

BYLAW No. 22-899 of the Municipal District of Greenview No. 16

A Bylaw of the Municipal District of Greenview No. 16, in the Province of Alberta to provide for the establishment of the Audit Committee.

Whereas, Section 145 and 146 of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c.M-26, Council may pass bylaws in relation to the establishment and functions of Council committees, and the procedure and conduct of Council committees;

Whereas, the Council of the Municipal District of Greenview No. 16, deems it appropriate to establish an Audit Committee;

Therefore, the Council of the Municipal District of Greenview No. 16, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. TITLE

1.1. This Bylaw shall be cited as the "Audit Committee Bylaw".

2. PURPOSE

2.1. The purpose of this bylaw is to establish the Audit Committee as a Committee of Council, to delegate to it prescribed powers, duties and functions, and to establish rules for the appointment of its members, and its meeting procedures.

3. **DEFINITIONS**

- 3.1. **Committee** means the Audit Committee established by this bylaw;
- 3.2. **Council** means the Reeve and Councillors duly elected in the Municipal District of Greenview and who continue to hold office;
- 3.3. **Greenview** means the Municipal District of Greenview No 16.
- 3.4. Internal Controls means systems, processes and procedures developed to:
 - A) Safeguard assets;
 - B) Ensure the accuracy of the financial data;
 - C) Promote operational efficiency; and
 - D) Promote adherence to policies;
- 3.5. **Member** means an individual appointed to the Committee;
- 3.6. **Municipal Government Act** means the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c.M-26.

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4. MANDATE

- 4.1. The Committee assists Council in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities by reviewing reports from:
 - A) the Auditor; and the
 - B) Administration on matters relating to:
 - i. Financial statements;
 - ii. Internal Controls;
 - iii. Fraud, misconduct, and policy compliance; and
 - iv. Other related and ancillary matters as may be directed by Council.

5. GENERAL POWERS OF THE COMMITTEE

- 5.1. The Committee may by motion request a report from the Auditor or Administration on matters within its mandate and within approved budgets.
- 5.2. When the Committee reviews a report it may:
 - A) Receive it for information;
 - B) Send it to Council with or without recommendations;
 - C) Request additional information about matters relating to the report before sending it to Council with or without recommendations; and
 - D) Make decisions on matters delegated to Committee by Council by this or any other bylaw.

6. **REPORTING**

- 6.1. The Committee may request additional information from the Auditor about any part of the Auditor's work plan or reports.
- 6.2. The Director of Corporate Services or designate will provide an annual report to the Committee regarding the Auditors performance.

7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- 7.1. The Committee will recommend to Council:
 - A) That the annual audited financial statements be approved; and
 - B) Further actions or information that Council may desire in relation to Greenview's financial reporting.

8. FRAUD, MISCONDUCT AND POLICY COMPLIANCE

- 8.1. Administration will present reports on fraud, misconduct, and policy compliance matters within their respective areas of authority to the Committee.
- 8.2. Upon review of fraud, misconduct and policy compliance reports, the Committee may make recommendations to Council regarding:
 - A) The adequacy and effectiveness of policies in relation to legal requirements and conflicts of interest; and
 - B) Processes and controls that deter, detect and prevent fraud and misconduct.

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9. MEMBERS, QUOROM, AND ORGANIZATION

- 9.1. Committee will be comprised of three Councillors, appointed annually by Council during the Organizational Meeting.
- 9.2. Quorum for the Committee will be three Councillors.
- 9.3. On an annual basis the Committee shall designate Members to serve as Chair and Vice Chair, to act in the Chair's absence.
- 9.4. Members may attend and participate in Committee meetings using electronic communication facilities, and Members participating using electronic communication facilities will count towards quorum.
- 9.5. The Committee will follow the meeting and procedural rules in the Greenview Procedural Bylaw.
- 9.6. The Committee will meet annually.

10. **GENERAL**

- 10.1. The Committee will monitor its progress towards achieving its priorities and assess whether it needs to make adjustments periodically:
 - A) Assessing the effectiveness of the Committee and reporting these results to Council; and
 - B) Reviewing its mandate and bylaw and recommending changes to Council.

11. COMING INTO FORCE

11.1. This Bylaw shall come into force and effect upon the day of final passing and signing.

Read a first time this 8 day of March, 2022.

Read a second time this 8 day of March, 2022.

Read a third time this 22 day of March, 2022.

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

In the

Stacy Wabick

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