

**RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GIMLI
BY-LAW 14-0003**

**BEING A BY-LAW OF THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GIMLI TO AMEND THE
FIRE PREVENTION BY-LAW NO. 07-0045, AS AMENDED, TO BAN THE USE OF SKY
LANTERNS IN THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GIMLI**

WHEREAS the Manitoba Municipal Act Section 232 (1)(a) authorizes a Council to pass by-laws for the purposes respecting the safety, health, protection and well- being of people and the safety and protection of property;

AND WHEREAS Section 2.4.5.1 (1) of the Manitoba Fire Code states “Except for fires used for cooking in fireplaces, grills or barbecues, open air fires shall not be set unless appropriate measures are taken to limit their spread;

AND WHEREAS Section 2.4.3.3 (1) of the Manitoba Fire Code states “Devices having open flames shall be securely supported in noncombustible holders and shall be located or protected so as to prevent accidental contact of the flame with combustible materials;

AND WHEREAS The Council of the Rural Municipality of Gimli has recognized the growing concern with regard to ‘sky lanterns’, as when once lit and released, they are an open flame which is uncontrollable and poses a serious threat to people and property.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Rural Municipality of Gimli in regular session duly assembled, hereby enacts that By-Law No. 07-0045, shall be amended as follows:

1. Amend Part 6 – Fireworks by adding the words “and Sky Lanterns”
2. Part 6 DEFINITIONS shall be amended by inserting the definition below after Pyrotechnic special effects:

“Sky Lantern”, also known as Kongming lanterns, Chinese lanterns, paper lanterns, wish lanterns, etc. is a small hot air balloon made of paper, with an opening at the bottom where a small fire is suspended.


3. The addition of Section 6.13 as shown below:

Sky Lantern Ban

6.13 Sky Lanterns shall be banned from use within the boundaries of the Rural Municipality of Gimli

DONE AND PASSED by the Council of the Rural Municipality of Gimli, assembled in Gimli, in the Province of Manitoba, this 10th day of April, A.D., 2014.

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF GIMLI



Mayor

Read a first time this 27th day of March, 2014
Read a second time this 10th day of April, 2014
Read a third time this 10th day of April, 2014



Chief Administrative Officer