

CITY OF WILLIAMS LAKE



**CONSOLIDATED VERSION OF
ANIMAL CONTROL
BYLAW NO. 2102, 2009
& SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS
THERE TO**

(For convenience only)

BYLAW NUMBER 2102, 2009

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**A BYLAW TO REGULATE
THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS
WITHIN THE CITY OF WILLIAMS LAKE**



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BYLAW NO. 2102, 2009

BEING A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF WILLIAMS LAKE TO REGULATE THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS WITHIN THE CITY OF WILLIAMS LAKE.

WHEREAS the Community Charter empowers the Council of the City of Williams Lake to regulate, prohibit and impose requirements with respect to animals and to provide for a system of licenses, permits and approvals;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Williams Lake, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

Title

1. This Bylaw shall be cited as the Animal Control and Licensing Bylaw No. 2102, 2009.

Interpretation and Application

2. In this Bylaw:

"AGGRESSIVE DOG" means:

- a) a dog that has attacked, bitten, or caused injury to a person or has demonstrated a propensity, tendency or disposition to do so;
- b) a dog that has bitten, killed, or caused injury to a domestic animal;
- c) a dog that has aggressively pursued or harassed a person or domestic animal;
- d) a dog with a known propensity to attack or injure a person without provocation;
- e) a dog owned or harboured primarily or in part for the purpose of dog fighting, or a dog trained for dog fighting;
- f) a dog that is considered by the Animal Control Officer to be dangerous or aggressive on the basis that it exhibits one or more of the behaviours of an aggressive dog as set out in this definition or behaviours similar thereto;
- g) a dangerous dog; or

"AGGRESSIVE ANIMAL" means an animal:

- a) that according to the records by another local government or the court, or the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has killed or injured a person or pet, or, without provocation, has aggressively pursued or harassed a person;

- b) that to the knowledge of the owner, has killed or injured a person or pet, or, without provocation, has aggressively pursued or harassed a person;

"ALTERED DOG" means a female dog that has been spayed or a male dog that has been neutered.

"ANIMAL" means a domestic animal but excludes a dog owned by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police or a certified guide or assistance dog owned by a person with visual or other disabilities;

"ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER" means a municipal employee, officer or agent designated by Council as an Animal Control Officer for the purposes of this Bylaw, as well as any person authorized to act on his or her behalf, and includes the Bylaw Enforcement Officer, a peace officer and the Poundkeeper;

BL2175 (24/9/13) **"APICULTURE"** means the keeping and management of the honeybee, *Apis mellifera*;

"AT LARGE" means, with respect to a dog:

- a) a dog which is not under the immediate and effective control of a person responsible by means of a leash and is upon:
 - i) property, other than the property in respect of which the owner of the dog has the right of occupation, without the consent of the owner or occupier of that property; or
 - ii) any highway, thoroughfare, trail, sidewalk (including the boulevard portion of the sidewalk), park or other public place which has not been designated as an off-leash area; or
- b) a dog which is under the control of a person responsible by means of a leash and which causes damage to persons, property or other animals; or
- c) an aggressive dog that is on the property of the Owner but is not kept in compliance with the requirements of section 22 of this Bylaw,

and with respect to a farm animal:

- a) a farm animal which is not under the immediate and effective control of a person responsible while in a public place; or
- b) a farm animal being on private property other than which is owned by or under the control of the owner without the consent of the owner or occupier of such private property;

BL2175 (24/9/13) **"BEES"** means honey producing bee (from the genus *Apis* of the family *Apidae*);

"BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER" means a municipal employee, officer or agent designated by Council as the License Inspector & Bylaw Enforcement Officer, as well as any person authorized to act on his or her behalf;

"CITY" means the Corporation of the City of Williams Lake and the geographical area within the boundaries of the City of Williams Lake;

BL2175 (24/9/13) **“COLONY”** means one (1) structure which houses a hive and its equipment and appurtenances, including, comb, honey, pollen and brood;

“COMMUNITY CHARTER” means the *Community Charter*, S.B.C. 2003, Ch. 26, as may be amended from time to time;

“COUNCIL” means the municipal Council of the City of Williams Lake;

“DANGEROUS DOG” has the same meaning as defined in Section 49(1) of the *Community Charter*;

“DOG” means an animal of the canine family;

“ENCLOSURE” means a securely enclosed and locked pen or other structure constructed to humanely and safely prevent the escape of the animal or the entry of an unauthorized person. If the animal is an aggressive dog, it must be enclosed in accordance with Section 22 of this Bylaw.

