6.1 RURAL ZONES (Ru)

6.1.1 Permitted Main Uses

Amended by By-law 2017-17 No person shall with any Rural Zone use any lot or erect, locate, alter or use any building or structure for any purpose except in accordance with the following applicable zones as noted in Tables 6.1.1 and 6.1.2:

TABLE 6.1.1 - RURAL ZONES, PERMITTED MAIN USES									
PERMITTED MAIN USES	AREA 3	AREA 2	RURAL AGRICULTURE RU3	RURAL LAND EXTENSIVE	RURAL RESIDENTIAL RUR	RURAL RESIDENTIAL HAMLET	RURAL SPECIAL RUSP	SCENIC AREA	
									AGRICULTURAL USES
BED & BREAKFAST	х	Х	x	х	X	x	х		
CONSERVATION	х	х	×	х	X	x	X	Х	
RESIDENTIAL – DWELLING UNIT	х	Х	x	x	X	х	x		
FARM	х	×	Х	х					
FORESTRY OPERATION	х	Х	X	х					
KENNEL	х	X	X	х					
OPEN SPACE RECREATION	х	X	x	x	X	х	х	X	
ROOMING HOUSES	х	X	Х	Х	X	X	х		
SPECIALIZED FARM USE				х					
TENT & TRAILER PARK							X		
TOURIST RESORT							х		
WAYSIDE PIT OR WAYSIDE QUARRY	Х	X		х					

X indicates uses permitted in applicable zone

6.1.2 Permitted Accessory Uses

No *person* shall, in any Rural Zone, construct an *Accessory Use* on any property unless a main use / permitted use has been established on the property and in accordance with the following applicable zones in Table 6.1.2:

TABLE 6.1.2 – RURAL ZONES, PERMITTED ACCESSORY USES								
PERMITTED ACCESSORY USES	Ru1	Ru2	Ru3	Ru4	RuR	RuRH	RuSp	RuSA
RESIDENTIAL - SECONDARY DWELLING UNIT	x	х	X	х	х	х	x	
HOME BASED BUSINESS	X	х	Х	х	Х	Х	х	

X indicates uses permitted in applicable zone

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6.1.3 ZONE REQUIREMENTS

No *person* shall within any Rural Zone *use* any *lot* or *erect*, locate, *alter*, or *use* any *building* or *structure* except in accordance with the following requirements as noted below in Table 6.1.3 and the applicable Special Provisions:

TABLE 6.1.3 – RURAL ZONE PROVISIONS										
LOT REQUIREMENTS	ZONES (2)									
	AREA 3	Ru2	RURAL AGRICULTURE Ru3 (4)	RURAL LAND EXTENSIVE	RURAL RESIDENTIAL RUR (4)	RURAL RESIDENTIAL HAMLET	RURAL SPECIAL RUSp	SCENIC AREA RuSA		
	Ru1 (4)									
Minimum Lot Frontage	180 m (600 ft.) (1)	100 m (325 ft.) (1)	100 m (325 ft.) (1)	200 m (660 ft.)	100 m (325 ft.)	60 m (200 ft.)	100 m (325 ft.) (3)	180 m (600 ft.)		
Minimum Lot Area	4 ha. (10 ac.) (1)	1 ha. (2.5 ac.) (1)	1 ha. (2.5 ac.) (1)	30 ha. (75 ac.)	1 ha. (2.5 ac.)	0.5 ha. (1.25 ac.)	1 ha. (2.5 ac.) (3)	4 ha. (10 ac.)		
Maximum Lot Coverage	2%	5%	5%	1%	5%	10%	10%	2%		
Minimum Front Yard	15.2 m	15.2 m	15.2 m	15.2 m	15.2 m	15.2 m	15.2 m	30.5 m		
Setback (2)	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(100 ft.)		
Minimum Interior Side	6.1 m	6.1 m	6.1 m	30.5 m	6.1 m	6.1 m	6.1 m	30.5 m		
Yard Setback	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(100 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(100 ft.		
Minimum Exterior Side	15.2 m	15.2 m	15.2 m	15.2 m	15.2 m	15.2 m	15.2 m	30.5 m		
Yard Setback	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(50 ft.)	(100 ft.		
Minimum Rear Yard	6.1 m	6.1 m	6.1 m	30.5 m	6.1 m	6.1 m	6.1 m	30.5 m		
Setback	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(100 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(100 ft.		
Maximum Height	10.7 m	10.7 m	10.7 m	10.7 m	10.7 m	10.7 m	10.7 m	9.1 m		
	(35 ft.)	(35 ft.)	(35 ft.)	(35 ft.)	(35 ft.)	(35 ft.)	(35 ft.)	(30 ft.)		
Maximum Height	6.1 m	6.1 m	6.1 m	6.1 m	6.1 m	6.1 m	6.1 m	6.1 m		
Accessory Bldg (m)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)	(20 ft.)		
Minimum Gross Floor	69.7 m ²	69.7 m ²	69.7 m ²	69.7 m ²	69.7 m ²	69.7 m ²	69.7 m ²	69.7 m		
Area (dwelling)	(750 ft. ²)	(750 ft. ²)	(750 ft. ²)	(750 ft. ²)	(750 ft. ²)	(750 ft. ²)	(750 ft. ²)	(750 ft. ²		

