

**PARKLAND COUNTY  
BYLAW NO. 2013-01**

**BEING A BYLAW OF PARKLAND COUNTY TO PROVIDE FOR THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF  
IDENTIFICATION THAT ARE REQUIRED TO VOTE**

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**Whereas** pursuant to section 53(3) of the *Local Authorities Election Act*, an elected authority may, by bylaw, provide for the number and types of identification that are required to be produced by a person to verify the person's name and current address for the purpose of determining whether the person is eligible to vote;

**And whereas** pursuant to section 53(5) of the *Local Authorities Election Act*, a bylaw under section 53(3) of the *Local Authorities Election Act* may provide for the number and types of identification that are required to be produced to also verify the person's age,

**Now therefore** the Council of Parkland County hereby enacts as follows:

**1. TITLE**

This bylaw shall be called the "Voter Identification Bylaw."

**2. DEFINITIONS**

- (1) "Deputy" means a Deputy Returning Officer appointed by the Returning Officer to assist with an election;
- (2) "Local Authorities Election Act" means the *Local Authorities Election Act*, R.S.A. 2000, C L-21, and amendments thereto;
- (3) "Municipal Election" means any by-election or vote on a bylaw or question held in the municipality to elect a member or members of Council or the members of a Board of Trustees, or to determine a vote on a bylaw or question, or any combination of these alternatives;
- (4) "Presiding Deputy" means a Presiding Deputy Returning Officer who has been appointed by the Returning Officer to be in charge of a voting station;
- (5) "Voter" has the same meaning as "elector" under the *Local Authorities Election Act*.

**3. VOTER REQUIREMENTS**

- (1) In addition to meeting the requirements of section 53(1)(b) of the *Local Authorities Election Act*, every person who attends a voting station for the purpose of voting (in a municipal election held pursuant to the *Local Authorities Election Act* for which Parkland County is responsible to conduct either as the elected authority or pursuant to an agreement with another elected authority), must produce for inspection, to a Deputy:
  - a. one piece of identification issued by a Canadian government, whether federal, provincial or local, or an agency of that government, that contains a photograph of the voter and his or her name, age, and current address, such as an Operator's (Driver's) License or an Alberta Identification Card, OR,
  - b. a combination of two or more of the following documents which confirm the voter's name, age, and current address:
    - i. Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan (AHCIP) card;
    - ii. Alberta Wildlife (WIN) Identification card
    - iii. Birth Certificate;
    - iv. Canadian Citizenship card;
    - v. Canadian Forces Identity card;
    - vi. Canadian Passport;
    - vii. Credit/Debit card;
    - viii. Employee/Staff card;
    - ix. Firearm Possession and Acquisition Licence or Possession Only Licence;
    - x. Old Age Security (OAS) card;
    - xi. Secure Certificate of Indian Status (SCIS) card;
    - xii. Student Identification card;
    - xiii. Veteran's Affairs Canada Health card;
    - xiv. any other document or combination of documents that verifies name, age and current address may be accepted at the discretion of the Presiding Deputy Returning Officer of that voting station.
- (2) In the event that a Deputy is not satisfied that the identification verifies the name, age and current address of the person seeking to vote, the matter will be referred to the Presiding Deputy of the voting station for final decision.
- (3) A person who does not meet the requirements of section 53(1) of the *Local Authorities Election Act* and section 3 of this bylaw is not eligible to vote in the election.

#### 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

- (1) This bylaw shall come into force and effect upon the date of the passing of the third and final reading.
- (2) This bylaw remains in force until it is repealed pursuant to the *Local Authorities Election Act* section 161.

#### 5. AMENDING OR REPEALING BYLAWS

- (1) This bylaw shall repeal Voter Identification Bylaw No. 05-2010.

READ A FIRST TIME this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2013.

ADVERTISED January 18, 2013 and January 25, 2013.

MINISTERIAL APPROVAL ATTAINED on February 4, 2013 to pass this bylaw under Section 53(3) or 53(4) of the Local Authorities Election Act no later than four months prior to nomination day, by Ministerial Order No. L:011/13.

READ A SECOND TIME this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

READ A THIRD TIME and finally passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

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Mayor

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Manager, Legislative and Administrative Services