

Minutes - The Blue Mountains Planning Council Meeting



MEETING DATE: January 19, 2009, 7:00 pm
LOCATION: L. E. Shore Memorial Library
PREPARED BY: Stephen Keast, Clerk

A. Call to Order

- Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order with all members in attendance save Councillor McGee, absent due to a previous commitment and Councillor McKean, absent due to a previous commitment.
- Also in attendance were Chief Administrative Officer Paul Graham, Director of Planning Peter Tollefsen, Director of Recreation Shawn Everitt, Director of Engineering and Public Works Reg Russwurm, Planner Bryan Pearce and Planner Shawn Postma.
- Council then paused for a moment of Personal Prayer or Reflection
- Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Cameron Kennedy Seconded by: R.J. Gamble

THAT the Agenda of January 19, 2009 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda, Carried.

- No member declared a Pecuniary Interest with any matter as listed on the Agenda.

B. Public Meetings / Deputations – 7:00p.m.

- B.1 Application for Consent and Zoning By-law Amendment,** Part Lot 19, Concession 4 – John Brown
- B.2 Application for Consent and Zoning By-law Amendment,** Part Lots 25 and 26, Concession 6 – Ann Johnstone
- B.3 Application for Zoning By-law Amendment,** Lot 1 and Part of Lot 3, Plan 1032; #1382491 Ontario Limited, being The Village of Keeper's Cove Holdings Inc.

C. Motions and Staff Reports

Mayor Anderson then called the Planning Council meeting to order and declared a pecuniary interest with regard to Agenda Item C.1 and her extended family and vacated the Council Chamber and did not take part in related discussion or voting.

Deputy Mayor McKinlay then assumed the Chair

- C.1 Application for Consent, File No. B14-2008 and Zoning By-law Amendment – Heather Nicholson, Elspeth Kelley & Bonnie Haggis, Part Lot 30, Concession 8, 208479 & 208481 Highway 26 - #PL.09.05**

Planner Shawn Postma then reviewed the Staff Report.

Councillor Gamble then clarified the Report should refer to municipal water service and private, on-site septic system.

Deputy Mayor McKinlay then questioned why the subject lands were not connected to the municipal wastewater system running along Highway 29, Director of Engineering and Public Works Reg Russwurm replying a local service extension would be required to take the sanitary connection from Highway 26 across the access easement to the lots.

Shawn then clarified there would be no new lot created by the subject Application.

Councillor Kennedy then questioned if the lots would be required at some time to connect, Deputy Mayor McKinlay noting yes, when a local improvement project extended the servicing and the lots fronted the system.

Cam then questioned the difference between the subject scenario and the proposed Lake Drive project where residents were told they had to proceed, Reg noting landowners would have to participate when a local extension was proposed.

Duncan then questioned if a service connection could be a condition of Consent, Shawn noting there is currently a vehicular access easement.

Councillor Martin then proposed a condition be added to the Report that the existing easement be amended to include municipal servicing.

Shawn then proposed the Report be deferred pending further consideration, CAO Paul Graham noting Staff would like to further review any requirement to connect to servicing.

Cam then questioned if there is Town policy to address connection to services, Duncan noting this was a grey area as the subject lands do not presently front the sanitary services.

Cam then questioned the connection timeframe if a lot did front the system, Reg noting landowners are billed within eleven months following servicing installation if not connected, Duncan proposing a Staff Report be prepared on the topic through Engineering and Public Works.

Council then concurred to defer the Staff Report together with related By-law D.1 to a subsequent meeting, pending further servicing information.

C.2 Agricultural Advisory Committee – Resignations - #PL.09.03

Mayor Anderson then returned to the Table and assumed the Chair.

Director of Planning Peter Tollefsen then reviewed the Report, noting the Committee is still of adequate size to fulfill their mandate.

Council then dealt with the following Resolution:

Moved by: D.R. McKinlay Seconded by: Cameron Kennedy

THAT Council receive Planning Staff Report No. PL.09.03, "Agricultural Advisory Committee – Resignations"; and

THAT Council indicate to Brad Oakley and Chris Knott that the Town received their resignations, with regret; and

THAT Council supports having only the seven remaining members on the Agricultural Advisory Committee rather than the original eight, Carried.

D. By-law

1. **Zoning By-law Amendment**, Part Lot 30, Concession 8, Heather Nicholson, Elspeth Kelley & Bonnie Haggis SP

Deferred to a subsequent meeting.

E. Minutes and Reports List – RECEIVE / ADOPT

1. Agricultural Advisory Committee – Meeting Notes, September 17, 2008
2. Committee of Adjustment, September 18, 2008

With regard to the Committee of Adjustment, Councillor Martin requested the Committee Chair present an annual Report on Committee operations to Council, Peter noting an annual Report was being prepared.

Council then dealt with the following Resolution:

Moved by: Michael Martin Seconded by: D.R. McKinlay

THAT the Committee of Adjustment Chair present an annual Report on Committee operations to Council, Carried.

F. Notice of Motion

1. Planning and Recreation Committee Consideration

Councillor Gamble then requested clarification of the proposed Committee operations, Councillor Martin proposing the Planning and Recreation Committee would meet and prepare a Committee Report for Council's consideration similar to other Standing Committees.

Council then concurred to debate the Notice of Motion at the January 26, 2009 Council meeting, Michael proposing to amend the second Motion to refer former Recreation matters to the Engineering and Public Works Committee and re-name the proposed Committee as simply Planning Committee.

2. Appreciation of Efforts, Time and Interest of Members

G. Next Meeting

February 2, 2009

H. Confirmation By-law and Adjournment

As there was nothing further before the Chair, Council then dealt with the following Resolutions:

Moved by: Cameron Kennedy Seconded by: R.J. Gamble

THAT By-law No. 2009 - 07, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on the 19th day of January, 2009, be hereby enacted as passed this 19th day of January, 2009, Carried.

NOTE: Mayor Anderson had earlier declared a pecuniary interest with regard to Agenda Item C.1 and did not take part in discussion or voting on the Confirmation By-law.

Moved by: Ellen Anderson Seconded by: Cameron Kennedy

THAT this Planning Council meeting does now adjourn, Carried.

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Ellen Anderson, Mayor

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Stephen Keast, Clerk