

RM OF REYNOLDS POLICY

Title: Irrigation Systems on Municipal Infrastructure

Policy No. 55

PURPOSE:

The Municipality deems it necessary and expedient to enter into agreements with Irrigators to authorize and regulate the installation of irrigation lines across municipal infrastructure for crop production.

PROCEDURE:

The Rural Municipality of Reynolds will review the attached Schedule "A" Irrigation/Private Works Application on Municipal Infrastructure once the applicant has completed and signed the documents. By signing the documents, the applicant agrees to the following terms and conditions:

1. The Municipality requires the applicant to request all utility locates if underground work is required and the landowner shall be responsible for all utility re-location and protection.
2. When requested, all disturbed areas (i.e. grade slopes, ditches, field drains) shall be trimmed, re-seeded and restored to an acceptable condition within 60 days of completion.
3. The applicant and/or the landowner shall be responsible for the restoration of any erosion, slope failure, or road settlements, for a period extended to December 31 of the year following the date on which work was completed the construction or modification.
4. Any excess excavated material shall be disposed of or leveled to an acceptable condition;
5. If the ditches require grass cutting or other maintenance prior to laying irrigation lines, the plans for this work need to be discussed with the Public Works Manager.
6. The construction, installation, and maintenance operations of the permitted drainage works, shall be accomplished with minimal interference of the use, operation and maintenance of the Province's right-of-way, and shall in no way, endanger the general public in its authorized/legal use of the right-of-way.
7. The applicant/and or landowner shall arrange for the safe movement of highway/roadway traffic and pedestrians during installation/excavation or maintenance of the works, by providing and maintaining the necessary signs, barricade, channelling and other devises which are generally required.

8. The applicant and/or landowner shall install the works through the road embankment or road allowance by boring, tunnelling or jacking. If the works must be installed by excavating open trenches, ensuring they are adequately shored, the applicant and or/landowner shall first obtain written permission from the Public Works Manager.
9. The applicant and/or landowner shall backfill the trenches, compact the material and restore the surface over excavated areas to the condition similar and equal in nature to what had existed prior to the commencement of the work. The applicant and/or landowner shall be responsible for restoration of the work within the right-of-way of the road for a two year period following the date of this agreement which authorizes the applicant to commence the work.
10. The applicant and/or landowner shall be held liable for any damage, injury or destruction resulting from the negligence of their staff and/or agents, shall indemnify and save harmless the Municipality from and against all claims arising from the construction, operation and maintenance of the works by the applicant and /or the landowner and maintain ongoing \$2 million liability insurance coverage for this purpose for the duration of the work.
11. If remedial/restoration works are required to be done by the RM of Reynolds to rectify a drain that does not comply with the Manitoba Water Stewardship License/Registration of the Drainage Plan of the RM of Reynolds as approved or for privates works to backfill trenches, compact the material or restore the surface over excavated areas to a condition similar and equal in nature to what had existed prior to commencement of the works, the costs of such works will be the responsibility of the landowner.
12. Inspection and proof of Double Containment for generator, pump, fuel tank by the Public Works Manager.

Implementation Date: January 14, 2025

Resolution: 25-005

Schedule "A"
Irrigation/Private Works Application on Municipal Infrastructure once

Date: _____

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Installation Date: _____ Expected Removal Date: _____

Description of Work:

Documents to be included with application:

___ Copy of Development Authorization Permit from the Province of Manitoba

___ Copy of Liability Insurance naming the RM of Reynolds as insured (\$2,000,000 liability)

___ Map with highlighted areas of where irrigation lines will be placed

I, _____ agree to comply with the conditions and recommendations outline in Policy 55 – Irrigation Systems on Municipal Infrastructure.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto agree to the above conditions.

Landowner(required signature)

Witness

Applicant(only if different from
Land owner)

Witness

APPROVAL: _____
Kim Furgala, Chief Administrative Officer

Date: _____