

#### CORRESPONDENCE ITEMS PRESENTED FOR INFORMATION September 19, 2023

- 1) Correspondence from electHer Now Re: Networking Event.
- 2) Correspondence from Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry Re: Proposed *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act* regulation changes for special projects and well security.
- 3) Correspondence from Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Re: Proposal to return lands in Ajax to the Greenbelt.
- 4) Correspondence from Matachewan Township Re: Municipal Codes of Conduct Resolution.
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- 6) Correspondence from Township of Southgate Re: South Grey Housing Corporation Update.
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Release: August 30, 2023

To: All Mayors, CAOs & Clerks in the 17 municipalities within Grey Bruce (Arran-Elderslie, Blue Mountains, Brockton, Chatsworth, Georgian Bluffs, Grey Highlands, Hanover, Huron-Kinloss, Kincardine, Meaford, Northern Bruce Peninsula, Owen Sound, Saugeen Shores, Southgate, South Bruce, South Bruce Peninsula and West Grey)

For: Circulation to all elected officials in your municipality

Subject: October 1, 2023 electHER Now Networking Event – Paisley Mill

Dear Mayor and Members of Council,

As a local community volunteer group, electHER Now is working to increase knowledge of the importance of municipal government in the general population and to develop learning and networking opportunities for people as they seek and hold elected office.

As a follow up to last spring's online learning series called *"Finding My Place, Balance & Confidence"* and the *"Chat With A Goddess"* event at Grey Roots, electHER Now is holding another networking event on Sunday, October 1 from 2:00 to 4:30PM at Paisley Mill. The event is called *"Hike With A Heroine"*, with featured guest Moiken Penner (first-term Councillor in Arran-Elderslie). Moiken is a former police officer (1999-2009), current Lieutenant with the Canadian Armed Forces, works as a cadet instructor with the Air Cadet Squadron in Kincardine and has been a firefighter since 2016. Participation options are hike, stroll or sit on the patio, and light refreshments will be served.

All elected municipal officials in Grey and Bruce Counties are invited to this event. Tickets are available on a Pay What You Can basis at \$25 or \$10, with \$0 Accessible Tickets available upon request. We hope you will come, share your experiences and make connections.

For more information and to reserve your ticket, please visit: <u>https://www.electhernow.ca/events</u>

Thank you for your interest, and for passing along this information to all members of Council.

Laura Wood, Co-Founder On behalf of the electHER Now Planning Team

Att. 1 Poster electhernow.ca delecthernow@gmail.com



Hike With A Heroine

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1/23 (2:00 to 4:30pm) PAISLEY MILL - 4575 Bruce Rd 1, Paisley ON

Come meet strong women leading our communities

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Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry Ministère des Richesses naturelles et des Forêts

Resources Planning and Development Policy Branch Policy Division 300 Water Street Peterborough, ON K9J 3C7 Direction des politiques de planification et d'exploitation des ressources Division de l'élaboration des politiques 300, rue Water Peterborough (Ontario) K9J 3C7

#### September 1, 2023

Subject: Proposed *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act* regulation changes for special projects and well security

#### Hello,

We are writing today to share information about regulation changes being proposed under the *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act* that would:

- Establish the processes and requirements that would enable projects to test or demonstrate new or innovative activities in Ontario to pursue authorization under the *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act*, including measures to support the protection of people and the environment and provide for local and Indigenous community engagement and consultation, where appropriate, on applications for licences and permits.
- Remove well security exemptions and caps, going forward, for all wells under this Act, when
  - $\circ$  wells are newly drilled, deepened or converted to another use, or
  - o a well licence is transferred.
- Increase security caps when companies amalgamate (i.e., no longer allow for security to be refunded to operators on the basis of a security cap when companies amalgamate).

If approved, the proposed changes would come into effect on January 1, 2024.

If approved, the proposed changes to well security exemptions and caps would also apply to operators who make requests for transfers, new well licences, conversions, deepening, or consents to adjust security due to amalgamations, that are received by the ministry after the date these proposed changes were posted to the environmental and regulatory registries. More details on the proposed changes can be viewed in the proposal notice on the Environmental Registry of Ontario: <u>https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-7507</u>. Feedback on the proposed changes can be provided directly to the ministry or through the environmental registry.

