

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MISSISSIPPI MILLS

STAFF REPORT

DATE: June 6, 2023

TO: Committee of the Whole

FROM: Mike Williams, Director of Protective Services

SUBJECT: Noise Bylaw Update

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Committee of the Whole recommends that Council adopt the Noise Bylaw.

BACKGROUND:

The Committee of the Whole directed staff to review and consider making changes to the amendments to the Noise Bylaw 02-89 Amendment. Also requested for the total number of incidents where fines were issued for noise.

DISCUSSION:

Conversation was held with various committee members with regards to some clarification and some wording changes to some points of the amended Bylaw. The following were some of the discussion points:

- Definition of Noise
- Under Schedule B, Prohibitions # 7,8,9 we separated number 8 and 9 to give a clear separation of when you are protecting livestock.

Prohibitions	Prohibited Period of Time	
	Prohibited Periods of Time in Settlement Areas	Prohibited Periods of Time in Other Areas
7. The discharge of firearms for the purpose of practice or testing	Any time	7:00 p.m. of one day to 9:00 a.m. the following day.
8. Discharge of firearms for the protection of livestock and crops.	Any time	N/A

9. The discharge of firearms for the purpose of Hunting. As per the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, 1997	Any time	Check local sunrise-sunset times. You may only hunt from half an hour before sunrise to half an hour after sunset
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- Under Schedule B, Prohibitions # 18 we removed this whole prohibitions.

18. Yelling, shouting, hooting, whistling or singing.	Any time	Any time
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OPTIONS:

Definition of Noise

Option 1:

Noise means any sound whatsoever which is likely to annoy, disturb or injure, endanger or detract from the reasonable use and enjoyment of property or the comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of persons within the limits of the Municipality, and includes any sounds deemed to be noises in this By-law;

Option 2:

Noise means a sound, especially one that is loud or unpleasant or that causes disturbance.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There is no financial implication for this report.

SUMMARY:

Following Council direction, staff brought forward proposed revisions to the Noise By-law 02-89. The revisions reflect current legislation and a legal review of the current by-law. Staff are recommending that the new Noise By-law be approved and that By-law 02-89 be repealed.

Respectfully submitted by,

Reviewed by:

Mike Williams
Director of Protective Services

Ken Kelly,
CAO

ATTACHMENTS:

List all attach:

- Draft Noise By-Law 23-XX Updated May 30
- By-Law 23-XX Schedule Word Version with Fines