



Planning and Protection Committee Action Report  
for the March 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2017 meeting held in  
the Council Chambers following Community Issues Committee

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**PRESENT:** Mayor Antonakos, Deputy-Mayor Flynn, Councillor Black, Councillor Redmond, Councillor Fritz, Councillor Trimble, Duncan Rogers, Clerk, Paul Knowles, Chief Administrative Officer, Joanna Bowes, Manager of Development Services

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**COMMUNICATION 128164**

Received from        Brian Gass, Chief Building Official  
Addressed to        Planning and Protection Committee  
Date                    March 9, 2017  
Topic                  Resolution from Killaloe-Hagarty-Richards Regarding Proposed Amendments to the Ontario Building Code.

**SUMMARY**

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has proposed an amendment to the Ontario Building Code (OBC) requiring a mandatory 5 year septic tank pump out and records retention by the owner. These changes are proposed to be regulated and enforced by municipalities. No provincial funding is being offered at this time. The Township of Killaloe, Hagarty and Richards is requesting support for their resolution as attached to rescind the proposed OBC changes; specifically B-08-09-03.

**128164 Continued**

**COMMENT**

Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit conducts the septic inspections for the Town, and they have issued 53 sewage permit since 1973, with five of these permits being holding tanks, meaning approximately 48 properties in Carleton Place would be affected by the proposed regulation change.

Over the past few years, voluntary septic re-inspection programs have been initiated by communities around the Province, which have proven that many property owners are diligent about the maintenance of their septic system.

For example; In 2012, Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit conducted inspections to 232 properties on-site sewage systems for the Township of Leeds and 1000 Islands which resulted in 2 (0.8%) septic tanks having to be replaced. In 2013, the same program conducted 137 inspection in which 4 (2%) septic tanks had to be replaced. Again in 2014, 136 properties were inspected, resulting in 1(0.7%) tank being replaced.

For Council's Information

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Receive and Record

**COMMITTEE DECISION**

Receive and Record

**TO BE DISCUSSED**

**COMMUNICATION 128165**

Received from	Ministry of Education
Addressed to	Planning and Protection Committee
Date	March 6, 2017
Topic	Pupil Accommodation Review

**SUMMARY**

The Ministry of Education has provided municipalities with a letter indicating the actions they feel should be taken with respect to the recent pupil accommodation review. The Ministry notes that this spring they will begin a new engagement process relating to new approaches for supporting and strengthening education in rural and remote communities.

## **128165 Continued**

They suggest the following methods:

### ***1. Pursuing joint-use opportunities between school boards.***

This entails all four boards to maximize the potential for co-location, particularly to maintain a school presence in rural or isolated communities. The Ministry has committed \$600,000.00 to assist school boards in determining where these opportunities exist.

### ***2. Highlighting the importance of School Board and Municipal Partnerships***

The Ministry has noted difficulties in community collaboration whereby both municipalities and communities have not felt engaged in the pupil accommodation process. The Ministry indicates that there is an opportunity for annual community consultation under the Community Planning and Partnership Guideline 2015 to allow each school board to host a meeting to discuss capital plans and opportunities for joint partnership and facility partnership with communities and stakeholders. Board policies are required to reflect this guideline prior to the commencement of new accommodation reviews. Any input provided through these meetings, where relevant, are reflected in the final report.

### ***3. Enabling Community Hubs in Schools***

The Ministry is investigating how public property can be better used to serve the community. A community hub could be a school, neighbourhood centre or other public space offering coordinated services. In November 2016 the Ministry allocated fifty million dollars to support retrofits of school space for community partners or to improve accessibility to enable community use. Further, if a school is closed or sold, capital funding is to be made available to allow for the same use in new schools, additions or retrofits to other schools remaining open.

### ***4. Enhancing Education in Rural and Remote Communities***

The Ministry continues to move forward securing affordable broadband for all communities to provide access for all Ontario students and teachers. They also continue to support E-Learning opportunities and are investing six million dollars for distance learning. Lastly the Ministry is increasing funding to support the higher cost of purchasing goods and services for small and rural school boards. There are top up supports available for heating, lighting, maintenance costs and other items.

## **COMMENT**

For Council's information.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Receive and record.

## **COMMITTEE DECISION**

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## **COMMUNICATION 127166**

Received from Paul Knowles, Chief Administrative Officer  
Addressed to Planning and Protection Committee  
Date March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Topic Wetlands

### **SUMMARY**

At the February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting, Council approved the following motion:

“THAT the Town of Carleton Place asks that the MVCA Board hold all work to designate new wetlands and only proceed with designating new wetlands in municipalities that support this initiative.”

And we asked that the MVCA Board agree that all further work to designate new wetlands be place on hold and that any work to designating new wetlands re-commence only after the local municipality in which the wetlands are located have confirmed that they support this initiative. This direction would protect the rights of owners but still allow MVCA to move ahead cooperatively with willing municipalities and owners with a phased approach to designating new wetlands in the area.

Certain property owners in the Town may support the designation of a new wetlands on their property as long as the area designated and the restrictions imposed are acceptable to them.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Town support the designation of new wetlands within the community provided the impacted owners agree with the designation, further that staff work any willing owner to seek agreement with MCVA regarding designation of wetlands.

### **COMMITTEE DECISION**

Bring forward until MVCA meets with Council.



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