



Working to protect your community and environment

Newsletter February 28, 2017

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR NEXT WEEK! **Attend and show your support for CRC**

- **Monday, March 6, 7 pm**

GET Council

8348 Wellington Road 124

- **Thursday, March 9, 10 am**

Wellington County Planning Committee

Council Chamber

74 Woolwich Street, Guelph

While this re-boot of CRC's Hidden Quarry saga sometimes feels discouraging, it is, in fact, good news. **CRC has stronger arguments than ever** which will serve us well as we present our case to Wellington County and eventually to the Ontario Municipal Board.

Last week GET Council listened intently to our long presentation – because the new evidence we bring is truly compelling!

Here are the details:

Monday, March 6, 7 pm: Hidden Quarry site neighbours bring concerns to GET Council:

Fly Rock: There are about 15 properties within 500 metres of the Hidden Quarry site (to say nothing of Hwy. 7). These homeowners are at high risk of fly rock falling on their properties and their homes – a very real possibility. On Monday evening they will speak as individuals to Council about these concerns. Bill Hill, CRC's 6th Line blasting expert, presented sobering reports of fly rock accidents in another Ontario quarry to GET last week. This is a serious issue of public safety. Please support your neighbours at this meeting. These are arguments we will bring to the OMB.

Additional reason to attend – proposed Spenser Pit: There will be a public meeting within the GET Council Meeting addressing the application for the Spenser Pit in western Guelph Eramosa Township at hwy. 24 and Kossuth. **It would give residents in that community a real boost if CRC supporters were in attendance** for that part of the meeting. Our moral support is well-informed and we know they would appreciate it. Two people opposing the Spenser Pit attended CRC community meeting on February 13.

Thursday, March 9, 10 am: CRC's second presentation to Wellington County Planning Committee:

On Thursday next week we will be taking our new information on blasting and water concerns to the Planning Committee of Wellington County who have given us a full 30 minutes to speak. We will also be reviewing the Hidden Quarry project in the light of the County's Official Plan criteria. **If you want to understand the strength of our new arguments, this is a good short "seminar". We also need to show Wellington County we are a force to be reckoned with!**

Hot News/OMB: CRC Board member Alex Kanarek wrote a letter to the editor of the Star last week reacting to a series of excellent articles on the negative impacts of OMB decisions which circumvent Toronto's municipal planning. Since the OMB is under review, we need to keep it in the limelight and make rural issues with OMB decision-makers top of mind. Getting a letter to the editor in both electronic and print versions of the star is a real coup!! CRC has already submitted comments on the OMB to the Review Committee at the Legislature.

https://www.thestar.com/opinion/letters_to_the_editors/2017/02/25/omb-causes-costly-fights-in-rural-areas.html