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Cc: [Elisha Milne](#); [Lindsey Green](#)
Subject: Re: Mark and Irene Frey's Re-zoning
Date: January 17, 2025 10:00:21 AM

Hi Marilyn,

Further to your email regarding C37-24 below, all planning files are circulated to multiple agencies, including SVCA. All comments are or will be located on the website for this file. I include a link to both SVCA responses.

https://www.southgate.ca/media/vosjccew/c37-24-svca-letter_redacted.pdf

<https://www.southgate.ca/media/hddn4wij/c37-24-svca-comments.pdf>

As you are requesting a Township response, I am forwarding your email to Elisha Milne and Lindsey Green. Your comments and questions must be received by staff to be entered into the public record.

The public meeting is scheduled for January 22, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. at the Holstein Council Chambers on Southgate Road 12. You can also register to participate virtually with Lindsey Green (lgreen@southgate.ca)

No decision is made at this public meeting. It is an opportunity for the applicant to present their application/case and the public to have the opportunity to weigh in. All in-person and written comments/concerns would then be considered by the Planner when evaluating the proposal against policy so that a recommendation may be made to Council at a future meeting.

<https://www.southgate.ca/media/doykvyvj/c37-24-notice-of-public-meeting.pdf>

File Number C37-24 Mark and Irene Frey

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I hope this helps explain the process. I will look forward to the public meeting and learning more about the proposal.

All the best for the new year!

Barbara

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Our work hours may differ. Please do not feel any obligation to respond outside of your work hours.

From: Marilyn McCabe-Acheson [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2025 9:25 AM
To: Barbara Dobreen <bdobreen@southgate.ca>
Subject: Re: Mark and Irene Frey's Re-zoning

.3 C37-24 - Mark and Irene Frey, Con 9, Pt Gore Lot A, Geographic Township of Egremont, Township of Southgate

2.3.1 Background

The Purpose of the application is to zone the subject lands to permit up to half of a proposed 1784 square metre floor area structure equipped with storage bins and elevator equipment to process material shipped to the site. A certified organic soil additive would be produced within the building to truck off-site to organic farmers. The proposed zoning would also allow custom grain drying as a future on farm business using similar equipment within the proposed building.

The Effect is to rezone the subject lands to allow about half of a proposed new building to be used to receive shipped in material, process it into a certified organic soil additive, and ship to organic farmers. Rezoning would also allow a future grain drying operation within the proposed new building.

Jan. 17, 2025

Hello Barbara,

I was part of a meeting, last evening, when our Neighbours met with Mark Frey to openly hear about their application.

I will respectfully request that, prior to allowing this proposal to occur, I would like to have, in writing, the Township's response to some areas of concern:

1. Mark and Irene Frey have already built the foundation which he told us was for equipment storage. Do they have building permit in place for this build?
2. He told us at the meeting that he built the foundation for equipment storage, during hunting season, beginning of Nov.

I know that hunting season, this past year, was Nov. 4 - 9th. On Nov. 19th, 2024, RD Land Use Planning Consultant wrote a letter to Victoria regarding the Application for Zoning By-Law Amendment for Mark and Irene Frey.

I asked him why his build went from Equipment Storage to a Zoning Amendment and he said, "It just happened."

I asked him how the RD Land Use Consultant could come up with their letter to Victoria on Nov. 19th, 2024, and he said, "I couldn't believe it happened so quickly."

The proposal from Mark and Irene Frey has changed course. Did the building permit change for this structure?

3. SVCA letter, Oct. 4th, 2024:

Proposed agricultural storage shed 411575 Southgate Sideroad 41 Pt Gore Lot A, Con 9 Roll No. 420706000514100 Geographic Township of Egremont Township of Southgate
Dear Mark Frey, Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) thanks you for the opportunity to work with you on your plan to build an agricultural storage shed. SVCA staff visited your property on October 1, 2024. Based on SVCA review, including your location for shed, your proposed project will not require a permit from SVCA. Work should not start until you have a permit from all other agencies and municipal approvals. Based on our review of the materials you have submitted, SVCA staff find your project to be acceptable.

Did Mark Frey have the permits from all other agencies and municipal agencies approvals by Nov. 4th when he built the foundation of his Agricultural Storage Shed, and if so, does the Township have copies of them?

4. SVCA letter, Oct. 4th, 2024:

Proposed Agricultural Storage Shed Mark Frey October 4, 2024 Should your plans change or should future work be proposed within the SVCA Approximate Screening Area on the property, the SVCA should be contacted. Please contact me with any SVCA related questions you may have, if required, so that I can continue to help you through the process.

Thank you for working with Saugeen Conservation.

Jason Dodds

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Did Mark Frey contact the SVCA when his plans changed as per the RD Land Use Planning Consultant Letter to Victoria on Nov. 19th, 2024?

Thank you, in advance, for your written response to my inquires.

Have a great day.

Marilyn McCabe-Acheson