

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

June 17, 2010

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, at 7:05 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- George El-Jakl, Chair
- Murray Atkinson
- Cathy Stoddard
- Cecil Swimm

- Brad Fulton, Senior Planner
- Karen Dempsey, ICSP Planner
- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

Absent was member William Malone.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda:

- Renewable Electricity.
- Coast Land Resources.
- Resources Report.
- Water Resources Strategy.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by M. Atkinson that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by C. Swimm that the minutes of the last previous meeting held May 6, 2010 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF MAY MEETING

Information discussed at the May meeting was then reviewed by the ICSP Planner. The topics covered in the previous meeting were the Barrington/Barrington Passage and Wood's Harbour rural centres, as well some of the industrial marine designations. Items discussed included adding and deleting certain uses from these areas.

Members then proceeded to discuss industrial marine areas that are designated as industrial marine and the various uses included in the industrial marine zones. This included a discussion of Policy C4 which will be revised to clarify it in relation to industrial marine uses in the Rural Development Zone. Industrial marine uses contained in the Land Use By-Law were then reviewed.

In general it was agreed that there should be some increase in the abutting yard setback requirements.

PLANNING DIRECTOR'S CONFERENCE

An update was provided by the Chair and by the Senior Planner regarding the various topics discussed at the Planning Director's Conference. These topics included:

- Active Transportation
- BALLE
- Age Friendly Communities
- Nova Scotia Energy Strategy
- Nova Scotia Wind Energy Strategy
- District Energy Plants

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AREAS

This matter had been referred to the committee by council. The local Department of Transportation Office has requested that the Municipality identify its priorities for active transportation areas within the Municipality so that the Department will be aware of them when they are doing paving and other projects.

It was suggested that the Municipal Recreation Director should be consulted regarding active transportation area priorities before responding to the Department of Transportation.

It was also suggested that the Post Office Road which is scheduled to be paved sometime in the near future would be an area which should be a priority for active transportation. The Post Office Road runs between the end of the sidewalk in Wood's Harbour and the end of the Multi-Purpose Trail in Wood's Harbour. A walking area placed along this road would join the trail to the sidewalk and make a loop.

The Senior Planner also informed members that a coastal climate change session had recently been held in Argyle, that a session on Our Coast had been held recently in Yarmouth and the Water Resources Management Strategy has been published by the Province with a request for comments.

NEXT MEETING

Members were informed that the next scheduled meeting for the Planning Advisory Committee would be July 15, 2010.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 9:15 p.m.

_____ Chair Secretary for the Meeting

On website June 18, 2010.