

CLOSED BANK OPENS AS ENVIRONMENTAL BUSINESS

GEO MORPHIX CELEBRATES FIVE YEARS IN BUSINESS, MOVING INTO CLOSED SCOTIABANK

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Geo Morphix Ltd., an environmental consulting firm, celebrated five years in business at its new location in Campbellville.

Owners Paul and Theresa Villard, along with their staff, hosted an open house recently when family, friends and the community were invited to tour the facilities and learn about the business.

Mayor Gord Krantz took part in the celebrations, officially welcoming them to

Campbellville by cutting the first slice of the congratulatory cake.

In May 2018, Theresa read a front-page article in the Milton Champion about the closing of the Bank of Nova Scotia in Campbellville.

There was a photo of the "For Rent" sign in front of the building. At the time, Geo Morphix was struggling to find a new office space in Milton because its team was growing - but location, price and condition were not lining up.

Theresa called the "For Rent" number and spoke with Bruce and Karen Magee, the building's owners, thinking that the space would work temporarily until they found a permanent home. Long story short, after many phone calls and visits to Campbellville, the old bank building became the new head office location



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for Geo Morphix.

They employ professional earth scientists specializing in geomorphology and process sedimentology. They focus on river and shoreline restoration, erosion hazard delineation and

mitigation, and projects that require an in-depth understanding of erosion, sedimentation and sediment transport.

Its team provides observation-rich answers-based science and experience to

achieve practical, implementable and acceptable solutions for all stakeholders.

Quick Geo Morphix facts
• Geo Morphix is an environmental consulting firm specializing in geosciences and geomatics.

• Started five years ago in the basement of the Villard home with two staff.

• The Villards live in Milton where they are raising a family; when their business started, they knew they wanted to work in Milton - living and working in Milton is very important to them.

• After working in their basement for five months, Geo Morphix rented space as the company grew; two years at Bronte Street South followed by three years at High Point Drive.

• With staff now at 23 people, it was time to make their next working space a permanent one.

• They purchased the Campbellville building in November 2018, took time to renovate, and officially moved in May 2019.

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