

The Corporation of the County of Bruce Agriculture, Tourism and Planning Committee Minutes

9:30 a.m. Council Chambers Walkerton, Ontario

Present: Warden John Close

Councillors Larry Kraemer, (Chair), Paul Eagleson, Bill Goetz,

David Inglis, Milt McIver, Mike Smith and Mitch Twolan

Staff: Kelley Coulter, Chief Administrative Officer

Leah Andrews Barrie, Senior Planner
Darlene Batte, Administrative Assistant
Chris LaForest, Director of Planning
Kara Van Myall, Policy Manager
David Smith, Senior Planner

Bruce Stickney, Land Use Planning Manager

Jack Van Dorp, Planner Denise Whaley, Planner

1. Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

2. Public Meeting

A. Bruce County Official Plan Amendment Number 189-14

The Chair opened the Public Meeting and indicated that a presentation would be made by Chris LaForest, Director of Planning. He further indicated that after the presentation, any members of the public could speak in favor of or in opposition to the presentation.

Mr. Bob Watson addressed the Committee with his concerns related to the process and the lack of information made available.

Mr. Kevin Rich, Ducks Unlimited addressed the Committee in opposition to the proposed amendment.

Ms. Sheila McMann addressed the Committee with her concerns related to the process.

The Director indicated that the Summary Report for Removal of references to locally significant wetlands was presented as background in preparation of the statutory public meeting held for proposed Bruce County Official Plan Amendment Number 189.

A report will be prepared for presentation at the December Committee meeting taking into consideration agency and public input / comments received.

B. Bruce County Official Plan Amendment Number 190

The Chair opened the Public Meeting and indicated that a presentation would be made Chris LaForest, Director of Planning. He further indicated that after the presentation, any members of the public could speak in favor of or in opposition to the presentation.

Susan Currie, applicant addressed the Committee in support of the application.

Moved by Councillor Mike Smith Seconded by Councillor Bill Goetz

That Bruce County Official Plan Amendment Number 190 be approved.

Carried

3. Action Items

A. Arran-Elderslie Official Plan Amendment Number 7

Moved by Councillor Paul Eagleson Seconded by Councillor Mike Smith

That Amendment Number 7 to the Arran-Elderslie Official Plan be approved.

Carried

B. Appointment of Secretary-Treasurer, Land Division Committee

Moved by Councillor Milt McIver Seconded by Councillor Bill Goetz

That Bruce Stickney be appointed as a Deputy Secretary Treasurer of the Bruce County Land Division Committee.

Carried

Ms. Kim Clarke, Tourism Manager and Allana Young, Planner joined the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

4. Information Items

The following reports were received for information:

- Issues Report Number 7 Major Open Space and Special Policy Areas; and
- Spruce the Bruce Grant Updates

5. Delegation

Destination Development: Brand Development Project

Mr. Roger Brooks provided an update on the Destination Development: Brand Development Project the County undertook through the Spruce the Bruce Program.

Mr. Brooks noted that tourism is the front door to economic development and is the fastest growing industry. He encouraged the County to expand promotion beyond the two summer months to include the shoulder seasons, with a focus to expand beyond beaches and sunsets to promotion of downtown.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Agriculture, Tourism and Planning Committee will take place on Thursday, December 18, 2014 in the Council Chambers, County Administration Centre, Walkerton, Ontario.

7. Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Milt McIver Seconded by Councillor David Inglis

That the meeting of the Agriculture, Tourism and Planning Committee adjourn at 11:20 a.m.

Carried