

The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes

Minutes

Agricultural Development Advisory Committee Meeting

ADAC2018-04

Thursday, December 13, 2018

9:30am

Economic Development Boardroom
180 Kent Street West, Lindsay, Ontario

Members:

Councillor Andrew Veale

Paul Brown

Phil Callaghan

Bruce McKeown

Rebecca Parker

Tim Webster

Shawn Westland

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1. Call to Order

Welcome to Council representative appointed by Council at December 11, 2018 Council meeting for 2018-2022 Term of Council.

Chair R. Parker called the meeting to order at 9:35a.m. Councillor A. Veale and Members P. Brown, P. Callaghan, B. McKeown, T. Webster and S. Westland, and staff K. Maloney were in attendance.

Absent: R. Bonis, M. Hollinger, M. Pecoskie

Guests: A. Elmhirst, R. Holy, A. Sloan

2. Administrative Business

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

Moved By P. Brown

Seconded By P. Callaghan

That the agenda be adopted as circulated.

Carried

2.2 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest noted.

2.3 Adoption of Minutes

Moved By P. Brown

Seconded By S. Westland

That the minutes of the Agricultural Development Advisory Board meeting held on October 11, 2018, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

3. Deputations/Presentations

3.1 Understanding Septic Mantle/Load Area Building Code Requirements

Attendance and discussion by Anne Elmhirst, Supervisor, Part 8 Sewage Systems, Building Division, City of Kawartha Lakes

Moved By B. McKeown

Seconded By T. Webster

That the deputation of A. Elmhirst, regarding Septic Mantle/Load Area Building Code Requirements, be received.

Carried

4. Correspondence

5. New or Other Business

5.1 By-Law 2018-214 Regulating the Removal of Topsoil, Placement of Fill, and the Alteration of Grades

R. Holy and A. Sloan attended the meeting and reviewed the new by-law with members of the Committee. Several items of concern were reviewed in preparation for a recommendation by ADAC to Council for further amendments.

Moved By B. McKeown

Seconded By P. Brown

That the deputation by R. Holy and A. Sloan, regarding By-Law 2018-214 Regulating the Removal of Topsoil, Placement of Fill, and the Alteration of Grades, be received.

Carried

Moved By B. McKeown

Seconded By P. Brown

That the Agricultural Development Advisory Committee recommends that Council amend By-Law 2018-014 Regulating the Removal of Soil, Placement of Fill, and the Alteration of Grades in the following ways:

That the exemption provided in Schedule A Section 2.1, for construction where a permit authorized under the Building Code Act, 1992, S. O. 1002, c. 23, as amended, has been issued by the Chief Building Official, be extended for agricultural buildings or structures to include an area of 100 m surrounding the building and that there be no volume limit imposed for fill dumped or placed within that radius; and

That a section be added in Schedule A Section 3.0 Agricultural Exemptions such that the provisions of this By-law do not apply to the Placing or Dumping of Fill for projects of up to 1000 m³ as an incidental part of a Normal Farm Practice as defined by the Farming and Food Production Protection Act, S.O. 1998, c. 1 as amended, on Agricultural Lands as part of an Agricultural Operation, save and except requirements for the Protection of the Natural Environment found within Sections 2.6 and 2.7, unless permitted or required by the Nutrient Management Act, 2002, S.O. 2002, c. 4, as amended; and

That a section be added in Schedule A Section 3.0 Agricultural Exemptions such that the provisions of this By-law do not apply to any form of Site Alteration or the alteration of Grade where soils are being moved with the property as an incidental part of a Normal Farm Practice as defined by the Farming and Food Production Protection Act, S.O. 1998, c. 1 as amended, on Agricultural Lands as part of an Agricultural Operation; and

That that the final sentence of Schedule A Section 3.3, "This exception does not include the removal of Topsoil for sale, exchange or other disposition", be removed.

Carried

6. Update from Economic Development Division

6.1 Terms of Reference Updated

Council updated the Terms of Reference for non-legislated Committees of Council. The Terms of Reference were adopted by Council and circulated for information.

6.2 Kawartha Lakes Agricultural Summit - March 1, 2019

This workshop is planned to update the Kawartha Lakes Agriculture and Food Action Plan. A scoped Agriculture and Food interview and survey will precede the

event to inform decision making. Members were asked to plan to attend the Workshop.

6.3 Spotlight on Agriculture in Kawartha Lakes - March 22, 2019

Nominations are open for 2 awards to be given at this event. Sponsorships are available. Tickets are available from the Agriculture Development Officer. Members were encouraged to submit nominations, attend the event and also encourage others to do the same, as Champions for this event and awards program.

7. News and Updates from Members

Members noted the following updates and news items:

-The Victoria Soil & Crop Improvement Association Annual Meeting will be held on January 15.

-Sheep prices have dropped because of an increase of Alberta lambs coming into the Ontario market.

-Wool processing facilities have been opened up locally to produce raw bats or yarn.

-Crop yields were above average and elevators are full locally

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Friday, February 15, 2019 at 9:30am in the Economic Development Boardroom.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 12:05pm.