

**The Corporation of the Town of Deep River**

**MINUTES**

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.**

**Present:**

Mayor David Thompson  
Deputy Mayor Daniel Banks  
Councillors Ronald Desrochers  
Terry Myers  
Ruth Syme

Guests: Bob McLaren  
Rob McLaren  
Geoff Hooper

Staff: Michelle Larose, CAO/Clerk  
Dawn Recoskie, Deputy Clerk  
John Walden, Planning & Development Manager  
Shelly Cull, Recreation Manager

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Thompson opened the meeting at 6:33 p.m. and welcomed everyone. He stated the public meeting has been called to consider any revisions that may be required to the Official Plan of the Town of Deep River.

**2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

NIL

**3. OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW**

Michelle Larose, CAO/Clerk, advised an advertisement was placed in The North Renfrew Times on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 giving notice of a public meeting scheduled for November 2, 2011 to discuss any revisions that may be required to the Official Plan of the Town of Deep River. A notice was also posted on the Town's website on October 12, 2011.

Mayor Thompson asked the Planning and Development Manager, John Walden, to provide a further explanation of the revisions required of the Official Plan. Mr. Walden advised that Section 26 of the *Planning Act* requires that every municipality must review its Official Plan every five years. The purpose of the review is to determine whether the Official Plan is relevant to the current situation in the community and to determine what changes (if any) need to be made for the community to move forward in an appropriate manner. The purpose of the public meeting is to ask the public if there are any changes that they would like to see made to the Official Plan; public input will be considered before the revised version of the plan is presented to council and the public at a later date.

Mayor Thompson asked the Chair of the Official Plan Committee, Deputy Mayor Daniel Banks, to provide his comments regarding the review of the Official Plan. Deputy Mayor Banks advised the Official Plan Committee reviewed the Official Plan line by line and have made some suggestions to encourage development such as more high density residential units like condominiums and apartments. The committee has also made suggestions regarding development along Highway 17.

Mayor Thompson asked members of council if they had any questions for Mr. Walden or Deputy Mayor Banks. Mayor Thompson thanked Mr. Walden and Deputy Mayor Banks for their work on the Official Plan Committee along with community members Ruben Marini and Ian Towner.

Mayor Thompson asked to hear from anyone in the audience who would like to comment on the revisions required of the Official Plan. No members of the audience came forward.

Mayor Thompson then asked anyone with written submissions to leave them with the CAO/Clerk and if anyone wants to receive further notice to sign the list provided. No written submissions were received.

A copy of the sign in sheet is attached to these minutes for the public record.

Mayor Thompson indicated Council will consider all matters placed before it.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

**RESOLUTION # 2011-255**

**MOVED BY:** Councillor Desrochers

**SECONDED BY:** Deputy Mayor Banks

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council hereby adjourns the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Mayor David Thompson

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CAO/Clerk – Michelle Larose