

CHEBUCTO COMMUNITY COUNCIL
May 7, 2007

MINUTES

PRESENT: Councillor Linda Mosher, Chair
Councillor Mary Wile, Vice Chair
Councillor Debbie Hum
Councillor Stephen Adams
Councillor Russell Walker

STAFF: Ms. Kirby Grant, Solicitor
Ms. Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED by Councillor Wile, seconded by Councillor Adams that the minutes of April 2, 2007 be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions:

- 12.1 Case 00977: Amendment to Stage I and Stage II, Phase 1 Development Agreements - Main Avenue, Halifax. (*Notice of Motion and Schedule a Public Hearing*)

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Adams that the agenda, as amended, be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

4.1 Status Sheet Items:

4.1.1 Request for a Trail in Hemlock Ravine Park and other HRM Parkland Areas to be Named in Memory of Mr. Colin Stewart

Councillor Hum advised that progress has been made, explaining that staff are tentatively looking at a grove of hemlock abutting Hemlock Ravine Park, off Kent Avenue. She added that there is also going to be a tribute to Colin Stewart at Point Pleasant Park. Councillor Hum advised that this item can be removed from the Status Sheet

4.1.2 Bus Service - Stoneridge

No update was provided. This item is to remain on the Status Sheet.

4.1.3 Welcome to Halifax Sign - St. Margaret's Bay Road

No update was provided. This item is to remain on the Status Sheet.

4.1.4 Rock Pile -182 Milsom Street

Councillor Mosher asked the Vice Chair to assume the Chair so that she could address this matter.

Councillor Mosher advised that she contacted Mr. Carl Yates, General Manager of Halifax Regional Water Commission and he advised that although the Water Commission does not own the property, they have an easement. She added that she discussed the idea of having a fence erected around the property, instead of the concrete barriers that exist now, however, Mr. Yates indicated that this would not be acceptable as she would require access across the easement. Councillor Mosher advised that she will continue to work with the Water Commission and the residents to see if a compromise can be reached. This item is to remain on the Status Sheet.

Councillor Mosher assumed the Chair.

4.1.5 Appeal of Ralston Street Area Rezoning

Councillor Walker requested the Legislative Assistant follow up with staff on the status of the appeal. This item is to remain on the Status Sheet.

5. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION - None

6. MOTIONS OF RECISSION - None

7. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS: None

8. HEARINGS:

8.1 Public Hearings:

8.1.1 Case 00825: Lot Modification Development Agreement, 198 Herring Cove Road, Halifax

First Reading of this matter was given at Community Council's April 2, 2007 meeting.

A staff report dated February 22, 2007 was before Community Council for its consideration.

Mr. Brian White, Planner, provided an overview of the application by Allen and Catherine Bryden to enter into a lot modification development agreement to allow for the subdivision of property and a second dwelling at 198 Herring Cove Road, as outlined in the submitted staff report.

Mr. White responded to questions.

The Chair opened the floor for anyone wanting to speak either in favour or in opposition to the application.

The Chair called three times for anyone wishing to speak; there being none, it was **MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councilor Adams that the public hearing be closed. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Walker that Chebucto Community Council:

1. **Approve the development agreement, included as Attachment A of the February 22, 2007 report, to allow for the subdivision of the property and a second dwelling; and**
2. **Require that the development agreement be signed within 120 days, or any extension thereof granted by Community Council on request of the applicant, from the date of final approval by Community Council and 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.

8.2 Variance Appeal Hearings: None

9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

9.1 Correspondence: None

9.2 Petitions: None

9.3 Presentations: None

10. REPORTS:

10.1 Councillors:

10.1.1 Councillor Walker - Information Report dated March 20, 2007 RE: Non-Truck Routes - Mumford Road

An information report dated March 20, 2007 was submitted at Chebucto Community Council's April 2, 2007. Councillor Walker was unable to attend the April 2, 2007 meeting and requested that the report be referred to this meeting.

Councillor Walker referred to the last paragraph, on page 3 of the second attachment to the information report, and requested the Legislative Assistant find out if amending the Truck Route By-law would be dealt with by Regional Council or Community Council. In reference to this paragraph, Councillor Walker noted that staff indicate it is possible to amend the Truck Route By-Law to prohibit operation of trucks over 3,000 kilograms over the railway tracks.

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Adams that Chebucto Community Council request that staff proceed with the necessary steps to amend the Truck Route By-law to prohibit trucks from crossing the bridge over the railway tracks on Mumford Road. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.2 Councillor Adams - Traffic Lights - Old Sambro Road/North West Arm Drive

Councillor Adams advised that traffic in the area of the Old Sambro Road and North West Arm Drive is very busy and making a left turn from Old Sambro Road onto North West Arm Drive is almost impossible, especially during rush hour traffic. Councillor Adams added that he was somewhat annoyed with this issue because, previously, he requested traffic lights in this area but was refused because there was not enough traffic to warrant the lights. However, in a response he received to request for flowers and shrubbery to be planted at the end of the road, he was refused on the basis that there was too much traffic to allow for the planting. The Councillor pointed out that if there was too much traffic to plant flowers and shrubs, then it should warrant the installation of traffic lights.

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Walker, that traffic lights be installed at the intersection of the Old Sambro Road and North West Arm Drive. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

11. **MOTIONS:** None

12. **ADDED ITEMS:**

12.1 **Case 00977: Amendment to Stage I and Stage II, Phase 1 Development Agreements - Main Avenue, Halifax**

A staff report dated April 16, 2006 was submitted.

MOVED by Councillor Wile, seconded by Councillor Walker that Chebucto Community Council give Notice of Motion to consider an application by W.M. Fares Group to amend the Stage I Development Agreement for Mount Royale, and schedule a Public Hearing for June 11, 2007. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13. **NOTICES OF MOTION** - None

14. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Wendy MacDonald, Clayton Park:

Ms. MacDonald addressed Community Council and provided the following comments:

- C a successful clean up was held at Belchers Marsh Park on the weekend in which over 35 people participated; they are still finding building debris and Christmas trees; it is very discouraging that they found Christmas trees because it appears apartment dwellers do not seem to be getting the message about recycling. She questioned how many apartment buildings in District 10 were participating in HRM 's mandatory recycling projects.
- C street signage on Lacewood Drive on the right hand side of the road (coming from Bayers Lake) has large lettering but Parkland Drive has small lettering. It appears that only side of the road has signage with large print.
- C Concern was expressed that the HRM Visitors Maps were not going to be printed anymore.

Councillor Wile thanked Ms. MacDonald for her work in regard to the clean up of Belchers Marsh Park. In reference to her comment about street signage, Councillor Wile explained that staff hope to replace all street signage to the large lettering. The Councillor suggested that having the large lettering on one side of the street at this time, may be the method in which staff are working through the replacement process.

Councillor Wile indicated that she would like more information in regard to Ms. MacDonald's concern about the Visitor Maps.

MOVED by Councillor Wile, seconded by Councillor Hum that staff provide a report on the status of printing of the Visitors Map. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

15. NEXT MEETING DATE:

The Chair pointed out that the June meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2007, the second Monday of the month, so as not to conflict with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities meeting held the first week of June.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Sheilagh Edmonds
Legislative Assistant

The following items were submitted as information:

1. Information Report - Case 00916: Rezoning of 65,73 and 75 Kearney Lake Road - Appeal Launched to NSURB
2. 4th. Annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony - The Halifax Mainland North Volunteer Recognition Committee