

A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT RESPECTING THE PROVISION OF LIBRARY SERVICES

WHEREAS the municipality of Rural Municipality of Aberdeen #373 together with the municipalities listed on the attached schedule, pursuant to *The Public Libraries Act, 1996*, have associated themselves each with the others in establishing and operating a regional library to be known as

THE WHEATLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY & LEARN CENTRE

AND WHEREAS the terms of such association to be performed by each of the said municipalities have been set out in an agreement attached as schedule "A" to this Bylaw and have been confirmed by Bylaw of each of the said municipalities;

AND WHEREAS the said agreement provides for the admission of other municipalities for the said purpose and upon the same said terms:

NOW THEREFORE THE Reeve and the council of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen No. 373

IN OPEN MEETING ASSEMBLED ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1. This bylaw shall be known as the Regional Library Bylaw.
2. It shall be lawful for the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen #373 to enter into the said agreement with the said associate municipalities and with such other municipalities as have been or may be admitted as associated municipalities for the said purpose which agreement is incorporated as Schedule "A" to this Bylaw and forms part hereof.
3. The Reeve and Administrator are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute the said agreement on behalf of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen #373 and to attach the Corporate Seal of the Rural Municipality of Aberdeen #373 thereto and to do or cause to be done all acts, matters and things which may be necessary for the due performance and fulfillment of the terms of the said agreement.
4. The Bylaw shall come into force and take effect from and after the day of the final passing thereof.
5. Bylaw 82-1 is hereby repealed.

Certified a true copy of Bylaw No. 9705

Adopted by Resolution No. 9705 of Council

on the 9th day of June, 19 97

Mary E. Glenister
Administrator OF JUNE A.D. 19 97

INTRODUCED AND READ A FIRST TIME THIS

READ THE SECOND TIME THIS 9th DAY OF JUNE A.D. 19 97
READ THE THIRD TIME THIS 9th DAY OF JUNE A.D. 19 97

[Signature]

(Mayor or Reeve)

Mary E. Glenister

(Clerk or Administrator)

SCHEDULE "A"

VILLAGES	POPULATION
ARNSEY	161
HANDEL	38
HARRIS	214
HEPBURN	463
HERSCHEL	53
KELFIELD	7
KENASTON	309
KINLEY	32
LAIRD	221
LANDIS	228

R.M.'S	POPULATION
ABERDEEN #373	730
ANTELOPE PARK #32	193
BAYNE #371	698
BIGGAR #347	1057
BLUCHER # 343	1225
CANAAN #225	204
CHESTERFIELD #261	646
COLONSAY #342	357
CORMAN PARK #344	6800
COTEAU #255	529
FORDURN #314	569
EAGLE CREEK #376	554
FERTILE VALEY #285	657
GLENSIDE #377	425
GRANDVIEW #349	503
GRASS LAKE # 381	560
HARRIS #316	295
HEART'S HILL #352	410
KINDERSLEY #290	1083
KING GEORGE #256	309
LACADENA #228	888
LAIRD #404	1102
LOST RIVER #313	260
MARIPOSA #350	337
MARRIOTT #317	598
McCRANEY #282	513
MILDEN #286	328
MILTON #292	247

TOTALS:	TOWNS	40748
	R.M.'S	38244
GRAND TOTAL:		88090

VILLAGES	POPULATION
TESSIER	39
THODE	68
TRAMPING LAKE	143
VANSCOY	331
VISCOUNT	299
WISETON	120
YOUNG	352
ZELMA	69
TOTAL:	9098

R.M.'S	POPULATION
MONET #257	667
MONTROSE #315	714
MORRIS #312	494
MOUNTAIN VIEW #318	413
NEWCOMBE #260	368
OAKDALE #320	388
PERDUE #346	482
PLEASANT VALLEY #28:	462
PRAIRIEDALE #321	362
PROGRESS #351	423
REFORD #379	417
ROSEDALE #283	524
ROSEMOUNT #378	223
ROSTHERN #403	1817
ROUND VALLEY #410	517
RUDY #284	415
ST.ANDREWS #287	585
SNIPE LAKE #259	707
TRAMPING LAKE #380	390
USBORNE #310	618
VANSCOY #345	2308
VICTORY #226	573
VISCOUNT #341	549
WINSLOW #319	447
WOLVERINE #340	641
WOOD CREEK #281	394
WREFORD #280	269

TOTAL:	38244
VILLAGES	9098

SCHEDULE "A"