The decision notice for changes to the *Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Act* to support the regulation of special projects and to enhance measures to safeguard people and the environment that were proposed last spring through *Bill 91, Less Red Tape, Stronger Economy Act, 2023* (<u>https://www.ola.org/en/legislative-business/bills/parliament-43/session-1/bill-91</u>) has now been posted and can be viewed here: <u>https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-6752</u>.

If you would like more information or have any questions about the proposed changes, please contact Andrew Ogilvie, Manager of Resources Development Section, at 705-761-5815 or through email: <u>Resources.Development@ontario.ca</u>.

Sincerely,

Jennih Key

Jennifer Keyes Director, Resources Planning and Development Policy Branch



#### Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

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#### 1<sup>er</sup> septembre 2023

Sujet : Modifications proposées à la réglementation prise en vertu de la *Loi sur les ressources en pétrole, en gaz et en sel* concernant les travaux particuliers et la garantie des puits

#### Madame, Monsieur,

Nous vous écrivons aujourd'hui pour vous informer des modifications de la réglementation proposées dans le cadre de la *Loi sur les ressources en pétrole, en gaz et en sel* qui auraient les effets suivants:

- Établir les procédures et les exigences qui permettraient aux projets visant à mettre à l'essai ou à montrer des activités nouvelles ou innovantes en Ontario d'obtenir une autorisation en vertu de la *Loi sur les ressources en pétrole, en gaz et en sel*, ce qui comprend des mesures visant à soutenir la protection des personnes et de l'environnement et à prévoir la participation et la consultation des communautés locales et autochtones, le cas échéant, au sujet des demandes de licences et de permis.
- Supprimer à l'avenir les exemptions et les plafonds en matière de garantie des puits pour tous les puits visés par cette loi, lorsque :
  - les puits sont nouvellement forés, approfondis ou convertis à un autre usage,
  - o une licence relative à un puits est transférée.
- Augmenter les plafonds de garantie en cas de fusion de sociétés (c'est-à-dire ne plus autoriser le remboursement de la garantie aux exploitants sur le fondement d'un plafond de garantie en cas de fusion de sociétés).

Si elles sont approuvées, les modifications proposées entreront en vigueur le 1<sup>er</sup> janvier 2024.

Si elles sont approuvées, les modifications proposées visant les exemptions et les plafonds de garantie des puits s'appliqueront également aux exploitants qui présentent des demandes de transfert, de nouvelles licences relatives à des puits, de conversion, d'approfondissement ou d'autorisations d'adapter la garantie en raison des fusions, et qui sont reçues par le Ministère après la date de publication de ces propositions dans les registres environnemental et de la réglementation.

De plus amples renseignements sur les modifications proposées figurent dans l'avis de proposition sur le registre environnemental de l'Ontario: <u>https://ero.ontario.ca/notice/019-7507</u>. Les commentaires portant sur les modifications proposées peuvent être adressés directement au Ministère ou au moyen du registre environnemental.

L'avis de décision concernant les modifications de la *Loi sur les ressources en pétrole, en gaz et en sel* visant à soutenir la réglementation des travaux particuliers et de renforcer les mesures de protection des personnes et de l'environnement par l'intermédiaire du projet de loi 91, *Loi de 2023 visant à réduire les formalités administratives pour une économie plus forte* (https://www.ola.org/fr/affaires-legislatives/projets-loi/legislature-43/session-1/projet-loi-91) a été publié et peut être consulté à l'adresse suivante: https://ero.ontario.ca/fr/notice/019-6752.

Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements ou poser des questions sur les modifications proposées, veuillez communiquer avec Andrew Ogilvie, gestionnaire de la section Développement des ressources, au 705-761-5815 ou par courrier électronique à l'adresse: <u>Resources.Development@ontario.ca</u>.

Cordialement,

Jennih Key

Jennifer Keyes Directrice, Direction des politiques de planification et d'exploitation des ressources

#### Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

Office of the Minister 777 Bay Street, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor Toronto ON M7A 2J3 Tel.: 416 585-7000 Ministère des Affaires municipales et du Logement



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234-2023-4434

September 6, 2023

Dear Clerks, CAOs, and Conservation Authority Administrators:

#### Re: Proposal to return lands in Ajax to the Greenbelt

In December 2022, to accommodate Ontario's unprecedented growth by supporting the building of more homes, our government removed or redesignated 15 areas of land totaling approximately 7,400 acres from the edge of the Greenbelt Area. At the same time, a portion of the Paris Galt Moraine was added to the Greenbelt, along with 13 Urban River Valleys, totalling 9,400 acres, for an overall expansion of approximately 2000 acres.

