



Health & Safety/By-Law Notice

There has been a formal complaint that has been brought forward by a Township resident that I feel is not only a Billings issue but an Island issue and an issue in many areas of the province. The issue brought forward involves the intentional feeding of wildlife i.e. turkeys and deer.

The focus of the complaint was that there was feed being spread onto a well used roadway causing large flocks of turkeys to gather on the roadway. While it seems like a good gesture to try and assist the local wildlife during the cold of winter, the distribution of feed onto the roadway does create a safety issue as the turkeys or deer on the roadway could cause a traffic incident where there could be personal injury or property damage.

Billings By-Law 2015-03, being the by-law to regulate the keeping and feeding of animals other than dogs or cats, does have provisions that prohibit the intentional feeding of wildlife within the Municipality. The By-Law also includes specific exemptions for hunters as well as growing a natural plant that may be an attractant.

Your assistance in keeping our roadways safe, protecting people and property and complying with Township By-Laws will be greatly appreciated, thank you!