

BY-LAW NO. 93-10

A BY-LAW OF THE VILLAGE OF THORSBY, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DISASTER SERVICES AGENCY AND THE REPEALING OF BY-LAW NO. 87-5.

WHEREAS the Public Safety Services Act, by Section 8, provides that the local authority of each municipality shall establish and maintain a Municipal Disaster Services Agency, and

WHEREAS it is desirable, in the public interest, that an agency to deal with matters relating to emergencies and disasters be established for the Village of Thorsby;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the municipal Council of the Village of Thorsby, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

1. There is hereby established a Disaster Services Committee, which shall consist of three members of Council, to be appointed by resolution.
2. The Disaster Services Committee, in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Public Safety Services Act, shall advise Council on the development of emergency plans and programs.
3. The power to declare a state of local emergency, in accordance with Section 18 of the Public Safety Services Act, is hereby delegated to the Mayor of the Village of Thorsby, or in his or her absence, to the Deputy Mayor. In the event of the absence of both the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, such powers shall then be delegated to any other two members of Council.
4. Upon the making of a state of local emergency and for the duration of the state of local emergency, the local authority is authorized (in accordance with Section 21 of the Public Safety Services Act) to do all acts and take all necessary proceedings to deal with the emergency.
5. There is hereby established a branch of the Thorsby Municipal Government to be known as the Village of Thorsby Disaster Services Agency, the membership of which shall comprise:
 - (a) The Municipal Administrator of the Village;
 - (b) The Fire Chief, Village Foreman, Complex Manager;
 - (c) One Citizen at Large.
6. The following public and private organizations operating in the municipality may be invited to nominate representatives to serve as advisors to the Disaster Services Agency:

Transalta Utilities Ltd.
Northwestern Utilities Ltd.
County School Board Representatives
Other public or private organizations that Council may deem appropriate from time to time.
7. The Council shall, by resolution, appoint one of the members of the Disaster Services Agency to be in charge of the Agency as Director.

8. The Director of the Disaster Services Agency shall be responsible to Council (through the Disaster Services Committee) for the preparation and co-ordination of emergency plans and programs, and for the submission of an annual report on the status of emergency preparedness in the municipality.
9. The Council may, from time to time, borrow, levy, appropriate and expend monies required to meet the ordinary operating expenses of the Municipal Disaster Services Agency.
10. For the special purpose of preparedness for a war emergency, the Council may co-operate with the Councils of other municipalities with the objective of jointly establishing and operating an Emergency Government Area.
11. The Council may appropriate and expend such sums as may be agreed upon to provide for the organization and operation of the Emergency Government Area.
12. That By-law No. 87-5 is hereby repealed.

This By-law shall come into force on the day it is finally passed.

Read a first, second, and third time this 11th day of October, 1993.



Doug D. McLellan
Acting Municipal Administrator



Elaine Solberg - Mayor

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