“FARM ANIMAL” includes horses, cattle, mules, swine, sheep, goats, poultry, rabbits, alpacas and llamas;

“GUARD DOG” means a dog that is specifically trained for or used primarily for the purposes of guarding property, including residential, commercial, and industrial property and is registered as a guard dog in accordance with this Bylaw;

“GUIDE DOG” means a dog used by a blind person to assist him to avoid hazards;

BL2174 (24/9/13) **“HEN”** means a female chicken that is at least four (4) months old. For clarity, a hen is a farm animal;

“HIGHWAY” includes any street, road, lane, bridge, viaduct or any other way open to the use of the public, but does not include a private right-of-way on private property;

“KENNEL” means land or premises on or in which more than two dogs actually or apparently over the age of four months are kept, trained, boarded or bred, but does not include a veterinary clinic or hospital;

“LEASH” means a line, thong, chain, chord, or leather strip attached to the collar or harness of a dog and used for the purpose of controlling and restraining a dog and which does not exceed 183 centimetres (6 feet) in length and is made of material of sufficient strength that the dog to which it is attached cannot break it. If the animal is an aggressive dog, the leash must comply with section 22(c) of this Bylaw;

“LICENSE” means a license issued under this Bylaw for the current license year;

“LICENSE YEAR” means the period from January 1st to December 31st in any year;

“MUZZLE” means a humane fastening or covering device of adequate strength placed over the mouth of a dog designed to prevent the dog from biting or injuring any person or another animal;

BL2175 (24/9/13) **“NUCLEUS COLONY”** means a small colony created from a larger colony. For clarity one (1) nucleus colony is a colony;

"OWNER" means any person

- a) to whom a dog license has been issued pursuant to this Bylaw,
- b) who owns, is in possession of, or has the care and control of any animal, or
- c) who harbours, shelters, permits or allows any animal to remain on or about the owner's land or premises;

BL2174 (24/9/13) **"POULTRY"** means domestic fowls, such as chickens, turkeys, ducks, or geese, raised for meat or eggs;

"POUND" means premises used by the City to harbour and maintain animals seized under this Bylaw;

"POUNDKEEPER" means any person appointed by the City as the Poundkeeper or any contractor who has entered into an agreement with the City to assume the responsibilities of the Poundkeeper under this Bylaw, and includes the directors, officers, employees, volunteers and other agents of the Poundkeeper;

"PUBLIC PLACE" includes any highway and any real property owned, held, operated or administered by the City, including a boulevard, sidewalk, lane, street, park, playground, beach or area of land open to public;

"SEIZE" includes impound and detain;

"SPCA" means the Williams Lake Branch of the British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals;

"TREASURER/COLLECTOR" means a municipal employee, officer or agent designated by Council as Treasurer/Collector, as well as any person authorized to act on his or her behalf;

"UNALTERED DOG" means a dog that has not been spayed or neutered; and

"UNLICENSED DOG" means any dog over the age of two months that is not licensed by the City or is not wearing a valid and subsisting license tag.

Licenses

3. No person shall own, keep, possess or harbour any dog actually or apparently over the age of two (2) months in the City unless a valid and subsisting license for the current License year has first been obtained for that dog under this Bylaw.
4. If a dog is required to be licensed under this Bylaw, the owner of the dog shall apply to the City for a license on the prescribed form provided by the City and pay the fee set out in Schedule "A" to this Bylaw, and upon receipt of the application and payment of the prescribed fee, the City may issue a numbered dog license and a corresponding license tag for that License Year.
5. If an owner applies for a license after March 31st, that owner shall pay the late fee set out in Schedule "A" unless no license fee was payable in respect of that dog prior to March 31st of that year.

