

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

April 17, 2008

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk at 7:00 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- George El-Jakl
- Robbie Newell
- Larry Stewart
- Eddie Nickerson (7:18 p.m.)

- Glen Muise, Development Officer
- Brian Holland, Clerk-Treasurer

Absent was member Cecil Swimm due to prior work commitments.

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by Robbie Newell that Larry Stewart be nominated chairperson of the committee.

Having asked three times for further nominations, and having heard none, the Clerk declared Larry Stewart elected chairperson of the committee by acclamation.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda:

- Spring Planning Directors Conference.
- Correspondence.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by R. Newell that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by R. Newell and seconded by G. El-Jakl that the minutes of the last previous meeting held November 15, 2007 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

REZONING APPLICATION

A rezoning application has been received from Mr. David Eldridge requesting that Schedule “H” of the Municipality’s Land Use By-Law be amended to include “professional office and financial institutions” as permitted uses in the R1 Residential General Zone.

Mr. Eldridge attended the meeting for the purpose of explaining the reasons for his application for this amendment. He is requesting that this amendment be made for the property located at Civic Address #2459, Highway #3, Barrington. Some time ago this property was used as a bank and subsequently as a veterinarian’s office, and then as the professional office where Mr. Eldridge operated his law practice for many years. The building has a vault in it and can again be used as a bank or similar type of financial institution as long as it is permitted. Since this property had in the past been used as a financial institution it meets all their requirements of municipal by-laws for this purpose. The building can again be readily converted for this purpose with very little physical change.

Resolution PAC080401

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by R. Newell that the Planning Advisory Committee proceed with the public participation meeting required for the proposed amendment to Schedule “H” of the Land Use By-Law as requested to change the uses from professional office to “professional office and financial institutions” as requested in the application of David Eldridge.

Motion carried unanimously.

Having completed his discussion of this matter, Mr. Eldridge then retired from the meeting.

SPRING CONFERENCE

The Nova Scotia Planning Directors Association will be hosting its annual spring conference on May 14 -16, 2008, at the Lord Nelson Hotel, in Halifax. Members were requested to inform the Municipal Office if they wished to attend this conference.

The Municipal Development Officer will be attending the conference and registration will be made by the District Planning Commission for whoever is attending.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter of thanks from Mr. Mike Hennigar was read to members. Mr. Hennigar thanked all those involved for the opportunity to serve on the Planning Advisory Committee for the previous four years.

A corresponding letter of thanks has already been sent to Mr. Hennigar from the Municipality.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 7:59 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary for the Meeting

On website April 18, 2008.