DISTRICT OF SALMON ARM

BYLAW NO. 3056

A bylaw to provide for the regulation of *false alarms* in respect of security alarm systems

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 726 of the Local Government Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c.323, Council may, by bylaw, require permits for the operation of fire and security alarm systems and establish fees for these permits and the manner in which the fees are to be paid;

AND WHEREAS, the Council has given due regard to the provisions of Section 726 of the Local Government Act and proposes to establish fees to be paid in response to *false alarms*;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the District of Salmon Arm, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. **Definitions**

In this bylaw:

"*false alarm*" in respect of a *security alarm system* means the activation of an alarm system resulting in the direct or indirect notification of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to attend the address of the alarm system, where there has been in fact no unauthorized entry or commission of an unlawful act on or in relation to the premises at that address;

"R.C.M.P." mean the Salmon Arm Detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police;

"security alarm system" means a device or devices installed on or in real property and designed to warn of criminal activity or unauthorized entry by activating an audible alarm signal or alerting a monitoring facility.

- 2. Where the Royal Canadian Mounted Police attends a premises to provide police services in response to a *false alarm* of a *security alarm system*, the owner or occupier of the property on which the premises are located shall pay to the District the fees set out in the District of Salmon Arm Fee for Service Bylaw.
- 3. The fees imposed under the sections of this bylaw shall vary with the number of like alarms originating in the same premises in any calendar year, as outlined in the District of Salmon Arm Fee for Service Bylaw.
- 4. The fees imposed by sections of this bylaw are due within thirty days of receipt by the owner or occupier of the District's invoice and, if overdue on December 31 of the calendar year in which they are imposed, may be added to and form part of the taxes payable on the property as taxes in arrears.

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- 5. Violation and Penalty Every person who violates any of the provisions of this bylaw, causes or permits any act or thing to be done in contravention or violation of any of the provisions of this bylaw or neglects to do or refrains from doing anything required by the provisions of this bylaw shall be deemed to be guilty on summary conviction of an offence and shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$2,000.00, plus the cost of prosecution, for each offence.
- 6. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as **"District of Salmon Arm False Alarm Security System Regulation Bylaw No. 3056."**

READ A FIRST TIME THIS	20th	DAY OF	October	2000.
READ A SECOND TIME THIS	20th	DAY OF	October	2000.
READ A THIRD TIME THIS	20th	DAY OF	October	2000.
ADOPTED BY COUNCIL THIS	14th	DAY OF	November	2000.

<u>"C.N. MAYES"</u> MAYOR

<u>"D.B. LAGORE"</u> CLERK