

WESTERN REGION COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES

February 23, 2009

PRESENT: Councillor Reg Rankin
Councillor Peter Lund

REGRETS: Councillor Stephen D. Adams

STAFF: Mr. Martin Ward, Solicitor
Ms. Melody Campbell, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Keshen Goodman Library, 330 Lacewood Drive, Halifax, NS.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED BY Councillor Lund, seconded by Councillor Rankin, that the minutes of January 26, 2009 be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

MOVED BY Councillor Lund, seconded by Councillor Rankin that the agenda, as presented, be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES/STATUS SHEET

4.1 Status Sheet

There were no updates to the status sheet at this time.

5. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION - NONE

6. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION - NONE

7. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS

7.1 Variance Decision - Variance #14949 - 1264 St. Margarets Bay Road

- A staff report dated January 12, 2009 was before Council.

The Variance Hearing was held at the January 26, 2009 Western Region Community Council. The variance decision was deferred to the February 23, 2009 meeting.

Councillor Rankin noted that no residents came forward during the variance hearing stating negative comments on the variance request.

MOVED By Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Lund, that Western Region Community Council overturn the decision of the Development Officer and granted the variance. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8. HEARINGS

8.1 Public Hearing

8.1.1 Case 01177: Rezoning of 862 Prospect Road, Goodwood

- A staff report dated December 11, 2008 was before Council.

Mr. Brian White, Planner I, presented the report to Council.

Mr. White advised that there was a good attendance at the Public Information Hearing with no negative feedback on the rezoning request.

Councillor Rankin explained the guidelines for public hearings. He then opened the public hearing calling for any speakers for or against the rezoning.

Mr. Bob Dooley, 868 Prospect Road advised Council that he bought his business at approximately the same time as Mr. Keizer. He stated that Mr. Keizer was not aware that the his building was zoned RB-1 and was under the assumption that he could run his business. He added that Mr. Keizer has run his successful business at this property for approximately six years. Mr. Dooley added that Mr. Keizer keeps his property tidy and added that there have been no complaints regarding the business from the community. He added that it would be a loss if the rezoning was denied.

Councillor Rankin called three times for any additional speakers, hearing none the following motion was placed.

MOVED By Councillor Lund, seconded by Councillor Rankin that the Public Hearing be closed. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED By Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Lund, that Western Region Community Council approve the rezoning of 862 Prospect Road (PID 00568113) from the RB-1 (Residential B-1) Zone to the C-2 (General Business Zone) as illustrated in Attachment "A" of the staff report dated December 11, 2008. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS - NONE

10. REPORTS - NONE

11. MOTIONS - NONE

12. ADDED ITEMS

13. NOTICES OF MOTION - NONE

14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Keith Ayling, Masthead News, addressed Council regarding the benefits of student attendance and participation at Community Council. In response to Mr. Ayling's

comments, Western Region Community Council will send an open invitation to junior high and high schools in the Councillors' districts advising them of the Community Council meeting dates and location.

15. NEXT MEETING

Next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Monday, March 23, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Melody Campbell
Legislative Assistant