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Town introducing fireworks by-law

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The Town of Shelburne is introducing a fireworks by-law, which will regulate the sale, use, and storage of fireworks within the Town.

The new by-law was given leave and enacted during a meeting of Shelburne Town Council on Monday (May 10).

?Staff in consultation with the Fire Chief Snyder have determined that it is necessary for the health and safety of Shelburne residents to introduce a fireworks by-law,? said Clerk Jennifer Willoughby.

The Town of Shelburne has previously only regulated fireworks with limited provision under the Town's noise by-law.

The new by-law will set out provision for selling fireworks, dates and times when fireworks can be used, establish classes of fireworks, and clarify the types of fireworks that can be sold, used, and stored by residents and business owners.

Coun. Walter Benotto speaking to the by-law, recalled a personal experience with a firework landing on a propane tank outside his home.

?I've been pushing for this by-law for a long time, it's been a concern to me,? said Benotto. ?I'm quite willing to move this bylaw forward.?