



Township of Seguin OFFICIAL PLAN UPDATE Section 26 Public Meeting

July 9, 2011

Section 26 Meeting

- The Planning Act legislates that municipalities update their Official Plans every 5 years.
- The Act further requires Official Plan to be updated to ensure that the Official Plan:
 - has regard to the matters of provincial interest; and,
 - is consistent with Policy Statements

The Official Plan Update

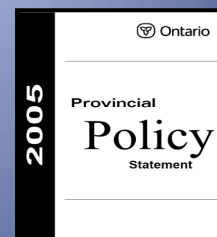
The Official Plan Review will focus on the following tasks:

- Consideration of new Provincial Legislation such as:
 - Planning Act and Bill 51 update (complete application requirements, architectural zoning controls, conditional zoning)
 - Endangered Species Act, 2007
 - Green Energy Act, 2009
- Review the Goals, Objectives and Policies of the Plan

Provincial Policy Documents

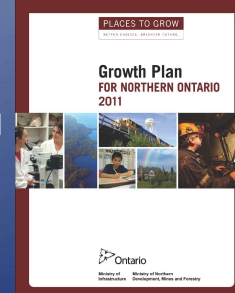
Provincial Policy Statement

- Direct growth to settlement areas
- Make efficient use of existing infrastructure
- Establish targets for infill and intensification
- Identify and protect significant woodlands and other resources



Growth Plan – Northern Ontario

- Focus on the economy and natural resources, renewable energy, education, and tourism
- Healthy populations
- Community building



What is an Official Plan

- Long-term policy planning document with a 20 year time horizon.
- Outlines how lands should be used in the future.
- Contains a Vision and Goals, Objectives and Policies that implement the vision.
- A document to guide all decisions of Council including land use decisions, strategic decisions and public works decisions and By-laws.
- Includes policies that enable the Township to pass specific By-laws or regulations.

Current Official Plan

- Is a relatively new document
- Was redeveloped with a considerable amount of public consultation (surveys, questionnaires, public workshops, public meetings)
- Contains a modern approach to lake capacity and shoreline development – best practices
- Focuses residential growth to settlement areas
- Comprised of GIS based mapping

Official Plan Review

- Review of issues and changes to Provincial policy and regulations
- Preparation of Draft Amendments
- Public Review of Draft Amendments
- Public Meeting

Timing

- Council has approved a project schedule that will enable public consultation through the summer of 2012.
- Policy Review and Update August 2011-April 2012
- Public Open House June 2012
- Public Meeting July 2012
- Finalization of Official Plan August 2012
- Regular updates on the Township website