The government was clear that owners of the lands removed from the Greenbelt would be expected to develop detailed plans to build housing with landowners also being responsible for paying for the full cost of housing-enabling and community-building infrastructure. It is the government's expectation that significant progress on approvals and implementation be achieved by the end of 2023.

It has come to the government's attention that the discussions surrounding the development of the lands removed from the Greenbelt located at 765 and 775 Kingston Road East in the Town of Ajax were at an early stage, and that a 104-acre parcel within the lands was recently listed for sale. These actions run counter to the government's objective of building homes quickly. The government is now seeking feedback on a proposal to return these lands, amounting to approximately 133 acres, to the Greenbelt Area through an amendment to the Greenbelt Area boundary regulation (O. Reg. 59/05) and an amendment to the Greenbelt Plan.

Further information on the proposal to amend the Greenbelt Plan and Greenbelt Area boundary regulation, can be found at:

- ERO #019-7561 Proposal to return lands to the Greenbelt (Amendment to the Greenbelt Plan)
- <u>ERO #019-7562 Proposal to return lands to the Greenbelt (Amendment to</u> <u>Greenbelt Boundary Regulation O. Reg. 59/05)</u>

Information and mapping on the 2022 decision to amend the Greenbelt Plan can be found here:

- ERO #019-6216 Amendments to the Greenbelt Plan
- Greenbelt Maps

The comment period on the Environmental Registry of Ontario is open for 45 days and will close on October 20, 2023. I look forward to receiving your input on this proposal.

In the meantime, my ministry is working to prepare a review of the Greenbelt to ensure that it is appropriately accommodating Ontario's significant growth, as is mandated in provincial legislation. This review will be informed by the recommendations of the Auditor General's report

and will include an evaluation of the remaining properties that were removed from the Greenbelt late last year.

As ministry officials design and launch this review, the non-partisan Provincial Land and Development Facilitator will continue to work with proponents of the remaining sites to ensure that progress on these lands continues, including the obligation to provide community benefits such as parks, community centres, schools and hospitals. This work will be an important input into the mandated review into the Greenbelt, as will meaningful consultation with municipalities, Indigenous communities and regular people living in these areas who deal with the negative impacts of the housing supply crisis the most. The properties that were removed from the Greenbelt will have to stand on their own merits: If the review finds these properties cannot support the government's objective of building homes quickly, they will be returned to the Greenbelt.

We have been clear that progress on these sites must meet the government's expectations. If planning and approvals have not significantly progressed by the end of this year and if shovels are not in the ground by 2025, the government will return these lands to the Greenbelt.

Sincerely,

The Hon. Paul Calandra

Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing

c. Martha Greenberg, Deputy Minister, Municipal Affairs and Housing Sean Fraser, Assistant Deputy Minister, Municipal Affairs and Housing, Planning and Growth Division

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MATACHEWAN PO Box 177, Matachewan, Ontario, POK 1M0 Tel: 705-565-2274

August 16, 2023

#### RESOLUTION

Agenda Item # 8.2 Regular Council Meeting

Moved By : Emily Stewart

Seconded By : Dianne Gilbert

WHEREAS, all Ontarians deserve and expect a safe and respectful workplace;

WHEREAS, municipal governments, as the democratic institutions most directly engaged with Ontarians need respectful discourse;

WHEREAS, several incidents in recent years of disrespectful behaviour and workplace harassment have occurred amongst members of municipal councils:

WHEREAS, these incidents seriously and negatively affect the people involved and lower public perceptions of local governments;

WHEREAS, municipal Codes of Conduct are helpful tools to set expectations of council member behaviour;

WHEREAS, municipal governments do not have the necessary tools to adequately enforce compliance with municipal Codes of Conduct;

NOW, therefore be it resolved that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan supports the call of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for the Government of Ontario to introduce legislation to strengthen municipal Codes of Conduct and compliance with them in consultation with municipal governments;

