BYLAW 08-043 OF LAC LA BICHE COUNTY

A BYLAW OF LAC LA BICHE COUNTY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO AUTHORIZE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HERITAGE FUND FOR THE RECEIPT OF MONEY OR PROPERTY IN ORDER TO SUPPORT THE PRESERVATION, RESTORATION, AND ENHANCEMENT OF HERITAGE PROPERTIES IN LAC LA BICHE COUNTY.

WHEREAS Council of Lac La Biche County wishes to establish a heritage reserve fund to set aside funding for the preservation, restoration, and enhancement of heritage properties in Lac La Biche County;

NOW THEREFORE under the authority and pursuant to the provisions of the said Municipal Act, and by virtue of all other enabling powers, the Council of Lac La Biche County, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

SHORT TITLE

This bylaw may be cited as the "Heritage Fund Bylaw".

HERITAGE FUND

- 2. There shall be established a heritage reserve fund (the "Heritage Fund") which may be used for any of the following purposes within Lac La Biche County:
 - (1) Restoration of heritage properties;
 - (2) Enhancement of heritage properties;
 - (3) Renovation of heritage properties to meet code requirements;
 - (4) Increasing public awareness of heritage issues; and
 - (5) Other purposes as specified by Council.
- 3. For the purposes of this bylaw, a heritage property eligible for funding is a Municipal Heritage Site or a Municipal Heritage Area designated as such by Council under the Lac La Biche County Bylaw. However, the County shall also have the ability to access the Heritage Fund for heritage purposes related to a property not yet designated, in the event the County wishes to purchase the building or property in question.

FUNDING OF HERITAGE FUND

- 4. The Heritage Fund, in addition to transfers budgeted for this purpose by Council, may receive donations of cash from individuals, corporations, and other governments. The monies will accumulate interest calculated annually at the Bank of Canada prime rate.
- 5. The County may, at its sole discretion, decline any donation.

- 6. The method for calculating contributions to the Heritage Fund shall be by way of entering the amount of each donation and the name of the donors.
- 7. Decisions regarding the use of a donation to the Heritage Fund rest exclusively with Council.
- 8. Council may accept a donation that is subject to a condition the donation be used in a particular manner, or for a particular purpose or program operated by the County, provided no direct or indirect financial benefit, apart from the income tax receipt, accrues to the person making the donation or any person not at arm's length with the person making the donation.
- 9. Lac La Biche County shall issue official income tax receipts for all donations to the Heritage Fund.

WITHDRAWALS FROM THE HERITAGE FUND

- 10. An application to access funds from the Heritage Fund shall be for one or more of the following purposes:
 - (1) A grant to provide partial funding to property owners for renovations to meet code requirements, restorations, or enhancements to heritage properties; such renovations, restorations or enhancements shall be approved in advance through a Heritage Resource Permit;
 - (2) Purchase of heritage properties by the County on such terms and conditions as may be approved by County Council;
 - (3) Expenditures to increase public awareness of heritage issues.
 - (4) Any other item recommended by Council.
- 11. Applications to access funds from the Heritage Fund shall be administered by the Designated Officer appointed under the Heritage Bylaw.
- 12. Council shall determine if an application, or any part of thereof, should be:
 - (1) Fully approved;
 - (2) Partly approved or approved with conditions; and
 - (3) Denied.

ACCOUNTING

- 13. The Heritage Fund shall be broken down into such specific account allocations as Council deems appropriate.
- 14. The County of Lac La Biche shall account for those monies in the Heritage Fund by way of a schedule to the annual audited financial statements of the County of Lac La Biche.

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MOTION BY COUNCILLOR LANE THAT BYLAW 08-043 BE GIVEN FIRST READING THIS 24TH DAY

OF JUNE, 2008.

Chief Administrative Officer

MOTION BY COUNCILLOR QUIST THAT BYLAW 08-043 BE GIVEN SECOND READING THIS 26TH

DAY OF AUGUST, 2008.

MOTION BY COUNCILLOR UGANECZ THAT BYLAW 08-043 BE GIVEN THIRD READING THIS 26TH

Chief Administrative Officer

DAY OF AUGUST, 2008.