

Bylaw #710/00

A bylaw of the Town of Rimbey in the Province of Alberta regarding tree trimming.

WHEREAS trees and bushes on municipal boulevards can cause visibility problems for motorists at intersections; and for pedestrians using the town's sidewalks;

AND WHEREAS these trees and shrubs are the property of the municipality, and there is a liability exposure for the municipality;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Town of Rimbey, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. That the Town's public works staff are authorized to do as much cutting and trimming of tree branches as they deem appropriate, subject to the conditions noted in this by-law.
2. Public works staff must give residents or business owners at least one week's advance notice prior to any trees being trimmed in front of their residence or business.
3. If the resident or business owner cannot be contacted after making all reasonable attempts, a form letter will be attached to their front door and this will be considered notification.
4. If a tree continues to be a problem because of its location, the adjoining landowners will be given first opportunity to relocate it to their property, providing they pay all costs associated with relocation.
5. The town's by-law enforcement officer shall regularly inspect intersections for visibility problems caused by trees, and for traffic signs that may be obstructed by tree branches.

All occupants are still required to obey the provisions of Section 2(c) of Town of Rimbey by-law #548/88. This pertains to trees and shrubs on private property which may overhang or infringe on to public property.


Read a first time this 28 day of February, 2000.

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Read a third time this 13 day of March, 2000.



Mayor



Secretary-Treasurer