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Moved by: Terry Kelly

Seconded by: Dan Corbeil

WHEREAS the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority, as the principal authority in the Ontario Building Code for Part 8, has advised the Municipality of East Ferris of a recommended change to the Building Code that will require denitrification, phosphorus removal and tertiary treatment on-site septic systems within vulnerable areas as described in Drinking Water Source Protection Assessment reports where septic systems are deemed to be significant threats; AND WHEREAS the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority has indicated to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, in its comments as part of the public comment process, that it does not support the proposed changes to the Ontario Building Code for tertiary treatment systems as a blanket approach to reducing the significance of such threats, particularly in light of the new Building Code requirement for mandatory maintenance inspections for these same systems;

AND WHEREAS the septic systems proposed through the amendment to the Ontario Building Code are significantly more costly than a conventional septic system - an additional cost that will have to be borne by each property owner in a vulnerable area:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Municipality of East Ferris requests that the proposed change to Part 8 of the Ontario Building Code, recommended by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, requiring the installation of tertiary treatment systems for new or replacement septic systems within vulnerable areas as described in Drinking Water Source Protection Assessment Reports where septic systems are deemed to be significant threat, not be approved;

AND FURTHER that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of the Environment, the Minister of Natural Resources, Victor Fedeli, MPP (Nipissing), the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario for circulation to all municipalities in the Province.

Carried

This is a true certified copy of Resolution No. 27 passed by the Council of the Municipality of East Ferris on the 13th day of December, 2011.

John B. Fior

Clerk

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