main entrance of the property.

22. SECURING OF PREMISES

- 22.1.** After the event of a fire or other emergency in which had caused the Fire Department to respond to the property in question, and the property has sustained serious damage, the owner of the property is responsible for securing the property in such a way to prevent people from entering the building or structure.
- 22.2.** In the event the building or structure appears to be in a state in which poses a serious life safety concern, the Fire Chief or their designate may order the demolition of the building or structure. The owner shall make arrangements to have the building or structure demolished and notify the Fire Department after it has been completed. Failure to demolish a structure that has been deemed to be a life and safety risk, the Fire Chief shall hire contractors to complete the work and forward the invoice to the municipal office of where the fire took place. The municipality shall be responsible for the payment of the demolition and ensuring the property owner pays back the municipality.

23. VACANT BUILDINGS

- 23.1.** Under the *National Fire Code of Canada*, as revised and amended from time to time, all vacant buildings shall be secured against unauthorized entry. This is the responsibility of the building and/or property owner.
- 23.2.** All exterior windows and doors, whether broken or intact, shall be boarded up to prevent unauthorized entry.
- 23.3.** Boards used to cover windows and doors, shall be cut so as to fit tightly against the entry point to prevent a person from prying off the boards.

24. PERSONS PRESENT AT EMERGENCY SCENES

- 24.1.** No person shall obstruct, hinder or delay an emergency vehicle while responding to an emergency or while in attendance of an emergency. A person who fails to yield to any emergency vehicle will be subject to fines in accordance to the *Traffic Safety Act* as revised and amended from time to time.
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24.2. For the life safety of firefighters, no person shall drive any motorized vehicle over a fire hose, while in use or about to be used unless authorized to do so by Fire Department personnel.

24.3. No person shall cross a barrier with the words:

FIRE LINE – DO NOT CROSS

24.4. Persons at an emergency scene are to follow all orders given by the Fire Chief or their designate or be escorted away from the scene by local RCMP Officers.

25. FIREWORKS

25.1. No person shall sell any High-Hazard fireworks to another person unless the purchaser holds a valid Fireworks Display Supervisor Certificate.

25.2. No person or business shall sell any Low-Hazard fireworks to another person unless the purchaser is 18 years of age or older.

25.3. No person shall ignite sky lanterns within the municipal boundaries of the Tri-Communities.

25.4. Any business that sells Low-Hazard fireworks shall display a sign indicating the age requirements. The business is ultimately responsible for ensuring that the purchaser is 18 years of age or older.

26. DISCHARGE OF LOW HAZARD FIREWORKS

26.1. No person shall discharge any Low-Hazard fireworks and no person being the owner or occupant of any premises shall permit any Low-Hazard fireworks to be discharged except:

- a) Between the hours of dusk and 11:00pm on Canada Day, or;
- b) Between the hours of dusk on New Year's Eve to 12:15am on New Year's Day.

26.2. No person shall set off any fireworks in a manner that would endanger or nuisance to another person or property.

26.3. No person shall set off any fireworks during a declared fire ban outlined in *Section 19* of this bylaw.

26.4. No person shall set off any fireworks on a street or other public place except as part of a public High-Hazard fireworks display as permitted by this bylaw.

26.5. A fee for service shall occur as outlined in *Appendix A*, when any costs incurred by the Fire Department when called upon to extinguish such fire when, in the opinion of the Fire Chief or their designate, the fire was a result of fireworks being discharged.

