

Feral Cat Rescue in Shelburne finds new permanent location

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Feral Cat Rescue now has a new location for its feline shelter to call home.

In a press release on Monday (Nov. 1) the rescue shelter, which is dedicated to re-homing feral cats, announced that owner, Sharon Morden, had purchased a piece of property on 7th Line near 260 Side Road in Melanchthon, to build a permanent location.

After moving to various temporary homes throughout the community, Morden in the press release said the decision to purchase a permanent spot was made at the risk of being asked to move again which is both costly and stressful on the cats and volunteers.

Purchasing the property in early March, the shelter recently submitted building permits to the County of Dufferin that were officially issued on Oct. 29.

Before the new shelter can become operational with cats being brought in, Feral Cat Rescue will need to undergo go a number of steps including constructing a driveway on the property, placing pads for portables, installing portables, septic and hydro services placed, and an inspection finalized by the County.

The largest cost for the feline shelter will be the instillation of a septic system that is anticipated to cost around \$20,000. The shelter will be holding fundraisers to cover the cost.

According to the press release, Feral Cat Rescue is the only one of its kind in the province, providing sanctuary and rehabilitation to feral cats that do not do well in shelters.

Morden said the permanent shelter will be a place for the community to visit the cats, with a large outdoor enclosure planned, as well as walk the paths and garden on the grounds.

For more information on Feral Cat Rescue go to their Facebook page, Feral Cat Rescue Shelburne, or contact them by phone at 519-278-0707 or email at info@feralcatrescye.ca.