ALSO BE IT RESOLVED that the legislation encompass the Association of Municipalities of Ontario's recommendations for:

· Updating municipal Codes of Conduct to account for workplace safety and harassment

· Creating a flexible administrative penalty regime, adapted to the local economic and financial circumstances of municipalities across Ontario

· Increasing training of municipal Integrity Commissioners to enhance consistency of investigations and recommendations across the province

 Allowing municipalities to apply to a member of the judiciary to remove a sitting member if recommended through the report of a municipal Integrity Commissioner

· Prohibit a member so removed from sitting for election in the term of removal and the subsequent term of office.

WHEREAS, this legislation be prioritized for the fall of 2023 given the urgency of this issue; and

FURTHERMORE, this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, MPP Fedeli, Minister of Municipal Affairs, Associate Minister of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity, AMO and all municipalities.

Carried

etures on file Mike Young Deputy Mayor Cheryl Swanson Clerk

Resolution # 2023-252

## Item 5a Notice of Virtual Public **Open House**

# **Municipality of Grey Highlands New Zoning By-Law**

# **First Draft New Zoning By-Law**

### **Review Process and Public Involvement**

The New Zoning By-law is currently in draft. The New By-law has been drafted with the primary objectives of aligning with higher-level policy documents, balancing private property rights and the public interest, making a clear and understandable document, and maximizing effectiveness, efficiency, and fairness in our planning framework.

Council and Staff of the Municipality of Grey Highlands invite the public once again to have their say in the review of the New Zoning By-law.

If you have questions, concerns, or ideas that relate to land-use related issues in the Municipality, then this is the time to get involved.

The Zoning By-law has a significant influence on the built environment, the economy, and private property rights. Societal needs are constantly changing, and land use policies must be updated to response to these needs. The Planning Act also mandates that the Municipality regularly updates its Zoning By-law in a comprehensive manner to align with higher-level land use planning policies. Grey Highlands is due for a New Zoning by-law to address the needs of its citizens and to comply with the direction of the *Planning Act*.

### **Open House Details**

You are invited to attend the Virtual Public Open House New Zoning By-law. You may provide comment at the Open house on the Zoning By-law update process.

#### When:

Wednesday September 27, 2023 at 6:00 - 8:30 PM.

#### Where:

**Zoom Virtual Meeting** greyhighlands.ca/register

## **Three phases of Public Review Process**



- ✓ First draft Zoning By-
- law is prepared
- ✓ Committee of the Whole meeting
- ✓ Initial Public Open House
- Determine topics of interest
- feedback
- Present to Council
- Council direct changes

#### Phase Two

Second draft Zoning By-

law is prepared

- Create and publish initial new maps
- Circulate Second draft & maps to the public
- Public Open House
- Consolidate public feedback
- Present feedback to Council
- Council direct changes to Second Draft

#### Phase Three

- Final draft Zoning
- By-law is prepared
- Create and publish final maps
- Public Open House
- Public Meeting to allow public representation
- Final Draft is presented to Council
- New zoning By-law is passed

We

are

here

- Virtual Public House
- Consolidate public

- to First Draft



### Zoning By-law Background

The Zoning By-law regulates the use of land within the Municipality by prohibiting the use of land for any purpose except for those that are set out in the By-law. Zoning By-laws generally regulate the use of land through the following provisions:

- 1. The area that is governed by the Zoning By-law Is divided into "zones" that are shown in maps.
- 2. A list of permitted uses is defined for each zone. Unlisted uses are prohibited.
- 3. The size and location of buildings are regulated by imposing max. or min. heights, property line setbacks, and proportions of the total lot area that can be built upon.
- 4. Minimum or maximum amount of parking may be required for a given land use or property.
- 5. "Holding" provisions may be applied to prohibit the use of land for any purpose until such time that a specific condition is met.

