POLICY



| Section | Policy No. | Page |
|--|-------------|----------------------|
| ASB | 1-28 | 1 of 1 |
| Policy Title | Date: | Resolution |
| Weed Control - Weed Inspection & Enforcement | May 9, 2017 | No. 294/17 |

Purpose:

To establish a policy pursuant to the Alberta Weed Control Act, being Statutes of Alberta 2008 Chapter W-5.1 and the Alberta Weed Control Regulation (Alberta Regulation 19/2010) as amended.

Policy Statement:

Recognizing the need to control invasive weeds within Kneehill County, it is at the discretion of the Weed Inspector to determine if weed control action is required. Should control be necessary, the Inspector shall contact the owner/occupant of the land to start control procedures.

Policy Guidelines/Procedures:

- 1. Kneehill County, within its operational and fiscal capacity, shall conduct inspections of public and private lands as may be necessary to determine the presence of Prohibited Noxious and Noxious weeds.
- 2. The County Council shall appoint such designated "Inspectors" as required under Part 2 section7(1) of Alberta Weed Control Act.
- 3. The designated Inspector shall have all the duties, rights and powers conferred by the Alberta Weed Control Act.
- 4. The designated Inspector shall respond to all weed complaints received by the County in a timely matter.
- If Prohibited Noxious or Noxious weeds are found in sufficient quantity, that at the discretion of the Inspector requires control action, the Inspector shall make reasonable attempt to work with the owner/occupant in creating a plan for removal, using accepted integrated vegetation management practices.
- 6. In cases of non-compliance by the owner/occupant, a Weed Notice shall be issued pursuant to the Alberta Weed Control Act.
- 7. Kneehill County Council shall annually appoint an Agricultural Appeal Board to hear and determine appeals received by the municipality against notices issued by an Inspector under the Alberta Weed Control Act.

8. Kneehill County may offer weed inspection services to all Urban Municipalities within its boundary.

Bob Long,

Reeve

Al Hoggan, CAO

Amended:March 30, 2006152/06Amended:August 17, 2010393/10Amended:December 17, 2013569/13Amended:May 9, 2017294/17

Review Date: May 2020