

Ward 15 Newsletter – Spring 2006



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The City Of Hamilton will be hosting an Open House and Information Meeting regarding the Lowndes Holdings Corporation, otherwise know as the Quarry Application.

This meeting will be held on:

April 6th, 2006 at 6:30 pm
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Public School
1624 Centre Road
(Centre Road and the 10th Concession)
6:30 pm - Open House
7:15 pm - Formal Presentations

This proposed Quarry Development, located just north of Carlisle at the corner of Milborough Line and the 11th Concession, would be the eighth largest in Canada according to information provided by Lowndes Holding Corp in their application.

As a response to this application the Community has formed the group called FORCE – Friends of Rural Communities and the Environment, to represent their interests. FORCE has been active over the past 18 months raising money and hiring experts to present the Community's concerns over this proposed development.

During the meeting there will be presentations from the City of Hamilton Staff, the applicant Lowndes Holdings Corp, and FORCE.

This is the first CITY public meeting to be held on this application which presents an important opportunity for all residents in the Flamborough community to be heard because of the far reaching impacts of what a project of this magnitude would have on us all.

Those of you might remember my concern about the historic water problems that my rural community has faced over the years, with one and a half million dollars of money being spent to address what has been annual water shortages in an area that relies solely on a well base water supply.

The Lowndes quarry application would draw the equivalent water consumption of 51,304 people per day.

That is like putting the Town of Milton in your backyard

It is unfathomable!!! In addition to which we would see over 1000 trucks traveling every day on our roads going to and from the quarry.

I believe this application should be turned down at all levels.

I believe this application can be turned down at all levels.

But a united force is what we will need in order that it will be turned down at all levels.

Please come and hear from City staff about the application process, status, and next steps. This proposed development if allowed to proceed will have a dramatic impact on our area; it is too important an issue for us all not to be involved in. Show you interest and concern by attending on April 6th.

See you there.

Sincerely,

Margaret McCarthy