

The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes Minutes

Agricultural Development Advisory Committee Meeting

ADAC2019-02

Friday, April 12, 2019

9:30 A.M.

Economic Development Boardroom

Economic Development

180 Kent Street West, Lindsay, Ontario

Members:

Councillor Andrew Veale

Robert Bonis

Paul Brown

Phil Callaghan

Rebecca Parker

Matthew Pecoskie

Tim Webster

Shawn Westland

Adam Shea

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1. Call to Order

Chair R. Parker called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. Councillor A. Veale and Members R. Bonis, P. Brown, P. Callaghan, M. Pecoskie, A. Shea, T. Webster and S. Westland were in attendance. Absent: M. Murphy-Ward

Moved By M. Pecoskie

Seconded By P. Callaghan

That the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Carried

2. Administrative Business

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

Moved By P. Brown

Seconded By S. Westland

That the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Carried

2.2 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest disclosed.

2.3 Adoption of Minutes

Moved By P. Brown

Seconded By S. Westland

That the minutes of the Agricultural Development Advisory Committee meeting held on December 13, 2018, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

3. Deputations/Presentations

4. Correspondence

4.1 From Aaron Sloan re Fill By-law recommendations from ADAC

A. Sloan and R. Holy attended the meeting and discussed the recommendations submitted by the Committee at their December meeting.

Moved By P. Brown

Seconded By R. Bonis

That the April 11, 2019 correspondence from Aaron Sloan, regarding the December 2018 recommendations from ADAC on By-law 2018-014 Regulating the Removal of Soil, Placement of Fill, and the Alteration of Grades, be received; and

That in addition to the previous recommendations provided, ADAC recommends Council amend the By-law to provide an extension of the exemption from Site Alteration permit requirements for "within property" movement of soils to be amended to exempt "within-Agricultural Operation" movement of soils for properties in that Agricultural Operation within the City of Kawartha Lakes.

Carried

5. New or Other Business

5.1 Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

An election was conducted by K. Maloney. Rebecca Parker was elected Chair and Tim Webster was elected Vice-Chair for 2019.

5.2 CKL2019-004 Line Fences Act Review

Joel Watts, Deputy Clerk - Review of recommendations presented to Council at Committee of the Whole regarding implementation changes for the Ontario Line Fences Act.

Moved By P. Brown

Seconded By S. Westland

That the April 10, 2019 correspondence from Joel Watts, Deputy Clerk, regarding CKL2019-004 Line Fences Act Review, be received; and

That ADAC recommends a clarification in the by-law that the basic fence where an Agricultural or Rural property meets Urban or Settlement Area property be a page wire fence and that the Line Fences Act remains an option for dispute of fences in this situation.

Carried

5.3 Orientation Session

K. Maloney reviewed the Committee of Council Orientation Package and required training documents.

5.4 2019 ADAC Work Plan

Moved By P. Brown

Seconded By P. Callaghan

That the ADAC 2019 Work Plan be adopted and recommend to Council for approval.

Carried

5.5 2019 VIP Agriculture Committee Appointments

Moved By P. Brown

Seconded By S. Westland

That Matt Pecoskie, Phil Callaghan, and Rebecca Parker be appointed to the VIP Agricultural Tour Planning Committee for 2019.

Carried

5.6 ADAC Member Vacancy

As per Council Policy, when a vacancy persists the Committee may make a recommendation to Council to fill the vacancy. As there is one vacancy on the Committee, members will encourage agricultural community members to consider applying through the standard application process.

6. Update from Economic Development Division

6.1 Spotlight on Agriculture Awards and Gala - Verbal Update

Many positive comments were received about the Spotlight on Agriculture Awards and Gala event. Funds raised will be directed to developing agricultural leadership in some way. Members suggested that a committee of CKL agricultural organizations be formed to develop a high school agri-careers day or event.

6.2 Agriculture and Food Summit and Action Plan development - Verbal Update

Approximately 40 persons attended the Agriculture and Food Summit held on March 28 at the Little Britain Community Centre. Thank you to the Committee Members who participated that day. The consultants will take the input provided during the afternoon workshop and develop a draft Agriculture and Food Action Plan for presentation and discussion with this Committee at their June meeting.

6.3 Comprehensive Rural Zoning By-law Development - Verbal Update

Council has approved the formation of a Comprehensive Rural Zoning By-law Task Force. A call for volunteers to be appointed to the Task Force has been posted with the desire to have input from the agriculture sector. Those interested are encouraged to submit an application.

7. News and Updates from Members

-The Dairy Farmers of Ontario are dealing with animal activism issues on some farms.

-OSPCA is not covering animal welfare issue for livestock, so the provincial organizations are now working on alternate plans for enforcement.

-Land clearing and tree cutting concerns have been raised in the Janetville area.

-A new grain flour and mixing facility has been approved to be built in Goodwood. The parent company does already purchase grains from local Kawartha Lakes producers. It is anticipated that there may be a demand for additional grains.

-Late spring activities are happening, but are behind schedule. Agri-businesses are much busier in the past couple of weeks.

-There appear to not be enough lambs to supply the Easter markets. There is a new farm being established east of Aurora to produce large volumes of lamb with approximately 35,000 ewes.

7.1 Nutri-Pal Concerns Raised in the Community

There are concerns coming to the City from neighbours related to a fertilizer called Nutri-Pal which can have a significant odour issue.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday, June 13th at 9:30 a.m. in the Economic Development Boardroom.

9. Adjournment

Moved By T. Webster

Seconded By S. Westland

That the Meeting adjourn at 12:16 p.m. **Carried**