27. PUBLIC FIREWORKS DISPLAYS

- 27.1.** A public fireworks display shall only be held in public locations approved and designated by the Fire Chief.
- 27.2.** No person or organization shall hold a High-Hazard public fireworks display without first obtaining approval from the Fire Chief. An application for such a permit shall be made using the form set out in *Schedule "A2"* and shall be submitted to the Fire Department for review with the fee set out in *Appendix A*. The application must be submitted at least (30) days in advance of the display.
- 27.3.** Approval for a public fireworks display using High-Hazard fireworks shall only be issued to a Fireworks Display Supervisor who holds a minimum Level I card issued by Natural Resources Canada, and the person(s) shall supervise the display.
- 27.4.** An applicant for a permit for a High-Hazard public fireworks display shall provide to the Fire Department at least (14) days prior to the fireworks display, proof of liability insurance for the event of \$2,000,000.00.
- 27.5.** The Fire Chief may refuse a Fireworks Permit if it is in their opinion:
 - a) The applicant has failed to provide adequate insurance coverage;
 - b) The proposed fireworks display location poses a fire risk, a hazard to nearby properties or fire suppression equipment is not in place;
 - c) The fireworks display poses a danger to public health and safety, and/or;
 - d) An incomplete Fireworks Permit application has been submitted.
- 27.6.** In accordance to the National Fire Code of Canada, a public fireworks display using High-Hazard fireworks, shall be conducted in conformance with the current "Fireworks Display Manual" prepared by Natural Resources Canada.
- 27.7.** The Fire Chief or their designate is granted authority to seize, take, remove or cause to be removed, at the expense of the owner, all stocks of fireworks stored or held in violation of this bylaw.
- 27.8.** Following a fireworks display event, regardless of hazard classification, all unused or spent firework shells, shall be immediately removed from the site and disposed of by the person holding the Firework Permit.

28. MUNICIPALITY MAY ACT

- 28.1.** If any work directed to be done by an Order under this bylaw is not done within the time specified in the Order, in addition to any other remedy available for the enforcement of the Order, the municipality may authorize its employees or agents to enter the premises affected by the Order and carry out the work required to comply with the Order.
 - 28.2.** Subject to the right of appeal of an Order as set out in *The Fire Safety Act*, as amended and revised from time to time, the cost incurred by the municipality in
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carrying out the work necessary to comply with the Order shall be added to the taxes of the property on which the work was done.

29. OFFENCES

29.1. Any person who hinders or interferes with any person charged with responsibility for the administration of this bylaw, in the exercise of any powers or the performance of any duties under this bylaw is guilty of an offence.

29.2. Any person who fails to comply with any Order served pursuant to this bylaw within the time set out therein, or who contravenes any provision of this bylaw is guilty of an offence.

29.3. Everyone commits an offence who:

- (i) Blocks or causes to be blocked, an exit or access to an exit out of any building, structure or premises;
- (ii) neglects to maintain in proper operating condition a fire exit door or fire exit hardware on a fire exit door in any building, structure or premises;
- (iii) neglects to maintain standards in any building, structure or premises, in compliance with The National Fire Code of Canada, as amended and revised from time to time;
- (iv) neglects to maintain an automatic sprinkler system, special extinguishing system or alarm system in any building, structure or premises, in compliance with The National Fire Code of Canada, as amended and revised from time to time;
- (v) permits combustible waste materials to accumulate in or around any building in quantities or location that constitute a Hazardous Condition;
- (vi) stores flammable liquids or compressed gasses in any building, structure, premises or open space except in the manner provided in The National Fire Code Canada, as amended and revised from time to time;
- (vii) blocks or causes to be blocked open a smoke or fire door in a fire separation in any building, structure or premises;
- (viii) blocks, or causes to be blocked, fire lanes or exits in any manner from the exterior;
- (ix) enters into a building, section of a building or an area marked with tape, or posted with a sign carrying the words:

FIRE LINE - DO NOT CROSS

- (x) drives, or causes to be driven, any vehicle or equipment across or over a fire hose, except when directed to do so, and in a manner as directed, by a Member of the Department;
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- (xi) neglects or refuses to follow the directions, orders or instructions of a Member of the Department at the scene of an Emergency.

29.4. For the purposes of this section, everyone who commits an offence may elect to make a voluntary payment of \$300.00 in accordance with the directions contained in the notice of Bylaw violation served on the person.

30. PENALTIES

30.1. A person guilty of a breach of any of the provisions of this Bylaw for which no specific penalty has been provided, shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than:

- (i) \$2,000.00 in the case of an individual; and
- (i) \$5,000.00 in the case of a limited company or corporation.

