
Memorandum

CL-C 95-2024

Subject: Appointment of By-law Officers for the Enforcement of the Sewer Use By-law No. 2024-51

Date: September 26, 2024

To: Regional Council

From: Jason Oatley, Manager, Quality and Compliance

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform Council of the required appointment of By-Law Officers for the enforcement of the Sewer Use By-Law No.2024-51.

The Sewer Use By-law regulates the industrial, commercial and institutional discharge of sewage into the sanitary sewer collection system for treatment at Niagara Region Wastewater Treatment Plants.

The current Sewer Use By-law (2024-51) was recently passed by Council on August 29, 2024 and repealed the previous By-law No. 27-2014. Employees responsible for the administration and enforcement of this By-law require Council approval to be duly authorized as By-Law Enforcement Officers and Provincial Offences Officers to carry out their duties.

The Sewer Use By-law contains concentration-based limits for the discharge of heavy metals, suspended solids, phosphorus, and other parameters of concern. The by-law also contains requirements for the installation of grease interceptors, requirements for the discharge of hauled sewage as well as other aspects related to sewer discharges.

Environmental Enforcement Officers monitor the discharges from industrial and commercial enterprises to the sewer system to protect both the sewer infrastructure and the wastewater treatment processes. Officers collect samples, inspect industries and review requests for disposal to the systems as part of the Sewer Use By-law program.

The following list of individuals are employees of the corporation that are trained and qualified for the enforcement of the Sewer Use by-law:

- Jason Cammelli, Environmental Enforcement Officer
- Dominic Valentini, Environmental Enforcement Officer
- Jeet Buddhdev, Environmental Enforcement Officer

- Dawn Macarthur, Supervisor, Water and Wastewater Compliance and Enforcement
- Jason Oatley, Manager, Quality and Compliance (Wastewater)

It is therefore recommended that these individuals be appointed as By-Law Enforcement Officers with authority to enforce By-law 2024-51.

A copy of the by-law is included on the September 26, 2024, Council agenda for consideration.

Respectfully submitted and signed by:

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