6. Notwithstanding sections 4 and 5, the City may issue a license free of charge to the owner of a dog that has been spayed or neutered within the twelve month period immediately preceding the application for the license, provided that the owner furnishes proof of spaying or neutering satisfactory to the Animal Control Officer.
7. No license fees shall be charged for Police Dogs, Guide Dogs, or dogs whose owners are 65 years of age and older (provided that appropriate proof of age is presented with the license application).
8. Every license and corresponding license tag issued under this Bylaw is valid only for the License Year for which it was issued.
9. The owner of a dog for which a license and corresponding license tag have been issued under this Bylaw shall affix, and keep affixed, the license tag on the dog by a collar, harness or other suitable device except during such times that the dog is kept in an enclosure, in which case the owner must produce the license upon request.
10. The owner of a dog for which a license and corresponding license tag have been issued under this Bylaw may obtain a replacement license tag upon satisfying the City that the original license tag has been lost or stolen and upon payment of the replacement license fee set out in Schedule "A".
11. If the owner of a dog in respect of which a license has been issued under this Bylaw ceases to be the owner of that dog, the license shall become null and void and the new owner of the dog must submit an application to the City for a new license.
12. Where a dog is licensed but subsequently becomes an aggressive dog, the dog license becomes invalid and the dog owner must obtain a new "aggressive dog" license for that dog within 14 days, pursuant to Section 23 (c).

Kennels

13. No person shall own or operate a kennel in the City of Williams Lake unless a kennel is permitted under the City's Zoning Bylaw, as amended from time to time, and a valid and subsisting license for the current License Year has first been obtained for that kennel under this Bylaw.
14. The owner of a kennel shall apply to the City for a license on the prescribed form provided by the City and pay the fee set out in Schedule "A" to this Bylaw.
15. The Animal Control Officer may issue a kennel license on terms and conditions, including terms and conditions as to:
 - a) the number of dogs permitted at the kennel;
 - b) the type, construction, size and condition of fenced exercise areas
16. No person may own or operate a kennel except in strict accordance with the terms and conditions of the kennel license issued under this Bylaw.

Regulations of Dogs

17. With the exception of kennels, no person shall own, keep, possess or harbour more than two (2) dogs actually or apparently over the age of four (4) months on any parcel in the City.
18. No owner of a dog shall cause, permit or allow the dog to:
 - a) howl or bark excessively where such howling or barking disturbs quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience to persons in the neighbourhood or vicinity of the place where the dog is kept;
 - b) be at large in the City; or
 - c) be in a public place unless the dog is kept on a leash and the dog is under the immediate care and control of a competent person.
19. If a dog defecates anywhere other than the dog's owner's property, the person having care, custody or control of the dog shall immediately remove the excrement so deposited and dispose of it in a sanitary manner.
20. No person other than the owner of a dog shall remove any form of identification on or affixed to the dog.
21. No person shall own, keep, possess or harbour a dog suffering from any contagious disease unless the dog is in isolation and under veterinary care for that disease.

Aggressive Dogs/Animals

22. Every owner of an aggressive dog or other aggressive animal must at all times keep the animal:
 - a) securely confined indoors such that the animal cannot escape; or
 - b) in an enclosure, constructed to prevent the escape of the aggressive dog or aggressive animal and capable of preventing the entry of any person not in control of the dog or animal, and configured as follows:
 - i. the enclosure shall have secure sides and a secure top, and if it has no bottom secured to the sides, the sides must be embedded in the ground to a minimum depth of thirty (30) centimetres;
 - ii. the enclosure shall provide the aggressive dog or aggressive animal with shelter from the elements and be of the minimum dimensions of one and one-half (1.5) metres by three (3) metres and be a minimum one and one-half (1.5) metres in height; and
 - iii. the enclosure shall not be within one (1) metre of the property line or within five (5) metres of a neighbouring dwelling unit; or
 - c) on a leash or tether, made of sturdy material, no more than 1.5 metres (4.9 feet) in length and not attached to a retracting mechanism, held by and under the immediate control of a competent adult skilled in animal control;

d) muzzled while in a public place.

23. Every owner of an aggressive dog or other aggressive animal must:

- a) post warning signs which give clear notice of the dog's or animal's presence to anyone visiting the property as follows:
 - i. with lettering stating that an "aggressive dog" or "aggressive animal", as the case may be, is "on the premises";
 - ii. the lettering on the signs must be clearly visible from the lesser of the curb line or 15 metres (49.2 feet) away from the premises;
 - iii. the signs must be posted in each driveway or entrance to the property and, if other than a single family property, at all exterior doors of the building; and
 - iv. the signs must be posted so that they cannot be removed.
- b) ensure that an aggressive dog can be identified by way of a numeric or alphanumeric tattoo or other permanent identification device satisfactory to the City; and
- c) must obtain an "aggressive dog" license for an aggressive dog.

