



Municipal Planning Advisory Committee

Municipality of the District of Yarmouth

December 3rd, 2024

The Municipal Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting for the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth was held in person on Tuesday, December 3rd, 2024, in the Municipal Council Chambers.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by chairperson, Deputy Warden Trevor Cunningham with the following in attendance: Councillor Daniel Muise, Jim Baxter, & Loren Cushing; Citizen Representative Warner Comeau; Development Officer Derek Robertson; Planner Madelyn LeMay and Development Technician, Kim Rowley

Regrets: Citizen Representatives, Alex Graham & Karen Gaudet, and CAO Victoria Brooks

2. Land Acknowledgement - I would like to begin by acknowledging that we are on the traditional lands of the Wasoqopa'q First Nation, part of Mi'kma'ki (meeg-ma-gee), the ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

3. Introductions of new PAC Members

Welcomed new Councillors Daniel Muise & Jim Baxter.

4. Introductions to planning & PAC

5. Election, Chair & Vice-Chair

Tabled until the next PAC meeting in January 2025.

6. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Councilor Loren Cushing & seconded by Councilor Jim Baxter to approve the agenda as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Approval of minutes

It was moved by Councillor Jim Baxter & seconded by Councillor Loren Cushing to approve the minutes as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Business Arising from Minutes

None.

9. Items for Discussion or Approval

9.1 Accessory Dwellings in Front Yard Report

Planner Madelyn LeMay briefly reviewed the Accessory Dwelling in Front Yard Report.

It was moved by Citizen Representative Warner Comeau, seconded by Councillor Loren Cushing that PAC recommends Council give First Reading and hold a Public Hearing to consider amending the text of the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth Land Use By-law to allow accessory dwellings in the front yard of a lot by removing Land Use By-law subsection 7.1 (d) "ii. the accessory dwelling shall be located in the rear or side yard.

Motion carried unanimously.

9.2 Short-Term Rental Report

Planner Madelyn LeMay briefly reviewed the Short-Term Rental Report.

It was moved by Councillor Loren Cushing, seconded by Citizen Representative Warner Comeau that PAC recommends Council give First Reading and hold a Public Hearing to consider amending the text of the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law to accommodate short-term rentals in a manner substantively the same as set out in Appendix A of the Public Participation Meeting report dated October 24, 2024.

Motion carried unanimously.

10. Other Items

None.

11. Date of next meeting – January 21st, 2024

12. Adjournment

Chair Trevor Cunningham moved the meeting to adjourn at 8:00 PM.

Chair, Deputy Warden Trevor Cunningham

Development Technician, Kim Rowley

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