

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

June 21, 2007

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 7:00 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- Mike Hennigar, Chairman
- Louise Halliday
- Larry Stewart
- Cecil Swimm
- Eddie Nickerson

- Brian Holland, Clerk-Treasurer
- Andrew Goreham, Development Officer/Building Inspector

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by L. Stewart that the agenda be approved as circulated.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by L. Stewart and seconded by C. Swimm that minutes of the last previous meeting held May 15, 2007 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

INSTRUMENTS OF SUBDIVISION - JOYCE HARLOW INTERVIEW

Joyce Case Harlow appeared before the committee for the purpose of addressing the Instruments of Subdivision as contained in the Municipal Subdivision By-Law. Ms. Harlow indicated that there is a 700 acre parcel of land in Port Clyde being sold on ebay. She says these properties are "wetlands". She also indicates that Instruments of Subdivision are only being used in Shelburne, Digby and Yarmouth counties. Ms. Harlow is asking Council to look at the current Subdivision Regulations to see if they can be "tightened up". She is suggesting changing the wording of the regulations. She has also asked the Shelburne Chamber of Commerce to support looking into changes to these regulations.

Ms. Harlow also indicated that there is a property at Stoney Island Beach that she has additional issues with. She indicated that she has sent a letter to the province asking that it be purchased by the province and protected from development. Ms. Harlow feels the only way to keep people from selling our "wetlands" is to change the Subdivision Regulations. She indicated that her focus is "wetlands".

Having completed her discussion of the matter, Ms. Harlow then retired from the meeting.

There followed discussion among members regarding the affect of the Instrument of Subdivision Regulations and how these may affect irregularities in sales practices of developers.

Resolution PAC070601

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by C. Swimm that further discussion of the Instruments of Subdivision Regulations be deferred until after a new Municipal Planner is hired by the District Planning Commission.

Motion carried unanimously.

FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR DEVELOPERS TO INSTALL SEWER SERVICES AND PUBLIC ROAD SERVICES

This matter was also deferred from a previous meeting until a new Planner is hired by the District Planning Commission.

UPDATE RE: MUNICIPAL PLANNER

Members were informed that three (3) applicants have been interviewed for the position of Municipal Planner. These applicants were interviewed by the CAO's of the municipal units together with Mr. David Smith from Service Nova Scotia. Further background information is being obtained on one of the applicants prior to a decision being made. It is expected this information will be circulated in the near future and a decision made.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 8:18 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary for the Meeting

On website June 22, 2007.