

PRINCES INLET AREA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mahone Bay Centre

14 September 2015, 7:00 pm

AAC Members Present.

Jim Betts
Kelly Nelson, Chair
Bob Weld
Councillor Errol Knickle

Anne Cosgrove
Royal Stevens
Richard Wentzell

Regrets

James Mosher

Municipal Staff.

Norma Schiefer / Douglas Reid

Meeting called to order at 7.00PM. 2 residents in attendance. One item added to Agenda (see below)

Approval of Minutes.

Moved by E Knickle, seconded by A Cosgrove that the May 19 meeting minutes be approved. (As there was no quorum for the June 15 meeting, a copy of staff's meeting notes were accepted as read.)

Motion carried.

New Business

3a & b. Plan Review (ongoing)

Public Input on Draft, following Information meeting, and Proposed Revisions to Draft

Staff presented on the input received following on from the two presentations made to local residents on July 13 & August 18. There were a total of 80 attendees at the two meetings. Staff reviewed results of written feedback, provided through the Questionnaire made available to residents through the 2 meetings, and via the municipal website (12 surveys were returned).

In particular, resulting from the public's input, staff noted 3 items for the Committee's consideration and discussion. Each matter was presented in turn, with the Committee then determining their perspective on each. In each case, resulting direction is taken as being the perspective of the majority of Committee members who identified an opinion:

s.5.3.1(a) Reduce the number of permitted residential dwelling units per lot in the Rural - Highway Corridor Zone from 12 units to 8 units.

s.5.4.4 Eliminate the provision of allowing for non-listed commercial & industrial uses to be developed by way of Development Agreement in the Rural - Coastal Zone.

s.5.3.2, s.5.4.2, s.6.3.2 Eliminate the front yard setback requirement.

Staff noted where the next Draft to be presented to the Committee would incorporate these changes, as well as a few minor edits. It was proposed that at the next meeting, staff would seek a recommendation from the Committee to move a draft SPS/LUB forward to Planning Advisory.

3c. Update on Fixed Roof Accommodation Use listed in LUB Schedule

Since the last AAC meeting, staff met with the two property owners identified with existing tourist accommodation uses included in the existing By-law Schedule. Both landowners were supportive of its continued application. One of the property owners reiterated his concern regarding unlicensed businesses not being identified by government, and the issues re: accommodation standards / fair taxation that impacted on existing businesses. (*This matter was raised at a previous AAC meeting*) Staff noted where this stated concern would travel through to the Municipality's PAC, as part of the Review process.

ADDED ITEM (*Question from Committee member re: Assessment & Regulation*)

Committee members were asked if they had any personal concerns re: assessment levels going up or down. Discussion then ensued as to whether there was any concern, in there being a predisposition toward one perspective affecting the type of land use regulations that have been developed for the community. It was noted that part of the AAC's role is to allow for diverse perspectives to be engaged. It may be considered that this Committee had, to-date, supported the continued participation and input of any residents who came forward.

Next meeting date. - Tuesday October 13th

J Betts moved to adjourn at 8.05PM

Meeting adjourned.