

BY-LAW NO. 147

Respecting the Interpretation of the By-Laws of the Town of Strathroy.

Be it enacted by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Town of Strathroy :

Short title.

1. This by-law may be cited as "The Interpretation By-Law."

The interpretation clause to apply to all by-laws subsequently passed and how by-laws to be constructed.

2. In the construction of every by-law of the said Municipal Council, passed after this by-law takes effect, except in so far as the provisions of this section are inconsistent with the intent and meaning of such by-law, or the interpretation which such provisions would give to any word, expression or clause is inconsistent with the context, and except in so far as any provisions thereof are in any such by-law declared not applicable thereto.

Application of expression in present tense.

1. The law shall be considered as always speaking ; and whenever any matter or thing is expressed in the present tense, the same is to be applied to the circumstances as they arise, so that effect may be given to each by-law and every part thereof according to its spirit, true intent and meaning.

"Shall" and "may."

2. The word "shall" shall be construed as imperative, and the word "may" as permissive.

"Herein."

3. Whenever the word "herein" is used in any section of a by-law it shall be understood to relate to the whole by-law and not to that section only.

"Person."

4. The word "person" shall include any body corporate or politic, or party, and the heirs, executors, administrators, or other legal representatives of such person to whom the context can apply according to law.