

**THE VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON
BYLAW NO. 605, 2008**

Being a bylaw to amend Bee Keeping Bylaw No. 454, 2000 to provide guidelines for the keeping of bees in areas of the Village other than the Agricultural Land.

WHEREAS Section 137 of *the Community Charter* empowers the Council, by bylaw, to amend an original bylaw;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to Section 8 (3) (k) of the *Community Charter* and amendments thereto, a Council may, by bylaw, regulate, prohibit and impose requirements in relation to animals;

AND WHEREAS Council has determined it would be appropriate to amend the Bee Keeping Bylaw No. 454, 2000 to in order to establish guidelines for the keeping of bees in areas of the Village other than the Agricultural Land.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Village of Pemberton, in open meeting assembled, **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS**:

1. Bylaw No. 454, 2009 cited as the "Bee Keeping Bylaw No. 454, 2000, is hereby amended by inserting the following section as section 1 A:

1 A. Guidelines for Hobby Beekeeping in the Village of Pemberton:

- (a) It shall be the duty of every person on whose property bees are kept to adhere to good management practices and maintain bees in a condition that will reasonably prevent swarming and aggressive behaviour.
- (b) It shall be the responsibility of the person on whose property the bees are kept to provide adequate water for the bees to prevent bees from seeking water in neighbouring swimming pools, birdbaths, ponds or other community bodies of water.
- (c) Hobby Beekeeping is to be limited to:
 - i. Lands located in the ALR or zoned Agriculture (A1) by current zoning bylaws
 - ii. Lands located in RS-1 subject to conditions listed in Section (d);
 - iii. A site containing a community garden; or
 - iv. A site where beekeeping will form part of an educational program
- (d) A maximum of one (1) beehive per lot in Single Family & Duplex Zones (RS-1) on a parcel of land at least 750 square meters in size.

- (e) A maximum of two (2) beehives per lot on a parcel of land with an area no less than 1500 square meters.
- (f) Beehives are restricted to rear yards.
- (g) Beehives are prohibited in multi-family or high density zones including RT and RS-2 zones.
- (h) In order to ensure the appropriate height of honeybee flight path:
 - i. A beehive will be situated eight (8) feet or more above ground level; or
 - ii. The beehive entrance will be directed away from the neighbouring property and situated behind a solid fence or hedge that is a minimum of six (6) feet in height running parallel to the property line; or
 - iii. A beehive will be located a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet away from the neighbouring property line.

2. **Citation**

This Bylaw may be cited as “The Village of Pemberton Bee Keeping Amendment Bylaw No. 605, 2008.”

READ A FIRST TIME this 8th day of January, 2008.

READ A SECOND TIME this 8th day of January, 2008.

READ A THIRD TIME this 8th day of January, 2008.

RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED this 22nd day of January, 2008.

Mayor

Administrator