

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

September 15, 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

Absent was member William Malone.

- Brad Fulton, Senior Planner
- David Andrews, Development Officer
- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following item was added to the agenda:

- District Planning Commission Procedures & Process Re: MPS & LUB Review.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by M. Atkinson that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by M. Atkinson and seconded by C. Swimm that the minutes of the last previous meeting held July 21, 2011 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF DRAFT PARTS 1, 2 AND 3 OF THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING STRATEGY

The Senior Planner then lead a review of the Draft Parts 1, 2 and 3 of the Municipal Planning Strategy that had been previously circulated to members with the agenda.

Members discussed the removal of references to the South West Shore Development Authority and also inserting a reference to the Metis peoples who were part of the history of this area.

Members then began to discuss the District Planning Commission's procedures and process for reviewing the MPS and LUB. The Senior Planner informed members that the District Planning Commission's secretary was off on sick leave at the present time for a period of six (6) weeks. This was previously unknown to members. Because the DPC Mapper had resigned and the secretary is now off on sick leave, the only remaining employee of the District Planning Commission is the Senior Planner.

It was suggested that the proposed revised MPS could be circulated to members so that they could read it individually and make notes of areas which might need to be further addressed. The Senior Planner indicated that this is not possible as the documents have not been completed enough to do this. He will need to circulate the document "piece meal" and have it reviewed a little at a time.

The Senior Planner indicated that the District Planning Commission is not addressing the vacancies that have occurred in the Commission Office and that no meeting has been scheduled by the DPC to discuss the matter.

Moved by C. Swimm and seconded by S. Hatfield that the Planning Advisory Committee accept the Draft Parts 1, 2 and 3 of the Municipal Planning Strategy that have been presented tonight, including the following two amendments:

1. removing any reference to the South West Shore Development Authority; and,
2. inserting a reference to the Metis population in Section 1.1 history.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 8:20 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

On website September 16, 2011.