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Newsletter February 5, 2017

CRC Community Meeting Next Week- Catch up with Hidden Quarry News!

Monday, February 13
7 pm - 9 pm
Doors Open at 6:30
Rockwood United Church
119 Harris Street, Rockwood
(Just east of Hwy. 7)

Believe it or not, this will be our 8th CRC Community Meeting since the Hidden Quarry saga began in 2013! This time we're meeting in one of Rockwood's lovely heritage churches, [Rockwood United](#), built in 1867.



We Rise Again!

Much has happened in the Hidden Quarry story since the OMB adjourned the Hearing in October! It is time to bring everyone up-to date on the application and the next steps for CRC. **If we are still opposed to the Hidden Quarry application, we cannot flag in our efforts to make our case. We need all hands on deck.**

The meeting agenda will include:

- CRC Board actions since October 2016 and next steps;
- Introduction to the "new kid-on-the-block," the Wellington County Official Plan
- [MPAC's cut to aggregate taxes!](#)
- Update on CRC Finances
- Update on CRC Volunteering
- Guest Speaker: Mike Schreiner

Important! [Please send your letters of objection to Wellington County and Guelph Eramosa Township!](#) It's a new application from JDCL and they need to know that we are paying attention! Nothing can be taken for granted! *(Click inside box for link to details.)*

We are very happy to welcome **Mike Schreiner**, Leader of Ontario's Green Party, to be our guest speaker at the meeting. Mike is a strong CRC supporter, and a friend to citizen coalitions confronting the upheaval aggregate proposals bring to communities. He has been outspoken in raising issues relating to the OMB, the Aggregate Resources Act and water. In his presentation to the ARA Review Committee of the Ontario Legislature he concluded:

"The conflict over aggregates is a conflict over the essential necessities of life: water, land, food and shelter. I think it's time for us to revise our legislation to rebalance it in a way that prioritizes farmland and water over aggregate extraction."

We look forward to seeing you at the Community Meeting. We'll have coffee and goodies ready in the Church Hall, so come early!

Membership: [Don't forget to become a member or renew your 2017 membership as soon as you can.](#) If you come to the February 13 meeting early you can also renew your membership then, in time to qualify for a great prize from Santa's Sack.

Visit our new website: We've moved our website to a new host server. Doug Webster, our intrepid web master, has worked non-stop for the last many weeks to bring all the hard information across. Although it is still being finalized, it is now live. Tour the site - and enjoy the new look! www.hiddenquarry.ca