

**LETHBRIDGE COUNTY
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

BY-LAW NO. 23-015

**A BYLAW OF LETHBRIDGE COUNTY, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA,
TO ESTABLISH A WATER CO-OP LIAISON COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, RS.A. 2000, c M-26, section 145, a Council may pass bylaws in relation to the establishment, functions and procedures to be followed by council Committees and other bodies;

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

1. BYLAW TITLE

- 1.1 This bylaw shall be cited as "Water Co-op Liaison Committee Bylaw No. 23-015".

2. EFFECTIVE DATE

- 2.1 This Bylaw shall come into force and effect after it receives third reading and has been signed.

3. NAME

- 3.1 The Committee established under this bylaw shall be named the "Water Co-op Liaison Committee."

4. DEFINITIONS

- 4.1 In this Bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires
- a. "**Council**" means the Council of Lethbridge County
 - b. "**Committee**" means the Water Co-op Liaison Committee
 - c. "**Water Co-op**" may include any or all of the following:
 - Lethbridge North County Potable Water Co-op (LNCPWC)
 - County of Lethbridge Rural Water Association (COLRWA)
 - Iron Springs Water Association

5. PURPOSE

5.1 The Water Co-op Liaison Committee represents Council in providing effective municipal governance by meeting with, communicating with, and working generally with Water Co-ops in Lethbridge County on matters relating to compliance with all regulatory requirements, safeguarding of municipal and Co-op assets as they relate to the treatment and distribution of potable water, and the efficient, effective and where feasible, coordinated use of resources.

The Committee provides communication between Council and Water Co-ops. It works cooperatively with Water Co-ops to help facilitate the objective, impartial, and most beneficial potable water management practices.

6. AUTHORITIES GRANTED

6.1 The Committee shall only act upon direction of council and at all times, represent the position of council regarding all matters related to the Water Co-ops. The Committee may make recommendations to council which council may then adopt, reject, amend and adopt or provide further instructions to the Committee before making a decision and providing direction on the Committee's recommendation.

7. TERMS OF REFERENCE

7.1 The Committee Terms of Reference are established separately by Council and may be amended and approved only by a majority vote of all Council members.

8. COMMITTEE COMPOSITION AND TERM OF APPOINTMENT

8.1 The Committee shall consist of three Council members who shall be elected and subsequently appointed upon creation of the Committee, and thereafter at the annual Organizational Meeting of Council. The term for each Committee member shall be until the next Organizational Meeting or until a successor is elected. The Committee shall select its chairperson from among its members. A quorum shall be any two Committee members.

9. AMENDMENT AND REPEAL

9.1 This bylaw may be amended or repealed by Council at a duly called meeting only when either:

- a. notice of the intended amendment or repeal has been made at the previous regular council meeting; or
- b. the proposed change(s) is clearly indicated on the agenda for the meeting at which it is intended to occur, and the agenda has been distributed to all council members in advance of the meeting, in accordance with the Council Procedural Bylaw. A majority vote in the affirmative must be achieved for any changes to be adopted.

10. SEVERABILITY

10.1 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.


GIVEN first reading this 20th day of April, 2023




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Chief Administrative Officer

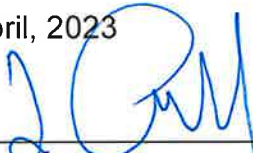
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