

Township of Howick Public Meeting Minutes February 7, 2017

A public meeting was held to consider a proposed Official Plan Amendment under Sections 17 and 22 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, as amended and a proposed Zoning By-law Amendment under Section 34 of the Planning Act R.S.O 1990, as amended.

All members of Council were present.

Roger Drudge, Scott Patterson, Wray Wilson and Kirk Livingston were present.

Staff members present were Recreation Facilities Manager McDougall, Fire Chief Edwards, Public Works Coordinator Martin, Treasurer Hughes and Deputy Clerk Msuya-Collison.

Reeve Versteeg called the meeting to order.

Part Lots 21-24, Concession C (Donegan's Haulage Ltd)

The lands subject to both the Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment are described as Concession C, Part Lots 21-24. The subject property is 42.2 hectares.

The portion of the property to be licensed for a sand and gravel pit and the subject of this official plan amendment and rezoning application is used for agricultural cropping and contains no buildings. The site is to be progressively rehabilitated as outlined in the pending Class "A" Pit License from the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

In the Howick Official Plan the vast majority of the subject property is currently designated Extractive Resources, while the balance is designated Natural Environment and Agriculture. The purpose of the official plan amendment is to change the designation of the Agriculture area to Extractive Resources. The resulting area designated Extractive Resources in the Official Plan will be approximately 39 hectares.

The zoning on the majority of the subject property is AG1 (General Agriculture) except for some NE2 (Natural Environment – Limited Protection) zoned areas at the north end (a woodlot) and at the south end along the river along with a portion abutting a neighbouring woodlot to the west. The purpose of the zoning by-law amendment is to change the zoning on the portion of the property to be licensed for extraction to ER1 (Extractive Resource Zone) which permits sand and gravel extraction.

Deputy Clerk Msuya-Collison confirmed that notice was given in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act. Public notice was mailed to the required agencies and property owners on December 21, 2016.

Senior Planner Craig Metzger with the County of Huron Planning and Development Department presented his report recommending that Official Plan Amendment No. 12 be adopted and forwarded to the County of Huron for approval and Zoning By-law Amendment No. 06/16 be approved once the Johnston Line and C Line road issue is resolved to Howick Township's satisfaction.


Scott Patterson, Senior Planner Labreche Patterson & Associates Inc., Designated Agent for the applicant spoke in support to the application and stated that he agreed with Senior Planner Metzger's recommendation.

No one from the audience spoke in opposition to the application.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 pm.



Reeve Art Versteeg



Deputy Clerk Rebekah Msuya-Collison
Carol Watson