



Perth South Council

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Kerri Ann O'Rourke
County Clerk
Corporation of the County of Perth
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Re: Official Plan Review

Dear Kerri Ann,

Perth South Council held a public meeting on June 18th, 2013 to request comments regarding the upcoming County of Perth Official Plan Review. Council received comments from the public, councillors and staff.

Council at its meeting of August 13, 2013, reviewed the comments and approved the following recommendations to be included in the County's Official Plan review:

- Strengthen policies to protect and preserve agricultural farmlands by not allowing industrial wind turbine farms, and selectively allowing annexations and aggregate extraction
- Allow surplus farm house severances in the Perth County municipalities that support them
- Promote the sub-division development proposal in Sebringville for 150 unit residential development
- The Village of Sebringville should not be a split community and should be annexed to all of Perth South. It should be kept as a whole community under only one municipality's jurisdiction
- Develop new planning policies that address the population decline in rural communities and support population sustainability or increases, specifically in Perth South
- There needs to be special provisions to allow for growth and development within a community and not have one big standard template policy for all of Perth County
- All 4 lower tiers should see the draft official plan proposed changes before final approval



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- There are small parcels of land that are split for various reasons such as: municipal drains, and railway lines. These small parcels of property should be allowed to have houses built on them
- Change the requirements from maximum 5 lot development on private septic systems to 10 lot developments to encourage residential development growth
- Secondary farm business restrictions need to be relaxed to allow for more employees to work on off-farm businesses.

I am available to discuss these further with you as you move through this process.

Sincerely,

Tim Ivanyshyn
Chief Administrative Officer

cc: Dave Hanly, Director of Planning & Development