

Municipality of the District of Lunenburg

Minutes of a Meeting of Planning Advisory Committee

Held at Council Chambers, 10 Allée Champlain Drive, Cookville NS

In-Person and Via Audio and Video Conference

Thursday, March 25, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.

Attendance

Mayor Carolyn Bolivar-Getson – ex officio

Councillor Leitha Haysom, District 1

Councillor Wendy Oickle, District 3

Councillor Sandra Statton, District 6 – via Teams

Councillor Kacy DeLong, District 8

Larry Hagell, Member at Large

Kathleen Long Gray, Member at Large via Teams

Ann Mech, Member at Large

April Whynot-Lohnes, Member at Large via Teams

Staff

Jeff Merrill, Director of Planning and Development Services

Byung Jun Kang, Municipal Planner

Jennifer Harrietha, Administrative Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Councillor Oickle called the meeting of the Planning Advisory Committee to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE

Chairperson Councillor Oickle acknowledged that the meeting was held in Mi'kma'ki, the traditional territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

Chairperson Councillor Oickle read aloud *The Procedure for Addressing the Committee* (printed at the bottom of the Agenda) to those in attendance.

Noted for this virtual meeting comments could be submitted via comments in Facebook Live and/or by telephone.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Haysom, seconded by Councillor DeLong, that the Agenda be approved as circulated. Carried unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Hagell, Member at Large, seconded by Ms. Mech, Member at Large that the Minutes of the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of February 25, 2021 be approved as circulated. Carried unanimously.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Mr. Merrill provided an update on the Hemford Forest Secondary Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law (Public Hearing April 13, 2021).

6. PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MATTERS

There were no PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MATTERS to discuss.

8. HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MATTERS

8.1 Heritage Property By-Law and Policy Review

Mr. Byung Jun Kang, Planner presented a summary PowerPoint presentation of the adoption of the Heritage Property By-law (2021) to the Committee as circulated with Agenda.

The following were considered when the By-law and policy were drafted:

- To modernize the By-law and the Policy to be consistent with the Heritage Property Act,
- To prepare the By-law and the Policy to conform to the upcoming Heritage Property Act,
- To sustain the Council's direction on heritage properties until the completion of the MODL2040 project, if the policy direction on heritage changes
 - The Council's direction on heritage properties has been 'no heritage designation without the property owner's consent.

Mr. Kang provided the schedule timeline of the proposed By-law and Policy.

The Committee discussed the following items, as they related to the Heritage Property By-Law and Policy Review documents:

- Appointment of By-law Officer,
- Scoring system (75/100),
- Structures currently registered in the Municipality,
- Deregistering heritage properties
- Financial hardships of heritage properties
- Grants and funding

PUBLIC INPUT:

There were no comments on Facebook Live, and no phone calls were received.

Moved by Ms. Mech, Member at Large, seconded by Councillor DeLong that the Planning Advisory Committee recommends Municipal Council to repeal By-law 004, the Heritage Property By-law (1996), and replace it with the By-law 043, the Heritage Property By-law (2021), as presented in revised Appendix A of the staff report dated March 25, 2021, and conduct First Reading of the same. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Mr. Hagell, Member at Large, seconded by Councillor Haysom that the Planning Advisory Committee recommend Municipal Council to amend Policy 027, the Alternation Review Procedure to Municipal Heritage Property Policy, as proposed in Appendix B of the staff report dated March 25, 2021. Carried unanimously.

9. ADDED ITEMS

There were no ADDED ITEMS to discuss.

10. IN CAMERA

There were no IN-CAMERA items to discuss.

11. NEXT MEETING DATE

Thursday, April 22, 2021

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at 7:47 p.m. it was moved by Councillor DeLong and seconded by Mr. Hagell, Member at Large that the meeting be adjourned. Carried unanimously.