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Clerk's Office Township of Algonquin Highlands

1123 North Shore Road Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1S0

RE: MFIPPA Request - Rezoning Application Information for AH-ZBA-009-24

Dear FOI Coordinator:

Under the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), I am requesting access to the following records relating to the rezoning application for 1572 Halls Lake Road, Algonquin Highlands (AH-ZBA-009-24), from Shoreline Residential 2 (SR2) to Rural (RU) zoning:

1. Communications and Documentation

- All documents in the possession of the municipality in relation to, or referring to, this application including but not limited to:
- Internal email, memoranda, letters, and electronic messages (texts) between or among council members staff or consultants (between January 1, 2024 – February 12, 2025);
- Any record of communication, in any form in regards to the above mentioned property, with the applicant (January 1, 2017 – February 12, 2025);
- All documents regarding bylaw complaints on the above mentioned property (between January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2024);
- Any preliminary discussions or communications about this property's rezoning prior to the formal application (between January 1, 2021 - July 16, 2024);
- Meeting minutes from Township Council and Committee of Adjustment meetings where this rezoning application was discussed;
- Notes from any site visits or property inspections by Township staff (between January 1, 2021 – September 5, 2024);
- Any communications regarding the impact on Halls Lake water quality (January 1, 2021 – July 16, 2024);
- Any record of communications with the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Association regarding this application;
- Any record of communication with Haliburton County planning department regarding this application;

2. Technical and Environmental Information (January 1, 2021 – September 5, 2024)
 - Any environmental studies related to the proposed agricultural use of the applicant property;
 - Water quality impact studies specific to Halls Lake;
 - Soil testing results or geological surveys of the applicant property;
 - Any consultation reports with the Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry as required under Algonquin Highlands Official Plan (4.2.5.5.7 and 4.2.5.5.6) regarding the applicant property;
3. Planning and Zoning Documents
 - Copy of the Environmental Impact Statement submitted by the applicant to the township following the September 5, 2024 council meeting;
 - Staff reports and recommendations regarding this application;
 - Similar agricultural rezoning applications in Algonquin Highlands near waterfront properties (January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2024);
 - Any legal correspondence regarding discussions by council about other RU agricultural rezoning applications in Algonquin Highlands (January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2024);

Format Requested: Please provide these records in electronic format where possible. If any records exist only in paper format, I request digital copies.

Fee Statement: I understand there is a \$5 application fee. Please advise the accepted payment method for the application fee.

Please provide a fee estimate if additional costs will exceed \$25 before proceeding with the request.

If any portion of this request is unclear, please contact me for clarification. If you are not the correct person for processing this request, please forward it to the appropriate person and inform me of this action.

As per MFIPPA requirements, I look forward to receiving your response within 30 days. If access to any of these records is denied or redacted, please cite the specific MFIPPA exemption(s) being relied upon to deny access.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

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