

October 6, 2025

To: Counsel of The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes

Re: Proposed Road Allowance Sale – Road Allowance adjacent to Part of Lot 2,
Concession 1, Verulam Part 1 on 57R-6408, Kawartha Lakes.

File No. L06-25-RS006

We reside and are the owners at [REDACTED] Harvest Road, Dunsford and are writing this letter at your invitation to comment on the possible sale of the above noted road allowance which lies directly in front of our home. This road allowance extends from the end of Harvest Road to the lot directly adjacent to us which was originally severed from our property in the early 2000's by a previous owner.

After we purchased 81 Harvest Road in 2012, the lot was offered for sale to us by the original owner of the lot and of course, we were interested so we called the C of KL and inquired about getting a building permit. We were told at that time that yes, we could get a building permit but to do so the road allowance would need to be upgraded and assumed by the City. The upgrade of the road allowance would need to be to the City's standards in order to be able to support plows etc and the City would then maintain the road. We were not offered the possibility of purchasing the road allowance.

When we received your letter of September 18, 2025, we called to inquire about it and spoke with Madison MacCormack, the Law Clerk – Realty Services. At that time, we were told that the only possible buyer would be the owner of the lot because otherwise they would be landlocked. We understand and accept this and are empathetic to their situation.

Our concern with the possible sale of the road allowance is that it is directly in front of our house and depending on how it is maintained by any current/future owner, it could impact us significantly and decrease the value and aesthetics of our property if it becomes a muddy mess full of ruts during rainy times in the spring and fall. We are also an active farm in that hay is cut, baled and taken from our property every year in mid summer. The current road allowance has been used for many years by large tractors, haybines, round balers, fertilizers and wagons hauling tons of hay during this dry period. There may also be seeders and combines used in the future.

Our preference/suggestion would be that the road allowance be upgraded to city standards and then assumed and maintained by the C of KL rather than be sold (as we were told when we inquired).

Thank you for the invitation to voice our concerns.

Kind Regards,



Richard Oliver and Sherry Nielsen

