

THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD

By-Law No. 3121-2012

A BY-LAW TO ADOPT THE PROVISION OF MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICE TO PROPERTIES ON PRIVATE ROADWAYS.

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward deems it advisable to adopt a by-law setting out the provision of municipal emergency services to properties on private roadways.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the Fire Chief for the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward or his/her designate shall be responsible for the administration of this By-law and will be accountable to the Council for its enforcement.
- 1.1 **THAT** the purpose of this by-law is to provide information to property owners on private roads, as to the standard that private roads shall be maintained in order to receive municipal services.

Noncompliance with respect to this by-law may result in the delay of emergency services.

2. Definitions

- 2.1 **Municipal Services** – means services provided by Police, Fire, Ambulance and environmental including where applicable garbage and recycling curbside pickup and other similar type services that have been or may be established from time to time.
- 2.2 **Private Road** - means any private road, lane, ramp, or other means of vehicle access to or from a building or structure and may include part of a parking lot.
- 2.3 **Corporation** - means the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward.

- 2.4 Service Provider - means the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward or any agency acting on the Corporation's behalf.
3. **THAT** the Corporation establishes this by-law in order that property owners services by private roads will be aware of the standards required for these private roads, in order to receive municipal services. In the event that private roads are not maintained to the standard as established herein then the provision of municipal services may be withdrawn.
4. **THAT** the private road must meet the following standard criteria:
- a) Have a clear width of not less than 6 meters (19'8") unless it can be established by the service provider that a lesser width is satisfactory.
 - b) Have an overhead clearance of not less than 5 meters (16'5") unless it can be established by the service provider that a lesser clearance is satisfactory.
 - c) Have a turnaround facility for any dead end of the private road, exceeding ninety 90 meters (295') from a public thoroughfare.
 - d) Dead end private roads exceeding 90 meters (295') from a public thoroughfare shall be provided with a twenty seven meter diameter turn around or a six meter by twenty four meter hammerhead.
 - e) Have a change in gradient of not more than 1 in 12.5 over a minimum distance of fifteen (15) meters.
 - f) Have an unobstructed path of travel for the firefighter from the vehicle to the principal entrance or entrances which shall not exceed forty-five (45) meters.
 - g) Be designed to support the expected loads imposed by firefighting and environmental services apparatus and be surfaced with material designed to permit accessibility under all climate conditions.
 - h) Bridges on private roads must be engineered to withstand the weight of the aforementioned apparatus and must be inspected by an engineer every five years to certify weight allowance.
 - i) Private roads are to be maintained free of pot holes, snow, ice and foreign debris.
 - j) Private roads that provide access to more than one property cannot be obstructed by a fence or other mechanism that may impede through traffic.

- k) Damage to emergency or service vehicles resulting from the lack of adherence to this policy will result in the owner being liable for all vehicle towing and/or repair costs. Notwithstanding, if the owner does not pay forthwith, the associated costs will be incorporated into their annual property taxes.
- l) Have the Civic Address prominently displayed in accordance with following former municipal By-laws that are currently in effect for the placing and maintaining of a municipal addressing system:

Ward 1 Picton – By-law No. 7-1997
Ward 2 Bloomfield – By-law No. 789-1997
Ward 3 Wellington – By-law No. 1367-1997
Ward 4 Ameliasburgh – By-law 1572-1996
Ward 5 Athol – By-law No. B847-1996
Ward 6 Hallowell – By-law No. 1216-1996
Ward 7 Hillier – By-law No. 1391-1996
Ward 8 North Marysburgh – By-law No. 6-1996
Ward 9 South Marysburgh – By-law No. 10-1996
Ward 10 Sophiasburgh – By-law 1565-1996

3. **THAT** this By-law shall not be interpreted to contradict or violate any statute or regulation of the Province of Ontario.
4. **THAT** this By-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of its passing.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 28th day of August, 2012.


Victoria Leskie, CLERK


Peter A. Mertens, MAYOR

