

## Village

### Building Bylaw

As has been mentioned in several newsletters, the Village of Zenon Park has passed a building bylaw. This covers:

**ANY** permanent structure that is built, moved or demolished. All **NEED** a permit. Our building inspector, Chris Letendre is very knowledgeable and helpful in this area. If you are at all unsure, ask at the Village Office or call Chris with inquires. Chris is also a by-law enforcement officer and at our disposal if need be. This bylaw is fairly new and we are all still learning. To read the bylaw, go to [www.zenonpark.com](http://www.zenonpark.com) It is the property owners' responsibility to adhere to this bylaw and purchase any permit necessary. Fencing does not fall into this bylaw but again, it is the property owners' responsibility to ensure that any structure is built on their own property. The Village does not have a zoning bylaw as council feels that it is very expensive and too rigid. As previously noted, the building bylaw is to protect everyone and to encourage positive changes that will encourage growth and building here in Zenon Park, thus increasing the property values of everyone's property.

### Dogs

We have been receiving many complaints regarding dogs lately. We implore all pet owners to be responsible for their pets. This includes not letting them run loose, no excessive barking and no defecating on other people's property. Some neighbors can't even sit outside on their decks or work in their gardens without excessive barking. Everyone should feel comfortable on their own property. The Village office doesn't want to impose fines for these infractions but when all else fails, we are left with no choice. Also, **ALL** pets need to be registered at the village office yearly. For further information on this, see the bylaw on the website.

### By-Election

Remember that the village will be having a by-election to fill a vacancy on council. The advance poll is August 26<sup>th</sup> (9am-4pm) and election September 2<sup>nd</sup> (9am-8pm) both in council chambers.

**NOTE: A change since our last election: EVERY voter needs to show picture ID, or 2 pieces of ID that will prove who you are and where you live! This is legislated by the province and not negotiable. Election officials cannot let someone vote without proper ID even if they personally know the voter.** Please don't place these people in an awkward position; they just want to do their jobs properly.

We have also been getting complaints of people on motor bikes/dirt bikes, ATVs, go carts or any recreation type vehicle driving around the community. We ask that you go from point A to point B or if you want to drive around, to do so outside the community. Absolutely no driving on private property. This includes the school yard and grounds. Please note that helmets must be worn at all times.

We attempt to keep the website up to date with what is going on in our community. If you have comments or suggestions please let us know. [www.zenonpark.com](http://www.zenonpark.com)