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Re: Township of Minden Hills Mandatory Septic Re-Inspection Program

Dear Property Owner,

In 2020 the TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS (the Township) passed By-law 20-14 being a By-law to require all properties with a sewage system to be inspected for compliance with the Ontario Building Code Division B Part 8 Sewage Systems – Section 8.9 Operation and Maintenance.

In order to complete the inspections, the Township retained the services of WSP Canada Inc. (WSP). WSP will be sending out notices to all property owner(s) advising the property owner(s) of the requirement to arrange a date and time for WSP to complete the inspection of their septic system in their designated year.

Failure to arrange the inspection with WSP will result in the Township issuing an Order to Comply as per the Ontario Building Code Act, Section 12(1).

Ontario Building Code Act:

Prohibition re sewage systems

10.1 No person shall operate or maintain a sewage system or permit a sewage system to be operated or maintained except in accordance with this Act and the building code. 1997, c.30, Sched. B, s.9.

Sewage Systems

15.9 (3) In addition to the criteria set out in subsection (2), a sewage system is unsafe if it is not maintained or operated in accordance with this Act and the building code. 2002, c.9, s.26.

Emergency order where immediate danger

15.10 (1) If upon inspection of a building an inspector is satisfied that the building poses an immediate danger to the health or safety of any person, the chief building official may make an order containing particulars of the dangerous conditions and requiring remedial repairs or other work to be carried out immediately to terminate the danger. 2002, c.9, s.26.

Please find enclosed with this letter additional information about the re-inspection program, timelines, associated fees and details on Septic Re-Inspection Program Information Sessions.

Should you have any questions please contact the Township at 705-286-1260.

Yours truly,

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