BRAZEAU COUNTY

BYLAW 873-15

BEING A BYLAW OF BRAZEAU COUNTY, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, TO REGULATE THE PROCESS DEALING WITH AMALGAMATION INVOLVING BRAZEAU COUNTY.

WHEREAS

The Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000 c. M-26 (the "MGA") allows a municipality to pass bylaws with respect to services provided by or on behalf of a municipality;

The MGA provides a mechanism for the amalgamation of municipalities in Part 4, Division 5;

The Council of Brazeau County believes it is appropriate to have public input by way of a plebiscite, before it considers a motion to consent to amalgamation with any other municipality;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of Brazeau County in the Province of Alberta enacts a bylaw for the process of undertaking a plebiscite prior to considering amalgamation with another municipality:

1. DEFINITIONS

- a. "Council" means the Municipal Council of Brazeau County; and
- b. "Plebiscite" means the submission of a question to be voted on by the electors on any matter over which the Municipality has jurisdiction in accordance with sections 236 240 of the *Municipal Government Act*.
- 2. Before considering a resolution to consent to amalgamation with another municipality, the Council must conduct a plebiscite of the electors of Brazeau County to determine the will of the citizens of Brazeau County.
- 3. A vote under section 2 must be conducted in accordance with the *Local Authorities Election Act* in place of the time of the plebiscite.
- 4. The question on the plebiscite referred to in section 2 shall be "Should Brazeau County amalgamate with [name of the other municipality or municipalities]?"
- 5. Council will follow the results of the plebiscite when considering a resolution to amalgamate.

6. This bylaw shall come into force and effect on the date of final passage and signing.

Read a first time in Council this <u>19th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2015.

Read a second time in Council this <u>19th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2015.

Read a third time and signed this <u>19th</u> day of <u>May</u>, 2015.

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Chief Administrative Officer