Harassment

24. Every owner of an animal must ensure that the animal does not:

- a) kill or injure a person or pet; or
- b) aggressively pursue or harass a person or pet without provocation.

Dog in Heat

25. The owner of an unaltered female dog must at all times when the dog is in heat either:

- a) keep the dog securely confined indoors or within a building or enclosure which will prevent the escape of the dog or the entry of other dogs; or
- b) keep the dog on a leash while it is being walked off the owner's property.

Guard Dogs

26. Every owner of a guard dog, which is not confined within a locked building on the property, must ensure that:

- a) the outdoor area where the dog is kept is completely fenced by means of a secure fence, constructed in a manner that will keep the dog from escaping, with a minimum height of 1.8 metres, and with gates in the fence secured against unauthorized entry, or
- b) the dog is securely confined in a fully enclosed pen or cage which will prevent unauthorized entry and prevent the dog from escaping.

26.1.1. Every owner of a guard dog must post warning signs which give clear notice of the dog's presence to anyone visiting the property as follows:

- a) the lettering on the signs must be clearly visible from the lesser of the curb line or 15 metres (49.2 feet) from the premises;
- b) the signs must be posted in each driveway or entrance to the property and, if other than a single family property, at all exterior doors of the building.

26.1.2 Before bringing a guard dog into or using a guard dog in the City, every owner of a guard dog must register the dog with the City as a guard dog and record with the City:

- a) the address where the dog is usually kept and the address of each parcel that the dog will be guarding
- b) the approximate hours during which the dog will be performing guard duties;
- c) the age, sex, breed, and dog license number of the dog; and
- d) the full name, address, and telephone number of the owner and any other individual who will be responsible for the dog while it is on guard duty.

26.1.3. Should any of the information provided under section 26 need to be changed, the owner must communicate the change in writing to the Animal Control Officer at least 24 hours before the change occurs.

Regulation of Cats

27. No person shall own, keep, possess or harbour more than two cats actually or apparently over the age of two months on any parcel in the City.

28. No person shall own, keep, possess or harbour a cat suffering from any contagious disease unless the cat is in isolation and under veterinary care for that disease.

Farm Animals

29. No person shall own, keep, possess or harbour any farm animals except in areas designated for that use in the City's Zoning Bylaw, as amended from time to time.

BL2174 (24/9/13) 29.1.1. **Poultry, Pigeons or Doves** - No poultry, pigeons, or doves shall be kept in any part of a dwelling house or in any store or other place of business, except in a business licensed through the City of Williams Lake to sell or keep such fowl.

29.1.2. **Keeping of Backyard Hens** - A person who engages in backyard hen keeping must:

- a) possess a valid backyard hen keeping license, through the process prescribed in the Animal Control Bylaw, as amended from time to time.
- b) be the registered owner of, and reside at, the property where the hens are kept; or obtain written permission from the registered property owner;