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- (1) See Section 6.1.4.1
- (4) See Section 6.1.5
- (2) See Section 6.1.4.2
- (3) See Section 6.1.4.3

6.1.4 RURAL ZONE PROVISIONS

- 6.1.4.1 For all lot creation policies refer to the *Township* of Muskoka Lakes Official Plan, in addition to the following:
 - a. The number of lots created by consent is limited to one additional lot per existing lot as of October 13th, 1992. In the case of a *lot* zoned Rural (Ru2), a total of three (3) lots may be created per original 40.5 ha. (100 ac.) lot.
 - b. One (1) *lot* for *residential* purposes may be created for a minimum of each 20 ha. (50 ac.) zoned Rural-Agriculture (Ru3). The maximum *lot frontage* and area in such cases shall be 100 m (325 ft.) and 1.0 ha. (2.5 ac.).
- 6.1.4.2 The inclusion of a "-S" suffix to a zone symbol indicates that the area is a Scenic Corridor. The zoning provisions of the prefix apply to this area except the front *yard setback* or the *setback* from the *lot line* abutting the scenic corridor as identified in the *Township* of Muskoka Lakes Official Plan. The *setback* adjacent to the corridor shall be 30.5 m (100 ft.).

The front yard setback for each building and structure which existed prior to December 18, 2006, which is considered legal non-complying due to an encroachment into the required 30.5 m (100 ft.) setback from the corridor, shall be the existing setback or a minimum of 15.2 m (50 ft.) from the front lot line, whichever is greater for each building or structure. Any new building or structure shall comply with the requirements of the table to which this is a footnote.

6.1.4.3 For a Tourist Resort or Tent and Trailer Park the minimum lot area shall be as follows:

Lot frontage Lot area 91.4 m (300 ft.) 4 ha. (10 ac.)

6.1.5 SPECIAL PROVISIONS: RURAL (RU1, RU2, RU3, RUR)

The following Specific requirements are applicable in these zones:

- a. Lots zoned Rural (Ru1, Ru2, Ru3, RuR) which qualify as a lot of record under Section 3.4 of this By-law are subject to the following:
 - i. Kennels are not a permitted use on lots with a lot area less than 4 hectares (10 acres);
 - ii. the maximum *lot coverage* for a *lot* with an area of 0.4 ha. (1 ac.) or less shall be 10%; and,
 - iii. where *kennels* are a permitted use, any enclosed area, *structure* or *building* used as a *kennel* must be a minimum of 30 m (100 ft.) from any *lot line*.

Specialized Farm Uses

- b. Specialized Farm Uses are permitted in a Rural Land Extensive Zone (Ru4) subject to the following:
 - Minimum separation distance to a dwelling unit located on a lot under separate ownership – 305 m (1000 ft.).
 - ii. Minimum setback from a street 90 m (300 ft.).
 - iii. Minimum setback from a watercourse 30 m (100 ft.).
 - iv. Minimum separation from a Residential Zone 305 m (1000 ft.).
 - v. Minimum Separation from any remaining lot line 60 m (200 ft.).

Agricultural Uses (Agri-Tourism)

- c. An *Agricultural Use* includes *Agri-tourism* and the following provisions shall apply:
 - i. Minimum *lot* area 40 ha. (100 ac.)
 - ii. Minimum setback from a street and all lot lines 40 m (132 ft.)
 - iii. Maximum *lot* area devoted to *agri-tourism uses* shall not exceed 15% of the total *lot area*, including required *parking spaces*.
 - iv. Agri-tourism uses shall remain secondary to the principal farming operation on the lot.
 - v. The *retail store* component associated with any *agri-tourism* use shall be limited to 200m² (2153 ft.²).

Kennels

d. Where *kennels* are a permitted *use*, any enclosed area, *structure* or *building* used as a *kennel* must be a minimum of 30 m (100 ft.) from any *lot line*.

