

## PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

June 16, 2011

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

- Cathy Stoddard, Chair
- Shaun Hatfield
- Murray Atkinson
- Cecil Swimm
- William Malone
  
- Brad Fulton, Senior Planner
- David Andrews, Development Officer
- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

### ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

There were no items added to the agenda.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Moved** by S. Hatfield and seconded by C. Swimm that the agenda be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Moved** by M. Atkinson and seconded by S. Hatfield that the minutes of the last previous meeting held April 21, 2011 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

### VILLAGE COMMERCIAL ZONE

It is proposed that the Village Commercial Zone will replace the Schedule "H" uses that are now contained in the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law. The list of Schedule "H" properties was reviewed as well as the list of Village Commercial Zone proposed uses.

It was the general agreement that the residents on Schedule "H" be notified that this change is being made and that this notification be done by the Development Officer and explanations offered, if necessary.

BARRINGTON LAKE WATERSHED PROTECTION ZONE AND SWAINE'S ROAD BOG AREA

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The Barrington Lake Watershed Zone is a very large zone that extends well beyond Barrington Lake and beyond Great Pubnico Lake in the Municipality of Argyle. The Watershed Study that was previously done indicated that the best alternative for water supply in the Municipality would be to provide central ground water wells rather than use a watershed area.

It was the consensus of members that establishing a protection zone around the Barrington Lake watershed area was not practical and was not warranted at this time. It is not practical since this is a very large watershed area that extends beyond the Municipality of Barrington where the Municipality would have no jurisdiction. As a result it was the consensus that no Watershed Protection Zone be established.

The next topic discussed was the Swaine's Road bog area. Peat bogs in this area extend not only on Swaine's Road but in various areas of the Municipality and beyond into other municipalities, both to the east and to the west. This area is now well protected by environmental regulations. There have been some studies done in the past on these peat bogs. It is proposed that previous studies done on the bogs in the area be noted in the Municipal Planning Strategy. At the present time it is not deemed to be warranted to provide additional protective regulations in relation to the bogs in the Municipality.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 8:55 p.m.

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Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

**On website June 20, 2011.**