



VULCAN COUNTY

Vulcan - Alberta

BYLAW 2012-020

Being a Bylaw of Vulcan County in the Province of Alberta to Implement a Municipal Rural Addressing System.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A., 2000 c. M-26, as amended provides that Council of a municipality may pass bylaws for municipal purposes respecting the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property and;

WHEREAS, Section 58(1) of the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A., 2000 c. M-26, as amended allows a municipality to name roads or areas within its boundaries and to assign a number or other means of identification to the buildings or parcels of land and;

WHEREAS, Section 58(2) of the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A., 2000 c. M-26, as amended allows a municipality to require an owner or occupant of a building or parcel of land to display the identification in a certain manner and;

WHEREAS it is deemed desirable to put into effect a rural addressing system which can be utilized by emergency service providers and for other purposes;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of Vulcan County, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. Definitions for the purpose of this Bylaw:
 - (i) **Developer:** means the person(s) or company(s) who subdivides land to create new titles, or person(s) or company(s) who creates a new structure requiring addressing;
 - (ii) **Effective Date:** means the date this Bylaw is finally passed;
 - (iii) **Occupant:** means the person(s) residing on the property;

- (iv) **Owner:** means the person(s) identified on the assessment roll;
 - (v) **Primary Access:** means the main access to a property as identified by Vulcan County;
 - (vi) **Public Road Allowance:** means all developed and undeveloped roads with a registered road plan in Vulcan County;
 - (vii) **Specifications:** means each sign should be an engineered grade blue aluminum panel with a minimum of four (4) inch reflective white numbers/letters;
 - (viii) **Supporting Residential, Commercial and Industrial Development:** means any property with an assessed building;
 - (ix) **Up-keep:** means the sign must be kept in good condition and continue to be posted according to Schedule "A";
2. That all parcels of land supporting residential, commercial and industrial development with a primary access onto a public road allowance will be assigned a rural address by Vulcan County and shall be posted in accordance with the provisions of this Bylaw.
 3. Oil and gas industry sites regulated by the Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB) are exempt from this Bylaw unless:
 - (i) requested by the property owner or occupant to have a rural address; or
 - (ii) the site is occupied by employees or agents as a place of employment or business.
 4. That the cost associated with the purchase and installation of rural addressing signs for residential, commercial and industrial developments shall be the responsibility of the property owner or occupant. Such signage shall be installed, in the manner described in Schedule "A" attached to this Bylaw and shall be performed to the standards and specifications of Vulcan County. The fees for purchase and installation of new rural addressing signage are referenced in the Fees for Services Bylaw.
 5. That the cost and responsibility for the up-keep and replacement of signs shall be that of the property owner, occupant or developer and

shall be performed to the standards and specifications of Vulcan County.

6. That a rural address will only be assigned to residential, commercial, and industrial developments once the primary access to the property has been built or, if an access already exists, identified.
7. No residential, commercial, or industrial development shall continue to be addressed with a number if that number is not in accordance with the municipal rural addressing system of Vulcan County. A property owner, occupant or developer shall be notified in writing by Vulcan County that such residential, commercial or industrial, or primary access to such structure, is not numbered in accordance with the municipal rural addressing system as established by this Bylaw.
8. No person shall remove, vandalize or destroy any sign placed under the authority of this Bylaw.
9. Written notice of any infraction of this Bylaw shall be served upon the property owner or occupant either in person or by registered mail. Such infraction shall be corrected within thirty (30) days of the date of the notice.
10. Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with the provisions of this Bylaw shall be guilty of an offence against this Bylaw and liable to a specified fine of five-hundred dollars (\$500.00).
11. Notwithstanding a conviction for an offense pursuant to Section 10 hereof, in the case where the owner, occupant or developer fails, neglects or refuses to remedy the infraction, Vulcan County Council may cause such work to be done as the council deems necessary to remedy it; and
 - (i) Charge the cost of the work done to remedy the infraction to the owner, occupant or developer concerned and in default of payment may:
 - (a) Recover the same as a debt due to the county, or
 - (b) Charge the sum against the land concerned as taxes due and owing in respect of that land and recover the same as such.

Bylaws 2009-002 and 2009-016 are hereby rescinded.

This Bylaw shall take effect on the date of the third and final reading.

Read a First, Second and Third Time, and Finally Passed in Council this 18th day of July, 2012.

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David Schneider, Reeve

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Leo Ludwig, Chief Administrative Officer