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Dealing with FRESHWATER & PLANNING ISSUES

The Balancing Act

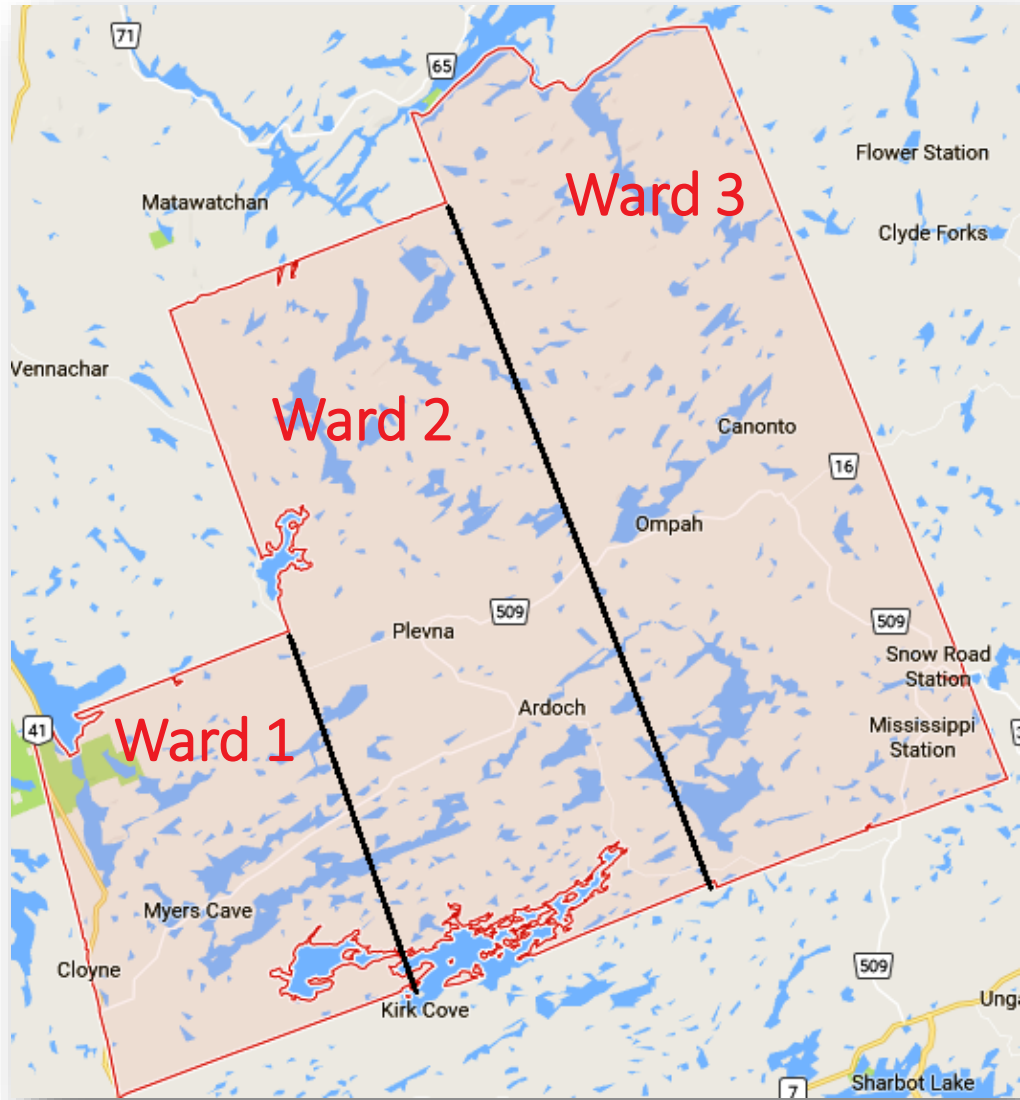
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Topics

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- D Collaboration
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Township of North Frontenac





Township Interests

Community Development

Economic Development

Service Delivery

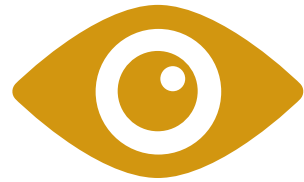
Cost Effective

Address seasonal and full time residential needs and wants

Value for tax dollar

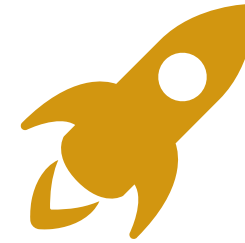


VISION & MISSION



Vision

North Frontenac will preserve our unique and pristine natural environment to promote a strong and resilient rural community.



Mission

Our goal is to provide our stakeholders with effective, efficient and sustainable delivery of services to its citizens.

B | Township Priorities



Promote Community Development Initiatives



Implement a Communications Plan



Establish collaborative working relationships with government bodies



Enhance and sustain our capital assets/infrastructure

C | Development & Stewardship

Why Development?

- Increase tax base
- Attract new residents
 - Schools
 - Age diversity
- New businesses

How do we Manage Development?

