Merrickville-Wolford Planning Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

2015-06-15

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PAC Regrets Staff

- R. Fournier (Volunteer Committee Member)
- S. Hamill (Volunteer Committee Member)
- J. Ireland (Volunteer Committee Member)
- K. Janes (Volunteer Committee Chair)
- T. Molloy (Volunteer Committee Member)
- C. McInnis (Councillor)
- K. Weedmark (Councillor)

It is noted that member S. Hamill advised the committee that due to a previous commitment he would need to leave the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Councillor McInnis called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. He asked for nominations among the members for the position of Chair of the committee. John Ireland nominated Ken Janes. Tim Molloy endorsed the nomination. Councillor McInnis asked a second and third time for nominations. There being none he declared nominations closed. Ken was then asked if he would accept the nomination. He agreed to accept the nomination. Councillor McInnis declared Ken elected.

Upon assuming the Chair the first item of business was to call for nominations for secretary. Tim Molloy nominated John Ireland. A second and third call was made. There being none nominations were declared closed. John agreed to take the minutes for this meeting but asked that other options be explored. The Chair agreed to speak with office staff to determine the viability/legality of a Council representative filling this role.

1. AGENDA

The agenda for 2015-06-15 was approved

Moved:

R. Fournier

Seconded:

T. Molloy

Carried

2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor Weedmark declared pecuniary interest

3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of 2015-04-22 were accepted

Moved:

T. Molloy

Seconded:

J. Ireland

Carried

- 4. OLD BUSINESS
 - 1. None
- 5. NEW BUSINESS

1. Merrickville Agricultural Society severance application B-01-15 and memo from planner. PAC recommends approval of the severance as presented conditional on the applicant obtaining the Planner's recommended Zoning By-Law amendment.

Moved:

T. Molloy

Seconded:

R. Fournier

Carried

2. Kim and Irene Weedmark, severance application B-50-15 PAC recommends approval of the application as presented.

Moved:

T. Molloy

Seconded:

R. Fournier

Carried

3. James and Angela Sels represented by Kim Weedmark severance application B-51-15. PAC recommends approval of the application as presented.

Moved:

T. Molloy

Seconded:

S. Hamill

Carried

4. Cormac McCarthy severance application B-54-15 PAC recommends approval of the application as presented.

Moved:

R. Fournier

Seconded:

S. Hamill

Carried

- 5. Bryan Vergette, Minor variance application. This was discussed by PAC
- 6. Victor and Lindsay Suthren Draft severance application. PAC recommends that the applicant proceed with an official severance application and resubmit it to PAC.

The committee also noted that there are potentially more lots in the urban area of the village which are presently 100 Ft in width which could be severed into two 50 Ft. Frontage lots. It was suggested that to simplify future applications, an amendment be made in practices, guidelines or by-laws which will allow this to be done without individual applications. It has been suggested that the minor variance process could be amended to allow the simple division of a 100 Ft. Lot into two 50 Ft. Lots without the requirement to file for a minor variance. This may require a modification of the by-laws.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1. None
- 7. ON-GOING BUSINESS

1.

8. ROUND TABLE

1. The question of exiting a meeting before adjournment was discussed. It is felt that if a member has a conflict of events on a meeting night that this needs to be declared in advance so that a decision to proceed with a meeting or cancel it can be made beforehand. There is the risk that the committee could lose quorum which would put the meeting in jeopardy.

9. NEXT MEETING

2015-07-20 7:00 PM

10. MOVEMENT TO ADJOURN: 8:43 PM By: T. Molloy