

**BY-LAW NO: 169 - 1995**  
**PRIVATE ALARM SYSTEMS BYLAW**  
**SUMMER VILLAGE OF ITASKA BEACH**

BEING A BY-LAW OF THE SUMMER VILLAGE OF ITASKA BEACH TO ENTER INTO AN  
AGREEMENT WITH THE SUMMER VILLAGE OF SILVER BEACH FOR RESPONDING TO  
PRIVATE ALARM SYSTEMS

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**WHEREAS** the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M-26.1, R.S.A., 1994, and amendments thereto authorizes a Council to pass by-laws for services provided for by the municipality, and

**WHEREAS** private alarm systems are presently being responded to by the Pigeon Lake Constable Service at no cost to the owner of an alarm system, and

**WHEREAS** many of the activation of alarm systems constitute false alarms, and

**WHEREAS** the foregoing illustrates inefficient use of public funds for private benefit and establishes need for verification of alarms, monitoring of alarm systems and a partial recovery of the costs associated with the responses to false alarms by the Pigeon Lake Constable Service, and

**WHEREAS** the Summer Village of Silver Beach is the provider of law enforcement services to the Summer Village of Itaska Beach through its agency, the Pigeon Lake Constable Service has determined that a charge should be made for responses to private alarm systems, and

**WHEREAS** the Council of the Summer Village of Itaska Beach agrees with this concept:

**NOW THEREFORE** the Summer Village of Itaska Beach in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts this By-Law to regulate Private Alarm Systems ;

1. THIS By-Law may be cited as the Private Alarm Systems By-Law.
2. In this By-Law, unless the context requires otherwise:
  - a) "alarm business" means any person or persons who:

- i) engage in the business of selling, installing, leasing, maintaining, repairing, replacing, or servicing of alarm systems;
  - ii) monitor alarm systems and report to the Pigeon Lake Constable Service when an alarm system has been activated;
  
- b) "alarm system" means any device has intrusion, fire, low temperature and other capabilities. With respect to an intrusion, the system may transmit a signal or message to an alarm business indicating that the system has been activated
  
- c) "automatic calling device" means any device, or combination of devices, that will, when activated by mechanical, electronic or other means, transmit a signal or message to an alarm business indicating that an alarm system has been activated;
  
- d) "Council" means the Council of the Summer Village of Silver Beach;
  
- e) "false alarm" means any activation of an alarm system that results in a response of a member of the Pigeon Lake Constable Service to the location of the alarm system and that was not caused by;
  - i) an unauthorized entry into the protected residence, or
  - ii) an act of a person other than the permit holder or an employee of the alarm business which monitors the alarm system;
  
- 3.
  - a) "owner" means the owner of a residence who has made application to register an alarm system under this By-Law.
  
- 4.
  - a) An owner of a residence who wishes to have alarms responded to by the Pigeon Lake Constable Service may do so by submitting a registration application to the Summer Village of Silver Beach.
  
  - b) The application shall be in the form prescribed by the Summer Village of Silver Beach and shall contain the following information:
    - i) name, address and telephone number of the person registering

- ii) address of the residence;
  - iii) type of alarm system;
  - iv) if the alarm system is monitored, the name of the alarm business which monitors the alarm system;
  - v) names and telephone numbers of two persons who can be reached at any time who are authorized by the owner in which premises the alarm system is installed to access such premise, and who are in a position to respond to such premise within 30 minutes of being notified of the alarm.
- c) Information required in the application for an alarm system permit shall be treated as confidential and shall be used for the purposes associated with this By-Law.
- d) The owner of the alarm system shall notify the alarm business that he has registered the alarm system with the Summer Village of Silver Beach, Pigeon Lake Constable Service.
- e) If any of the information referred to in subsection 3(2) has been changed, the owner shall notify the Summer Village of Silver Beach and the alarm business, (if applicable).

5.

- a) Where an alarm system business receives a report of an alarm from a premise protected by an alarm system. whether through an automatic calling device or by other means the alarm business shall, before notifying the Pigeon Lake Constable Service, make all reasonable attempts to verify that the alarm is not a false alarm.

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- a) An alarm shall not be classified as false if the alarm business or owner informs the Pigeon Lake Constable Service prior to the arrival of the dispatched member of the Service that attendance at the location of the alarm is no longer required;
- b) Where an alarm system generates a false alarm, the owner shall pay the Summer Village of Silver Beach a response fee relating to the response of a member of the Pigeon Lake Constable Service to the location of the alarm in the amount as set out in Schedule "B" of this By-Law.


- c) If the response fee referred to in subsection (2) is not paid within 30 days of the receipt of the notice indicating that the Pigeon Lake Constable Service responded to a false alarm at the owner's residence, the alarm system registration will be terminated and the Pigeon Lake Constable will no longer respond to alarms.
7. No person shall provide, use, maintain or install, or permit the use, maintenance or installation of any automatic calling device which is programmed to access the Pigeon Lake Constable Service telephone number (403) 389-3927 or any other telephone number assigned to the Pigeon Lake Constable Service.
8. Any person who contravenes section 6 of this By-Law is guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding \$500.00 dollars.
9. Registration is voluntary. No alarm systems shall be responded to by the Pigeon Lake Constabulary unless the owner has registered and paid the fees as set out in Schedule "A".

