Weed Control Act Appeal Committee Terms of Reference

1. PURPOSE

1.1 To hear and make decisions on an appeal concerning a notice issued against any land and/or personal property for the destruction or control of the named weed.

2. LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

- 2.1 Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000 c.M-26, as amended Section 145
- 2.2 Weed Control Act, RSA 2000, c.W-5
- 2.3 Bylaw 08-19, Council Committee

3. DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

The Committee has the Authority to:

- 3.1 Establish the dates for each Committee meeting;
- 3.2 Create or review Committee Terms of Reference (Council approval required);
- 3.3 Hear notice appeals in accordance with the requirements outlined in the *Alberta Weed Control Act*.

4. ROLES

- 4.1 The Committee shall conduct itself in accordance with all provisions as set out in Part 3 of the Weed Control Regulation and the Procedural Bylaw except as modified by specific provisions of this Terms of Reference.
- 4.2 A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- 4.3 The Deputy CAO is designated as the Secretary of the Weed Control Act Appeal Committee.

5. MEMBERSHIP

5.1 All Town of Lamont Council members.

6. TERM OF MEMBERSHIP

- 6.1 Council members are appointed annually at the Organizational meeting.
- 6.2 The municipal representative shall not be a member of the Committee and may not vote on any matter; this includes any staff attending the meeting.

7. BOARD CHAIR

- 7.1 The Mayor shall act as Chair for this Committee.
- 7.2 The Chair shall hold office for the remainder of the calendar year from the date of appointment.
- 7.3 The Chair shall preside over all meetings of the Committee and decide all points of order that may arise; manage the process of the meeting; preside over the conduct of the meeting, including the preservation of good order and decorum; determine speaking order; and rule on all questions related to the orderly procedure of the meeting.

8. MEETINGS

8.1 The Committee shall hold meetings at the call of the Chair when an appeal arises.

9. GOVERNANCE

- 9.1 A majority of the voting members shall constitute a quorum at a board meeting.
- 9.2 All voting members of the board, including the Chair, shall be required to vote on any motion before the Committee and, in the event of a tie, the motion shall be lost.

10. ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY

- 10.1 Coordination of meeting locations and setup.
- 10.2 Preparation of meeting minutes and agendas.
- 10.3 Circulation of Agenda Package to Committee members.

11. ENACTMENT

11.1 Upon approval by resolution of Council.