

NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

JANUARY 26, 2000

THOSE PRESENT: Councillor Harvey, Chair
Councillor Merrigan

ALSO PRESENT: Angus Schaffenburg, Planner
Sandra Shute, Assistant Municipal Clerk

Regrets: Councillor Kelly

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. in the Charles Fenerty Room, Sackville Library, 636 Sackville Drive, Lower Sackville.

Councillor Harvey explained to the public that Councillor Kelly was not able to attend the meeting because of a commitment in his District; however, two Councillors of three from North West Community Council constituted a legal quorum.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - DECEMBER 9, 1999**

Deferred to the next meeting.

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

Added Items: Councillor Harvey - Beaverbank Connector Road - Streetlighting

**MOVED by Councillors Merrigan and Harvey to approve the Agenda as amended.
MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

4. **BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

The Minutes were not approved.

5. **MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION** - None

6. **MOTIONS OF RESCISSION** - None

7. **CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS** - None

8. **PUBLIC HEARINGS** - None

9. **CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS** - None

10. **REPORTS**

10.1 **Case 00158 - Non-Substantial Amendment to Development Agreement - Loggen Road and Millwood Drive, Sackville**

A Staff Report dated December 16, 1999 was before Community Council together with a recommendation for approval from North West Planning Advisory Committee dated January 14, 2000.

Angus Schaffenburg, Planner provided an overview of the application with the aid of overheads. During the course of his presentation, he explained that this was a non-substantial amendment and, therefore, a Public Hearing was not required. The original Development Agreement was approved by Sackville Community Council in January, 1994. As required by the Development Agreement, notices were sent out to approximately 70 property owners in the immediate area. He advised that staff was recommending approval of the application.

Councillor Harvey explained that this was not a Public Hearing; however, there was an opportunity for those who wished to speak on this issue, to do so. After calling three times, there was no one in attendance wishing to speak for or against the application. Additionally, there was no correspondence received.

MOVED by Councillors Merrigan and Harvey to approve the non-substantial amendment to the Development Agreement attached as Appendix "A" to the Staff Report dated December 16, 1999 that specifies: (a) an increase in main building height to 35' on Lots 6 to 12, 14 to 18, 21 and 22 Loggen Road; (b) street tree planting on all remaining vacant lots and (c) prohibiting electrical service mounts on the front facade of all remaining vacant lots. Further, North West Community Council require that the Development Agreement be signed within 120 days, or any extension thereof granted by Council on request of the applicant, from the date of final approval by Council and any other bodies as necessary, whichever is later; otherwise, this approval will be void and obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.2 **Bedford Waters Advisory Committee**

10.2.1 **Superstore - Bedford Place Mall**

A Memorandum dated January 18, 2000 from the Chair of Bedford Waters Advisory Committee regarding the above was before Community Council.

Councillor Harvey asked Mr. Schaffenburg for input. Mr. Schaffenburg subsequently advised that a report was being prepared and it was hoped to be ready for the meeting of

North West Planning Advisory Committee next week. The report from Bedford Waters Advisory Committee would be included as an Appendix to the report.

Councillor Harvey asked if Bedford Waters Advisory Committee has seen a draft of the Development Agreement. Mr. Schaffenburg, in response, advised that he would be providing Bedford Waters Advisory Committee with a signed copy of the Staff Report for their meeting the week after the Planning Advisory Committee meeting. If there were any concerns then, there would be sufficient time to make comments before the Development Agreement comes to North West Community Council.

MOVED by Councillors Merrigan and Harvey to accept the report from Bedford Waters Advisory Committee to be forwarded to staff who are preparing the Development Agreement. Staff should include the report as part of the package going to North West Planning Advisory Committee. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.3 MEETING SCHEDULE

A proposed meeting schedule was considered.

MOVED by Councillors Merrigan and Harvey to approve the dates of meetings as proposed. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Locations for the meetings will have to be confirmed, however.

11. MOTIONS - None

12. ADDED ITEMS

12.1 Streetlighting - Beaverbank Connector Road

Councillor Harvey stated he understood that lighting along Beaverbank Connector Road was the responsibility of Department of Transportation.

MOVED by Councillors Harvey and Merrigan that a letter be sent to Paul O'Brien, Department of Transportation indicating concern with inadequate lighting along Beaverbank Connector Road and requesting assessment to have more lighting installed in the interests of public safety. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13. NOTICES OF MOTION - None

14. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr. Al Walker, 9 Larrigan Drive, Millwood referred to the major December fire on Barrington Street which raised concern at Regional Council and resulted in a report to Council. He referred to newspaper articles which quoted the words of the Deputy Chief that there was "adequate protection". Mr. Walker went on to advise what he had seen at the Millwood Fire Station and outline concerns that the area had not been adequately covered during that particular time.

Councillor Harvey advised he understood from a volunteer firefighter that there was adequate coverage on the night in question.

Mr. Walker, however, indicated he was also referring to adequate equipment as well as manpower.

Councillor Harvey provided background on the history, training and efficiency of the volunteer firefighters in the Sackville area and expressed confidence in the firefighting service, whether conducted by volunteers or permanent firefighters. He advised he would request a confirmation from Fire Services that not only were there firefighters at Millwood but also equipment there for them to operate. He added that the Fire Chief had expressed confidence at the Regional Council meeting that Fire Services would be able to handle situations which arise with the staffing available.

Ms. Avis Taylor, MacIntosh Road, Middle Sackville raised the following points:

- She asked for confirmation that there was a new District established in HRM. In response, Councillor Harvey advised that a report from the Committee to Regional Council has been forwarded to the Utility and Review Board. The Utility and Review Board will examine the report, hold Public Hearings and make a decision. If a new District is established, the area was basically Millwood/Upper Sackville/Hammonds Plains.
- She asked the status of the proposed traffic light for Beaverbank Cross Road/Highway 1. In response, Councillor Merrigan advised the request has been forwarded to staff for assessment.
- She raised concerns regarding the unsatisfactory level of snowplowing on her street and for sidewalks during the last three snowstorms. She referred to Councillors who, at a Regional Council meeting, expressing their pleasure with the snow removal job carried out by HRM staff. She read a letter outlining the snow clearing service she received, which she submitted to Councillor Merrigan personally.

The Councillors provided information on the snow clearance policy for HRM which is continuously under review, including information on Level 1 and Level 2 streets and the service provided for these streets.

Mr. Al Walker, 9 Larrigan Drive asked if it was policy to use crusher dust rather than sand on welled areas. In response, Councillor Merrigan advised he has received complaints in this regard and was passing them on.

15. **NEXT MEETING DATE** - Thursday, February 24, 2000
Lions Den, LeBrun Centre, Bedford

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Sandra M. Shute
Assistant Municipal Clerk