



COUNTY OF ST. PAUL NO. 19

BALANCING RURAL HERITAGE WITH A DIVERSE ECONOMY

POLICY OBJECTIVE:

The County of St. Paul desires to rent certain pieces of specialized farm equipment that will assist residents in improving their farming operation.

POLICY STATEMENT:

- 1) All equipment will be rented on a first come first served basis unless prior arrangements have been made to reserve the equipment for a specific date by the ratepayers.
- 2) Ratepayers must agree to the following conditions:
 - a) A rental agreement (attached) must be signed by the renter prior to taking the equipment
 - b) A rental fee and damage deposit must be paid in advance before taking the equipment.
 - c) The renter assumes all liability for damages, losses or accidents that may occur while the equipment is in their possession.
 - d) Renters will be responsible for damages incurred that exceed the amount of the damage deposit.
 - e) Equipment will be maintained by County of St. Paul staff.
 - f) All cheques are to be made payable to the County of St. Paul No. 19.
 - g) Refunds of damage deposits will be at the discretion of the County of St. Paul staff.
 - h) The Agricultural Fieldman, or designate, may refuse to rent any piece of equipment to a ratepayer who is known to have the following:
 - i) Prohibited or noxious weeds on their land
 - ii) Contagious disease(s) in the soil
 - iii) Any arrears from previous equipment rentals
 - iv) Any abuse or misuse of equipment from previous rentals
- 3) The Agricultural Service Board will set the rental rates to be ratified by Council. The rates are to be set annually.
- 4) Any community group wishing the use of Agricultural Service Board

equipment will be requested to pay the regular damage deposit prior to using the equipment. No daily rental fee will be charged. If the equipment is returned in good condition, the deposit will be refunded.

- 5) The Agricultural Services Board will keep all pieces of rental equipment at the County of St. Paul Public Works Shop.

