

BYLAW NO. 1262-22

**BEING A BYLAW OF
MACKENZIE COUNTY,
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

**TO APPROVE THE WATER FRANCHISE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE TOWN OF HIGH LEVEL AND MACKENZIE COUNTY
FOR THE PROVISION OF POTABLE WATER SERVICES.**

WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended ("the Act"), provides that a municipality may pass bylaws for municipal purposes respecting services provided by the municipality;

WHEREAS sections 45 – 47 of the Act provide that a council may, by agreement, grant a right to another to provide a utility service in all or part of the municipality for not more than 20 years;

WHEREAS the Councils of Mackenzie County and the Town of High Level have entered into a franchise agreement in the form attached that grants the Town of High Level the exclusive right to provide potable water services to a specified part of Mackenzie County for a period of twenty (20) years, subject to a right of renewal or replacement as set out in the agreement and in the Act; and

WHEREAS Mackenzie County has determined the franchise under consideration would be of benefit to public interests.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of Mackenzie County, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. This Bylaw may be called the Water Services Franchise Bylaw.
2. This Bylaw comes into force upon the agreement being approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission for the Province of Alberta, and upon being given third reading and finally passed.

READ a first time this 17th day of August, 2022.

PUBLIC HEARING on this 19th day of October, 2022

READ a second time this 19th day of October, 2022.

READ a third time and finally passed this 19th day of October, 2022.

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Josh Knelsen
Reeve

(original signed) _____
James Thackray
Chief Administrative Officer

