WOODLANDS COUNTY BYLAW 615-24 IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

A BYLAW BEING ENACTED TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPOSITON OF PENALITIES ON UNPAID PROPERTY TAXES

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 344 of the *Municipal Government Act*, being Chapter M-26 of the Revised Statures of Alberta, 2000, as amended, Council may by bylaw impose penalties in the year in which a tax is imposed if the tax remains unpaid after the date shown on the tax notice;

AND WHEREAS, under the provisions of Section 345 of the *Municipal Government Act*, Council may by bylaw impose penalties in any year following the year in which a tax is imposed if the tax remains unpaid after the 31st day of December of the year for which they are levied, and in each following year thereafter so long as the taxes remain unpaid.;

AND WHEREAS, under the provision of Section 346 of the *Municipal Government Act*, a penalty imposed under section 344 or 345 is part of the tax in respect of which it is imposed;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of Woodlands County, duly assembled, enacts the following:

1. SHORT TITLE:

1.1. This bylaw is called the "2024 Tax Penalty Bylaw"

2. <u>TAXES:</u>

- 2.1. That all current taxes shall be due and payable on or before the 30th day of June.
- 2.2. If any taxes levied in the current year remain unpaid after the 30th day of June there shall be imposed a penalty of six (6%) percent on the 1st business day of July.
- 2.3. If any taxes levied in the current year remain unpaid after the 31st day of August there shall be imposed a penalty of six (6%) percent on the 1st business day of September.
- 2.4. In the event of any arrears of taxes remaining unpaid after the 30th day of June there shall be imposed a penalty of six (6%) percent on the 1st business day of July and in each succeeding year thereafter so long as the taxes remain unpaid.
- 2.5. In the event of any arrears of taxes remaining unpaid after the 31st day of August there shall be imposed a penalty of six (6%) percent on the 1st business day of September and in each succeeding year thereafter so long as the taxes remain unpaid.
- 2.6. Any penalty imposed hereunder shall be added to and shall form part of the unpaid taxes.

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3. **SEVERABILITY**:

3.1. Should any provisions of this Bylaw become invalid, void, illegal or otherwise not enforceable, it shall be considered separate and severable from the bylaw and the remainder shall remain in force and be binding as though such provision had not been included.

4. REPEAL:

4.1. That Bylaw 601/23 and all amendments thereto be, and are, hereby repealed.

5. **EFFECTIVE DATE:**

5.1. That this Bylaw shall come into force and have effect from and after the date of third and final reading thereof.

READ a first time this 8th day of May 2024.

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READ a third time this 8th day of May 2024.

Original Signed

Dave Kusch, Reeve

Original Signed

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Chief Administrative Officer (Acting)