Rooming house

- e. Rooming houses exceeding three bedrooms shall be subject to the following specific provisions:
 - A minimum lot frontage of 30.5 m (100 ft.) and a minimum lot area of 0.2 ha. (5 ac.). In the case of a lot zoned Rural Special (RuSp) a minimum lot frontage and a minimum lot area in compliance with the Lot and Site Requirements of Section 6.1.3;
 - ii. A maximum gross floor area of 279 m² (3000 ft.²);
 - iii. A maximum of five (5) bedrooms;
 - iv. A minimum bedroom size of 7 m² (75 ft.²);
 - v. A maximum bedroom size of 28 m² (300 ft.²);

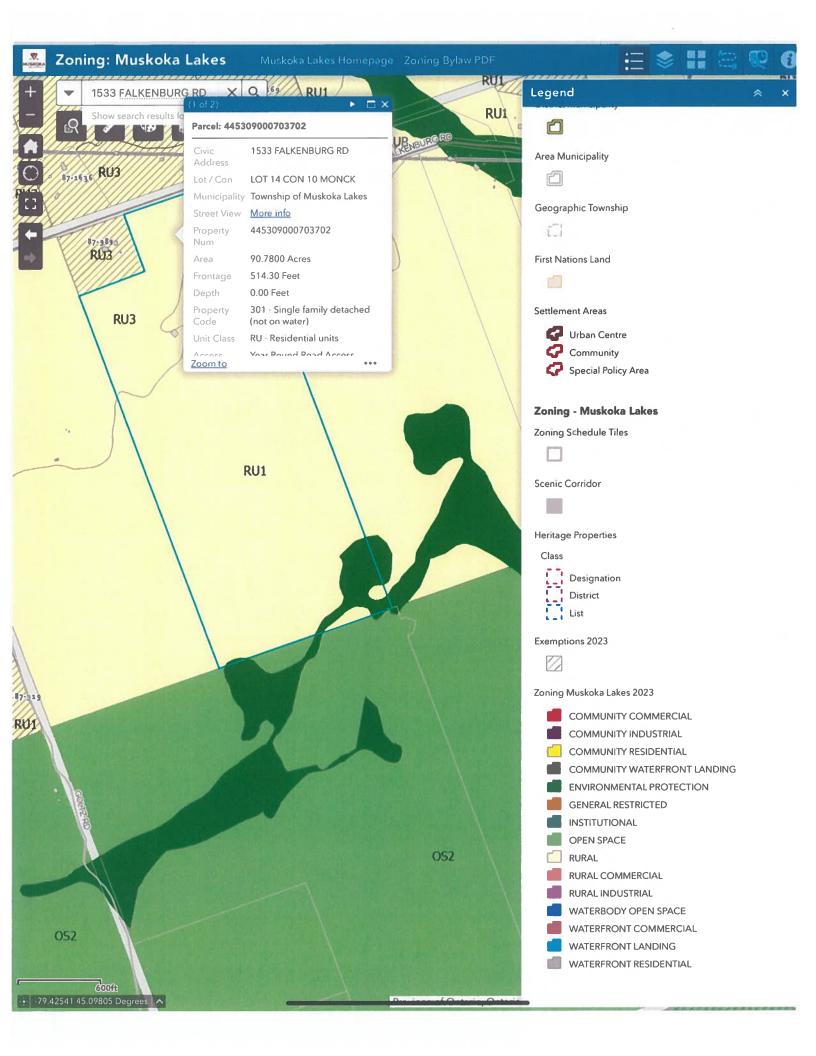
- vi. A minimum of one (1) parking space per bedroom used for the rooming house;
- vii. A minimum front yard setback of 20.1 m (66 ft.), a minimum interior side yard and rear yard setback of 15.2 m (50 ft.);
- viii. A minimum landscaped area of 35%; and
- ix. A height not exceeding three (3) storeys;
- x. A minimum distance separation between *rooming houses* of 152.4 m (500ft), measured from any and all points of their respective *lot lines*.
- xi. Where a dwelling unit and rooming house are permitted uses, only one building containing these uses is permitted on a lot.

