

**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF BONNECHERE VALLEY**

BY-LAW NO. 2014-068

**BEING A BY-LAW TO APPOINT AN INVESTIGATOR PURSUANT TO
SECTIONS 8, 9 10 AND 239.1 OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT, 2001 AS
AMENDED**

WHEREAS Section 239.1 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended permits a person to request an investigation of whether a municipality or local board has complied with section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended or a procedure by-law under subsection 238(2) in respect of a meeting or part of a meeting that was closed to the public.

AND WHEREAS Council deems it desirable to appoint Mr. Robert Rantz as the Investigator to investigate all requests on behalf of the Municipality and its Local Boards for a four year term commencing December 1, 2014.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Township of Bonnechere Valley hereby enacts as follows:

1. That pursuant to sections 9, 10, 11 and 239.2 of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, Council hereby appoints Mr. Robert Rantz as the independent investigator to investigate in accordance with the legislation all requests for an investigation of the Council and Committees of the Municipality and the Local Boards and their Committees of the Municipality. For the purposes of this By-Law 'committee' and 'local board' shall have the meaning as defined in section 238 of the Act
2. The appointment shall be for a four year term commencing the first day of December 2014 and ending November 30, 2018 and may be renewed for subsequent two year terms. This contract may be terminated at any time with 30 days notice.
3. Mr. Rantz and his designate shall, in carrying out the functions of Investigator, have regard to, among other matters, the importance of the Investigator's credibility, the independence, impartiality and confidentiality with respect to the investigative process.
4. The Investigator or the delegate may hear or obtain information from such persons as the Investigator or the delegate thinks fit, and may make such inquiries as the Investigator or the delegate thinks fit and it is not necessary for the Investigator or the delegates to hold any hearing.
5. Subject to section 6, no person is entitled as of right to be heard by the Investigator or the delegate.
6. If at any time during the course of an investigation it appears to the Investigator or the delegate that there may be sufficient grounds for a report for recommendation that may adversely affect the municipality a local board or any other person, the Investigator or the delegate shall give him/her or it an opportunity to make representations respecting the adverse report or recommendation, either personally or by counsel.

7. After conducting an investigation, the Investigator or the delegate shall report to the municipality or in the case of a local board, to the local board and the Municipality. The report shall include an opinion and the reasons for it and may make such recommendations as the Investigator or the delegate thinks fit. The report shall be included on the next agenda of the Council or in the case of a Local Board, the Council and the Local Board agendas, immediately following receipt of the report.
8. Every request for an investigation by a person shall include all of the following:
 - (a) Be directed to the C.A.O.
 - (b) Be in writing
 - (c) Include reasons for the request
 - (d) Be signed and
 - (e) Include an address and telephone number of the person making the request
9. This By-Law shall come into force and take effect immediately upon the final passing.
10. This by-law rescinds all previous investigator by-laws.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER 2014.

READ A THIRD TIME AND PASSED THIS 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER 2014.

Jennifer Murphy, Mayor

Bryan Martin, CAO