



REPORT

By-Law Enforcement

Meeting: Committee of the Whole

Date: September 9, 2025

Report No.: ENF BYLAW-03-25

RESOLUTION NO: _____ **BY-LAW NO:** _____

Subject: Noise By-Law Exemption Request for Outdoor Wedding and Reception

Recommendation(s):

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Committee of the Whole receive Report ENF BYLAW-03-25 for information; and

THAT Committee of the Whole recommend that the Council waive Section 3 of the Noise By-law 06-71 (Time Restrictions) for 14045 Telephone Rd, Colborne, Ontario K0K 1S0 to hold an outdoor wedding and reception on September 27, 2025.

Background:

An application has been made in writing, pursuant to Section 5 of the Noise By-law 06-71, being exemptions from Council, to host an outdoor wedding and reception on Saturday, September 27th, 2025, at 4:00 p.m. The request is to extend the permitted noise restriction of 9:00 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on Sunday September 28, 2025, for a gathering of approximately 125 guests which will include amplified sound within an event tent.

Staff Comments:

By-Law 06-71, being a By-Law to Prohibit and Regulate Noise Within the Township of Cramahe states the following:

Section 3. Prohibitions by Time and Place

No person shall emit or cause or permit the emission of sound resulting from any act listed in table 3-1, if clearly audible at a point of reception located in Residential Area of the Municipality within a prohibited time shown.

Table 3-1: Prohibited by Time and Place

3.11	The operation of any electronic device or group of connected devices incorporating loudspeakers or other electromechanical transducers and intended for the production, reproduction, or amplification of sound	Times Prohibited 21:00 hrs of one day to 0:700 hrs. of the next (09:00 Sunday)
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Section 5. Grant of Exemptions by Council

(a) Application to Council

Notwithstanding anything contained in this by-law, any person may make an application to Council to be granted an exemption from any of the provisions of this by-law with respect to any source of sound or vibration for which he might be prosecuted and Council, by resolution, may refuse to grant any exemption or may grant the exemption applied for or any exemption of lesser effect and any exemption granted shall specify the time period, not in excess of six months, during which it is effective and may contain such terms and conditions as Council sees fit.

The Chief Building Official has advised the applicant that a Building Permit is required for the placement of the tent for the duration of the event.

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

Concluding Comments:

As outlined above, Section 3 of By-law 06-71 outlines the prohibitions by time and place, with Section 5 outlining how an applicant may request relief from these prohibitions.

Staff are requesting that the Committee of the Whole recommend to the Council that the applicant be granted permission to host the outdoor wedding and reception at 229 Crandall Road on Saturday, September 27th, 2025, until 12:30 a.m. on Sunday, September 28, 2025, and that the Noise Time Restriction is exempted.

Submitted by:

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Reviewed by:

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