

Bylaw 32-2017 Surface Drainage and Site Grading Bylaw (Replaces Bylaw 16-2009)**Report Purpose**

To give three readings to a bylaw that regulates and controls surface drainage and site grading on private and public lands within Strathcona County, and repeals Bylaw 16-2009.

Recommendations

1. THAT Bylaw 32-2017, a bylaw that regulates and controls surface drainage and site grading on lands within Strathcona County, be given first reading.
2. THAT Bylaw 32-2017 be given second reading.
3. THAT Bylaw 32-2017 be considered for third reading.
4. THAT Bylaw 32-2017 be given third reading.

Council History

March 31, 2009 – Council approved the Surface Drainage Bylaw, Bylaw 16-2009 and repealed Bylaw 21-2005.

April 19, 2005 – Council approved the Surface Drainage Bylaw, Bylaw 21-2005 and repealed Bylaw 17-2001.

June 12, 2001 – Council approved the Surface Drainage Bylaw, Bylaw 17-2001 and repealed Bylaw 62-90.

July 10, 1990 – Council approved the Property Drainage Bylaw, Bylaw 62-90 and repealed Bylaw 10-87.

March 3, 1987 – Council approved the Property Drainage Bylaw, Bylaw 10-87 and repealed Bylaw 45-86.

September 16, 1986 – Council approved the Property Drainage Bylaw, Bylaw 45-86.

Strategic Plan Priority Areas

Economy: n/a

Governance: The *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, c. M-26, provides that a Municipal Council may establish bylaws respecting the safety, health, and welfare of people and the protection of people and property; and that a Municipal Council may establish bylaws respecting public utilities, including systems to provide drainage.

Social: Properly regulated surface drainage and site grading on private and public lands provides for the social well-being of all residents.

Culture: n/a

Environment: Properly regulated surface drainage and site grading provides for enhanced environmental sustainability.

Other Impacts

Policy: n/a

Legislative/Legal: Legislative and Legal Services' input has been obtained

Interdepartmental: Planning and Development Services and RCMP and Enforcement Services

Summary

Strathcona County is an advocate of responsible development that incorporates sustainability and environmental principles. This proposed Surface Drainage and Site Grading Bylaw introduces changes to ensure such principles are appropriately and consistently applied to single and multi-family urban residential lots, country residential lots, commercial lots and industrial lots.

Administrative changes have also been made to update format, definitions, numbering, terminology and titles, improve clarity, align with current procedures and bylaws and increase penalty amounts to reflect severity of offences in current dollar value.

Communication Plan

The Canadian Homebuilder Association by way of email correspondence.

Enclosures

- 1 Summary of Changes to Bylaw 16-2009
- 2 Bylaw 32-2017