

# THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF POWASSAN

## BY-LAW NO. 2008-05

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Being a by-law to amend Zoning By-law no. 2003-38  
in regards to the Rural Zone and Farming Definitions to  
allow farming activities on smaller parcels of land.

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WHEREAS the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended, c.P.13, pursuant to Section 34, provides for adoption of Zoning By-Laws and amendments thereto; and

WHEREAS municipal By-law no. 2003-38 does not have a definition that allows property owners to operate a small scale farm on property less than 10 ha. or 25 acres; and

WHEREAS a public notice was published in the Almaguin Forester December 27, 2007 edition and the North Bay Nugget December 21, 2007 edition and a public meeting was held January 17, 2008; and

WHEREAS the provisions of this by-law conform to the Official Plan for the Municipality of Powassan;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Powassan hereby enacts as follows:

1. That Section 4.5.1 of the Municipal Zoning By-law no. 2003-38 be amended to include Hobby Farm under new Column C uses.
2. That Section 4.5.2 (i) of the Municipal Zoning By-law no. 2003-38 be amended to include Minimum Lot Area of 2 ha for a Hobby Farm use.
3. That Section 5.52 be amended to include the definition of Farm, Hobby as follows:

Means an area of land on which a barn, stable or shelter may be erected for animals (as per the farm definition) kept to a maximum of five (5) Nutrient Units, as defined by the Nutrient Management Act and able to meet the Minimum Distance Separation Formula.

4. That Section 5.52 be amended for the definition of Farm as follows:

Any farming or agricultural use and includes apiaries; aviaries; breeding, raising, training or boarding of horses or cattle; farms devoted to the hatching, raising, and marketing of chickens, turkeys, or other fowl or game birds, animals, fish or frogs; farms for grazing; field crops; goat or cattle dairies; riding stables; the raising of sheep or goats; the raising of swine; wood lots; such uses or enterprises as are customarily carried on in the field of general agriculture. "Farm" includes a single-family dwelling house, and such principal or main buildings and structure as a barn or silo, as well as accessory buildings and structures, which are incidental to the operation of the farm and/or any farm business that meets the requirements for the Farm Class Designation of the Ministry of Agriculture.

3. That this by-law shall come into force and take effect on the date of passing thereof, subject to the provisions of Section 34 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended.

Adopted in open Council this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 2008.

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Mayor

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Clerk