THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. JOSEPH JOB DESCRIPTION

Livestock Evaluator & Weed Inspector

Department Administration **Job class** Weed Inspector – 7

Livestock Evaluator - Off Grid

(\$30 per call out)

Last Updated December, 2021

PRIMARY FUNCTION

Livestock Evaluator

The Protection of Livestock and Poultry from Dogs Act requires the Council of every municipality to appoint a Livestock Valuer. Livestock Evaluators are responsible for the investigation of livestock claims. The Municipality is responsible for claims wherein the livestock or poultry has been killed or injured by a dog or a wolf. The Livestock Valuer investigates the claims and determines the amount to be paid to the owner of the injured/killed livestock.

Weed Inspector

As required by the Weed Control Act 1990, the municipality must appoint a Weed Inspector to undertake the administration and enforcement of the Act. Under the Act, the Area Weed Inspector is empowered to search and inspect lands and issue written orders for the destruction of noxious weeds. The only exception to the requirement of issuing written orders is set out in Section 16 of the Act.

REPORTS TO

Clerk Administrator

DIRECTION EXERCISED

N/A

MAJOR EQUIPMENT OPERATED

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RESPONSIBILITIES

Livestock Evaluator

• The Livestock Evaluator will make and complete a full investigation within three (3) days of receiving a notification from the Clerk Administrator that an application has been received.

- When conducting an investigation, the Valuer will record such evidence, including the taking of photographs and/or video, that is reasonably necessary to allow another person to review the evidence and make a conclusion as to whether Wildlife caused the Injury or death to the Livestock or Poultry.
- The Valuer will also make and serve a report in writing within ten (10) Business Days after receiving notification.
- The Municipal-Valuer's report will include the following information:
 - Whether the Injury or death was, to the Valuer's best knowledge and belief,
 - Caused by Wildlife covered under the Program,
 - Caused by a dog owned by or habitually kept on the premises of the owner of Livestock or Poultry, or
 - A result of the owner's failure to take reasonable care to prevent the Injury or killing of the Livestock or Poultry by Wildlife.
 - The extent and amount of damage to the owner's Livestock or Poultry; and
 - The quantum of compensation (if any) the owner of the Livestock or Poultry should receive under the Program.
- The Municipal-Valuer will provide a copy of his/her report to:
 - o The owner of the Livestock or Poultry.
 - o The clerk of the municipality in which the Livestock or Poultry was Injured or killed; and
 - o The Program Administrator.

Weed Inspector

- Search and inspect lands and issue written orders for destruction of noxious weeds
- The inspector shall report to the clerk of the municipality the amount of the expenses incurred under this section with respect to each parcel of land.
- The weed inspector who finds noxious weeds or weed seeds on any land owned by or under the control of a municipality within his or her district may deliver or send by mail, by registered mail, by certified mail or by courier service to the clerk of the municipality a notice requiring the noxious weeds or weed seeds to be destroyed before a date specified in the notice.
- If the notice is not complied with, the district weed inspector may cause the noxious weeds or weed seeds to be destroyed in the prescribed manner.
- The expenses incurred by the district weed inspector under subsection (2) shall be paid by the municipality concerned and are recoverable in any court of competent jurisdiction by the Minister in the name of Her Majesty as a debt owed to the Crown.

QUALIFICATIONS

Livestock Evaluator

- OWDCP Investigator Training would be considered an asset
- Previous experience with livestock and/or damage compensation required.

HOURS OF WORK

This is a part-time/hourly position that works rarely, on an on-call basis.