### More notable changes

- The base set of zones have been modified; with some zones being merged into a singular "Agricultural" zone that will permit and regulate the various uses permitted in the five existing countryside zones.
- 2. Defined terms have been revised for clarity.
- 3. Fourplexes are permitted in any residential zone with full municipal water and wastewater.
- 4. Additional permissions for Accessory buildings and Additional Dwelling Units.
- 5. Home Industries with max. gross floor area of 250 sq. meters are permitted in the Agricultural zone without requiring a zoning amendment.
- 6. Minimum Distance Separation requirements apply to all new dwellings in the countryside.
- 7. Permitted Home Business uses are expanded.
- 8. Large renewable energy systems are only permitted by site-specific zoning amendments.
- 9. Holding provisions are applied to natural heritage features.
- 10. The minimum parking requirements are significantly reduced.

#### What the project doesn't include:

Requests to change zoning on specific properties that are more appropriately dealt with through private development applications.

### Additional Information

Information related to the New Zoning Bylaw, including the First Draft of the New Zoning By-law, is publicly available at zongreyhighlands.ca.

The webpage will be regularly updated with information such as learning resources, maps, and meeting dates.

### Stay up-to-date

For general planning-related inquiries, please contact the Planning Department at planning@greyhighlands.ca or 519-986-1216 ext. 228

For further information that is specifically related to the New Zoning By-law, including information about appeal rights, please contact the Planning Department at <u>zonegh@greyhighlands.ca</u>

Interested individuals can subscribe to email notifications on matters that relate to the New Zoning By-law.

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Learn More & Get Involved at: <u>zonegreyhighlands.ca</u>

zonegh@greyhighlands.ca

# Notice of Study Commencement and Public Information Session

#### Municipality of Grey Highlands Markdale Wastewater Treatment Plant Schedule C Class Environmental Assessment

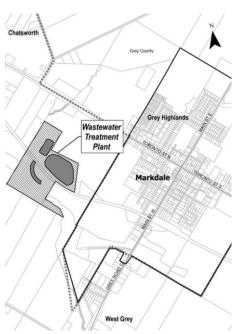
The Municipality of Grey Highlands has initiated a Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) to determine options to expand the capacity of the Markdale Wastewater Treatment Plant to service future development.

#### How Will This Affect Me?

This Class EA will assess the ability of the Markdale Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) to accommodate increased demands from future development in the serviced area. The purpose of this Schedule C Class EA is to evaluate and select the preferred wastewater treatment alternatives and design concepts for the Markdale WWTP.

Expansion alternatives currently being considered include: Do nothing, upgrading the existing lagoon based WWTP, constructing a new mechanical plant at the existing site, and constructing a new WWTP at a new site. The preliminary preferred alternative is to expand the existing lagoon based WWTP on the current site.

The alternatives proposed may have an impact on stakeholders and property owners. Therefore, public and agency consultation is a key element of the process.



#### How Do I Get More Information?

The Municipality will host a Public Information Session on September 28<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the Markdale Community Complex (75 Walker St, Markdale) to provide an overview of the project and findings to date. If you have any questions regarding the study, please visit our website at <u>www.greyhighlands.ca</u> or contact one of the people listed below.

Jane Wilson, P.Eng. Senior Environmental Engineer J.L. Richards & Associates Limited 107-450 Speedvale Ave. W. Guelph, ON N1H 7Y6 Email: jwilson@jlrichards.ca Phone: 226-780-7487 Shawn Moyer Director of Environmental Services Municipality of Grey Highlands 50 Lorne St. Markdale, ON N0C 1H0 Email: <u>moyers@greyhighlands.ca</u> Phone: 519-986-1216 ext. 234

The Municipality is conducting this Class EA in accordance with Phases 1 to 4 of the Municipal Engineers Association Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (updated 2023) to fulfill the requirements for Schedule C projects. Notice originally issued September 7, 2023.

#### **Township of Southgate** Administration Office

185667 Grey County Road 9, RR 1 Dundalk, ON NOC 1B0



Phone: 519-923-2110 Toll Free: 1-888-560-6607 Fax: 519-923-9262 Web: www.southgate.ca

September 7, 2023

Town of Hanover 341 10th Street Hanover, ON N4N 1P5 Attn: Sherri Walden, CAO, Vicki McDonald, Clerk

Municipality of West Grey 402813 Grey Road 4, Durham, ON NOG 1R0 Attn: Laura Johnston, CAO, Jamie Eckenswiller, Clerk

Municipality of Grey Highlands 206 Toronto Street South Markdale, ON NOC 1H0 Attn: Karen Govan, CAO, Raylene Martell, Clerk

