



**VILLAGE OF BELCARRA  
PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA  
VILLAGE HALL  
Monday, September 28, 2020  
5:00 PM**



This meeting is being held via Zoom Teleconference and will be recorded.

Meeting details as follows:

Click link to join meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/91015894269> Meeting ID: 910 1589 4269

**COUNCIL**

Mayor Neil Belenkie

Councillor Rob Begg

Councillor Carolina Clark

Councillor Bruce Drake

Councillor Liisa Wilder

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Belenkie will call the hearing to order.

Mayor Belenkie will read aloud the procedure for the Public Hearing as follows:

*“This Public Hearing is being held pursuant to Section 464 of the Local Government Act to consider and receive submissions regarding the proposed:*

- A. Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020 & Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020 – Land Disposition (Road Ends)**
- B. Village of Belcarra Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 2020 (Keeping of Chickens)**

*All persons present who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaw will be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard, make representation, or to present a written submission respecting matters contained in the proposed bylaw. People who pre-registered and are on the Speakers List will speak first. Put your hand up on the Zoom Webinar to join the Speakers List during the Public Hearing. When called on, please state your full name and address for the record.*

*Members of Council may, if they wish, ask questions of you following your presentation. The function of Council members during the Public Hearing is to listen to the views of the public. It is not the function of Council at this time to debate the merits of the proposed bylaw.*

*After the Public Hearing has concluded, Council may, without further notice, give whatever effect Council believes proper to the representations made.*

*Your only opportunity to comment on the proposed bylaw will be during the Public Hearing as members of Council are not permitted to receive further submissions after the Hearing is closed.*

*Everyone will be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard at this Hearing. No one will be discouraged or prevented from making their views heard.*

*Written submissions received during the Meeting will be available on the website, the day following the meeting, so that everyone may examine these documents.*

*To maintain order and to ensure everyone has a reasonable opportunity to be heard, the following rules of procedure have been established:*

- a. A Speakers' List has been established. If you wish to address the Public Hearing, please ensure that you place your name on the Speakers List. You may add your name to the list at any time by using the "raise hand" function on the Zoom webinar. If you are speaking from prepared remarks, please send a copy by email to the Chief Administrative Officer, [ldysart@belcarra.ca](mailto:ldysart@belcarra.ca)*
- b. Please commence your remarks by stating your name and address. If you are speaking on behalf of some other person or organization, please also identify the name of that person or organization you are representing.*
- c. Each speaker is requested to limit their remarks to no more than 5 minutes, (you will be timed), subject to putting up your hand to add your name to the Speakers List again.*
- d. Your comments must be specifically related to the subject of the Bylaw and be directed to the Mayor and you must not obstruct the Public Hearing. It is requested that all speakers be civil, respectful of others and ensure your comments address the specific issue being considered.*
- e. After everyone on the Speakers List has spoken once, speakers will be allowed one supplementary presentation if they have added their name to the list again. You may not present a submission you have already made.*

*Please observe these rules and if you have any concerns with the manner in which the Public Hearing is conducted, please direct your comments to Mayor Belenkie”.*

## **2. PUBLIC HEARING**

### **A. Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020 & Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020 – Land Disposition (Road Ends)**

- i. Public Hearing Notice – appeared on September 17 and September 24, 2020 in the Tri–City News newspaper*
- ii. Report September 14, 2020 to Council from the Chief Administrative Officer establishing the date for a Public Hearing regarding Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020 & Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020 – Land Disposition (Road Ends)*
- iii. Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020*
- iv. Village of Belcarra Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020*

Mayor Belenkie will call for Public Input three separate times.

Following public input:

**Recommendation:**

That all written and verbal submissions regarding Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020 & Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020 – Land Disposition (Road Ends) up to and including September 28, 2020, be received.

**B. Village of Belcarra Official Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 2020 (Keeping of Chickens)**

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Mayor Belenkie will call for Public Input three separate times.

Following public input:

**Recommendation:**

That all written and verbal submissions regarding Village of Belcarra Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 2020 (Keeping of Chickens) up to and including September 28, 2020, be received.

**2. ADJOURNMENT OR CLOSURE**

**Recommendation:**

That the Public Hearing regarding:

- A.** Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020 & Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020 – Land Disposition (Road Ends); and
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be closed.

- Or if a second Public Hearing is required.

**Recommendation:**

That the Public Hearing regarding:

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be adjourned to (specified date, time and location)

- **Members of Council are not permitted to receive further submissions once the Public Hearing is closed.**



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Via Zoom  
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5:00 pm**

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Proposed:**

**Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 435, 2011,  
Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020 – Land Disposition (Road Ends)  
Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020**

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Bylaw:	Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020
Purpose:	To amend the Official Community Plan to allow for the creation of Village-owned lots less than 0.5 acres.
Bylaw:	Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020
Purpose:	To amend the Zoning Bylaw to allow for the creation of Village-owned lots less than 0.5 acres.

