

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

April 18, 2013

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:

- Cecil Swimm, Chair
- Wilfred Mader
- Cindy Nickerson
- Jody Crook
- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson (7:15 p.m.)

- David Andrews, Development Officer
- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

Also present were:

- Blaise Morrison, Genivar Ltd.
- Greg Zwicker, Genivar Ltd.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following item was added to the agenda:

- Nova Scotia Planning Director's Annual Conference

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by E. Nickerson that the minutes of meeting held February 21, 2013 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF DRAFT MCCAP (MUNICIPAL CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION PLAN)

Greg Zwicker and Blaise Morrison, Genivar Consultants, then reviewed the draft of the proposed Municipal Climate Change Action Plan with members. The document was provided with the appropriate amendments as a result of discussion at the previous meeting.

There was some discussion regarding allowing development at a minimum height above sea level throughout the Municipality. This type of restriction will be further discussed during the review of the Land Use By-Law.

It was also indicated that the Energy Audit that had been completed by the Municipality would serve as the mitigation portion of the Municipal Climate Change Action Plan.

The 22 actions referred to on page 22 of the draft document will be renumbered and listed accordingly to clarify the actions proposed by the Municipality.

Members then discussed a public meeting to present this plan in June of 2013.

MUNICIPAL PLANNING STRATEGY REVIEW

Members were provided with two Municipal Planning Strategy documents with the appropriate revisions. The first document contained the amendments that were previously discussed and agreed to, and the second document was a new draft document with amendments incorporated into it.

There then followed some discussion of additional amendments to be made to the document. The first paragraph in Part 1 which was a general vision will be deleted as agreed. It was the consensus of members that a new vision statement will be inserted on page 5 as contained in the draft. It is the intention of the committee to have the Municipal Planning Strategy contain policies only, and all regulations will be contained in the Land Use By-Law only.

Members again discussed the scheduling of a public session. It was agreed by consensus of members that the public session would be scheduled for Thursday, June 13, 2013, and at that time both the revised Municipal Planning Strategy and Municipal Climate Change Action Plan will be presented. The public session will follow the format of:

1. Slide show presentation.
2. Exhibits for both documents which may be viewed by the public.
3. Comments and discussion.

DIRECTOR'S CONFERENCE

Members were informed that the Nova Scotia Planning Director's Association will be holding their annual conference from May 1-3, 2013. Brochures providing information on this conference were circulated to all members. They are asked to advise the Municipal Office if they wish to attend the conference.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 9:00 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

On website April 19, 2013.