

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN

BY-LAW NO. 2006-20

BEING A BY-LAW TO PERMIT BUSINESSES IN THE TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN TO BE OPEN ON WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS.

WHEREAS the Retail Business Holidays Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter R.30, Section 4(1), as amended, provides that the Council of a Municipality may, despite Section 2 of the Act, permit retail business establishments to be open on holidays for the maintenance and development of tourism;

AND WHEREAS Section 4.2 of the said Act, as amended, provides that a By-law under Section 4 may apply to one or more retail business establishments and may limit the opening of retail business establishments on holidays to specific times or to a certain number of hours;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan has taken into account the principal that weekends and holidays should be maintained as common pause days;

AND WHEREAS Council is satisfied that the Township of Matachewan complies with the tourism criteria for exemption of retail business establishments that fall under Section 2 subsection 3(a), (b) of the Retail Business Holidays Act, Ontario Regulation 711/91;

AND WHEREAS Council has deemed it expedient to further allow all businesses operating in the Township of Matachewan to fall under the guidance of this by-law;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MATACHEWAN HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That pursuant to the Retail Business Holiday Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter R.30, Section 4, as amended, businesses, located in the Township of Matachewan, may open on any holiday or weekend except for New Years Day, Christmas Day, Good Friday and Easter Sunday, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (except Sundays from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.) for the maintenance and development of tourism.
2. That only under exceptional circumstances will the aforementioned hours be extended until 11:00 p.m.
3. That every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this By-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine or penalty as provided for in the Provincial Offences Act.
4. That all previous by-laws and/or motions, or parts thereof, in conflict with or contrary hereto or inconsistent herewith, be and the same are hereby repealed.
5. That this by-law shall come into force and effect upon final passing thereof and remain in force and effect until such time as it is repealed by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Matachewan.

READ a first, second and third time, and finally enacted and passed in open Council this 5th day of December 2006. Signed, sealed and numbered 2006-20.

Beverley Hine
Reeve

Andrew Van Oosten
CAO-Clerk-Treasurer