A copy of the proposed Bylaws and the associated reports may be inspected online at [www.belcarra.ca](http://www.belcarra.ca) after September 22. Further details may be obtained from the Village of Belcarra by contacting 604-937-4100 or [ldysart@belcarra.ca](mailto:ldysart@belcarra.ca).

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- Faxing to 604-939-5034
- Emailing the Village at [ldysart@belcarra.ca](mailto:ldysart@belcarra.ca) with “Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020 & Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020” typed in the subject line.

**Please Note: Correspondence that is the subject of a Public Hearing, Public Meeting or other public procedures will be included, in its entirety, in the public information package and will form part of the public record. Council shall not receive further submissions from the public or interested persons concerning the amendment after the Public Hearing has concluded.**

Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer  
Date: September 14, 2020



## COUNCIL REPORT

**Date:** September 14, 2020

**From:** Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer

**Subject:** Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment  
Bylaw No. 569, 2020 – Land Disposition (Road Ends)  
Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020

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### Recommendation

1. That the Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020 be read a first and second time; and  
That the Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020 be referred to Public Hearing on September 28, 2020.
2. That the Village of Belcarra Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020 be read a first and second time; and  
That the Village of Belcarra Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020 be referred to Public Hearing on September 28, 2020.
3. That the Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020 and Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 568, 2020 be distributed to Metro Vancouver, the City of Port Moody, the Village of Anmore, and the Tsleil-Waututh Nation for review and comment pursuant to Section 475 of the *Local Government Act*.

### Purpose

To permit the creation of Village-owned lots less than 0.5 acres.

### Background

On November 18, 2019, the Revenue Generation Committee took a report to Council recommending further exploration of 7 surplus properties (“Road Ends”) located in the Village. The Revenue Generation Committee identified these 7 Road Ends as priorities for further exploration based on the comprehensive list of Road Ends noted in *2014 Road End Report*. Council directed Staff to survey and appraise these seven (7) properties and prepare a disposition plan.

On February 10, 2020 Council approved funding and research (including surveys and appraisals) to support the disposition of between one (1) and three (3) parcels. Since that time, 19 pieces of correspondence have been received related to the disposition of the Road Ends. In general, correspondents have expressed:

- support for the sale of the Road Ends to generate revenue for the Village, including: a desire for more road ends to be sold and for the sale process to be expedited;
- concerns about the sale of the Road Ends, including: loss of a public trail, impact to property frontage, compliance with Village policy, fire safety concerns, questions about

- how the revenue will be used, transparency of the sale process, and loss of privacy;
- suggestions, including: potential encroachments on Road Ends be charged a lease for that potential encroachment and public access be maintained on waterfront Road Ends to allow for water access.

On July 20, 2020, Council directed staff to prepare Bylaws amending the Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw to permit the creation of Village-owned lots less than 0.5 acres. This Report accompanies the Bylaws.



**VILLAGE OF BELCARRA**  
**Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 435, 2011**  
**Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020**



WHEREAS the *Community Charter* enables a local government to amend its bylaws from time to time;

NOW THEREFORE the Village of Belcarra enacts as follows:

1. That this bylaw be cited for all purposes as the “Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020”.
2. That the “Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 435, 2011” be amended:
  - a) By adding the following at the end of Section 3.1.1.b of The Official Community Plan (OCP):

“For the disposition of Village Lands, lot sizes of less than 0.5 acres shall be permitted.”

If a portion of this bylaw is held invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, then the invalid portion must be severed, and the remainder of this bylaw is deemed to have been adopted without the severed section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, clause or phrase.

Read a First Time on September 14, 2020

Read a Second Time on September 14, 2020

Public Hearing Held on

Read a Third Time on

Adopted by the Council on

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Neil Belenkie  
Mayor

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Lorna Dysart  
Chief Administrative Officer

This is a certified a true copy of  
Village of Belcarra Official Community Plan Bylaw  
No. 435, 2011, Amendment Bylaw No. 569, 2020

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Chief Administrative Officer



**VILLAGE OF BELCARRA  
Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018  
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2. That the “Village of Belcarra Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018” be amended:
  - a) By adding the following language to Section 217:
 

“(3) The Village may create Village-owned lots for municipal purposes or disposition that are less than 0.5 acres.”

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Bylaw:	Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 2020
Purpose:	To permit the keeping of chickens on residential properties in the Village of Belcarra.