- c) keep at least three (3) and not more than:
 - i. four (4) hens per parcel that is less than 745 sq m (8,019 sq ft);
 - ii. five (5) hens per parcel that is less than 1,858 sq m (20,000 sq ft);
 - iii. six (6) hens per parcel that is greater than 1,858 sq m (20,000 sq ft);
- d) keep hens in a run that is:
 - i. covered above entirely in a manner that will keep predators and vermin from entering and hens from escaping;
 - ii. that is covered in a manner that provides at least 1.0 sq m (10.76 sq ft) of roofed outdoor enclosure per hen;
 - iii. fenced on all sides with:
 - a. electronic fencing suitable to repel bears;
 - b. and vermin-proof fencing that is installed sufficiently to prevent escape or intrusion;
 - iv. sited at least 3.0 m (9.84 ft) from any property line and located to the side or rear of the principal building
 - v. located to the rear of the front face of the principal building, and
 - vi. at least 3.0 m (9.84 ft) from the principal building, and/or any dwelling unit; and
 - vii. has a ground surface comprised of a material that is clean, non-toxic, biodegradable, readily available, inexpensive and replaceable, and which is well maintained.
- e) provide at least one (1) coop that will:
 - i. be kept clean and be monitored for suitable cleanliness daily;
 - ii. be sited at least 1.5 m (4.94 ft) from the property line,
 - iii. provide each hen with at least 0.5 sq m (5.3 sq ft) of coop floor area; and
 - iv. provide and maintain at least one perch that is at least fifteen (15) centimetres long and one nest box per hen;
- f) all runs and coops must be located so that they can be seen from a safe distance from any direction which a reasonable person would approach;
- g) provide each hen with food, water, shelter, light, ventilation, veterinary care, and opportunities for essential behaviors such as scratching, dust-bathing, and roosting, all sufficient to maintain the hen in good health;
- h) remove leftover feed, trash, and manure in a timely manner;
- i) store manure within a fully enclosed structure, and store no more than 0.08 cu m (3.0 cu ft) of manure at a time;
- j) remove all other manure not used for composting or fertilizing;
- k) follow biosecurity procedures recommended by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency;
- l) keep hens for personal use only, and not sell eggs, manure, meat, or other products derived from hens; and
- m) not slaughter, or attempt to euthanize, a hen within City limits, unless at an authorized facility.

29.1.3. Fees & Fines Relating to Keeping of Backyard Hens –

- a) No person will be issued a Hen Keeping License until the fee outlined in Schedule A – License Fees of this Bylaw is paid to the City.
- b) Hen Keeping Licenses will be issued annually and will be continuously subject to the requirements outlined by the General Manager of Planning & Operations. These requirements may vary from year to year, and case to case.

BL2175 (24/9/13) 29.2.1. **Bees** - No bees shall be kept in any place of business, except in a business licensed through the City of Williams Lake to sell or keep bees.

29.2.2. Keeping of Backyard Bees –

- a) A person who engages in backyard beekeeping must:
 - i. possess a valid backyard beekeeping license, through the process prescribed in the Animal Control Bylaw, as amended from time to time; and
 - ii. have a Beekeeper ID number, issued to them by the B.C. Ministry of Agriculture Apiculture Program.
 - iii. Be the registered owner of, the property where the bees are kept; or obtain written permission from the registered property; and
 - a. reside at the property where the bees are kept.
 - iv. Register with each colony or nucleus colony as an Apiary under the *Bee Act*, RSBC 1996, Chapter 29 and amendments thereto.
 - v. Locate all colonies in a fenced area that is:
 - a. electrically fenced to suitably repel bears;
 - b. located to the rear of the front face of the principal building; and,
 - c. setback at least 3.0 m (9.84 ft) from all side and rear parcel lines; and
 - vi. shall comply with one of the following requirements in order to ensure the appropriate honeybee flight path:
 - a. The entrance to any colony will be facing away from neighbouring properties and be located in a backyard which has a continuous, fence or hedge that is 1.8 metres in height, or;
 - b. If installed on an elevated platform (deck, rooftop, etc.), any colony entrance will be situated 2.5 metres or more above ground level.

29.2.3. Limit –

- a) Backyard beekeeping, subject to the regulations outlined in this bylaw, shall be limited to a maximum of two (2) colonies and two (2) nucleus colonies per parcel
- b) Backyard Bee Keeping shall be permitted on designated Community Garden properties as determined by the General Manager of Planning & Operations.

29.2.4. Fees & Fines Relating to Backyard Beekeeping –

- a) No person will be issued a Beekeeping License until the fee outlined in Schedule A – License Fees of this Bylaw is paid to the City.

- b) Beekeeping Licenses are to be issued annually and will be continuously subject to the requirements outlined the General Manager of Planning & Operations, or their delegate. These requirements may vary from year to year, and case to case.

30. No owner of a farm animal shall cause, allow or permit it to be:

- a) at large;
- b) grazing on unfenced land; or
- c) moved without a harness or a lead over a highway without a special permit being obtained from the City.

Prohibition of Cruelty to Animals

31. No person shall keep any animal in the City unless the animal is provided with:

- a) clean, potable drinking water and food in sufficient quantity and of a recognized nutritional quality to allow for the animal's normal growth and the maintenance of the animal's normal body weight;
- b) food and water receptacles which are clean;
- c) the opportunity for periodic exercise sufficient to maintain the animal's good health;
- d) necessary veterinarian care when the animal exhibits signs of pain, suffering or disease; and
- e) a clean and sanitary shelter of sufficient size to allow the animal to turn about freely and stand, sit and lie in a normal position.

