

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Thursday March 07, 2019 04:30 PM

PRESENT:

John Fedorkow, Kathryn Hoshkiw, Austin Kirkby, John Thwaites, Kai Wiens

REGRETS:

Councillor Erwin Wiens, Councillor Wendy Cheropita, Dennis Dick, Chris VandeLaar

STAFF:

Holly Dowd - Chief Administrative Officer Craig Larmour - Director Community & Development Services Eric Withers - Manager of Planning Rick Wilson - Senior Planner Tara Druzina - Administrative Assistant, Community & Development Services

OTHERS:

Margaret Walton - Partner/Senior Planner, Planscape Melissa Tonge - Senior Ecologist, North-South Environmental Inc.

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:40.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by John Fedorkow that the agenda be adopted as presented.

APPROVED.

3. Conflict of Interest

There were none.

4. Business

4.1 Holly Dowd - Chief Administrative Officer - Adherence to Policy

Ms. Dowd reminded the Committee that policy exists that prohibits municipal committees from meeting outside the constraints of the Town's Procedural By-law.

4.2 Review of the Draft Official Plan (December, 2018)

The Committee, Margaret Walton, Partner/Senior Planner from Planscape and Melissa Tonge, Senior Ecologist from North-South Environmental Inc. discussed the questions/comments previously put forth by Austin Kirkby on behalf of the Committee. The Consultant presented a matrix of the questions/comments along with their applicable answers/comments.

General discussion ensued.

Due to the length of the document and time afforded during the meeting, the Committee was asked to comment on the matrix individually and then as a collective at the next meeting.

Eric Withers, Manager of Planning, explained the necessity of having the Committee endorse recommendations at the next meeting. The Committee's comments are required to move the Plan forward, as per Council's direction.

5. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting has been scheduled for March 20th, 2019 at 2:00-4:30.

6. Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT: 06:11 PM