



TOWN OF MINTO

DATE: September 5, 2017
REPORT TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Cam Forbes, By-law Enforcement Officer
SUBJECT: Amendment to the Sewer Use and Connection By-law

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Maintain and enhance infrastructure to Protect public health and safety, prevent property damage, maintain high quality of life, and effectively manage financial resources to ensure Minto is an attractive and viable community for family living and business investment.

9.13 Implement short form wording and streamline by-law enforcement practices where possible to efficiently allocate resources to minor offences, and continue enforcing by-laws based on complaints keeping in mind available resources.

BACKGROUND:

This By-law was passed in March of this year. In reviewing set fines the attorney general requires wording in section 8.2.7 and 8.6.4 to be changed to make the exact offense clear. The following summarizes proposed changes:

Current wording:

8.2.7 In the case of failure to adequately maintain the oil interceptor to the satisfaction of the Town, the Town may require an alarmed monitoring device to be installed, at the expense of the owner.

8.6.4 All dental waste amalgam separators shall be maintained in good working order and according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

Proposed wording

8.2.7 Where an oil interceptor installed to the requirements of the Town is not properly maintained, the Town may require an alarmed monitoring device to be installed at the owner's sole cost and expense. Failure to install an alarmed monitoring device when required by the Town to do so shall constitute an offence under this bylaw.

8.6.4 No person shall operate from a premise from which dental amalgam may be discharged unless a waste amalgam separator is installed and properly maintained in good working order and in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.

COMMENTS:

Re-wording will ensure set fines for 40 plus potential offenses in the bylaw can be approved by the attorney general's office. Set fines allow more efficient enforcement because the bylaw officer can issue a ticket for the offense.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

There should be no financial considerations with the amendment to this by-law.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council receives the By-law Enforcement Officer's September 5, 2017 report regarding amending sections 8.2.7 and 8.6.4 of By-law 2017-25.

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