

**COUNTY OF THORHILD NO. 7
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA
BY- LAW NO. 1129-2009**

**A BYLAW OF THE COUNTY OF THORHILD NO. 7 TO ESTABLISH
MUNICIPAL ELECTORAL DIVISIONAL BOUNDARIES AND TO
SPECIFY THE NUMBER OF COUNCILLORS AND ELECTION OF
REEVE**

- WHEREAS The County of Thorhild No. 7 established its current Municipal Electoral Divisional Boundaries prior to the 1986 General Municipal Election; and
- WHEREAS The dissolution of the Village of Thorhild in April of 2009 has significantly affected the size and dispersal of the population of the County of Thorhild; and
- WHEREAS Order in Council 131/2009 requires The County of Thorhild No. 7 to review and subsequently pass a bylaw establishing an odd number of County Councillors and identifying the number of Divisions and the boundaries of the Divisions within the time frames specified under sections 144, and 149 of the *Municipal Government Act*; and
- WHEREAS Council has undertaken an independent review of its Municipal Electoral Divisional Boundaries; and
- WHEREAS Council is desirous of changing its Municipal Electoral Divisional Boundaries for implementation at the 2010 General Municipal Election; and
- WHEREAS Council believes that the County would be best served by dividing the County into five Divisions with an average population of 685 persons, with each Division varying in population by no more than 1% of this number at the time this Bylaw comes into force; and
- WHEREAS Sections 148 and 150 of the *Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c.M-26* authorize Council to establish and change Divisional boundaries and to specify the number of Councillors on Council and how the Reeve is elected;

NOW
THEREFORE The Council of County of Thorhild No. 7, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. **SECTION 1 - SHORT TITLE**

This Bylaw may be cited as the "Municipal Electoral Boundaries Bylaw".

2. **SECTION 2 - DEFINITIONS**

For the purposes of this Bylaw all the definitions of the *Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26* and the *Local Authorities Election Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. L-21* as amended and repealed and replaced from time to time, and regulations thereunder shall be applicable and have the same meaning.

In this Bylaw:

- (a) "Reeve" means the chief elected official under the Municipal Government Act.
- (b) "Division" means "Ward" under the Municipal Government Act.

3. **SECTION 3 - COUNCIL COMPOSITION**

- (a) The Chief Elected Official for the County of Thorhild No. 7 shall continue to have the title of "Reeve".
- (b) The Municipal Council for the County of Thorhild No. 7 shall consist of five (5) Councillors, one of whom is Reeve.
- (c) The Reeve shall continue to be appointed from among the Council members at the annual organizational meeting of

County Council.

- (d) The term of office of Councillors is governed by the *Local Authorities Election Act*.
- (e) Councillors are to be elected in accordance with the *Local Authorities Election Act*.

4. **SECTION 4 – DIVISIONS AND DIVISIONAL BOUNDARIES**

- (a) The County of Thorhild No. 7 is hereby divided into five (5) Divisions with one (1) Councillor to be elected in each Division.
- (b) Divisional residency requirements for any person nominated as a candidate in the 2010 General Municipal Election, and all subsequent Municipal Elections, will be based on the Divisions as set out in this bylaw.
- (c) Divisional boundaries are outlined in the map as shown on Schedule A with legal descriptions of the Divisions as set out in Schedule B, both attached hereto and forming part of this bylaw.
- (d) Where any highway, roadway, street, or avenue is given as the boundary of a Division, the centre line of the said highway, roadway, street, or avenue shall be the boundary for the purpose of this bylaw.

5. **SECTION 5 – EFFECTIVE DATE**

- (a) This bylaw comes into effect for the General Municipal Election in 2010 after three readings and upon being signed.

READ A FIRST TIME IN COUNCIL THIS 24th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2009.

REEVE

COUNTY MANAGER

READ A SECOND TIME IN COUNCIL THIS DAY OF
, 2010.

REEVE

COUNTY MANAGER

READ A THIRD TIME IN COUNCIL AND FINALLY PASSED THIS DAY OF
, 2010.

REEVE

COUNTY MANAGER

SCHEDULE B: Descriptions of Divisions by Township (all west of the Fourth Meridian)

Division	Description & Hamlets/Subdivisions	Township	Range	Sections
1	Southeast	58	20	All those within County boundary
	Radway	58	21	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36
		59	20	All
		59	21	1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35, 36
2	Southwest	58	21	6, 7, 18, 19, 30, 31
	Egremont	58	22	All
	Opal	58	23	All those within the County boundary
	Northbrook / Pinebrook	59	21	5, 6, 7, 8, 17, 18, 19, 20, 29, 30, 31, 32
		59	22	All
		59	23	All those within the County boundary
3	Central	60	21	1 - 24, including the hamlet of Thorhild
	Thorhild			
4	Northwest	60	21	25 - 36
	Abee	60	22	All
		60	23	All those within the County boundary
		61	21	All
		61	22	All
		61	23	All those within the County boundary
		62	21	All
		62	22	All those within the County boundary
		63	21	All those within the County boundary
		63	20	6, 7, 18
5	Northeast	60	19	All those within the County boundary
	Newbrook	60	20	All
	Long Lake	61	18	All those within the County boundary
		61	19	All those within the County boundary
		61	20	All
		62	18	All those within the County boundary
		62	19	All
		62	20	All
		63	18	All
		63	19	All those within the County boundary
		63	20	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17