

Agenda Item # 14.1

Staff Proposed Motion: Village of Westport Wastewater

Moved By: _____

Seconded By: _____

WHEREAS the Township of Rideau Lakes is committed to working with its municipal neighbours to protect our collective waterfronts and lakes;

AND WHEREAS concerns from residents and Lake Associations have surfaced regarding the potential harm from developments in Westport;

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved that the Township of Rideau Lakes makes the following recommendations to the Village of Westport in an effort to jointly safeguard the water quality and ecological integrity of our collective lakes and water courses;

- Reevaluation of Household Impact Numbers: The Township requests that the Village reevaluates its per-home numbers, currently set at 1.9 per household, to ensure they are realistic and reflective of actual impact. Consider that future building permits include details on the number of bedrooms and appliances in residential buildings.
- Monitoring Water Quality: Regular water quality monitoring in various drilled water wells, the Westport quarry, the creek along Whalen Street that flows into Upper Rideau Lake, the Mill Pond, and Upper Rideau Lake.
- Preventing Effluent Discharge into Lakes: Explore alternatives to effluent entering the lakes.
- Reducing Runoff into Lakes: Work with the Township to collaboratively explore ideas to reduce or eliminate road and hard surface runoff into all our lakes.