



**APPEALS STANDING COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
January 9, 2014**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Matt Whitman, Chair  
Councillor Steve Craig, Vice Chair  
Councillor David Hendsbee  
Councillor Linda Mosher  
Councillor Bill Karsten  
Councillor Steve Adams  
Councillor Gloria McCluskey  
Councillor Brad Johns

**STAFF:** Ms. Tanya Phillips, Manager, By-Law Standards  
Mr. Kevin Hindle, Regional Coordinator License Standards & Taxi,  
Limousine Services, Municipal Compliance  
Mr. Randolph Kinghorne, Senior Solicitor  
Ms. Krista Vining, Legislative Assistant

*The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.*

*The agenda, supporting documents, and information items circulated to the Standing Committee are available online: <http://www.halifax.ca/boardscom/SCappeals/Appeals140109.html>*

*The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., and recessed at 10:05 a.m. to move into an In Camera session and reconvened at 11:38 a.m. The Standing Committee adjourned at 11:41 a.m.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order in the Council Chamber, Halifax City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

**MOVED by Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor McCluskey that the agenda approved as circulated. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 12, 2013**

**MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Adams that the minutes of December 12, 2013 be approved as presented. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**4. CONSIDERATION OF ADJOURNED BUSINESS**

**4.1 Case 220784 – PID # 00619734 910 Highway 7, Westphal, NS (Deferred December 12, 2013)**

Staff report dated November 22, 2013 was before the Standing Committee.

Ms. Tanya Phillips, Manager, By-Law Standards, indicated that the Compliance Officer visited the property on January 7, 2014 but due to weather conditions was unable to complete a full inspection. Staff has been in contact with the property owner and that staff would return to the site to complete their inspection and if needed, work with the property owner to help rectify the matter.

Councillor Hendsbee indicated that following the December 12<sup>th</sup> meeting he visited the site and saw improvements but was unable to confirm whether the property owner was in compliance with the Order; noting additional time may be required.

Mr. Randolph Kinghorne, Senior Solicitor suggested the Committee defer the matter until such time a site inspection could be completed.

**MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Johns that the Appeals Standing Committee defer the appeal of Case 220784 - PID#00619734 910 Highway 7, Westphal, NS to the next meeting March 1, 2014. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**5. DANGEROUS OR UNSIGHTLY PREMISES**

**5.1 Appeals – None**

**5.2 Demolitions – None**

**6. BY-LAW M-100 – RESPECTING STANDARDS FOR RESIDENTIAL OCCUPANCIES – NONE**

**7. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

**MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Karsten that the Appeals Standing Committee convene into In Camera to address Items 8.1, 8.2 and 8.3. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

The Standing Committee moved into In Camera at this time.

**8. IN CAMERA**

**8.1 In Camera Minutes – December 12, 2013**

This matter was dealt with during the In Camera session.

**8.2 Personnel Matter – Appeal of Taxi Driver/Owner License Revocation**

This matter was dealt with during the In Camera session.

**8.3 Personnel Matter – Decision re: Appeal of Taxi Driver/Owner License Revocation (Deferred December 12, 2013)**

This matter was dealt with during the In Camera session.

The Standing Committee reconvened its regular session at this time.

**9. NEXT MEETING DATE – February 13, 2014**

The next meeting of the Appeals Standing Committee will be held on Thursday, February 13, 2014 in the Council Chamber, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax.

Prior to adjourning, it was **MOVED by Councillor John, seconded by Councillor Karsten that the Appeals Standing Committee direct staff to review, for proposed By-law amendments, whether there is any merit to having a specific time penalty from the date of an offense and obtaining a clean driving abstract, before having a taxi driver license reinstated. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

Krista Vining  
Legislative Assistant