THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TINY

BY-LAW NO. 08-073

Being a By-law to Prohibit the Discharge of Firearms on Municipal Property within the Township of Tiny

WHEREAS Section 119 of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, provides that a local municipality may, for the purpose of public safety, prohibit or regulate the discharge of guns or other firearms, air-guns, springguns, cross-bows, long-bows or any other weapon;

AND WHEREAS Council of the Township of Tiny deems it expedient in the interest of public safety to prohibit the use of firearms on municipal property within the Township of Tiny;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Tiny enacts as follows:

1. TITLE

1.1 This by-law may be referred to as "Firearms Control By-law".

2. **DEFINITIONS**

For the purposes of this by-law:

- 2.1 "Firearm" shall mean a barrelled weapon from which any shot, bullet or any projectile may be discharged and that is capable of causing serious bodily injury or death to a person, and includes any frame or receiver of such a barrelled weapon and anything that may be adapted for use as a firearm, and includes an air or pellet gun, a long-bow, a cross-bow, a recurve-bow, and a compound-bow.
- 2.2 "Municipal Property" means any and all lands owned by, or made available by lease, agreement or otherwise to the Township of Tiny.

3. PROHIBITION

3.1 No person shall discharge a firearm on municipal property within the Township of Tiny.

4. **EXEMPTION**

- 4.1 This by-law does not apply to a Peace Officer, an Animal Control Officer, an authorized employee of the Humane Society, or other person duly authorized to use a firearm, where such person discharges a firearm while acting in the course of their duty
- 4.2 Any person may make application to Council to grant an exemption from the provisions of this By-law. The application shall also contain a statement setting out the measures to be undertaken by the applicant to ensure maximum public safety. Council, may by resolution, grant an exemption and establish such terms and conditions as Council deems appropriate.

5. OBSTRUCTION

- 5.1 No person shall hinder or obstruct, or attempt to hinder or obstruct, any Officer exercising a power or performing a duty under this by-law.
- 5.2 Any person who has been alleged to have contravened any of the provisions of this bylaw, shall identify themselves to the Officer upon request, failure to do so shall be deemed to have obstructed or hindered the Officer in the execution of his duties.

6. PENALTY

6.1 Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this by-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine as provided for in the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended.

7. VALIDITY AND SEVERABILITY

7.1 Every provision of this by-law is declared to be severable from the remainder and if any provision of this by-law shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder.

8. **EFFECTIVE DATE**

8.1 This by-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of passing.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 27th DAY OF October 2008.

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 27th DAY Colober OF 2008.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TINY

MAYOR, Peggy Breckenridge

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER/CLERK, Doug Luker