



**WEST HANTS REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
Hantsport Area Advisory Committee (HAAC)
September 1, 2020 – 6:30p.m.
Virtual Meeting (Zoom)**

PRESENT: Paul Morton, Deputy Mayor
Angela Carver, Resident Member
Bill Preston, Resident Member (Chair)
Jane Davis, Resident Member
Glenn Deering, Resident Member
Elaine Warner, Resident Member
Rob Frederick, Resident Member

STAFF: Madelyn LeMay, Director of Planning and Development
Sara Poirier, Planner
Saira Shah, Planner
Vanessa Lake, Planning Meeting Secretary

REGRETS: Greg Pace, Resident Member (Vice Chair)

PUBLIC: There were no members of the public present.

Call to Order

Chair Preston called the meeting to order at 6:36pm.

Approval of Agenda and Additions

Moved by Resident Member Carver and seconded by Deputy Mayor Morton that the agenda be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by Deputy Mayor Morton and seconded by Resident Member Carver that the minutes be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes

Wi-Fi in Hantsport (Deputy Mayor Morton)

Deputy Mayor Morton explained that he had spoken to Matt Povah regarding the Hantsport Mesh Wi-Fi. The update is expected to take place on September 14th.

Building and Development Activity Report

The report was circulated with the agenda. There were no questions or comments.

New Business

File # 20-02 Cannabis in Hantsport (Saira Shah)

Ms. Shah outlined the different license types, zones where each license type would be permitted, and the criteria within the Municipal Planning Strategy. After the Public Information Meeting on July 7th, there was only one (1) comment from a resident about odour concerns.

Moved by Resident Member Frederick and seconded by Resident Member Carver that:

HAAC recommends that PAC recommend that Council give First Reading and hold a Public Hearing to consider amending the Hantsport Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law to enable a variety of cannabis licenses in Hantsport, in a manner substantially the same as attached to the staff report to HAAC dated September 1, 2020 as Appendix A.

Motion carried.

File # 20-06 Sustainable Livestock in Hantsport (Saira Shah)

Ms. Shah provided an overview of the previous "Household Livestock" amendment considered by the HAAC and requested direction from the Committee. Discussion was held regarding changing the name of the amendment in the planning documents and if a permitting system could be considered. Following discussion it was requested that the word "livestock" be omitted from the title and the file be re-named 'Food Security and Sustainability', or just 'Food Security'. Ms. Shah will take these comments into account and bring an information report back to the Committee with updated options.

File #20-05 Short-term Rentals (Sara Poirier)

Ms. Poirier described a project done by Dalhousie students regarding the impact of Short-term Rentals in the region of Windsor and West Hants in April 2020. She explained the definition of "Short-term Rentals," the pros and cons, and gave three options for potential action; to continue without change, to follow the recommendations given in the Dalhousie report, or to follow the Dalhousie recommendations with additional considerations. The committee discussed these options at length, and it was agreed that the third option was the best to follow through with.

Notices from Adjacent Municipal Units

There was notice of a development agreement taking place in Chester Village, but it will have no impact within WHRM.

Questions and Comments from Public

There were no questions.

Adjournment

Moved by Resident Member Carver and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 7:55pm. Motion carried.

ACTIVITY REPORT

For Month of August 8/31/2020

Type	Aug 2019			Aug 2020		
	Permits	Units	Value of Construction	Permits	Units	Value of Construction
Single Family	8	5	868,837	12	0	1,423,850
Duplex/Semi	2	3	590,000	0	0	0
Apartments	0	0	0	1	0	180,000
Other Residential	17	0	198,600	10	0	229,000
Commercial	2	0	51,000	0	0	0
Industrial	0	0	0	0	0	0
Inst & Gov	0	0	0	0	0	0
Agriculture	1	0	20,000	2	0	16,000
Other	2	0	43,000	0	0	0
Total	32	8	1,771,437	25	0	1,848,850
Year To Date	219	64	22,548,038	226	18	14,319,249
Demolition	0	0		3	0	
Sign Permits	0			0		
Sub Applications	3	1 (Lots Requested)		3	2 (Lots Requested)	