

BYLAW 013:2023

A Bylaw of the Town of Irricana, in the Province of Alberta, for the purpose of establishing a Municipal Library Board.

WHEREAS pursuant to the Libraries Act, RSA 2000, c L-11, and amendments thereto, a Council of a municipality may, by Bylaw, establish a Municipal Library Board;

AND WHEREAS the Municipal Library Board is a Corporation that shall be known, in the Town of Irricana, as “The Irricana & Rural Municipal Library Board”;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Irricana deems it desirable to form a Municipal Library Board and appoint its Members;

AND WHEREAS the Libraries Act and Regulations govern the provision of library services within a municipality;

AND THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Town of Irricana, duly assembled in Council, enacts as follows:

Title

1. This Bylaw may be cited as the “*Municipal Library Board Bylaw*”.

Definitions

2. In this Bylaw, the following definitions apply:
 - a. “**Board**” means the Irricana & Rural Municipal Library Board.
 - b. “**Board Member**” means an individual appointed to the Board by Council.
 - c. “**Chief Administrative Officer**” means the Chief Administrative Officer duly appointed by Council as the Administrative Head of the Municipality, pursuant to Section 205 of the Municipal Government Act.
 - d. “**Council**” means the Municipal Council of the Town of Irricana.
 - e. “**Member at Large**” means a person appointed to the Municipal Library Board who is a member of the public and not and Member of Council.
 - f. “**Member of Council**” means a person elected to office in the Town of Irricana. May also be referred to as “Councillor”.

Purpose of the Board

3. The Irricana & Rural Municipal Library Board provides library services for the Town of Irricana, pursuant to the Libraries Act, related regulations, and any other applicable legislation or order.

Board Membership

4. The Board shall consist of no fewer than five (5) and no more than ten (10) Board Members, appointed by Council, and shall consist of:
 - a. At least one (1) Member of Council and no more than two (2) Members of Council; AND
 - b. Members at Large.
5. Employees of the Irricana Library or the Town of Irricana are not eligible for appointment to the Board.
6. The Board shall elect a Chairperson and may elect Officers. Such elections must be from amongst Board Members.

Term of Office

7. The term of office for:
 - a. Councillors shall be for one (1) year starting from the time they are appointed at the annual Organizational Meeting;
 - b. Members at Large shall be for up to three (3) calendar years at the discretion of Council.
8. A Member is eligible to be reappointed for only 2 additional consecutive terms of office, unless at least 2/3 of the whole Council passes a resolution stating that the Member may be reappointed as a Member for more than 3 consecutive terms.

Meetings and Quorum

9. The Board shall meet at least once every four (4) months and at any time it considers necessary.
10. Quorum shall be achieved by a majority of appointed Board Members unless specifically stated otherwise in a Board-approved Bylaw.

Duties and Powers

11. The Board will perform all duties and exercise all powers described by the Libraries Act, related regulations, and any other applicable legislation or order.

12. The Board shall submit a proposed budget to Council on an annual basis, in compliance with the Libraries Act, with the timing and format determined by the Chief Administrative Officer.

13. The Board may enter into agreements related to exercising their powers and duties.

14. The Board may not enter into agreements on behalf of the Town of Irricana.

Severability

15. If any provision of this Bylaw is declared invalid for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, all other provisions of the Bylaw will remain valid and enforceable.

Repeal of Bylaw(s)

16. *Bylaw 006:2019*, being the *Municipal Library Board Bylaw*, is repealed upon this Bylaw passing and coming into full force and effect.

Effective Date

17. *Bylaw 013:2023*, being the *Municipal Library Board Bylaw*, is passed when it receives third reading and is signed pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act*.

READ A FIRST TIME this 18 day of September 2023.

READ A SECOND TIME this 18 day of September 2023.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT for THIRD READING given this 18 day of September 2023.

READ A THIRD TIME this 18 day of September 2023.

Original Signed _____
Jim Bryson
Mayor

Original Signed _____
Doug Hafichuk
Chief Administrative Officer