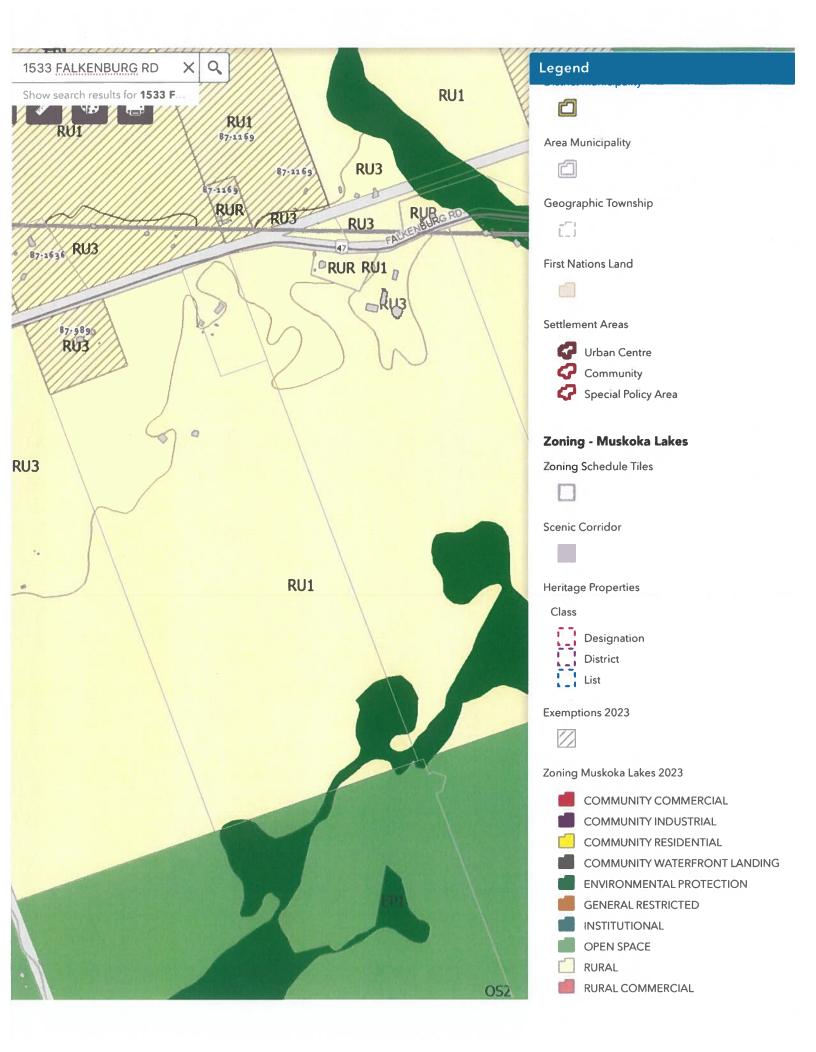
Secondary Dwellings Units

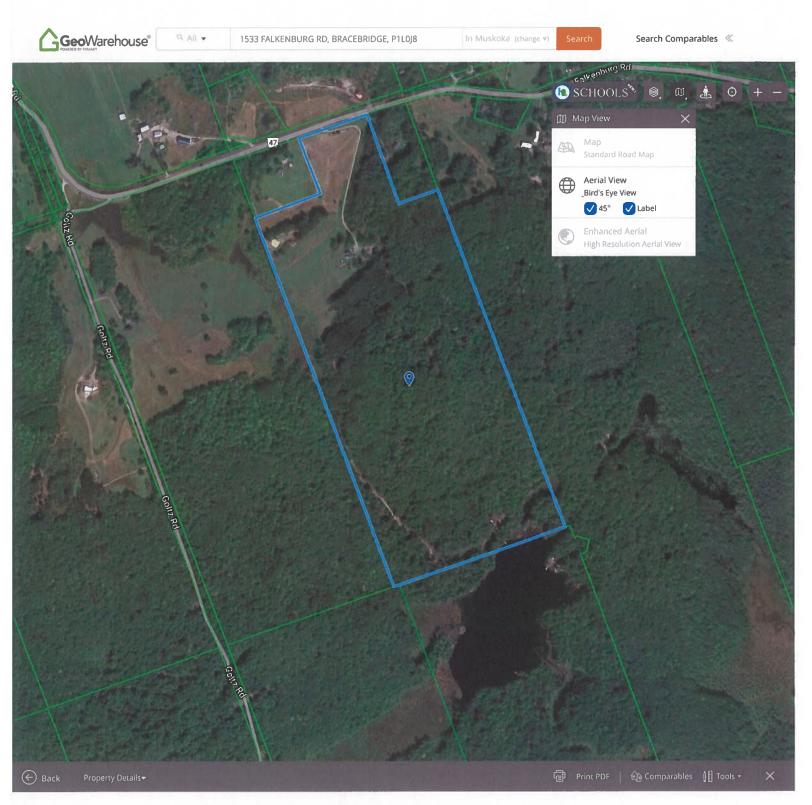
- f. Secondary Dwelling units shall be subject to the following:
 - i. A maximum of one (1) secondary dwelling unit is permitted per lot
 - ii. Secondary Dwelling units must be located within an accessory structure or as an accessory apartment in an existing single detached dwelling.
 - iii. A secondary dwelling unit shall have a maximum gross floor area of 111 m² (1195 ft.²).
 - iv. Secondary Dwelling units must have less gross floor area than the main dwelling unit.

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v. A Secondary Dwelling unit shall have a minimum gross floor area of 17 m² (180 ft.²).







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