#### **Re: South Grey Housing Corporation Update**

Please be advised that at their September 6, 2023, Council meeting, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Southgate approved the following:

No. 2023-365 **Moved By** Councillor Shipston **Seconded By** Councillor John

**Be it resolved that** Council receive Staff Report CL2023-030 for information; and

**That** Council disband the Southgate Affordable Attainable Housing Committee effective September 6, 2023 and advise Committee members accordingly; and

**That** Council thank the Affordable-Attainable Housing Committee members for their contributions to the Committee; and

**That** Council directs staff to advise the Municipality of Grey Highlands, Municipality of West Grey and the Town of Hanover that the Township will no longer pursue forming a working group to determine possible development of a South Grey Housing Corporation. The Council of the Township of Southgate wish to thank you for your interest in the South Grey Housing Corporation, however, given the ongoing challenges faced with changing legislation, lack of resources and funding, as well as not receiving affirmative responses from all participant municipalities, the Council of the Township of Southgate has directed staff to no longer pursue a working group for the purposes of forming a South Grey Housing Corporation.

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (519) 923-2110 ext. 210.

Sincerely,

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Dina Lundy Chief Administrative Office Township of Southgate



The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby Administration Office of the Town Clerk 160 Livingston Avenue, Grimsby, ON L3M 0J5 Phone: 905-945-9634 Ext. 2171 | Fax: 905-945-5010 Email: bdunk@grimsby.ca

September 8, 2023

SENT VIA E-MAIL

Office of the Prime Minister 80 Wellington St. Ottawa, ON, K1A

Attention: The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau

#### RE: Establishing a Guaranteed Livable Income

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grimsby at its meeting held on September 5, 2023 passed the following resolution:

Moved by: Councillor Korstanje

Seconded by: Councillor Freake

Whereas the Canadian livable wage for Niagara Region, two years ago was determined to be \$19.80. This was \$6000 below the annual income of a minimum wage employee; and

Whereas our residents on programs such as Ontario Works, receive targeted fixed monthly incomes of \$733, and ODSP recipients receive \$1376; and

Whereas at the current Ontario minimum wage rate, a person working 37.5 hours per week will earn approximately \$2,500 monthly (before tax); and

Whereas the median rent for one bedroom in Grimsby as of August 2023 is now \$2000 a month; and

Whereas rent is considered affordable, when it is less than 30% of income. In Niagara west, rent is approximately 272% of Ontario Works, 145% of Ontario Disability Support Services, 75% of minimum wage full-time, and 150% of minimum wage part time; and

Whereas an annual 2.5% allowable rent increase can be combined with an additional 3-6.5% capital investment increase, raising the cost of rental housing another minimum of \$110 monthly; and

Whereas there are no housing units under Niagara Regional Housing for single adults or families with dependents, including 2,3,4 or five bedrooms in our community; and

Whereas the Grimsby Benevolent Fund reported that in 2022:

- 70+ households received monthly rental supplement totaling \$237,744
- \$79,500 was invested into one time emergency housing support as of June 7, 2023
- 78 households are receiving monthly financial benefits to make rental housing more affordable; and

Whereas food inflation was 8.3% and groceries rose by 9.1%; and

Whereas the Grimsby Food Bank numbers from June 2023 reported:

- 19 new households
- 447 served households
- 1055 served individuals
- 7 emergency visits; and

Whereas the Grimsby Economic Strategic Plan identified the general high cost of living and housing affordability as primary obstacles in our workforce attraction.

Therefore be it resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby circulate correspondence to Ontario municipalities encouraging them not only to collect data of their housing and poverty statistics, but also to examine their pending economic vulnerability as a result.

Be it further resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby encourage these same municipalities to join us in advocating on behalf of our communities with this data, and by writing a letter to the Prime Minister, Premier, and local politicians calling for a united effort in establishing a Guaranteed Livable Income program. Be it further resolved the Town of Grimsby Clerks Department circulates this resolution to Niagara West MP Dean Allison and Niagara West MPP Sam Oosterhoff, requesting a response on this matter within 30 days of receipt.

