



**MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST HANTS
Hantsport Area Advisory Committee (HAAC)
April 11, 2018, 11:00 a.m.
Hantsport Office**

PRESENT: Councillor Robbie Zwicker, Chair
Jane Davis, Citizen Member
Donald Hussey, Citizen Member
Bill Preston, Citizen Member
Philip Zamora, Citizen Member
Greg Pace, Citizen Member

STAFF: Madelyn LeMay, Director of Planning and Development
Saira Shah, Planner
Velma Macumber, Admin. Assistant

GUEST: none

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Zwicker called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND ADDITIONS

The following item was added under Miscellaneous Business:

- Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Moved and Seconded that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 14, 2018

Moved and Seconded that the Minutes of Hantsport Area Advisory Committee of February 14, 2018 be approved as circulated noting any errors or omissions.

Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Update: Hantsport Commercial Zone and Designation Amendments (Saira Shah)

Ms. Shah advised that the Hantsport Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law went to Public Hearing and Second Reading at the March 13, 2018 Council meeting. Council approved the amendments, and these were sent to the Provincial Director, Municipal Affairs, for review before a Notice of Approval can be published.

Update: Hantsport By-law Amendment – Household Livestock (Saira Shah)

Ms. Shah provided the Committee with an overview of comments heard from the previous HAAC and PAC HAC meetings. She asked the Committee members how they would like to proceed: an online survey, a Public Information Meeting in Hantsport, or Recommendation Report based on comments at the Feb HAAC meeting.

The Committee discussed the following points:

- Do animal units work in Hantsport?
- Are mini farms appropriate in a dense area?
- Management: there is a difference between chickens raised in a chicken tractor and free run chickens which could impact numbers.
- Remove the ability to have livestock in the commercial zone.
- Additional research needed on predators and vandalism related to livestock
- At the PIM: have two meetings, one at 4:30 and one at 6:30 both in the fire hall
- Public may ask questions about noise issues and manure storage
- Simplify the explanation: What is $\frac{1}{4}$ of an acre in square feet?
- Should a one pager be sent to residents to provide information on livestock amendment?
- Information can be on the website and printed material in Hantsport to ensure information gets out there
- Roosters will be considered a discussion topic at the PIM

In addition to what had been agreed to at the February HAAC meeting, the committee agreed that the following numbers of household livestock will be included within the draft documents:

Animals permitted on Less than $\frac{1}{4}$ acre:

- 12 rabbits
- 15 chickens – no roosters

Animals permitted on ¼ - ½ acre

- Turkey broilers
- 20 rabbits in pens

Animals permitted on ½ to 2 acres

- No pigs
- 40 chickens
- 20 rabbits in pens
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Animals permitted on +2 acres

- No bulls or minks
- 3 weaners
- 3 veal calves

Update: Bill 177 (Sara Campbell)

Ms. Campbell advised that Jocelyn Amyoony, from Municipal Affairs, gave a presentation with respect to Bill 177 at the March 15, 2018 PAC HAC meeting. By consensus, the Committee asked staff to prepare a discussion paper regarding applying the opportunities enabled in Bill 177 to the commercial areas in the Growth Centre areas and the community of Hantsport. Staff is working on the discussion paper.

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business was heard.

MISCELLANEOUS**Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

Ms. LeMay noted that the Terms of Reference for the Committee do not specify when an election is held, but general practice for all Committees is that the election of the Chair and Vice Chair is done at a meeting shortly after the appointment of Committee members. She advised the Committee that any action is up to the Committee. Chair Zwicker called for nominations for Chair; there being none, it was determined that Councillor Zwicker will remain Chair and Ms. Davis Vice Chair.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC

No members of the public were present.

NEXT MEETING

The next HAAC meeting will be scheduled for May 9, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. The public information meeting will be tentatively scheduled for June 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved and Seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

Chair