

RESORT VILLAGE OF MANITOU BEACH TREE BRANCH PICK UP & TREE PIT DEPOT MANAGEMENT

BYLAW 27-2023

1. SHORT TITLE

This Bylaw may be cited as “The Tree Branch Pick Up and Tree Pit Depot Bylaw”.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Bylaw is to effectively manage the disposal of tree branches from private property, within the Resort Village of Manitou Beach. This is a service provided to Village Citizens. Entitlement and abuse regarding this area of management will not be tolerated.

3. TREE PIT DEPOT OPERATIONS

- a) Seasonally operated. Hours to be set by Village Foreman.
- b) Notification will be sent out via email & social media to inform Citizens of hours and regular days of operation. Tentatively set:

May-October; Monday to Friday, by appointment.

May Long-Weekend to September Long-Weekend: Saturday; 9:00am-4:00pm.

Closed November-April, apart from the intake of live Christmas Trees after the holidays, please watch for notifications. Date of closure-weather dependent-to be determined by Village Foreman.

- c) Tree branches from outside the community are not accepted at this site. REACT Station in Watrous accepts tree branches on a regular basis.
- d) No grass clippings, leaves, compost, litter, household, or construction garbage shall be accepted. Natural tree branches only, no lumber or siding, etc. REACT Station in Watrous accepts all listed materials.
- e) Abuse of the tree branch pit may result in decommissioning the site.

4. TREE BRANCH PICKUP

- a) Seasonally operated. Dates set by Village Foreman.
- f) Notification of schedule will be sent out via email & social media to inform Citizens of hours and regular days of operation. Tentatively set:
May-September: the second Wednesday of the month.
- b) Citizens must call in to the office to request this service. A service request must be received by the Village Office, by the second Monday of the month, to allow for the organization of routes. The location of the pile must be clearly communicated. Verbalization of incorrect locations shall result in lost service & citizens shall then be responsible for the removal of branches from village right of way.
- c) Branch piles must not exceed 4 feet wide by 4 feet high and 4 feet long.
- d) Large branches must be trimmed to 4-foot lengths.
- e) Branches must be placed in or adjacent to the property's main access. The Village shall not be held liable for any damage to private property in the execution of this service.
- f) Village Staff have the right to refuse inaccessible areas and shall result in lost service & citizens shall then be responsible for the removal of branches from village right of way.

5. FINES & CHARGES

- a) **TREE PIT DEPOT FINES**-Dumping of debris as stated in **3 d)**: leaves, grass clipping, compost, litter, household, or construction garbage shall result in fines starting at \$500 for the first offence, \$1000 for the second offence, and \$1500 for the third offence. Fines left unpaid shall be added to the Citizens tax roll at the end of the year.

- b) **TREE BRANCH PICK-UP CHARGES**-Each pick up location will be charged \$30.00 to the Citizen calling in to request the service. All unpaid charges will be added to the tax roll if left unpaid at year end.

- c) **TREE BRANCH PICK-UP FINES**-Dumping of tree branches for pick-up service in village right of way with improper location shall result in lost service, where the citizen shall remove the branches. If branches are left for more than 7 days and village staff remove the debris; fines shall result-\$200 for the first offence, \$500 for the second offence, and \$1000 for the third offence. Fines left unpaid shall be added to the citizens tax roll at the end of the year.

Mayor

Administrator

Resolution 2023-74

Read a third time and adopted

This 21st day of August 2023.