Appendix B: Proposed Responsible Pet Ownership By-law Amendments

Use of Traps

Recommended changes:

- That the outdoor use of body hold traps be prohibited
- That live trap users be required to check traps at least once per day
- That live trap users be required to release or humanely euthanize an entrapped animal
- That the outdoor use of glue traps be prohibited

Wildlife Proofing and Coexistence

Recommended changes:

- That the feeding of wildlife be prohibited (exemption for bird feeders)

Spay/Neuter and Breeding

Recommended changes:

- That new requirements be established for an intact pet license
- That animal shelters be authorized to spay/neuter impounded unlicensed stray dogs and cats prior to release to an owner
- That animal shelters be authorized to spay/neuter any dog or cat impounded twice in a lifetime, regardless of pet license status.
- That a breeding permit be required for dogs and cats and that owners be required to display a permit number where puppies or kittens are advertised for sale

Other Recommended Changes to Improve Public Safety and Animal Welfare

Recommended changes:

- That outdoor rodenticide operations only be conducted by licensed pest control companies or governmental agencies
- That the practice of allowing 24/7 outdoor dog tethering/chaining and housing be prohibited and that supervision be required for dogs placed outside temporarily
- That residents be prohibited from leaving dogs, cats and other companion animals unattended in vehicles when the outside temperature is at or warmer than 22C, or at or colder than -10C
- That cycling with dogs tethered to a bicycle or similar device when the temperature is 22C or greater be prohibited
- That standards for dog daycares be established
- That poultry be allowed to be kept on RR5 zoned properties