

## **Clear Hills County**

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Title: FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES

## 1. Policy Statement

- 1.1. Clear Hills County will establish guidelines for the provision of, and authority over, fire protection in Clear Hills County. Heavy reliance will be placed on the community to provide volunteer support to the program. At the present time County fire protection services consist of two volunteer fire departments located in the Village of Hines Creek and the Hamlet of Worsley. Fire protection services also consist of nine fire trailers strategically located throughout the developed areas of the county. The prime objective of county fire protection services is to provide fire containment services. Fire protection throughout the Green Zone shall continue to rely on Alberta Environmental Protection Land & Forest Service.
- 1.2. Clear Hills County approves Medical Co-Responder (MCR) Training for the Worsley Volunteer Fire Department members.

## 2. Organization and Boundaries

- 2.1. Fire Department response boundaries shall be established by Agreement and shall from time to time be amended to provide for the quickest fire service response times.
- 2.2. Changes to boundaries will only be considered following consultation with the Clear Creek Fire Commission and the departments involved.
- 2.3. Each department established shall have a Fire Chief at its head, and such other operational positions as shall from time to time be adopted by the individual departments.
- 2.4. The Fire Chief shall be appointed by Bylaw by the municipal council in which the fire hall is situated, unless this responsibility has been appointed to another municipality's council or agency.
- 2.5. The municipality may request recommendations from the Fire Department and/or Clear Creek Fire Commission for candidates to fill the position of Fire Chief.
- 2.6. Following the appointment of the Fire Chief the fire department shall hold an annual organizational meeting to select a deputy fire chief and other operational positions required to effectively operate the department.

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## 3. End of Policy

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