



# Council Orientation

Building Services and  
By-Law Enforcement

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# Introduction

- Building Services and Bylaw enforcement is primarily responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Building Code Act and related Building Bylaw.
  
- Responsible for interpreting and enforcing the Zoning Bylaw, Property Standards Bylaw, Yard Bylaw, Noise Bylaw, Development Charges Bylaw and other various relatable Bylaws.
  
- Building Services Staff
  - Temporary Chief Building Official / By-law Enforcement Officer
  - Building Inspector I / By-law Enforcement Officer
  - Building Inspector I / By-law Enforcement Officer - Contract
  - Building Administrator
  
- Also responsible for being the primary health and safety representative.



# What We Do

- Responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Building Code Act, the Ontario Building Code (OBC), and the related township Building By-law.
- Review plans for construction projects in conformance with the OBC and issue the related Building Permit
- Conduct field inspections for issued permits
- Conduct investigations under the authority various By-laws, such as the Zoning By-law, Property Standards By-law and others
- Discuss complaints and other issues related to the above with homeowners, neighbours and Council members and if necessary issue orders for compliance.



# What We Don't Do

- We don't provide advice
- We don't design structures or buildings for people
- We can't refer specific people to do work for someone, however, we can direct them in how to find someone
- We don't enforce or make rules arbitrarily



# Legislative Framework for Building Code matters

- The statute (the Building Code Act, 1992 (BCA)) is the high level legislation that sets out the rules and restrictions (the do's and don'ts) for the requirements to build buildings within the province.
- The regulation set forth in the statute is routinely amended and the most current version is the 2012 Ontario Building Code (OBC), O. Reg. 332/12, as amended.
- The Township has passed a By-law under Section 7 of the BCA to lay out the groundwork for how the Township should administer and enforce the Building Code.
- The By-law also sets out the classes of permits and how much to charge for each permit.
- Council's role with respect to the Building Code Act is to pass the By-law and adopt By-law appointing the Chief Building Official and other officers.



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QUESTIONS?