Be it further resolved that The Corporation of the Town of Grimsby, through its Finance and Human Resources departments, undertake a comprehensive assessment to explore the feasibility and implementation of a living wage policy for all Town of Grimsby employees, with the aim of ensuring that all municipal workers receive fair compensation that aligns with the principles of a living wage and that staff be directed to explore becoming a living wage employer.

If you require any additional information, please let me know.

Regards,

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Bonnie Nistico-Dunk Town Clerk

cc. Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario Ontario Municipalities Dean Allison, MP Niagara West Sam Oosterhoff, MPP Niagara West



Item 8

### Notice of Application for Consent (Severance)

The Planning Act, RSO 1990, as amended

**TAKE NOTICE** that the Corporation of the Township of Chatsworth will hold a Public Meeting on <u>Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.</u> to consider an application for Consent (severance). The meeting will be held at the **Township of Chatsworth Council Chambers at 316837 Highway 6**, **R.R.#1**, **Chatsworth, Ontario**.

The following information describes the requested severance:

File:	B08/2023
Owner:	Gerardo Martellacci
Description:	Part Lot 30, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Holland, Township of Chatsworth
Address:	None assigned
Assessment Roll No:	42-04-360-003-01730
Purpose:	To sever a 1.16 hectare vacant lot, and to retain a 1.16 hectare vacant lot.
Severed Parcel:	Frontage: 76.2 m Depth: 152.4 m Area: 1.16 ha
Retained Parcel:	Frontage: 76.2 m Depth: 152.4 m Area: 1.16 ha

See attached sketch.

Property owners within 60 metres of the subject land are hereby notified of the above Application for Consent. If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Township of Chatsworth Council in respect of the proposed Consent, you must make a written request to the Township of Chatsworth at the address above. The decision of Council can only be appealed by a public agency or the applicant.

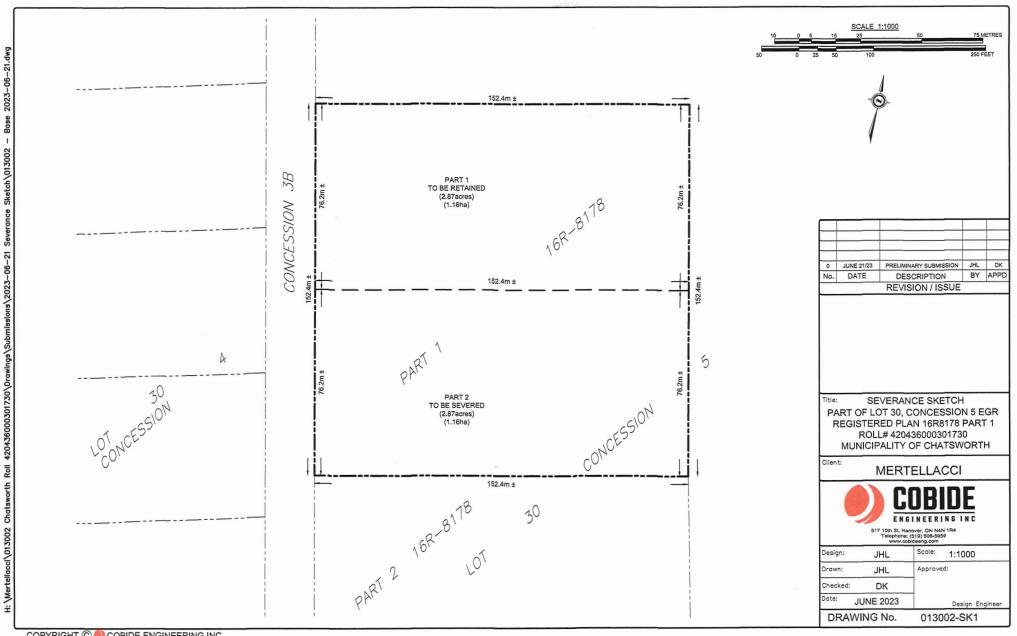
Additional information or questions relating to the proposed Consent may be obtained by contacting the Township Office at Ext. 134. or through email at <u>tyler.zamostny@chatsworth.ca</u>.

When requesting information please quote File No. B08/2023.

**DATED** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023

Patty Sinnamon, CAO / Clerk Township of Chatsworth 316837 Highway 6 R.R. #1 CHATSWORTH, Ontario N0H 1G0 Tel. (519) 794-3232 Ext. 124

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