

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CENTRAL FRONTENAC

## REPORT TO COUNCIL

Report Number: 102-2015  
Date of Meeting: August 11, 2015  
From: Donna Longmire, Executive Assistant



### **Re: All-Terrain, Multi-Purpose Off Highway Utility and Recreational Off-Highway Vehicles (Off-Road Vehicles)**

#### **A. RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**WHERE AS** the Operation of All Terrain Vehicles on Municipal Highways By-law # 2006-221 was adopted on October 10, 2006.

**WHERE AS** of July 1, 2015 the Province implemented new changes increasing On Road Access for Off-Road Vehicles (ORV) and All-Terrain (ATV), allowing more types of ORV's and ATV's. Two-up ATV's Side-by-side ORV's and utility terrain vehicles (UTV's) on the shoulder of public roads where permitted. Furthermore, on-road access has been extended to allow provincially permitted ORV's to operate on Crown Land Roads within municipalities

**AND THEREFORE THAT** Council for the Township of Central Frontenac approve By-law 2015-30 for All-Terrain, Multi-Purpose Off Highway Utility and Recreational Off-Highway Vehicles (Off-Road Vehicles).

#### **B. BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION/ACTIVITIES/UPDATE/OPTIONS**

In June of 2006 a delegation presented to Council a request that a by-law be passed to allowing ATV's to travel on Municipal Roads, in October of 2006 the by-law was pass by council.

Beginning July 1, 2015, the province implemented new changes to the Highway Traffic Act pertaining to Off- Road Vehicles (ORV) allowing for greater on-road access for off-road vehicle types which ,meet specified voluntary off highway industry standards. These changes include:

- Allowing more types of off-road vehicles (ORVs) and all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) - including two-up ATVs, side-by-side ORVs and utility terrain vehicles (UTVs) - on the shoulder of public roads, where permitted
- Mandating that all riders - including drivers and passengers of all ages - wear an approved motorcycle helmet and use a seatbelt or foot rests, where applicable
- Children under the age of eight will not be allowed as a passenger on any ATV/ORV operating on-road
- Limiting the number of passengers to the number of available seating positions
- Requiring compliance labels on all ATVs/ORVs
- Clarifying access and exemptions for farmers and trappers and for Far Northern Ontario municipalities

#### **C. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS – N/A**

#### **D. ATTACHMENTS – N/A**