Establishment of Pound and Poundkeeper

32. The land and premises located at 709 Bond Lake Road, Williams Lake, British Columbia and legally described as District Lot 12982, Cariboo District are hereby established as the Pound.

33. The SPCA is hereby appointed as the Poundkeeper.

34. The Poundkeeper shall maintain records which include:

- a) a description of every animal at the Pound, including a dog's license number if any, and the date and time each animal is received at the Pound;
- b) the name of the person or persons taking or sending any animal to be impounded;
- c) the date and time each animal impounded was released, sold, destroyed or otherwise disposed of by the Poundkeeper;
- d) the name of every person redeeming any animal and a photocopy of the receipt provided to that person by the City;

- e) the name of every person purchasing any impounded animal and the amount paid by that person;
- f) the amount of any impounding, maintenance and veterinarian fees, costs and charges connected with each impounded animal.

Seizure and Impoundment

35. An Animal Control Officer may seize and impound:

- a) any unlicensed dog;
- b) any animal found at large contrary to this Bylaw; or
- c) any animal on unfenced land and not securely tethered or contained.

36. An Animal Control Officer may enter a place to exercise the power under section 35 of this Bylaw, provided that in doing so, the Animal Control Officer complies with the provisions in sections 49(4) to (9) of the Community Charter.

37. The Poundkeeper shall ensure that all animals impounded under this Bylaw receive sufficient food, water, shelter, and if necessary, reasonably veterinary attention, and that the animals are not mistreated while impounded.

38. When an animal is seized under this Bylaw, the Animal Control Officer shall make reasonable efforts to identify and notify the owner of the animal of the fact that the animal has been seized and that, unless the owner reclaims the animal in accordance with section 39 of this Bylaw, the animal may be sold, euthanized or otherwise disposed of by the Poundkeeper after the expiration of:

- a) in the case of licensed dogs, seven (7) business days;
- b) in the case of unlicensed dogs and all other animals, three (3) business days.

39. An owner of an animal seized under this Bylaw, or any person authorized in writing on the owner's behalf, may redeem the animal at any time during regular Pound operating hours prior to its sale, euthanization or other disposal upon:

- a) delivery to the City of evidence satisfactory to the City of ownership of the animal;
- b) payment of the impoundment and boarding fees, costs and fine charges incurred in respect of the seizure and boarding of the animal as set out in Schedule "B";
- c) payment of the actual cost of any veterinarian fees or expenses reasonably incurred by the City in respect of the animal during the time that it was seized and impounded; and
- d) payment of the current license fee if the animal is required to be licensed under this Bylaw and is not licensed.

40. Any fines, impound fees, and other costs imposed by this Bylaw are payable by the owner of a dog, regardless of whether the dog is reclaimed by the owner.

41. Notwithstanding section 39 of this Bylaw, the Poundkeeper may detain a dangerous dog, pending a hearing under section 49 of the Community Charter to seek to have the dog humanely destroyed. Should the order not be granted, the dog may be redeemed by the owner upon payment of the impounding and boarding fees and costs set out in Schedule "B".
42. Where an animal that has been seized under this Bylaw has not been redeemed in accordance with section 39 or within the time set out in section 38, the Poundkeeper may offer the animal for sale or adoption.
43. Where the Poundkeeper is unable or considers it undesirable to effect the sale or adoption of an animal that has been seized under this Bylaw, the Poundkeeper may humanely euthanize or otherwise dispose of the animal.
44. An Animal Control Officer may seize any animal suffering from an incurable disease and may destroy that animal upon certification of the animal's condition by a licensed veterinarian.

General Regulations

45. The Bylaw Enforcement Officer may enter on to any property at all reasonable times to ascertain whether this Bylaw is being observed.
46. No person shall hinder, delay or obstruct in any manner, directly or indirectly, an Animal Control Officer or any person employed by the Animal Control Officer in carrying out the duties and powers of the Animal Control Officer under this Bylaw.
47. No person shall break open or in any manner, directly or indirectly, aid or assist in the breaking open, of the Pound.
48. No person shall take or release any animal from the Pound without the consent of the Poundkeeper.

