



PUBLIC NOTICE

By-Law No. Z-1.4, "A By-Law to Amend By-Law No. Z-1, being the Town of St. Stephen Zoning By-Law"

The residents of the Town of St. Stephen are hereby advised that the Council considered first reading of the above-referenced proposed amendment at its Regular Session on May 25, 2015.

The purpose of the proposed amendment to the Zoning By-Law is to make changes to the existing Section 3.14 – Keeping of Chickens.

Attached to this notice are the following:

- The current Section 3.14 Keeping of Chickens as outlined in By-Law No. Z-1; and
- By-Law No. Z-1.4, the proposed amendment to By-Law No. Z-1.

Council will be discussing the proposed amendment at its Committees meeting on **Wednesday, June 10, 2015 @ 5:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers, 73 Milltown Blvd., Suite 112 (entrance at back corner of building). Any person who wishes to speak for or against the proposed amendment is entitled to be heard at that time.

Written objections/support may be sent to the Town Office, 73 Milltown Blvd., Suite 112, St. Stephen, NB E3L 1G5 or by e-mail: info@town.ststephen.nb.ca by **Friday, June 5, 2015.**

Derek O'Brien
Chief Administrative Officer/Development Officer

THE TOWN OF ST. STEPHEN

BY-LAW NO. Z-1

ZONING BY-LAW

3.14 Keeping of Chickens

Notwithstanding 3.15 or any other provision of this by-law, the keeping of chickens may be permitted as an *accessory use* in a Residential Zone, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) chickens shall be kept as pets and for personal use only; no person shall sell eggs or engage in chicken breeding or fertilizer production for commercial purposes and the slaughtering of chickens is prohibited;
- (b) only female chickens are permitted and the maximum number of chickens allowed is four per lot;
- (c) a minimum lot size of 8,000 square metres (2 acres) is required;
- (d) chickens must be kept in an enclosure or fenced area at all times and shall be secured within an enclosed structure during non-daylight hours;
- (e) the enclosure and structure mentioned in (e) must be located in the rear yard and be located at least 10 metres (33 feet) from any side or rear lot line;
- (f) chickens must not be kept in, upon or under any structure used for human habitation; and
- (g) chickens shall be kept in such a manner to ensure that they do not create a nuisance and that all lands and premises where chickens are kept is maintained in a sanitary condition at all times so that excrement or other chicken-related substances are not permitted to accumulate and cause an objectionable odour or nuisance.

TOWN OF ST. STEPHEN

BY-LAW NO. Z-1.4

A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. Z-1, BEING THE TOWN OF ST. STEPHEN ZONING BY-LAW

Be it enacted by the Council of the Town of St. Stephen as follows:

1 Following Section **3.0 GENERAL PROVISIONS**, subsection **3.14** under the heading “**Keeping of Chickens**” shall be amended as follows:

- (c) deleted in its entirety, with all remaining letters changed accordingly; and
- (d) formerly (e), replaced with the following: the enclosure and structure mentioned in (d) must be located in the rear yard and be located at least 10 metres (33 feet) from any dwelling on an adjacent lot;

2 Therefore the entire subsection **3.14** shall now read:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Town of St. Stephen has caused the corporate seal of the said Town to be affixed to this By-Law the _____ day of _____, 2015.

First Reading: _____ May 25, 2015

Second Reading:

Third Reading and Enacted:

John Quartermain, Mayor

Joan M. Flewelling, Town Clerk