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Policy for the Provision of Municipal Services to Properties on Private or Unassumed Roads

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to provide information to property owners on private or unassumed roads on the standard to which private roads shall be maintained in order to receive Municipal Service to their property.

Definitions:

- 2.1 **Municipal Service** – means services provided by Police, Fire, Ambulance and Environmental including where applicable curbside garbage and recycling pickup and other similar type services that have been or may be established from time to time.
- 2.2 **Private Road** – means any private road, lane, ramp, unassumed Township road allowance, or other means of vehicle access to or from a building/ structure/property and may include part of a parking lot.
- 2.3 **Township** – means the Township of Selwyn and/or their designate.
- 2.4 **Obstacle** - means a fence, gate, speedbump, concrete/ stone structure or any similar structure, or debris such as overgrown brush/trees that impedes clear travel.

Policy Statement:

The Township established this policy in order that the property owners serviced by Private Roads can be aware of the standards required for these Private Roads, in order to receive Municipal Service. In the event that Private Roads are not maintained to the standard as established herein then the provision of Municipal Service may not be provided.

Private Road Standards:

The Private Road standard must meet the following:

- (a) Have a clear width of not less than 6 m (19'8") unless it can be established by the Township that a lesser width is satisfactory.

- (b) Have an overhead clearance of not less than 5 m (16'5") unless it can be established by the Township that a lesser clearance is satisfactory.
- (c) Have a turnaround facility for any dead end road portion of the private road that facilitates the turning around of the equipment of the Municipal Service provider.
- (d) Be designed to support the expected apparatus loads imposed by the equipment of the Municipal Service provider, and be surfaced and/or treated with material designed to permit accessibility under all climate conditions.
- (e) Bridges on Private Roads must be engineered to withstand the weight of the aforementioned apparatus.
- (f) Private Roads are to be maintained free of Obstacles as defined herein as well as pot holes, snow, ice, and foreign debris.
- (g) Private Roads that provide access to more than one property cannot be obstructed by an Obstacle as defined herein that may impede through traffic.