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Bruce County Planning Department
Attention: Monica Walker Bolton - planner

Justification regarding lot size:

After some correspondence with our Township council we would like to pursue a farm severance on Lot 11 Conc. 10 Kinross Township

Being part of a Mennonite community, where farming activities are mainly done by hand labour and the aid of horses for our agricultural activities, we are seeing some great opportunities in enhanced and intense farming, this includes, properly managed intensive grazing for sheep, a good sound agronomic rotation on the cropping side, plus with a few recent retail and wholesale markets established within the community to market horticultural crops locally, we see positive potential for having our oncoming generation working together including the young and old alike, in an agricultural setting.

125 acres is, with our way of hand and horse labour, not practical for gaining the maximum benefits as described above, and we believe in our setting this acreage would be able to sustain another farm setting.

Our horse and buggy transportation limits us to a more closeknit community, and at this time we have no 25 acre parcels available for sale within our means of transportation.

We have produced a rough, crude sketch of proposed property line and future proposed building sites.

A proposed Farm Business plan for the new lot is as follows:

Farm Business Plan for New lot

50 ewes raising lambs to 65 lbs

Average needed:
pasture 0.23 11.5
grain 0.16 8.0
19.5 acres

Cost of production per ewe unit = \$200.00
Avg. income per ewe unit = \$500.00
difference \$300.00
multiplied by 50 ewes = \$15,000.00

1 acre garlic using 3 yr profit average \$24,785.00

24'x450' hoop tunnel for growing early greens, peas, + beans \$11,400.00

1/2 acre early potatoes, baby potatoes, table stock potatoes \$12,000.00

1/4 acre onions + celeriac \$2,600.00

1 1/2 acre for building site
2 acres for hay for horses, 4 horses used for transportation and power for farm equipment

small heated shop in farm shed for producing harness parts + pads for our horses in community used for farm equipment power + transportation \$20,000.00

Summary for Business Plan on New Lot

\$85,785.00

Total Net Profits

Minus

Living expenses
property taxes
church funds for:
school
Hospital
fire

\$26,000.00

Horse feed, ~~costs~~ + supplements \$800.00 x 4

3200.00

25 yr mortgage
on \$750,000.00

30,000.00

Interest on mortgage

\$24,000.00

\$83,200.00

\$2585.00 Bal. after expenses

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