TOWNS	POPULATION	TOWNS	POPULATION
ABERDEEN	474	KYLE	533
ALLAN	765	LANGHAM	1185
ASQUITH	525	LANIGAN	1397
BIGGAR	2351	LUSELAND	658
BRUNO	656	MARTENSVILLE	3310
COLONSAY	453	NOKOMIS	459
DALMENY	1436	OSLER	634
DELISLE	874	OUTLOOK	2091
DUNDURN	496	ROSETOWN	2519
EATONIA	505	ROSTHERN	1560
ELROSE	577	SCOTT	118
ESTON	1210	UNITY	2227
HAGUE	655	WALDHEIM	812
HANLEY	499	WARMAN	2644
KERROBERT	1143	WATROUS	1872
KINDERSLEY	4572	WILKIE	1401
		ZEALANDIA	137
TOTAL:	40748		

VILLAGES	POPULATION	VILLAGES	POPULATION
A. NAC	17	LOCKWOOD	26
ALSASK	319	LOVERNA	21
ARELEE	25	LUCKY LAKE	341
BEECHY	298	MACRORIE	126
BIRSAY	65	MADISON	20
BLADWORTH	111	MAJOR	64
BOUNTY	28	MANITOU BEACH	138
BRADWELL	148	MANTARIO	20
BROCK	157	MARENGO	69
BRODERICK	93	MEACHAM	116
CANDO	96	MILDEN	228
CLAVET	359	NETHERHILL	48
COLEVILLE	372	PERDUE	395
CONQUEST	224	PLENTY	170
COTEAU BEACH	19	PLUNKETT	118
DINSMORE	374	RUTHILDA	19
DODSLAND	269	SALVADOR	50
DRAKE	243	SHEILDS	35
ELSTOW	104	SIMPSON	212
FLAXCOMBE	123	SMILEY	71
GLENSIDE	80	SOVEREIGN	66
GLIDDEN	49	SPRINGWATER	25

An Agreement By and Between the

Municipalities Comprising the Wheatland Regional Library & Learn Centre

Agreement made between the municipalities comprising the Wheatland Regional Library.

WHEREAS, *The Public Libraries Act, 1996* (the "Act") requires that the council of every municipality within the Wheatland Regional Library boundaries shall enter into a regional library agreement with the council of every other municipality within the regional library boundaries, for the purpose of providing regional library services within those boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the council of the **R.M. Of Aberdeen #373** has, in accordance with the Act, passed a bylaw approving the association of the said Wheatland Regional Library with every other municipality within the regional library boundaries which executes under seal a like agreement.

NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH that the **R.M. Of Aberdeen #373** hereby agrees to associate itself with every other municipality within the regional library boundaries in the establishment and operation of a regional library pursuant to the Act, and the Regulations thereunder (the "Regulations"), and upon the following covenants, undertakings and conditions:

1. ASSOCIATION:

The municipalities listed in Schedule A, (the "participating municipalities"), hereby agree to associate and participate with each other in the operation of a regional library to be known as the Wheatland Regional Library.

2. PURPOSE:

The purpose of the said regional library shall be to provide public library services within its boundaries in accordance with the Act and Regulations and Regional Library Board Bylaws and Policy Statements as amended from time to time.

3. TERM:

- a) This Agreement is a continuing agreement and shall not be terminated unless the Regional Library Board is dissolved in accordance with the Act and Regulations.
- b) The Regional Library Board shall conduct a review of this Agreement at least once every five years and on the request of any party to this Agreement. A request for a review must be in writing to the secretary of the Regional Library Board with a copy to the Provincial Librarian.
- c) The Regional Library Board shall conduct the review within 12 months of receiving the written request and, if appropriate, shall prepare a revised agreement for the approval of the municipalities.
- d) Any changes to the Agreement brought about by a review are subject to the approval of two-thirds of the participating municipalities representing two-thirds of the participating population. changes to the Agreement are effective and binding on all participating municipalities when the changes have been approved in writing and signed by the appropriate signing officers of each of the participating municipalities representing two-thirds of the participating municipalities and representing two-thirds of the participating population.
- e) Disputes arising out of the interpretation or performance of this Agreement are to be dealt with by mediation pursuant to section 23 of the Regulations and, where the mediation fails to resolve the dispute or the parties do not agree to mediation, by arbitration in accordance with section 11 of the Regulations, with any necessary changes.

4. REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD

The general management, control, and operation of a regional library is vested in a Regional Library Board, to be known as "The Wheatland Regional Library & Learn Centre".

a) Regional Library board Composition

The Regional Library Board is a corporation, consisting of one member appointed by each municipality that participates in the regional library

agreement for each 5,000 of its population, or fraction thereof, appointed from among the electors resident within the municipalities participating in the regional library.

