



**THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF FORT SMITH
BY-LAW 1035**

A BY-LAW OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF FORT SMITH, IN THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES,
TO FORGIVE DEBTS OWED TO THE MUNICIPAL
CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF FORT SMITH, PASSED
PURSUANT TO SECTION 122 OF THE CITIES, TOWNS AND
VILLAGE ACT S.N.W.T, 2003, c.22.

WHEREAS, the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Smith, in the Northwest Territories, is satisfied that certain debts owed to the Town of Fort Smith are not collectable or should be forgiven for other reasons;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of Fort Smith, at a duly assembled meeting enacts as follows:

1. All those debts owed to the Town of Fort Smith itemized in Schedule “A”, attached to, and forming part of this bylaw, are forgiven.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022 A.D.

MAYOR

SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

READ A SECOND TIME THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022 A.D.

MAYOR

SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Approved by the Minister of Municipal and Community Affairs, Government of the Northwest Territories, this _____ day of _____, 2022 A.D.

MINISTER
MUNICIPAL AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS



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READ A THIRD TIME THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2022 A.D.

MAYOR

SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

I hereby certify that this bylaw has been made in accordance with the requirements of the *Cities, Towns and Villages Act* and the bylaws of the Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Smith.

SENIOR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



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SCHEDULE “A”

Beggair, Lawrence	107 Woodbison Ave	1998 to 2022	\$ 37,425.33
Roll #141970		Other	1,000,198.01
			<u>\$1,037,623.34</u>
Johnson, Brent	31Caribou	1997 to 2021 property taxes	\$ 4,020.29
Roll #141416		Other	19,906.58
			<u>\$ 23,926.87</u>
Heron, Brian	Quarry	1996 to 2005 property taxes	\$ 2,040.77
Roll #999973		Other	299,503.50
			<u>\$ 301,544.27</u>
		Total	\$1,363,094.48

Roll #141970 \$1,037,623.34– When the landslide occurred in 1968 many residents were relocated to new properties by the GNWT. One resident was relocated from Federal Indian Affairs Branch land (IAB land; where the resident is not required to pay property tax) to a new property which was mistakenly not designated as IAB land by the GNWT. This mistake was not immediately identified or corrected as the resident was receiving the Seniors Property Tax Relief program and not required to pay property tax for that reason. When the individual’s son acquired the property, the Town began to levy property tax. Both Salt River First Nation (SRFN) and the GNWT have acknowledged the issue and committed to addressing it, however, there has been no action. The anticipated result is partial reimbursement by the GNWT with the need for the Town to forgive the remaining balance.

Roll #141416 \$23,926.87 – This is due to bad debt for a trailer that was deemed to be uncollectable as the trailer was abandoned and on a leased lot. The trailer was deemed to be of less value of the bad debt when initially reviewed in June 2017 when the property taxes were \$8,359.51. Additionally, the trailer was demolished in 2021. The issue with this situation is related to the separate taxation of land and improvements.

Roll #999973 \$301,554.27 – This is due to property taxes that were incorrectly levied on a quarry lease that was never executed.