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Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer

Date: September 14, 2020



## COUNCIL REPORT

**Date:** September 14, 2020

**From:** Lorna Dysart, Chief Administrative Officer

**Subject:** Report on Keeping Chickens:  
Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 2020  
Fees & Charges Bylaw No. 517, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 572, 2020

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### Recommendation

1. Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 2020 be read a first and second time; and  
That the Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 2020 be referred to Public Hearing on September 28, 2020.
2. That the Village of Belcarra Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 517, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 572, 2020 be read a first, second and third time.

### Purpose

To amend the Zoning Bylaw to permit the keeping of chickens on residential properties and  
To amend the Fees and Charges Bylaw to cover costs associated with the registration of keeping chickens and violation of the chicken keeping regulations, and  
To seek Council direction on the development of a Chicken Keeping Policy.

### Background

In recent years, some municipalities have encouraged residents to get involved in their own food production by allowing backyard chickens to be kept on single family lots.

The current Belcarra Zoning Bylaw does not stipulate whether backyard chickens are permitted. However, residents have expressed an interest in keeping backyard chickens. Staff support allowing residents to keep chickens in order to produce eggs for personal consumption.

There are important knowledge and skills necessary to provide care for chickens. According to the BC SPCA guide for backyard chickens, these include:

- The ability to recognize common symptoms of health problems in chickens
- The ability to humanely euthanize a chicken, or access to someone who can (e.g. a poultry veterinarian)
- Finding a knowledgeable hen sitter when you leave town
- Having at least two hens so your hen is not lonely
- Having access to suitable nutrition and veterinary care in your community
- Knowing what to do with hens who have stopped laying eggs
- Knowing how to protect hens from predators
- Knowing how to dispose of chicken wastes, feathers that have been shed, and carcasses

Source: <https://spca.bc.ca/news/backyard-chickens/>

### Policy in Other Jurisdictions

In Metro Vancouver, chickens can be kept in several municipalities. Below is a summary of chicken-related regulations. Please note this is not an exhaustive list but is intended to provide a general snapshot of how other municipalities are approaching this issue.

<b>Municipality</b>	<b>Permitted</b>	<b>General Rules &amp; Restrictions</b>
Delta	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 12 chickens</li> <li>• Minimum lot size 1 acre</li> </ul>
Vancouver	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permitted in single- and multi-family residential zones</li> <li>• Maximum of 4 hens, 4 months or older, per lot</li> <li>• Backyard slaughtering not permitted</li> <li>• Eggs, meat and manure cannot be sold for commercial purposes</li> <li>• Regulations for enclosure size (min. 0.37 m<sup>2</sup> coop space and 0.92 m<sup>2</sup> enclosed run space per hen)</li> <li>• Hens must be registered with the city</li> </ul>
North Vancouver (City)	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only residents in Single Unit Residential zoned dwellings can have chickens</li> <li>• Maximum 8 hens permitted</li> <li>• No roosters allowed</li> <li>• No sale of eggs or slaughter of chickens permitted</li> <li>• Residents must follow Urban Chicken Guidelines</li> <li>• Proper and secure pen and coop construction</li> <li>• No permits or registration required</li> </ul>
North Vancouver (District)	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum 2, maximum of 6 chickens</li> <li>• Minimum lot size 557 m<sup>2</sup></li> </ul>
West Vancouver	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 6 chickens with 1 hen enclosure per lot</li> <li>• All single-family zones</li> </ul>
Richmond	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum lot size ½ acre</li> </ul>
Surrey	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 4 hens for lots under 1 acre</li> <li>• Up to 12 chickens/acre for lots from 1- 5 acres</li> </ul>
Township of Langley	No	N/A
Burnaby	No	N/A
Coquitlam	No	N/A
Port Coquitlam	No	N/A
Port Moody	No	N/A

### Potential Concerns

There may be concerns related to the keeping of chickens. According to research of other municipalities, concerns were raised related to public health and the keeping of chickens. The City of Vancouver completed an analysis on real and perceived public health concerns during the creation of their keeping of hens regulations. They found that the overall risk of pathogen

transmission is low and does not pose a greater threat to the public.

Other potential concerns include nuisance (such as noise and odour) and wildlife (such as the attraction of bears, coyotes, etc.). The proposed Chicken Keeping Policy, which is discussed below, seeks to address these concerns through the regulation of the total permitted number of chickens, permission for hens only (no roosters), and regulations related to chicken enclosures (location, size, etc.).

