

## PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

November 22, 2012

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:

- Jody Crook
- Eddie Nickerson
- Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
- Cindy Nickerson
- Cecil Swimm
  
- David Andrews, Development Officer
- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

### SELECTION OF CHAIR

**Moved** by E. Nickerson and seconded by C. Nickerson that Cecil Swimm be nominated Chair of the Planning Advisory Committee.

Cecil Swimm agreed to serve as Chair.

Having asked three additional times for further nominations, and having heard none, the Clerk declared Cecil Swimm elected Chair of the Planning Advisory Committee by acclamation.

Mr. Swimm then chaired the meeting.

### ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following item was added to the agenda:

- Business Park.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Moved** by D. Messenger and seconded by E. Nickerson that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Moved** by E. Nickerson and seconded by J. Crook that minutes of the meeting held July 19, 2012 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

A copy of the Request for Proposals for the completion of a Municipal Climate Change Action Plan, and for the review of the municipal planning documents was circulated to members for their information. The closing date on this proposal is tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. There have been nine (9) responses received to this RFP already. It is the intention to have the RFPs reviewed and evaluated, and if possible, forwarded for Council's approval at their meeting of November 26, 2012, so that this project may begin prior to year end.

### FUR FARM AMENDMENTS/REGULATIONS

The Development Officer was asked to review the proposed fur farm amendments and regulations being put in place by the Province. The Province has provided new regulations which have been brought to the Legislature, and have now been approved in second reading. These regulations affect the operation of fur farms within the Province. The Municipality also has pending amendments to its Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law in regards to fur farms. These will be put into place during 2013 when the review has been completed.

### WIND TURBINE GENERATORS

Members were informed that there are two potential wind turbine generator projects in the Municipality. One company is looking into the possibility of installing 30' to 120' wind towers at Baccaro Point. These are small scale wind towers and will require less stringent regulations. The second development is one that has been approved under the COM-FIT Program by the Province. This is a project in the Shag Harbour area being developed by Eon Electric. This will consist of two large towers that will produce approximately 3.2 megawatts of power. There is currently a 200' test tower at the location, which is a temporary tower being used to evaluate the wind in the area. It is proposed that two 80 meter towers be installed at this site. The actual construction of these towers may be close to a year in the future as there are still several regulations that must be met in the interim.

### BUSINESS PARK

At present there are no tenants in the business park that has been developed by the Municipality. It was suggested it may be a viable site for a subdivision development. This type of development is not anticipated for that site at the present time.

### NEXT MEETING

If a proponent is proposed by Council for the Municipal Planning Strategy, in preparation of a Municipal Climate Change Action Plan, a meeting will be scheduled for the second week of December. If time does not permit this, then the next meeting will be scheduled for January.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 8:40 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary for the Meeting

**On website November 23, 2012.**