

**Town of Kensington
Minutes of Public Meeting
Wednesday, October 17, 2012
7:00 PM**

Presiding: Mayor Gordon Coffin

Council Members Present: Deputy Mayor Chessman, Councillors Caseley, Spencer, MacLean and Mill.

Staff Members Present: Town Manager/Administrator, Geoff Baker; Deputy Administrator, Wendy MacKinnon and Administrative Assistant Kim Verhulp.

Presenters: Janice Harper and Gordon Smith - CBCL

Visitors: Calvin Roberts, Jessie Adams, John Bernard, Greg Stewart, Thelma Stewart, Lea Murphy, Lynn Anne Hogan, Doug Profitt, Fern Profitt, Elaine Chessman, Pam Coffin.

Mayor Coffin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and explained the purpose of the meeting, introduced the Town Councillors and other participants.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the meeting is to review a Draft Revised Official Plan and Development Control Bylaw for the Town of Kensington. This meeting will constitute a formal review of the Official Plan and Bylaw for the Town. The Official Plan and Bylaw outline policies for directing and managing land use within the Municipality. Land zoning will be reviewed and an updated Zoning map will be presented. This session will serve as an opportunity to gather input from the community with regards to the Official Plan and Bylaw.

Lea Murphy inquired on plans for watershed issues. Janice Harper explained the process of how watershed protection was dealt with within the Official Plan.

Janice Harper provided a power point presentation on the Official Plan and Bylaw.

Janice Harper explained the major changes that were made to the Official Plan in comparison to the existing Plan.

Janice Harper provided the public with detailed information on the process to be followed to provide approval of the Plan by the Town Council and the Minister.

Doug Profitt inquired about the need for an Agricultural zone within the Town. The town has possessed an Agricultural Zone since 2002 however no lands had been designated since that time.

It is proposed that two parcels would be given an Agricultural designation under the new Plan. Additionally, any agricultural property annexed inside the community would be afforded the Agricultural designation, as appropriate.

Doug Profitt inquired about Council's plans for downtown development upgrade.

Lea Murphy made a statement with regards to Kensington's role as a service centre for the area.

A general discussion was held on the Town's future plans for annexation of areas around the Town.

There being no further questions or comments on the proposed revised Official Plan and Zoning Bylaw the meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Wendy MacKinnon,
Deputy Administrator

Gordon Coffin,
Mayor