*Staff is seeking Council input on any potential concerns as well as opportunities for mitigation related to the keeping of chickens.*

### **Chicken Keeping Policy – Seeking Council Input**

Staff is currently drafting a Chicken Keeping Policy and is seeking Council input on the development of this Policy. Based on research from other municipalities, staff is proposing the following considerations for the Chicken Keeping Policy, subject to Council direction:

<b>Consideration</b>	<b>Rationale</b>
<b>Register with Village:</b> all owners must register their chickens with the Village prior to bringing them to their property. Additionally, a schematic of the enclosure must be submitted to staff at the time of registration.	To allow the Village to track the number of chickens that are being kept on residential properties and to ensure the animals have sufficient room to roam.  See Figure 1 below for a sample chicken registration form from Surrey.
<b>Register with A BC Premises ID (BCPID):</b> all chicken owners must register their animals with BCPID	A BC Premises ID (BC PID) is a free code assigned by the Ministry of Agriculture to property owners who intend to keep livestock or poultry in the Province. The form can be completed online or sent via email / regular mail. A BC PID allows the province to notify owners of the potential spread or threat of disease.
<b>Permitted on residential property:</b> chickens may be kept on all residential properties in the Village of Belcarra.	Belcarra consists of single family home properties, ranging in size from 0.1 acres to 61 acres. According to research of other municipalities, chickens can be kept on single family lots of this size.
<b>Minimum &amp; maximum:</b> a minimum 2 of two hens and a maximum of 4 hens is permitted.	Research has shown that hens can become lonely if they are kept on their own, which is why a minimum of 2 is proposed. A maximum number of 4 is proposed as the Policy is rolled out; this number may be increased subject to analysis.
<b>Roosters:</b> roosters are prohibited	Roosters are noisy and can be a nuisance to neighbours. In the spirit of neighbourliness, roosters are prohibited.

<p><b>Produce &amp; by-product:</b> eggs, meat, or manure cannot be used for commercial purposes</p>	<p>The purpose of keeping chickens is for personal use and consumption. Additionally, produce and by-products cannot be regulated, so for public health and safety reasons, their commercial use is prohibited.</p>
<p><b>Slaughtering:</b> slaughtering of chickens on property is not allowed</p>	<p>For public health and safety reasons personal slaughtering is prohibited.</p>
<p><b>Chicken Coop and Run – Size &amp; Design:</b> the enclosure must provide a minimum of 0.37 m<sup>2</sup> (3.98 sq ft) coop space and 0.92 m<sup>2</sup> (9.90 sq ft) enclosed run space per hen. The enclosure must provide adequate protection for the chickens.</p>	<p>To ensure chickens have adequate room to roam.  To ensure the Village can determine size and design requirements have been met.</p>
<p><b>Chicken Coop and Run – Location:</b> every building (Coop) or enclosure used to accommodate chickens must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• located within the rear yard of the lot behind a dwelling;</li> <li>• a minimum 3.0 meters (9.8 feet) from a dwelling;</li> <li>• a minimum 1.2 meters (3.0 feet) from any lot line;</li> <li>• a minimum 3.0 meters (9.8 feet) from a flanking street.</li> </ul> <p>Owners must identify where the chicken coop and run will be located on their property at the time of registration.</p>	<p>To ensure chickens are kept in the backyard area and are far enough from neighbours and the road to mitigate impact on surrounding properties.</p>
<p><b>Chicken Coop and Run – Requirements:</b> each hen must be kept in the enclosure at all times; the enclosure must be secured from sunset to sunrise.</p>	<p>To protect chickens from predators and to prevent them from running away or on to neighbouring properties.</p>
<p><b>Contact for complaints:</b> the Policy will include a Village contact for complaints related to the keeping of chickens.</p>	<p>To ensure that individuals are following the Policy and to mitigate community or health concerns related to the keeping of chickens.</p>

**Figure 1: Sample Chicken Keeping Registration Form (Source: City of Surrey)**

<b>*Hen Owner:</b>				
	First Name		Last Name	
<b>*Address:</b>				
	Street No	Street Name		Unit
<b>*City</b>	Surrey			
<b>Postal Code</b>				
<b>*Phone Number(s)</b> <i>enter at least one</i>				
	Home	Cell	Work	
<b>Email</b>				
<b>Property Zoning</b>				
<b>Property Size</b>				
<b>*BCPID #</b>				
	<i>( 9 Digit B.C. Premises ID Registration # for a Poultry Premises provided by Ministry of Agriculture)</i>			
<b># of Hens to be kept on the lot:</b>				
<b>Comments:</b>				
	<input type="checkbox"/> I confirm that I reside on the above property and/or have written consent from the owner of the above property to keep chickens. <input type="checkbox"/> I confirm that I have read and understand the information regarding Backyard Hen Registry and will comply with the City of Surrey Backyard Chicken Bylaw requirements.			
<b>Clear Form</b>	<b>Print</b>	<b>Save Form</b>	<b>Email</b>	

Note: in addition to this form, applicants would be required to submit a schematic of the coop and run, as well as the location of the coop and run.