**READ** a first time this **12th.** day of **October, 1995.**

**READ** a second time this **12th.** day of **October, 1995.**

**READ** a third time and finally passed this **12th.** day of **October, 1995.**

  
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R. B. Johnston, Mayor

  
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John F. Tyler, Chief Administrative Officer

SCHEDULE ' A '

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| 1. | Registration for alarm systems per calender year. (Except that for the year 1995 the registration fee is reduced to \$25.00) | \$ 50.00 |
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SCHEDULE ' B '

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| 2. | Fee for Service for Response to False Alarms | \$ 50.00 |
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**ALL FEES OUTLINED IN SCHEDULES " A " AND " B " ARE PAYABLE TO THE SUMMER VILLAGE OF SILVER BEACH.**

PIGEON LAKE CONSTABLE SERVICE

ALARM SYSTEM BY-LAW - ALARM REGISTRATION APPLICATION

The Councils of the Summer Villages of Argentia Beach, Golden Days, Itaska Beach and Silver Beach have agreed that there is an inefficient use of public funds for private benefit and have established that there is a need for partial recovery of costs associated with responses to private alarms systems. The Alarm System By-Law is intended to promote the responsible use of alarm systems and to introduce a user-pay concept so that property owners who do not have alarm systems are not subsidizing the costs of responses to private alarms, especially false alarms.

Effective June 1st, 1995, property owners who wish to have the Pigeon Lake Constable Service respond to their private alarms are required to register and pay the required fees. Registration is voluntary. **Those who choose not to register will no longer receive responses to alarms**

ALARM REGISTRATION APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

**REGISTRATION APPLICANT:** The registration applicant must be the owner(s) of the premises that the alarm is protecting.

**ADDRESS OF PROTECTED PREMISES:** Be as complete as possible with your address. If your Summer Village has a municipal numbering system, please include that as well as the legal description of your property, i.e, lot, block and plan number.

ALARM SYSTEM DETAILS

**Alarm Registration Fees:** There is an annual fee of \$50.00 per calendar year except for the year 1995 which has been set at \$25.00.

**Alarm Company currently responsible for your alarm system:** Name and details of the alarm company that is by contract associated to your alarm system to provide service, maintenance and monitoring, etc.

Alarm type:

Monitored

Monitored by an alarm company

Audible

Audible sound generated, no monitoring alarm company

Alarm capabilities:

Intrusion

Fire

Low Temp

Water Level

Other

**Monitored by:** Name and details of the company responsible for monitoring your alarm system.

**KEY HOLDERS:** You are required to supply the name(s) of a service and/or two persons in the area who are able to be reached at any time; have authorized access to the premises and the ability respond to your premises within 30 minutes of being notified of the alarm. You are required to update information regarding key holders.

Notify your alarm company of instructions and/or changes regarding your key holders. The alarm company must contact your key holders in the event of an alarm.

To be registered please mail the completed application forms along with accompanying cheque made payable to THE SUMMER VILLAGE OF SILVER BEACH, 9322-73rd Avenue, Edmonton, Alberta T6E 1A7.

You are also reminded that the response to private alarm systems is restricted to the authority given by Alberta Justice to Special Constables in the employ of the Pigeon Lake Constable Service. **SPECIAL CONSTABLES HAVE NO AUTHORITY UNDER THE CRIMINAL CODE. WHERE A RESPONSE TO AN ALARM REVEALS THAT CRIMINAL ACTIVITY IS TAKING PLACE OR SUSPECTED OF TAKING PLACE, THE SPECIAL CONSTABLE WILL NOTIFY THE R.C.M.P. DETACHMENT HAVING JURISDICTION IN THE AREA.**

#### IMPORTANT BY-LAW INFORMATION

Registration is voluntary. The Constable Service will not respond to alarms that have not been registered

Fee for service for response to false alarms:

You will be allowed three false alarms in each six month period. You cannot "bank" "unused" false alarms. If you exceed your allotment of false alarms, you will be charged \$50.00 per false alarm.

#### **AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE DIALERS**

No person shall provide, use, maintain or install or permit the use, maintenance or installation of any automatic calling device which is programmed to access the Pigeon Lake Constable Service telephone number (403) 389-3927 or any telephone number assigned to the Pigeon Lake Constable Service. Any person who contravenes this provision of the By-Law is guilty of an offence and liable to a fine not exceeding \$500.00

**PIGEON LAKE CONSTABLE SERVICE**  
THE SUMMER VILLAGE OF SILVER BEACH

**ALARM SYSTEM BY-LAW-ALARM REGISTRATION**

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Year Month Day

**APPLICANT**  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY, TOWN VILLAGE: \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

**ALARM SYSTEM DETAILS**  
ADDRESS OF ALARMED PREMISES: \_\_\_\_\_  
Municipal Address and Lot, Block and Plan Number  
**ALARM COMPANY CURRENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR ALARM SYSTEM: (If applicable)**  
COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_  
ALARM TYPE: (Check One)     MONITORED     AUDIBLE  
CAPABILITIES:  INTRUSION  FIRE  LOW TEMP. ( ) OTHER \_\_\_\_\_  
ALARM SYSTEM MONITORED BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_  
ALARM PURPOSE IF OTHER THAN INTRUSION:  EMERGENCY  OTHER: \_\_\_\_\_

**KEYHOLDERS:**  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ CELLULAR OR PAGER: \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ CELLULAR OR PAGER: \_\_\_\_\_

*I certify that all the information contained in this application is correct. I also understand and accept that the cancellation of the Alarm Permit to the above noted address may also mean the cancellation of attendance to the reports of alarm incidents originating from my alarm system.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_