30.2. In the case of an offence that is of a continuing nature, any person convicted of an offence under this bylaw is liable to a further fine of not more than \$250.00 for each day or portion thereof during which the offence continues.

31. POWERS OF JUDGE

31.1. No person who is convicted of an offence for failure to comply with an Order made pursuant to this bylaw is relieved from compliance with the Order, and the convicting Provincial Court Judge or Justice of the Peace shall, in addition to any fine, Order that the person do, within a specified period of time, any act or work necessary to comply with the said order;

31.2. In addition to any other remedy or penalty available, any person who fails to comply with the Order of a Provincial Court Judge or Justice of the Peace is liable to a further fine of not more than \$250.00 for each day or portion thereof during which the person fails to comply.

32. ENFORCEMENT

32.1. Notice of Violation

- (i) The Fire Chief, their designate or Bylaw Enforcement Officer may issue a Notice of Bylaw Violation to every person committing an offence under this section in the *Form "2"* attached to this bylaw as may be amended from time to time by the municipality.
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33. REPEAL

33.1. This bylaw repeals and replaces:

- (i) Bylaw 120/92 – Fire Prevention Bylaw
- (ii) Bylaw 310/22 – Administer a fire department and provide for the prevention of fires

34. COMING INTO FORCE

This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect on, from and after the final passing thereof.

Read a first time this 16th day of December 2025.

Read a second time this 16th day of December 2025.

Read a third time and adopted this 16th day of December 2025.

Mayor

Chief Administration Officer

(SEAL)



APPENDIX “A” OF BYLAW # 2025-06

La Ronge Regional Fire Department Fee Schedule

Service	Fee
<u>Inspection Services</u>	
Chimney Inspection Services	\$100.00/property
Property file search for 3 rd party companies	\$100.00/property
<u>False Alarm Responses</u>	
1 st Response	No Charge
2 nd Response	No Charge – with warning of future fee
3 rd Response or subsequent alarms <i>Per calendar year, this will reset every January 1st</i>	\$300.00 – per alarm response
<u>Emergency Response Charges</u> <i>These are charges that occur outside the Tri-Community boundaries not included in the Regional Fire Service Agreement OR when a response is required during a fire ban, or caused by improper use of a firework.</i>	
Extrication or vehicle fires Fire Engine 1, 2, 3 or Tanker 1, Disposables (ie. Extinguishers etc.) Staffing	SGI annual posted rates \$1300.00/hour (minimum)/per unit Full cost to replenish Full firefighter wages
<u>Permits</u>	
Fireworks Permit Application	\$50.00
Burn Permit	\$10.00
<u>Other Fire Department Services</u>	
First Aid CPR (all levels)	\$120.00/person
SCBA Compressor	\$20.00/cylinder fill
Training room and/or Boardroom rental	\$100.00/day
Fire extinguisher training	\$50.00/person
Occupant load calculations	\$75.00/property



SCHEDULE "A1"
La Ronge Regional Fire Department
High-Hazard Fireworks Public Display Permit Application

Pursuant to the provisions of Bylaw 2025-06 Fire Emergency Services Bylaw, permission is hereby granted to:

Name of applicant: (First Name) _____ (Last Name) _____

Applicant address: _____

Postal code: _____ Telephone: _____ Mobile: _____

I, _____

hereby request permission to hold a public fireworks display on (date) _____

To be exploded at (address or public location): _____

To be exploded by: _____ NRC Certificate No.: _____

To be exploded between the hours of _____ and _____

Fireworks Applicant

Check appropriate boxes to complete the application.

- ☐ Copies of valid Fireworks Display Supervisor cards attached to this permit.
- ☐ Copy of liability insurance to indemnify the Town of La Ronge, Northern Village of Air Ronge or Lac La Ronge Indian Band.
- ☐ Copy of safety procedures and site plan submitted for review.
- ☐ This permit must be available at all times at the above address during the exploding of fireworks.

VILLAGE OFFICE ONLY: ☐ \$50.00 Fee has been paid Initial: _____

Further, I agree to absolve the Town, Band, Village, the Fire Chief and any employees from any and all damages or civil litigation caused by or attributable to consumer fireworks display initiated by the owner, occupier or person in charge of the premises.

