



FISHING LAKE METIS SETTLEMENT IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

COMMUNITY FUND EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE REPAYMENT BYLAW #001/2016

A BYLAW PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF GUIDELINES FOR EMERGENCY REPAYABLE ASSISTANCE TO SETTLEMENT MEMBERS OF THE FISHING LAKE METIS SETTLEMENT.

WHEREAS Section 3 of the Metis Settlement's Act, S.S.1990, c.M-14.3 authorizes a settlement council to engage in commercial activities, if the commercial activities are authorized by a General Council Policy and are permitted by a settlement by-law; and;

WHEREAS the General Council Commercial Activities Policy authorize a settlement council to engage in financial activities such as lending money and loan and interest guarantees;

NOW THEREFORE the Council and members of the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement enact as follows:

Purpose

1. The purpose of this bylaw is to establish guidelines for Settlement repayable assistance for;
 - a) Emergency Medical;
 - b) Utilities- in cases of disconnection (one time, one utility with attached Disconnection notice, access re-paid in full, payments will be made directly to the Utility company)

Definition

2. For the purpose of this Bylaw;

"Medical emergency" means a medical condition requiring immediate treatment. Documentation required/referral by a Doctor or Specialist.

"Utility" means Alta Gas Utilities and Electrical Services;

"Council" means the elected council of the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement.

"Community Fund" means a fund established by the Settlement from funds derived from fees charged by the Settlement.

"Residing Member" means a registered member who resides on the Settlement.

Repayable Assistance

1. The allowable under this Bylaw for;

- a) Medical loans are \$150.00; for meals mileage, accommodation & medical costs or as determined by Council and the availability of funds in the Community Fund;
- b) Utility bills at the amount outstanding on bill or as approved by Council and the availability of funds in the Community Fund.

Eligibility

2. To be eligible to receive emergency repayable assistance, a person must;

- a) be a Settlement member not on a leave of absence and residing in the Settlement area, and
- b) must submit a written document/referral from the attending physician/specialist indicating that the medical attention is needed immediately, and
- c) must not owe the community fund for previous assistance granted through this bylaw
- d) all requests for assistance must be approved by Council resolution and available funds to provide assistance.

Repayment Agreement

3. Prior to assistance being given;

- a) the member must submit a request for Community Fund assistance to the Settlement Council Secretary, the Council Secretary will forward the request to the Finance Department for an accounts receivable check, the Finance Director will forward the request back to the Council Secretary with findings, should the applicant have accounts receivable arrears for the Community Fund, the request will be denied, if the Accounts Receivable check is good, the Council Secretary will fill out loan agreement, obtain the signature for repayment from the applicant and forward it to the Council for approval and Chairperson & Administrator signature, once all signatures are obtained, the request and loan agreement will be forwarded back to the Finance Department for processing and financing.
- b) an agreement as set out in Schedule 1 must be signed by the person applying for the loan, the Chairman and Administrator prior to the issuance of any cheque.
- c) 100% of the loan assistance must be repaid to the Community Fund within 12 months of the signing of the loan agreement.

Effective Date:

This Bylaw comes into effect the day after it is given third reading.

READ a first time this 5 day of January, 2016 at a Council meeting in Fishing Lake Metis Settlement Office at which 4 Council members were present and voted as follows;

4 for, 0 abstained, 0 opposed,



READ a second this 5 day of January, 2016 at a Council meeting in Fishing Lake Metis Settlement Office at which 4 Council members were present and voted as follows;

4 for, 0 abstained, 0 opposed,

APPROVED by Membership at a Settlement General Meeting on the 17th day of February, 2016 in Fishing Lake Metis Settlement at which 36 members were present and voted as follows;

22 for, 0 abstained, 14 opposed

READ a third time this 4th day of October, 2016 at a Council meeting in Fishing Lake Metis Settlement Office at which 4 Council members were present and voted as follows;

4 for, 0 abstained, 0 opposed,



Settlement Administrator

Settlement Chairperson

{SEAL}





Fishing Lake Metis Settlement

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SCHEDULE 1

COMMUNITY FUND EMERGENCY REPAYMENT ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT

FISHING LAKE METIS SETTLEMENT
(hereinafter referred to as the "Settlement")

-and-

(hereinafter referred to as the "member")

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. **THAT** the Settlement will lend the member \$_____, for a term of one (1) year, commencing on the date of signing this agreement and terminating exactly 12 months immediately proceeding commencement date.
2. **THAT** the member will make payments in the amount of \$_____, commencing on the date of this agreement and terminating when payment is received in full.
3. **THAT** the member hereby consents to automatic deductions of payment or payments from any type of compensation or pay due from the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement or entity owned by the Fishing Lake Metis Settlement.
4. **THAT** the member hereby consents to having the amount owed to the Community Fund for Utilities taken from the Utility Stabilization Fund if applicable.

SIGNED SEALED AND WITNESSED this ____ day of _____, _____ AD.

MEMBER

WITNESS

ADMINISTRATOR