



MLIB LAND MANAGEMENT PROJECTS

Our Land Management department and committee have been very busy working on the following projects:

Enforcement Laws

- *MLIB Animal Control Law*
- *MLIB Covid-19 Law*
- *MLIB Enforcement & Prosecution Law*
- *MLIB Residential Tenancy Law*
- *MLIB Community & Land Protection Law*
- *MLIB Emergency Management Law*
- *MLIB Order Review Law*
- *MLIB Trespass Law*

You can find these draft laws on our Members Login Page, at <https://www.mlib.ca/members-2/members-log-in>.

It seems like a lot of laws. Please note that these laws are in place for the unique situations that do arise. For example: a vicious dog that is biting our members or staff, drug dealing on reserve, or if a tenant owes \$30,000-\$50,000 without a plan in place for payment of rent or arrears. These laws are not meant to change our everyday living on our land that we have come to enjoy. It is to uphold one of our MLIB Values, that the rights of the community supersede the rights of the individual.

The reason we have been working on this is because it has become apparent over the last five years that our Band needed to fill the gap of enforcement on Band lands. There have been major increases in drug dealing, domestic and sexual violence, Elder abuse (living off our Elders or taking their money), and non-payment of rent on reserve. These issues have taken their toll on the health of our community members.

The RCMP have limited ability to enforce laws on reserve, so we have been working on a suite of laws to help build up our jurisdiction on Band land. This is our Nation working towards self-government; and replacing the old *Indian Act* bylaws, with actual laws from the *Framework Agreement on First Nation Land Management*, and the *First Nations Land Management Act*. We have started this process after we signed our *Treaty No. 8 Adhesion & Settlement Agreement*, and then ratified our *MLIB Land Code* in 2002. We have brought these issues up to our Band members over the last few years at community meetings, the AGA, and Quarterly meetings; and there was a general consensus to move ahead with these laws.

Land Use Plan update

- will be brought to Band members at a quarterly meeting, in the Fall or at Christmas

Civic Addressing

- new lot numbers and addresses
- to help emergency personnel (ambulance, fire and police) find our community members quicker in an emergency
- this is a continuation of our Parcel Fabric Renewal Project (survey plan update)

Environmental Management Plan

- we will be working with Nakaz'dli Whut'en and Lheidli T'enneh First Nations on a proposal to complete our Environmental Management Plans

Member's Log-In

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