**Proposed Zoning Bylaw Updates to Permit the Keeping of Chickens**

Subject to Council direction on the Chicken Keeping Policy, staff is recommending updates to the Zoning Bylaw.

The Zoning Bylaw must be updated to permit the keeping of chickens. Staff is proposing to update the General Regulations section with the following amendment:

**227 – Keeping of Chickens**

(1) The keeping of chickens is permitted in all residential zones in accordance with the Chicken Keeping Policy.

The rationale for referring to the Chicken Keeping Policy, as opposed to including all of the information in the Zoning Bylaw, is to allow for more detailed information and regulations to be contained within single document that staff and the public can reference. Additionally, this allows for the Policy to be updated from time to time, without having to amend the Zoning Bylaw.

The amendment also recommends permitting the keeping of chickens in all residential zones to allow all Village residents to keep chickens if they wish to do so. According to research of other municipalities, chickens can be kept on single family lots of this size.

### **Proposed Fees and Charges Bylaw Updates Associated with Keeping Chickens**

Subject to Council direction on the Chicken Keeping Policy, staff is recommending updates to the Fees and Charges Bylaw.

Staff is proposing updates to the Fees and Charges Bylaw to cover costs associated with keeping chickens. Staff is recommending the following amendments to Schedule 12 – Animal Control Fees:

Keeping of Chickens Registration Fee	\$100
Violation of the Chicken Keeping Policy – 1st offence	\$200
Violation of the Chicken Keeping Policy – 2nd offence	\$400
Violation of the Chicken Keeping Policy – 3rd offence or subsequent offence	\$600

The purpose of these fees is to capture costs associated with staff time related to processing Keeping of Chickens registrations. Additionally, fines are proposed for those who violate the Chicken Keeping Policy. For example, people who keep too many hens, people who keep roosters, etc.

### **Attachments**

Attachment A: Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 2020

Attachment B: Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 517, 2018 Amendment Bylaw No. 572, 2020



**VILLAGE OF BELCARRA  
Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018  
Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 2020**



WHEREAS the *Community Charter* enables a local government to amend its bylaws from time to time;

NOW THEREFORE the Village of Belcarra enacts as follows:

1. That this bylaw be cited for all purposes as the “Village of Belcarra Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 2020”.
2. That the “Village of Belcarra Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018” be amended:
  - a) By adding a new section (Section 227) to Section 200: General Regulations to permit the keeping of backyard chickens:

**227 – Keeping of Chickens**

(1) The keeping of chickens is permitted in all residential zones in accordance with the Chicken Keeping Policy.

If a portion of this bylaw is held invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, then the invalid portion must be severed, and the remainder of this bylaw is deemed to have been adopted without the severed section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, clause or phrase.

Read a First Time on

Read a Second Time on

Public Hearing Held on

Read a Third Time on

Adopted by the Council on

\_\_\_\_\_  
Neil Belenkie  
Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lorna Dysart  
Chief Administrative Officer

This is a certified a true copy of  
Village of Belcarra Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018  
Amendment Bylaw No. 571, 2020

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Administrative Officer





**VILLAGE OF BELCARRA**  
**Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 517, 2018**  
**Amendment Bylaw No. 572, 2020**



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NOW THEREFORE the Village of Belcarra enacts as follows:

1. That this bylaw be cited for all purposes as the “Village of Belcarra Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 517, 2018, Amendment Bylaw No. 572, 2020”.
2. That the “Village of Belcarra Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 517, 2018” be amended:
  - a) By adding the following language to Schedule 12 – Animal Control Fees:

Keeping of Chickens Registration Fee	\$100
Violation of the Chicken Keeping Policy – 1st offence	\$200
Violation of the Chicken Keeping Policy – 2nd offence	\$400
Violation of the Chicken Keeping Policy – 3rd offence or subsequent offence	\$600

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Adopted by the Council on

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Neil Belenkie  
 Mayor

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 Lorna Dysart  
 Chief Administrative Officer

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**Zoning Bylaw No. 510, 2018**  
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Read a First Time on September 14, 2020

Read a Second Time on September 14, 2020

Public Hearing Held on

Read a Third Time on

Adopted by the Council on

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 Neil Belenkie  
 Mayor

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 Lorna Dysart  
 Chief Administrative Officer

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 Chief Administrative Officer