I have completed this application accurately and truthfully. By signing this application, I agree to be bound by the commitments I have made in the application and to have them form conditions on the permit issued.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Airport Manager Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Approval (Fire Chief): _____ Date: _____

The Fire Chief may revoke or suspend a fireworks display if the Fire Chief believes the applicant has contravened any of the conditions of the permit or the Fire Chief has life safety concerns with the display.

A copy of this application shall be forwarded to the Town of La Ronge Airport Manager to ensure Transport Canada Federal Regulations are adhered to, and pose no risks to flight paths.



SCHEDULE "A2"
La Ronge Regional Fire Department
Burn Permit Application

Pursuant to the provisions of Bylaw 2025-06 Fire Emergency Services Bylaw, permission is hereby granted to:

Name of applicant: (First Name) _____ (Last Name) _____

Applicant address: _____

Postal code: _____ Telephone: _____ Mobile: _____

I, _____

hereby request permission to complete a controlled burn on (date) _____

To be burned at (address): _____

To be burned between the hours of _____ and _____ Materials to be burned: _____

Applicant

Approval is subject to the following conditions:

- ☐ The holder of this permit shall be responsible for all damages caused by the burn.
- ☐ The holder of this permit shall be liable for all expenses incurred should the burn require a Fire Department response.
- ☐ The fire is to be kept as small as possible. Only clean wood, brush or grass is permitted.
- ☐ This permit must be available if requested at the burn location.
- ☐ Prior to any controlled burn, the Fire Chief or Deputy Fire Chief shall inspect the proposed location to ensure safety.
- ☐ Burning times are only allowed between **8am – 8pm each day**.
- ☐ **Controlled burns are restricted and not permitted without authorization from the Fire Department** within the municipalities to limit the possibility of a Wildland Urban Interface fire occurring as much as possible.
- ☐ Permit fee has been paid in accordance to the fee schedule outlined in the Fire and Emergency Services Bylaw.
- ☐ The holder of this permit **MUST call 1-866-404-4911** the Provincial Call Center to notify of the controlled burn **prior to beginning the burn**.

VILLAGE OFFICE ONLY:

☐ \$10.00 Fee has been paid

Initial: _____

I have completed this application accurately and truthfully. By signing this application, I agree to be bound by the commitments I have made in the application and to have them form conditions on the permit issued.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Approval (Fire Chief): _____ Date: _____

The Fire Chief may revoke or suspend the burn permit if the Fire Chief believes the applicant has contravened any of the conditions of the permit or the Fire Chief has life safety and property concerns with the controlled burn.

If a fire ban has been declared in the community, this burn permit will be terminated and the applicant will need to re-apply (applicant will not need to pay again for the permit). If a Fire Department response is required during a fire ban, the property owner will be responsible for fees set out in the Fire and Emergency Services Bylaw outlined under *Appendix "A"*.

Form 2 – Bylaw No. 2025-06
NORTHERN VILLAGE of AIR RONGE
BYLAW VIOLATION NOTICE

To		Date issued:
From	Northern Village of Air Ronge	File:
This official notice is issued for alleged breach of the following bylaw:		
Bylaw No.	2025-06, The Prevention of Fires and the preservation of lives	
Section No.		
Offence:		
Voluntary Payment:	\$	
<p>If this Notice is submitted to the Administrator within twenty (20) days from the date of issue, together with Voluntary Payment noted above, the Village shall not be liable for prosecution for the contravention in respect of which the ticket was issued.</p> <p>If the voluntary payment is not received by the specified date, a summons requiring your appearance in Provincial Court will be issued.</p>		
DETAILS OF ALLEGED BREACH OR VIOLATION:		
Date		Time
Location		
Particulars		
<hr/> <p>Northern Village of Air Ronge PO Box 100, Air Ronge, SK S0J 3G0 Telephone: (306)425-2107 Fax: (306) 425-3108 Email: villageoffice@airronge.ca</p>		