



TOWN OF BLIND RIVER
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Lake Matinenda Cottagers Association,
P. O. Box 772,
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Dear Members:

Council wishes to advise that on January 4/99 it has enacted By-Law No. 1766, being a by-law to annex certain Unorganized Townships west and north of Blind River, namely; Cobden, Scarfe, Mack, Juillette, Timmermans, Kamichisitit and Jogues. This follows a similarly worded resolution from January 1998.

An application will be filed shortly with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Ontario Municipal Board to begin the process of annexing the named Townships to the Town's boundary.

Council has become increasingly concerned about the areas north of Blind River. Council strongly believes that the northern Townships should be connected to Blind River. If we don't take the Annexation steps now, the situation could be out of control.

During the Annexation process, Council will be reviewing all of the financial and planning implications involved as well as services. There will be public meetings and forums for discussion. We would like to work closely with all Associations, groups and property owners to ensure that all concerns are addressed to the best benefit of all parties.

We all know that eventually, the Province will be taking steps, through District Boards to impose full taxation in unorganized areas.

I, and members of Council, will meet with your group or representatives to discuss concerns regarding this issue in the near future.

Yours very truly,

Robert V. Gallagher
Mayor

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