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April 3, 2023

Township of Southgate
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ATTENTION: Elisha Milne, Administrative & Legislative Assistant

Dear Ms. Milne,

RE: Proposed Minor Variance A1-23 (Maynard Bearer)
143769 Southgate Road 14
Part Lot 8 Concession 4
Roll No.: 420706000408601
Geographic Township of Egremont
Township of Southgate

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) staff has reviewed the above-noted application as per our delegated responsibility from the Province to represent provincial interests regarding natural hazards identified in Section 3 of the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS, 2020) and as a regulatory authority under Ontario Regulation 169/06 (SVCA's Development, Interference with Wetlands, and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation). SVCA staff has also provided comments as per our Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Township of Southgate) representing natural hazards. The application has also been screened to determine the applicability of the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Plan, prepared under the Clean Water Act, 2006.

Purpose

The purpose of the application is to provide relief from the by-law to permit an attached garage to be located closer to the side lot line. The current setback requirement is 5m (16.3ft). The proposal will reduce this setback to 2.43m (8ft) to relocate the garage and entrance to the house to the opposite side of the lot. This will reduce potential conflicts with the shared laneway entrance.

Recommendation

The application is acceptable to SVCA staff.

Delegated Responsibility and Advisory Comments - Natural Hazards

There are no natural hazard features affecting the property, therefore, it is the opinion of SVCA staff that the proposal is consistent with Section 3.1.1 of the PPS, 2020; and the natural hazard policies of the Southgate OP and the Grey County OP.

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Drinking Water Source Protection

The subject property appears to SVCA staff to not be located within an area that is subject to the local Drinking Water Source Protection Plan. To confirm, please contact Jim Ellis, Drinking Water Source Protection Risk Management Official at: jellis@southgate.ca.

SVCA Regulation 169/06

SVCA staff has reviewed the application as per our responsibilities as a regulatory authority under Ontario Regulation 169/06 (SVCA's Development, Interference with Wetlands, and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation). This regulation, made under Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act, enables SVCA to regulate development in or adjacent to river or stream valleys, Great Lakes and inland lake shorelines, watercourses, hazardous lands and wetlands. Subject to the CA Act, development taking place on or adjacent to these lands may require permission from SVCA to confirm that the control of flooding, erosion, dynamic beaches, pollution or the conservation of land are not affected. SVCA also regulates the alteration to or interference in any way with a watercourse or wetland.

The property is not within the SVCA Approximate Screening Area associated with Ontario Regulation 169/06. Therefore, review and permission/permit from the SVCA is not required for development on the property.

Summary

SVCA staff has reviewed this application in accordance with our MOA with the Township of Southgate, and as per our mandated responsibilities for natural hazard management, including our regulatory role under the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

Given the above comments, it is the opinion of the SVCA staff that the application is:

- 1) Consistent with Section 3.1, Natural Hazard policies of the PPS.
- 2) Consistent with Grey County OP and Township of Southgate policies for natural hazards.

Please inform this office of any decision made by the Township of Southgate with regard to this application. We respectfully request to receive a copy of the decision and notice of any appeals filed. Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Michael Oberle
Environmental Planning Coordinator
Saugeen Conservation
MO/

cc: Barbara Dobreen, SVCA member representing the Township of Southgate (via email)