- In sync with our Mission and Vision
- Protect our pristine environment as a priority
- Collaborate with our Lake Associations

Development & Stewardship



Lake Capacity



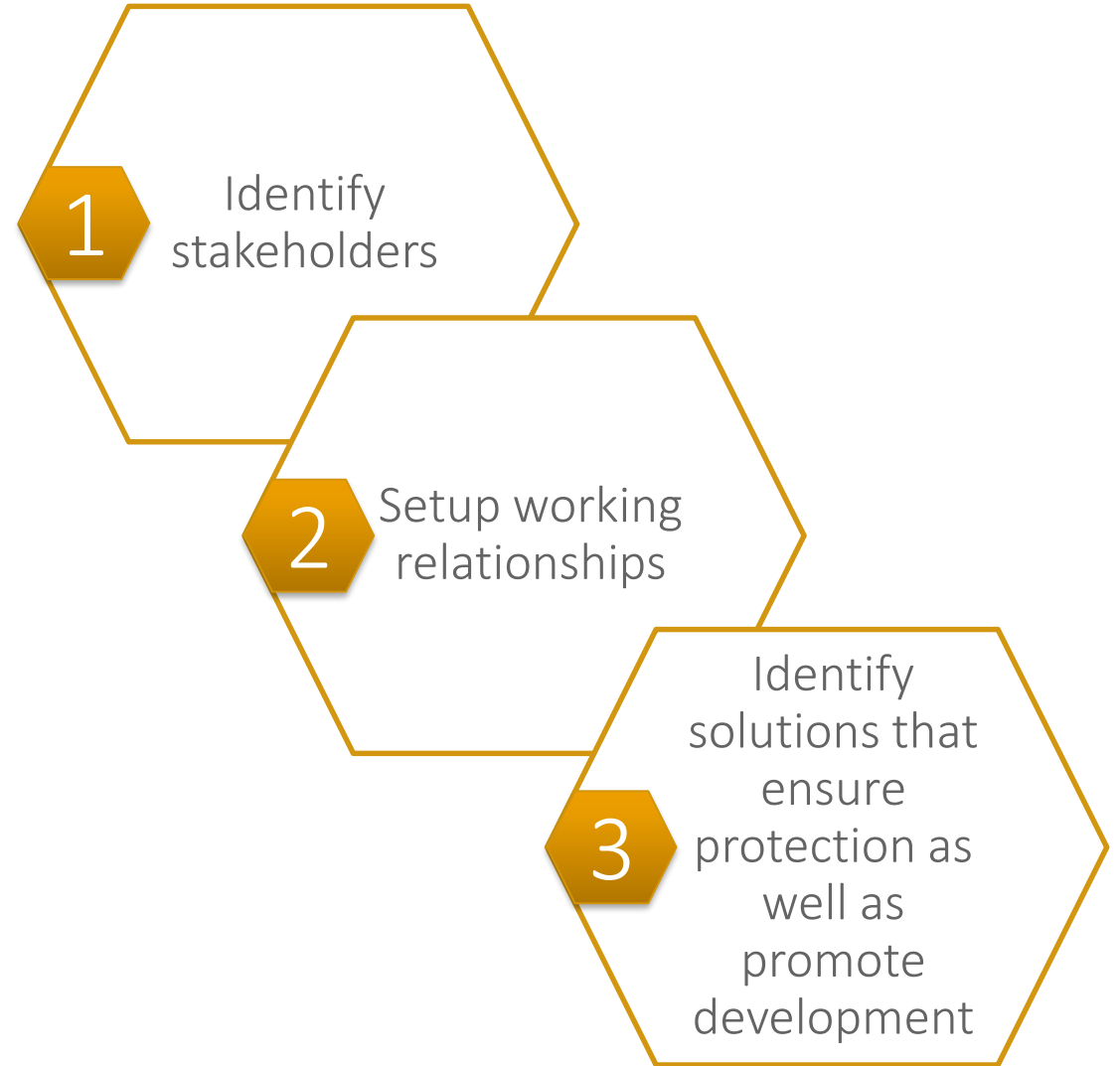
Lake Association

Drinking Water



Environment





Official Plan



INTRODUCTION STATEMENT

The Township of North Frontenac has unique social and environmental conditions that require varied approaches to land development.

The Township's Official Plan creates the objectives and policies for guiding land use.

The Plan protects and manages the natural environment, directing and influencing growth patterns and facilitating the vision of Council to develop a strong and diverse economy in the Township.

The Plan will ensure all aspects necessary for a healthy community are protected, managed and made available to existing and future residents.

Only *development* that *contributes* to a *healthy, environmentally friendly,* *prosperous* and *sustainable community* will be encouraged.





Waterfront Area Lot Size

- The following shall constitute minimum lot requirements, unless otherwise specified:
 - (i) a lot area of 0.8 hectares (2 acres); and,
 - (ii) a water frontage of 77 metres (250 feet).
 - Water access only properties is 300 feet water frontage
- 15 m (50') vegetation buffer zone on waterfront



Shoreline Setbacks

The front yard setbacks, as detailed in an implementing comprehensive zoning by-law, are established in recognition of:

- i. Requirement of a shoreline vegetative buffer;
- ii. Minimizing the dominance of the built form on the natural environment;
- iii. Maintenance of privacy and noise attenuation especially on properties fronting onto a narrow waterbody;
- iv. Maintenance of aesthetic qualities of the waterfront; and;
- v. Protection of natural habitat and minimizing environmental impact in the foreshore area.



Building Setbacks

Land based buildings and structures (unless otherwise specified in the Plan) shall be located a minimum of 30 metres (100 feet) from the normal or controlled high water mark of a waterbody. (some exceptions for outbuildings etc.)



Conclusions

Extremely Successful

Collaboration is key

Environmental protection is priority 1

Mission and Vision provides alignment

Allows for economic growth

Provides a welcoming Municipality



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THANK YOU





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