

NORTH WEST PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING
MINUTES
April 28, 2008

PRESENT: Ms. Ann Merritt, Chair
Ms. Gloria Lowther
Ms. Jessica Alexander
Mr. Walter Regan
Councillor Bob Harvey

REGRETS: Mr. Lorne Piercey
Mr. Jim Sullivan
Mr. Warren Hutt

STAFF: Mr. Andrew Bone, Planner
Ms. Julia Horncastle, Acting Municipal Clerk

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Fenerty Room, Sackville Library with approximately thirty people in attendance.

Mr. Bone outlined the proposal to the Committee and members of the public.

Mr. Stephen Pace, representing the applicant addressed the Committee advising there is a need for such a facility in the community. He advised the facility will be licensed under the Department of Health regulations and will consist of two building; a five storey seventy five unit assisted living building and a two storey fifty bed long term care building. He noted that the proposed building will be located on 5.7 hectares of land and will have to meet the Department of Health criteria for such a facility.

Mr. Regan received clarification that there will be no on site retention for sewer overloads.

Ms. Merritt outlined the process to be followed with regards to presentations and submissions by members of the public.

Mr. Jack Brill, 92 Beaumont Drive, Lower Sackville, presented a letter of support from the Sackville/Cobequid PC Association.

Ms. Ruth Douglas, 3 Ridgeview Drive, presented a letter of support from the Outreach Committee, Knox United Church of Canada. She advised the Church Council was also in support of the proposal.

Ms. Maisie Douchane, presented a letter of support from the Sackville Legion Seniors Club.

A resident of 413 Cobequid Road, received clarification that a portion of the site is currently zoned to allow for a nursing home and this proposal is to add a use in the BP-1 zone to allow for nursing home development.

In response to a member of the public, Mr. Bone noted the traffic impact would be relatively low as the facility employees would be shift workers and visitors would be mainly during off peak hours. He advised there were no traffic issues identified as being created by the development.

In response to Ms. Merritt, Mr. Bone advised the zoning will remain the same noting, one side permits long term care and this is adding a use to the BP-1 zone that would enable development.

Mr. Bert Crandall, Birch Cove Drive spoke in support of the project and reiterated that he does not feel there will be any traffic concerns.

3. CLOSING COMMENTS

As there were no other speakers, Ms. Merritt thanked the residents for their input to the process and Mr. Bone outlined the process and timeline for the application as it proceeds to Regional Council.

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Julia Horncastle
Acting Municipal Clerk