

COUNCIL INFORMATION RELEASE



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RE: AGGREGATE PIT - STORYLAND ROAD

In 2023, R.W Tomlinson Ltd. (Agent: MHBC Planning) applied for an amendment to the County of Renfrew Official Plan to redesignate 28.1 hectares of a 69.5 hectare property from Rural to Mineral Aggregate to permit a Class A pit below the water table, located in Part of Lot 20, Concession 6, in the Township of Horton. Approximately 41.4 hectares of the property is already designated Mineral Aggregate. A concurrent Zoning By-law amendment was applied for with the Township of Horton.

Many have inquired as to the status of the Zoning By-Law Amendment Application submitted by R.W. Tomlinson Ltd.

On May 1st, 2024, the applicant filed an appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal due to a lack of decision made by Council. The delay in the Township's decision was intended to allow time to work with all parties for improved conditions. The Township of Horton retained Tony Fleming of Cunningham, Swan, Carty, Little & Bonham LLP for representation.

The Township acknowledges there was a settlement between parties and the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) case is now finalized. While this outcome may be disappointing to residents nearby, the Township remains committed to upholding the interests and values of our community. The Township has always prioritized thoughtful and responsible planning, ensuring that any development aligns with our long-term vision for the community.

Moving forward, the Township will continue to work with residents, stakeholders, and relevant authorities to ensure that future decisions are made in a way that best serves the needs of our community.

The Township remains dedicated to fostering a balanced approach to growth and development, and we will remain vigilant in advocating for the preservation and enhancement of our community's unique qualities. We appreciate all contributions by residents and welcome any inquiries.

The Minutes of Settlement can be found here:

<https://www.hortontownship.ca/departments/planning-and-development/>

The Ontario Land Tribunal's Final Order as it pertains to the appeal and settlement with Tomlinson which can be found online here: <https://olt.gov.on.ca/decisions/>

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