

Section 2 – Interpretation

2.1. General

The interpretation and application of the provisions of this By-law shall be held to be the minimum requirements for the promotion of health, safety, comfort, convenience and general welfare for the inhabitants of the Township of Springwater.

2.2. Scope

No building, structure or land shall be used, and no building or structure shall be hereafter erected within the corporate limits of the Township of Springwater, except in conformity with the provisions of this By-law.

2.3. Administration

The administration of this By-law shall be the responsibility of the Zoning Administrator or such other person as Council shall designate. Furthermore no permit for the use of land or for the erection of any building or structure or approval of any municipal license within the jurisdiction of Council, shall be issued where a proposed use, building or structure would be in violation of any provisions of this By-law

2.4. Enforcement

The enforcement of this By-law shall be the responsibility of the Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or such other person as Council shall designate, and whose duties are, but are not limited to, ensuring compliance with the provisions and regulations of this By-law.

2.5. Inspection

The Municipal Law Enforcement Officer, or any officer designated by Council to enforce the provisions of the Zoning By-law shall have all of the powers authorized by Section 49 of the Planning Act, as amended.

2.6. Violation and Penalties

The conviction of an offender upon the breach of any of the provisions of this By-law shall not operate as a bar to a prosecution against the same offender upon any continued or subsequent breach of any such provision and any court of competent jurisdiction may convict any offender repeatedly for repeated breaches of the By-law.

Any person who contravenes any provision of this By-law, is guilty of an offence and is subject to a penalty pursuant to the Planning Act (S.67), as amended.

2.7. Restraint

In case any building or structure is or is proposed to be erected, altered, reconstructed, extended or enlarged, or any building or structure or part thereof is or is proposed to be used, or any land is or is proposed to be used, in contravention of any requirements of this By-law, such contravention may be restrained by action at the insistence of any ratepayer, or of The Corporation of the Township of Springwater, pursuant to the provisions of the Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, c.P13, as amended, in that behalf.

2.8. Fees

Fees, as may be established by Council, may be charged to any person to offset the costs associated with the administration and enforcement of this By-law.

2.9. Obligation

Nothing in this By-law shall relieve any person from the obligation to comply with the requirements of the Ontario Building Code Act or regulations thereunder as amended, or any other provincial statutes or regulations or other such by-laws of the Township or the County of Simcoe, where the obligation to obtain any permit, license, authority or approval is otherwise lawfully required.

2.10. Application and Plans

In addition to all other requirements, every application for a building permit shall be accompanied by a plan in duplicate, one copy of which shall be retained by the Chief Building Official. A plan prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor must be submitted when required by the Chief Building Official and/or Zoning Administrator. Every Plan shall show the following:

- a) The true dimensions of the lot to be built upon or otherwise used;
- b) The proposed location, height, floor area and dimensions of any building, structure or use proposed for such lot;
- c) Proposed locations and dimensions of any yards, setbacks, landscaped open spaces, off street-parking, off street loading facilities, or driveway entrances, required by this By-law;
- d) The location of all existing or proposed buildings and structures, including wells, septic beds, swimming pools, stormwater management facilities and signs, or water courses on the lot;
- e) The location of all municipal services; and
- f) A statement signed by the owner or agent, disclosing the exact use proposed for each aforesaid building, structure and use and giving all

information necessary to determine if such proposed or existing buildings, structures or use conforms to the requirements of this By-law.

2.11. Measurements

The measurements contained within this By-law are in the metric system. Imperial measurements contained within brackets and which follow the metric measurement are provided for information purposes only and do not form part of this By-law