If there is a local library board in a municipality that participates in a regional library agreement, the council shall appoint persons who are members of the local library board as members of the regional library board.

b) Regional Library Board Powers

The Regional Library Board may acquire, erect, rent or lease and maintain any necessary lands and buildings, or erect any necessary buildings; sell, exchange, lease or otherwise dispose of any of its assets no longer required for public library purposes; borrow on the security of its assets for the purpose of operating the public library or for the purchase of buildings and equipment; establish and maintain a capital fund to be used for the acquisition or leasing of buildings and equipment ; invest any part of the capital fund or other moneys of the public library board in any security or class of securities authorized for investment of moneys in the general revenue fund pursuant to *The Financial Administration Act, 1993*, and dispose of the investments it considers appropriate; accept any gift, grant, devise or bequest of any property or moneys made to it; act as a trustee of any moneys or property given in any manner for the support of the library system; enter into any agreements for the purposes of performing the duties imposed and exercising the powers conferred on it by the Act; and do anything that it considers necessary or incidental to carrying out its duties or exercising its functions or that it considers necessary or incidental to carrying out the purposes of the Act.

The Regional Library Board shall make whatever policies it deems necessary for the operation of branch libraries within its geographical area.

All other current policies as published in March, 1997 consolidation shall continue.

The Regional Library Board may designate, in co-operation with the council of a participating municipality that has a local library, any

number of those local libraries as regional reference centres in order to provide information and reference services for the region.

The Board shall appoint a person who has a degree in Library or Information Science from a University accredited by the American Library Association as Library Director of the Regional Library in accordance with the Act. This person shall be known as the Executive Director of the Regional Library and is the secretary to the Regional Library Board and to all committees of the Regional Library Board, but shall not have a vote.

c) Regional Library Board Duties

It is the duty of the Regional Library Board to provide public library services to the residents of Saskatchewan within the area it serves, to designate the location of the headquarters of the regional library, to prepare a policy statement to govern the operations of its libraries, to administer regulations on the use of libraries and materials, and to keep records and accounts as provided in the Act and Regulations.

The Regional Library Board is not responsible for any disruption to services due to acts of God or other cause for which the Regional Library Board is not responsible.

5. REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD MEETINGS/QUORUM:

- a) A Regional Library Board shall hold its annual meeting between January 1 and May 15 in each year in accordance with Section 35 of the Act.
- b) The date of the annual meeting may be fixed by the Executive Committee.
- c) A majority of the members of the Regional Library Board or of the executive committee present constitutes a quorum, in accordance with Section 36 of the Act.

6. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- a) At its annual meeting, the Regional Library Board shall elect from

among its members an executive committee to carry out the day-to-day business of the Regional Library Board and the operation of the regional library in accordance with the Act.

- b) Any officers as determined by the Regional Library Board shall be elected from and by the regional board members in accordance with the Regional Library Board bylaws.
- c) The Executive Director of the regional library is the secretary to the Regional Library Board and to all committees of the Regional Library Board but does not vote.
- d) The executive committee shall serve with the powers and responsibilities as determined in the bylaws passed by the Regional Library Board.

7. LIBRARY FACILITIES

- a) The councils of participating municipalities shall ensure that accommodation for local libraries is provided and shall be in accordance with the standards prescribed for library facilities in accordance with the Regulations and the Regional Library Board policies.
- b) The councils of participating municipalities who's residents use a local library shall make decisions regarding the local library facility and its location in consultation with the Local Library Board and the Regional Library Board.

8. FINANCE:

- a) The regional library shall be financed by grants from the Provincial Government and by levy payments made by each municipality, in accordance with the Act and Regulations.
- b) The Regional Library Board shall determine the amount of the annual levies to be made by each participating municipality.
- c) Where a municipality contributes more than 25% of the annual municipal grants made to a Regional Library Board, the Regional Library Board shall not require any increase in the amount of the grant unless the municipality agrees.

- d) Levies shall be payable in two installments, the first installment due by the 15th of January and the second installment due by the 15th of July in each year.
- e) Interest on overdue accounts shall be calculated at 1 1/2% per month compounding.
- f) Failure to pay a levy within 90 days shall result in whatever collection action is deemed necessary by the Executive Committee.
- g) The councils of participating municipalities shall ensure that accommodation for local libraries is provided in accordance with the Regulations and shall contribute financially in an amount determined by the council for the provision and maintenance of that accommodation.

9. DISSOLUTION AND DISPOSAL OF ASSETS:

In the event of the discontinuance of the regional library or the dissolution of the Regional Library Board, the affairs and assets of the library will be wound up in accordance with the Act and Regulations.

10. SEVERANCE:

Any term or condition of this Agreement that is or is held to be void, prohibited, unenforceable or inconsistent with the provisions of the Act or Regulations is severable from the Agreement without in any way invalidating the remaining terms or conditions of the Agreement.

11. APPLICABLE LAW:

This agreement is to be construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Saskatchewan.

12. COUNTERPARTS:

This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts and all these counterparts shall for all purposes constitute one agreement, binding on the parties, notwithstanding that all parties are not signatory to the same counterpart.