RURAL MUNICIPALITY of ST. CLEMENTS

BY-LAW NO. 12-2017

Being a By-Law of the Rural Municipality of St. Clements to establish a rate for operation of boat launch inspection station as a special service in Gull Lake for the years 2018-2023 inclusive;

WHEREAS Section 312 of The Municipal Act (hereinafter known as the "Act") of Manitoba, provides in part as follows:

- 312 If approved by by-law, a municipality may provide, as a special service to all or part of the municipality, The following:
 - (I) the maintenance or operation of a local improvement

AND WHEREAS subsection 320(1) of the Act provides as follows:

320(1) Subject to subsections (2) to (6) and subsection 321(4), a council may by By-law

- (a) approve the local improvement or special service as set out in the plan or proposal; and
- (b) authorize the municipality to impose taxes as set out in the plan or proposal.

AND WHEREAS the Council of R.M. of St. Clements has prepared Special Service Plan No. 2017-01 to establish per parcel rate for the operation of boat launch inspection station within the area of Gull Lake as a special service pursuant to Part 10 of the Act;

AND WHEREAS the requirements as prescribed in section 318, 319, and 320 of the Act have been complied with;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of R.M. of St. Clements in open council assembled enacts as follows:

- 1. That pursuant to Section 320(1) of the Act, the R.M. of St. Clements approves Special Service Proposal No. 2017-01 attached hereby as Schedule "A".
- 2. The R.M. of St. Clements levies an annual special service tax upon properties within Gull Lake as hereby attached in Schedule "B".

DONE AND PASSED by the Council of the Rural Municipality of St. Clements, in the Village of East Selkirk, in the Province of Manitoba, this day of A.D. 2017.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

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RM of St. Clements

SPECIAL SERVICE PLAN NO. 2017-01

FOR

OPERATION OF GULL LAKE BOAT LAUNCH INSPECTION STATION

(Pursuant to Subsection 314 of the Municipal Act)

(a.) Description of the Proposed Special Service

Zebra Mussels were confirmed in Lake Winnipeg in the fall of 2013 and the Red River and Cedar Lake 2015. Once Zebra Mussels become established they cannot be eradicated, so it is extremely important to stop their spread.

There is no evidence of zebra mussels in Gull Lake, but a substantial threat exists. The overland movement of watercraft and water-related equipment is the primary way aquatic invasive species such as zebra mussels get moved from one water body to another.

The service proposed is to provide a staffed inspection station at the Gull Lake Boat Launch. Inspectors would inspect incoming water craft for zebra mussels. Inspection services would be available 7 days a week from the May long weekend until Labour Day. Hours of operation will be from 07:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. A locked gate would block access outside of regularly scheduled and posted hours. A phone number will be provided to potential boat launch users for inspection services outside of the posted hours.

If approved, this plan will provide funds for 2018 to 2023 at which time a new by-law may be considered.

(b.) Special Service Area to be Levied

The Special Service Area to be levied under this proposal will be the 283 properties as shown on Schedule B of By-law 12-2017 located in St. Clements in the area commonly known as Gull Lake. Removed properties on south side of Stead Road

(c.) Estimated Cost of the Service

The budgeted amounts for the services included in this plan are as follows:

Staff	\$25,575
Pressure Washer Maintenance and replacement	2,000
Misc. supplies	725
Total	\$28,300

Any unexpended funds would be refunded to the ratepayers

(d.) Method and Rate of Calculating the Proposed Special Services Fee

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The special service tax will be levied annually for a five year period beginning 2018 and ending 2023 on a per parcel basis at a rate of \$75.00 per parcel.

The R.M. of St. Clements will fund the remaining 25% of the special service costs to the operation of the boat launch inspection station

- (e.) Council would consider cancelling the by-law prior to 2023 based on request of the Gull Lake Rate Payers Association and/or the Gull Lake Basin Management Board, or if a petition representing 50 properties is received.
- (f.) Funds Generated by this Special Service Levy 283 properties x \$ \$75.00 per property = \$21,225

Funds from the R.M. of St. Clements = \$7,075

Any surplus revenues will be refunded to the ratepayers

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