Offences and Penalties

- BL2200 (17/12/13) 49. Any person who contravenes any provision of this bylaw is guilty of an offence and is subject to the following enforcement provisions:
- a) to the penalties imposed by the *Offence Act*, or
 - b) to a fine as imposed by means of a municipal ticket information under the *Community Charter* or a bylaw notice under the *Local Government Bylaw Notice Enforcement Act*.
- BL2200 (17/12/13) 50. All penalties relevant to contraventions of this Bylaw being addressed within the provisions of Section 49 (b) are contained in Schedule A-1 of the City of Williams Lake Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw No. 2196, 2013.
51. Animal Control Officers and members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police are designated to enforce this Bylaw by means of a ticket pursuant to section 264 of the *Community Charter*.

BL2200 (17/12/13) 52. Any person designated as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer pursuant to the City of Williams Lake's Bylaw Notice Enforcement Bylaw or named as the enforcement officer pursuant to the City of Williams Lake's Municipal Ticket Utilization Bylaw is hereby authorized and empowered to enforce the provisions of this Bylaw by Bylaw Notice or Municipal Ticket Information or as otherwise provided by this Bylaw.

BL2200 (17/12/13) 53. Every infraction shall be deemed to be a continuing new and separate offence, for each day during which the same shall continue.

BL2200 (17/12/13) 54. SECTION REPEALED

BL2200 (17/12/13) 54.1 SECTION REPEALED

BL2174 (24/9/13) = original amendment

Severability and Schedules

55. If any portion of this bylaw is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, then the invalid portion must be severed and the remainder of the bylaw is deemed valid.

56. Schedules "A" to "C" inclusive of this Bylaw which are attached hereto form part of this Bylaw.

Repeal

57. Bylaw No. 1797 and all amendments thereto are hereby repealed.

Commencement

58. This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect upon the date of adoption by the Council of the City of Williams Lake.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS	11th	DAY OF	August	, 2009
READ A SECOND TIME THIS	11th	DAY OF	August	, 2009
READ A THIRD TIME THIS	11th	DAY OF	August	, 2009
RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THIS	25th	DAY OF	August	, 2009

*original signed
MAYOR

*original signed
CORPORATE OFFICER

Schedule "A"

Animal Control and Licensing Bylaw, No. 2102, 2009

License Fees

Spayed or neutered dog	\$10.00
Unspayed or unneutered dog	\$20.00
Late application fee	\$10.00 plus regular license fee
Replacement license tag	\$5.00
Kennel license @ 4 or less dogs	\$50.00
Kennel license @ 5 or more dogs	\$100.00
Aggressive dog	\$200.00
Hen Keeping License Fee	\$15.00
Backyard Beekeeping License Fee	\$15.00

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I, SUE MOXEY, CORPORATE OFFICER FOR THE CITY OF WILLIAMS LAKE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THIS TO BE SCHEDULE "A" TO BYLAW NO. 2102.

CORPORATE OFFICER

Schedule "B"

Animal Control and Licensing Bylaw, No. 2102, 2009:

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Impoundment Fees

Licensed dog	
(i) First impoundment in any calendar year	\$25.00
(ii) Second impoundment in any calendar year	\$50.00
(iii) Third and subsequent impoundments in any calendar year	\$100.00
Unlicensed dog	
(i) First impoundment in any calendar year	\$75.00
(ii) Second impoundment in any calendar year	\$125.00
(iii) Third and subsequent impoundments in any calendar year	\$175.00
Cat, rabbit and poultry	\$5.00
Farm animal other than rabbit and poultry	AT COST
Aggressive dog	
(i) First impoundment in any calendar year	\$200.00
(ii) Second impoundment in any calendar year	\$500.00
(iii) Third and subsequent impoundments in any calendar year	\$1000.00

Boarding Fees

Dog	\$25.00 for first 24 hour period and \$20.00 per 24 hour thereafter.
Cat, rabbit and poultry	\$25.00 for first 24 hour period and \$20.00 per 24 hour thereafter.
Farm animals other than rabbits and poultry	AT COST

Euthanasia

Dog	\$50.00
Cat	\$50.00