

## TOWN OF MORDEN

### By-law No. 5-2007

**BEING** a by-law of the Town of Morden providing for the control and removal of certain obstructions on municipal roads, parks and reserves.

**WHEREAS** the Town of Morden wishes to prevent the unwanted placement of snow, ice, trees, shrubs, weeds, grass, leaves, refuse and other obstructing materials on municipal roads, parks and reserves within the Town, in order to ensure safe passage thereon;

**AND WHEREAS** the Town of Morden considers it desirable and expedient to enforce the compliance with the provisions of this by-law;

**AND WHEREAS** section 232(l)(b), and (f) and 234(b) of The Municipal Act, being chapter 58 of the 1996 Statutes of Manitoba provides:

**“Spheres of jurisdiction**

**232(l)** A council may pass by-laws for municipal purposes respecting the following matters:

- (b) people, activities and things in, on or near a public place or a place open to the public, including parks, municipal roads, recreation centres, restaurants, facilities, retail stores, malls, and private clubs and facilities that are exempt from municipal taxation;
- (f) property adjacent to highways or municipal roads, whether the property is publicly or privately owned;

**Content of by-laws under clause 232(1)(f)**

**234** Without limiting the generality of clause 232(l)(f) (property adjacent to highways or municipal roads), a by-law passed under that clause may include provisions respecting signs, survey monuments, landscaping and setbacks, including:

- (b) the control and removal of trees, shrubs, weeds, grass, snow, ice and obstructions.”

**AND WHEREAS** section 236(1) thereof further provides:

**“Content of by-laws under clause 232(l)(o)**

**236(l)** Without limiting the generality of clause 232(1)(o) (enforcement of by-laws), a by-law passed under that clause may include provisions;

- (a) for procedures, including inspections, for determining whether by-laws are being complied with; and
- (b) remedying contraventions of by-laws, including:
  - (i) creating offences,
  - (ii) subject to the regulations, providing for fines and penalties, including the imposition of a penalty for an offence that is in addition to a fine or imprisonment, so long as the penalty relates to a fee, rate, toll, charge or cost that is associated with the conduct that gives rise to the offence, or related to enforcing the by-law,
  - (iii) providing that an amount owing under subclause (ii) may be collected in any manner in which a tax may be collected or enforced under this Act,
  - (iv) seizing, removing, impounding, confiscating and selling or otherwise disposing of plants, animals, vehicles, or other things related to a contravention,
  - (v) charging and collecting costs incurred in respect of acting under subclause (iv),
  - (vi) imposing a sentence of imprisonment for not more than six months for the commission of offences or nonpayment of fines.”

**NOW THEREFORE** the Town of Morden in open Council duly assembled enacts:

**1. THAT** no one shall place, plant, grow, deposit, or move onto any municipal road, park or reserve, within the Town of Morden any snow, ice, trees, shrubs, weeds, grass, leaves, garbage, or obstructions of any kind or nature, unless the Town of Morden by resolution from time to time, designates otherwise.

**2. THAT** anyone who places, plants, grows, deposits, or moves onto any **municipal** road, park or reserve any snow, ice, trees, shrubs, weeds, grass, or leaves refuse, garbage, or any other obstructions of any kind or nature, shall commit an offence and be levied a penalty of:

- (a) A fine of \$50.00 for the first occurrence,
- (b) A fine of \$75.00 for the second occurrence within the same 12 month period,
- (c) A fine of \$100. 00 for the third or any subsequent occurrence within the same 12 month period.

3. **THAT** the Town of Morden, in addition to or instead of the penalties outlined in Clause 2. above, may remove or cause to be removed and clean up any of the materials or obstructions described above and charge the costs incurred therein directly to the person who has committed the offence.

4. **THAT** any fine levied or costs incurred may be paid directly to the Town of Morden by the person who has committed the offence, or collected in the manner by which a tax may be collected or enforced under The Municipal Act of Manitoba.

5. That By-law No. 7-97 and all other By-laws or portions thereof of the Town of Morden inconsistent with this By-law are hereby repealed.

**DONE AND PASSED** in open council assembled at the Council Chambers in the Town of Morden, in Manitoba, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, A.D. 2007.

**TOWN OF MORDEN**

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**Mayor**

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**Director of Finance & Administration**

Read a first time this	8 <sup>th</sup>	day of	January	A.D. 2007.
Read a second time this	22 <sup>nd</sup>	day of	January	A.D. 2007.
Read a third time this	22 <sup>nd</sup>	day of	January	A.D. 2007.