

MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF LUNENBURG
PUBLIC HEARING held by MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Via Teleconference

Tuesday, July 28, 2020 – 8:30 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Carolyn Bolivar-Getson
Deputy Mayor Eric Hustvedt, District 1
Councillor Martin Bell, District 2
Councillor Lee Nauss, District 3
Councillor John Veinot, District 4
Councillor Cathy Moore, District 5
Councillor Claudette Garland, District 6
Councillor Wade Carver, District 7
Councillor Michael Ernst, District 8
Councillor Reid Whynot, District 9
Councillor Errol Knickle, District 10

Staff

Tom MacEwan, Chief Administrative Officer
Alex Dumaresq, Deputy CAO
Jeff Merrill, Director of Planning and Development Services
Darren Shupe, Senior Planner
Byung Jun Kang, Planner
Dave Waters, Director of Business Development, Tourism & Infrastructure
Sarah Kucharski, Communications Officer
Tina Robichaud-Bond, Executive Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bolivar-Getson called the Public Hearing to order at 8:30 a.m. and advised that the meeting was being held via teleconference and would be streamed live on the MODL Facebook Page.

2. OPENING REMARKS

Mayor Bolivar-Getson reported that this was a Public Hearing for Council to receive comments, both written and verbal, concerning proposed amendments to the Secondary Planning Strategies in Hebbville, Princes Inlet, Blockhouse, and Riverport.

2a – Introduction of Council Members

Mayor Bolivar-Getson noted, for the official record, the Council members who were in attendance. All members were present.

2b – Review of Agenda and Rules of Conduct

Mayor Bolivar reviewed the agenda and read the Rules of Conduct that were to be followed by members of the public who wished to speak at the Hearing. The Rules of Conduct were also printed at the bottom of the Agenda.

3. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS FROM PLANNING STAFF

Mr. Kang reported that the intention of the AAC Policy Amendment By-law was to remove the references to “Area Advisory Committee” or “AAC” to avoid redundancy as the role of the AAC in the secondary planning strategies will be transferred to the Planning Advisory Committee.

He noted that the First Reading was held on June 23, 2020 and an online information session was held with existing AAC members on July 23, 2020.

4. WRITTEN AND VERBAL PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (IF ANY)**4a – Review of Written Submissions**

Mayor Bolivar-Getson asked if any written submissions were received.

Mr. Kang advised that written submissions against the proposed amendments were received via email from the Board of Directors of the Blockhouse Area Ratepayers Kinship and from John Croft on behalf of the Blockhouse Area Advisory Committee.

He also advised that comments and suggestions were made at the information session by members of the Area Advisory Committees, also against the proposed amendments.

4b – Verbal Presentations by the Public

Mayor Bolivar-Getson asked three times if there were any members of the public who wished to address Council on the matter. Since the Hearing was broadcasted live on the Municipality’s Facebook page, 20 seconds was permitted after each ask for anyone on the Facebook page to provide verbal presentations. No public input was provided on the Municipality’s Facebook page.

Mr. Merrill advised that an email was received from Ian Tufts, a member of the Hebbville Area Advisory Committee, providing comments against the proposed amendments.

5. REVIEW OF APPROVAL PROCESS

Mayor Bolivar-Getson reviewed the approval process, noting that the matter was on the Municipal Council Agenda for discussion at the Council meeting immediately following the Public Hearing. She advised that the next steps in the process were to:

- Conduct 2nd Reading;
- Review of amendments by Province; and
- Notify public.

6. CLOSING OF THE PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Bolivar-Getson declared the Public Hearing closed at 8:46 a.m.