# **Municipality of East Ferris**

# Report to Council

Report No.: PLAN-2019-03 Date: November 26, 2019

Originator: Greg Kirton, Manager of Planning and Economic Development

Subject: Request to Deem Municipal Land Surplus - Unopened Road Allowance adjacent

to 213 Mirimishi Road.

### RECOMMENDATION

 That the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris declare the road allowance surplus in accordance with the request made by Valin and Partners on behalf of Ness, Davis, Metropolit, and Patterson to allow for an application to be made to purchase the lands.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Planning staff have received a request from Valin and Partners on behalf of their clients, the owners of 213 Mirimishi Road, requesting that the adjacent unopened road allowance be deemed surplus to facilitate an application to purchase the lands.

One of the structures on 213 Mirimishi Road currently encroaches onto the municipal road allowance and the owners are seeking to purchase the lands so that the structure would no longer be on municipal land. They have indicated that they would also be open to an encroachment agreement; however, the closure and transfer of the road allowance is their preferred option.

The unopened road allowance runs along the municipal border with North Bay. The location can be seen on the attached Schedules A, B, and C. The road allowance does not serve any municipal purpose and through conversation with municipal staff at the City of North Bay, we understand that the closure would not affect any North Bay initiatives either.

It is the general policy of the Municipality to close and transfer unused and unopened road allowances when they do not serve any municipal purpose and would not serve any future access or connectivity purpose. In this instance, staff are of the opinion that there will not be a scenario where this unopened road allowance is ever needed for municipal business.

## **OPTIONS**

- 1) That the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris declare the road allowance surplus in accordance with the request made by Valin and Partners on behalf of Ness, Davis, Metropolit, and Patterson to allow for an application to be made to purchase the lands.
- 2) That Council does not deem the unopened road allowance to be surplus land and directs staff to initiate an encroachment agreement process with the owners of 213 Mirimishi Road in order to allow the existing accessory structure to remain on municipal land; or
- 3) That Council does not deem the unopened road allowance to be surplus land and directs staff to initiate the process of having the existing accessory structure relocated as to not be located on municipally owned land.

# RECOMMENDED OPTION

1) It is recommended that Option 1 be selected and that the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris declare the road allowance surplus in accordance with the request made by Valin and Partners on behalf of Ness, Davis, Metropolit, and Patterson to allow for an application to be made to purchase the lands.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Greg Kirton** 

Manager of Planning and Economic Development

I concur with this report and recommendation,

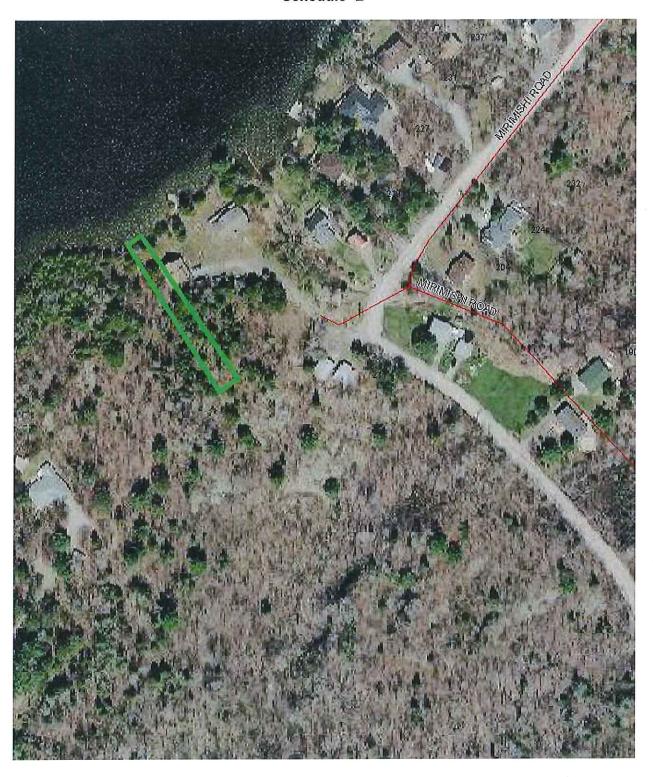
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Schedule 'A'



Schedule 'B'



Schedule 'C'

