VILLAGE OF MUENSTER BYLAW 3/2012

SUMP PIT AND SURFACE DISCHARGE BYLAW

WHEREAS Section 8 of The Municipalities Act provides a municipality with the authority to pass bylaws respecting public utilities:

AND WHEREAS it is deemed desirable to provide for the matters referred to above and to establish a standard for a Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System;

The Council of the Village of Muenster, in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

PART 1 – INTERPRETATION

1. This Bylaw shall be cited as the "Sump Pit and Surface Discharge Bylaw"

2. Application

This Bylaw shall apply to all newly constructed structures including, but not limited to, residential dwellings and dwelling units with a subsurface drainage system within the Village of Muenster for which a building permit has been applied for after and including January, 2012.

3. Definitions in this Bylaw:

- (a) "Approved" means permitted, inspected, or approved by the government agency or other authority having jurisdiction over the subject matter to which the approval relates;
- (b) "Building Official" means the person appointed by Council to perform the duties of this bylaw or any other bylaw or resolution of council;
- (c) "Council" means the municipal council of the Village of Muenster;
- (c) "Dwelling" means any structure used or occupied or intended for supporting or sheltering any residential use;
- (d) "Owner" means a person who has any right, title, estate, or interest in land or improvements other than that of a mere occupant, tenant, or mortgagee;

- (f) "Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System" means a system including sump, sump pump and related plumbing used to convey water collected by subsurface drainage to the surface;
- (g) "Village" means the Village of Muenster.

PART II- STANDARDS

- 4. The owner of every newly constructed structure with a subsurface drainage system shall install a sump pit, sump pump and surface discharge system such as to allow discharge to the surface.
 - (a) Discharging to the surface:
 - i. A Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System with a discharge to the surface as shown on Schedule "A" shall be installed.
 - ii. Discharge shall not be directed onto a pervious ground surface within 2 meters of any building.
 - iii. Discharge shall be directed to a drain point on the owner's property that will not causing flooding to others. Where in the opinion of the Building Official the landscape around the building is inadequate to dispose of the subsurface drainage and/or where in the opinion of the Building Official the drainage point selected by the owner has caused or is likely to cause flooding or nuisance to other properties, the Building Official may designate a system or point of discharge to be used by the owner. Failure to follow such direction of the Building Official shall constitute an offence under this Bylaw.
- 5. The Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System shall be installed by a Journeyman Plumber in such a way as to comply with all village bylaws and policies and other applicable regulatory authorities and without causing excessive ponding or icing on public or private property.
- 6. The costs associated with installing a Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System will be the sole responsibility of the owner.
- 7. The standards for a Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System as set forth in Schedule "A" to this bylaw shall be the standards for the Village of Muenster, and the said Schedule "A" is hereby enacted and adopted as a part of this Bylaw.

8. The sump pit shall be in close proximity to the floor drain with the concrete floor being graded toward the floor drain. If the sump pit cannot be located close to the floor drain a back up power supply is recommended.

PART III - ENFORCEMENT

9. Enforcement of Bylaws

The administration and enforcement of this bylaw is hereby delegated to the Building Official or the Bylaw Enforcement Officer or a Representative appointed by the Village Council.

10. The Building Official or other duly authorized employee or agent of the Village bearing proper credentials and identification, may enter upon all properties for the inspection, observation and testing deemed necessary in accordance with this Bylaw.

PART IV - OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

- 11. Any person in violation of a provision of this Bylaw shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable upon summary conviction to a fine of not less that \$500.00 but not exceeding:
 - (a) \$10,000.00 in the case of an individual; or
 - (b) \$25,000.00 in the case of a corporation

The term "person" means any individual, firm, partnership or corporation, or any trustee, manager or other person either individually or jointly with others, owning any building or place to which this Bylaw applies.

12. Conviction of a person for a breach or any provision of this Bylaw does not relieve that person from compliance with the Bylaw and such person is liable to an action in law by the Village to remedy the violation and to make good any damage done by such person.

$\underline{PART\ V-SEVERABILITY}$

13.	If a court of competent jurisdiction should declare any section or part of a section of this Bylaw to be invalid, such section or part of a section shall not be construed as having persuaded or influenced the Council to pass the remainder of the Bylaw, and it is hereby declared that the remainder of the Bylaw shall be valid and shall remain in force and effect.
14.	Coming into Force
	This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect on February 21, 2012.
	Mayor
	Administrator

Schedule "A" Bylaw 3/2012

Sump Pump with Surface Discharge

