

**BYLAW NO. 05 - 2024**

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF LAIRD NO. 404**

**A BYLAW OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF LAIRD NO. 404 TO AMEND BYLAW  
NO. 6-2008 KNOWN AS THE ZONING BYLAW**

The Council of the Rural Municipality of Laird No. 404 in open meeting hereby enacts as follows:

- 1. PART 5 ZONING DISTRICTS, SCHEDULE A: AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT (AG), 1.5 Subdivision and Site Regulations**, is amended by deleting footnotes 1. and 3. below the table and replacing them with the following:

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1. See subsection 1.6 for site area exceptions
3. See subsection 1.6.10 for potential minimum yard reductions”

- 2. PART 5 ZONING DISTRICTS, SCHEDULE A: AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT (AG), 1.6 Supplementary Development Standards**, is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and replacing it with the following new subsection:

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**1.6 *Supplementary Development Standards***

1. The minimum site area constituting an agricultural operation or agricultural holding shall be 64.80 ha (160 acres) or equivalent. Equivalent shall mean 64.80 ha (160 acres) or such lesser amount as remains in an agricultural holding because of the original township survey, road widening, road right-of-way or railway plans, drainage ditch, pipeline or transmission line development or government action, natural features such as water courses or water bodies, or as a result of subdivision as permitted herein.
2. Any site which does not conform to the minimum or maximum site area requirement but existed in the Land Titles Office prior to the coming into force of this Bylaw shall be deemed conforming with regard to site area.
3. Subdivision proposing the re-orientation of existing parcel boundaries of agricultural parcels not meeting the minimum 64.80 ha (160 acres) area requirement, but deemed conforming as described above, will be permitted where: the re-orientation would remedy an issue of legal and physical access; and where any resulting parcel meets or exceeds 16.2 ha (40 acres) in area.
4. Agricultural parcel consolidation of parcels not meeting the minimum 64.80 ha (160 acres) area requirement, but deemed conforming as described in above, shall be permitted for the creation of a single larger agricultural holding.
5. Parcels created solely for the purpose of providing private access to agricultural holdings will be permitted where:
  - i) The access parcel is parcel tied to the agricultural holding(s) to which it is providing access;

- ii) The development of existing registered roadway is prohibitive due to topographical or geographical constraints, is not in the interest of the RM and its ratepayers, or serves limited property(ies);
  - iii) There is no development on the parcel other than an access drive; and
  - iv) The access parcel is a minimum width of 20 metres.
6. Where subdivision is proposed to establish a discretionary use, the area proposed for subdivision shall comprise a minimum of 1 ha (2.47 acres) and a maximum of 4.05 ha (10 acres) excepting intensive agricultural operations which may exceed the maximum allowable where it is demonstrated to Council's satisfaction that additional space is necessary for a viable agricultural operation.
  7. A site to be created by subdivision shall not be permitted unless the proposed parcels and the remainder of the parcel being subdivided abuts, or has frontage on a developed road, including any road to be developed under a signed servicing agreement.
  8. There shall be no minimum area required for a subdivision facilitating cemeteries, crematoria and mausoleums, and radio and television towers and facilities.
  9. Where deemed desirable or necessary by Council, and as a condition of a development permit, it may require the installation of fencing, plantings, or other similar demarcation methods to clearly identify and protect the area of a cemetery.
  10. The Development Officer may allow a reduced side or rear yard to no less than 1.5 metres for any applicable permitted use where the reduced setback is not anticipated to interfere with the established use(s) or operations on the abutting lands. Where deemed necessary by the Development Officer to minimize potential nuisance or land use conflict, it may impose conditions or standards consistent with subsections 3.51 and 3.52 of the General Regulations. Development permitting is required where a reduced yard setback is applied.

3. The Table of Contents is hereby updated to reflect the amendments made pursuant to this bylaw.

This bylaw shall come into force on the date of final approval by the Minister of Government Relations.

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Reeve

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Administrator

Read a first time this \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 2024.  
Read a second time this \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 2024.  
Read a third time and adopted this \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 2024.