

## CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MORRIS -TURNBERRY

## By-law No. 35-2015

Being a by-law to authorize a 'Mandatory On-Site Sewage System Maintenance Inspection Program', in conjunction with the Ontario Clean Water Act, 2006

WHEREAS, The Municipal Council of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry hereby deems it expedient to implement a mandatory sewage system re-inspection program in the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, under Subsection 34 (2.2) of the Building Code Act, 1992, S.O. 1992, Chapter 2, for those areas within a wellhead protection area where the vulnerability score is 10 and where existing and future on-site sewage systems are or could pose a significant drinking water threat;

**AND WHEREAS,** the Maitland Valley Source Protection Plan, as provided by the Ontario Clean Water Act, 2006, has been approved by the Province of Ontario and has legal effect, as of April 1, 2015;

**AND WHEREAS**, Policy C.1.9 of the Plan, sets out the Specific Action for Existing and Future Septic Systems stating- the Principal Authority shall- implement the 'mandatory On-Site Sewage System Maintenance Inspection Program' as required by, and in accordance with, the time frame set out in the Ontario Building Code;

**AND WHEREAS**, Section 15.10.1 of the Building Code Act allows an inspector to enter upon land and into buildings at any reasonable time without a warrant for the purpose of conducting a maintenance inspection;

**AND WHEREAS**, the authority for sewage system maintenance inspections are under the provisions of Section 15.10.1 of the Ontario Building Code Act;

**AND WHEREAS**, the sewage system re-inspection program is designed to raise awareness and provide education regarding the proper maintenance and operation of Sewage Systems;

**AND WHEREAS**, The Clean Water Act, identifies septic systems as one of the 21 potential significant threats to drinking water. The Ontario Building Code through Ontario Regulation 315/10, requires mandatory 'on-site sewage systems' inspections, which supports the Ontario Clean Water Act, 2006;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED,** as a by-law of the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, as follows:

- 1/ That the Corporation of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry shall implement a 'mandatory On-Site Sewage System Maintenance Inspection Program' for those areas within a wellhead protection area, as set out in the Maitland Valley Source Protection Plan;
- 2/ That the Chief Building Official for the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry is hereby authorized to perform on-site sewage inspections on the properties identified in the Maitland Valley Source Protection Plan, as vulnerable areas;

- 3/ That the Mayor and the Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any documentation required to affect the said by-law and to affix thereto, the Corporate Seal of the Corporation.
- 4/ That this By-law shall come into force and takes effect on the day of the final passing thereof.

Read a First, Second, Third and Final Time this 16<sup>th</sup> day of June , 2015

Mayor Paul Gowing

Clerk – Nancy Michie

I, Nancy Michie, Clerk of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, do hereby certify this to be a true copy of By-law No. 35-2015, of the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry.

Clerk – Nancy Michie