

Media Release



June 9, 2021 Council Meeting Summary

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The following items were discussed at the regular monthly meeting of the Stratford Town Council held on Wednesday, June 9, 2021.

Noise and Nuisance Bylaw Exemption

An exemption was granted for a wedding and reception being held at 156 Prospect Drive on August 21, 2021. The exemption runs until 1:00 a.m. on August 22, 2021.

Fees Bylaw

A resolution was approved to increase the cost of some recreation programming to reflect the increasing cost to provide and deliver respectable facilities, amenities and programs.

Donation to Stratford Seniors Complex

A donation of \$600 was approved towards the purchase of furniture for the common room at the Stratford Seniors Complex.

Authorization to CAO

The Municipal Government Act (MGA) requires the Mayor and the CAO to sign all contracts and agreements however Section 156-5 permits council by resolution to authorize the chief administrative officer alone to sign contracts and agreements if:

- (a) the value of the contract or agreement does not exceed \$25,000; and
- (b) the chief administrative officer (CAO) tables a written summary of the nature and value of the contract or agreement at the next meeting of council

The resolution passed.

Variance Approved

An application was approved by resolution to permit a lot size and lot frontage variance to parcel number 328609, located on 16 Barkley Avenue for the purpose of constructing a two unit semi-detached dwelling. The

resolution passed.

Public Meeting Called

Council passed three resolutions to hold a public meeting to receive comments from the public on the following:

- An application received from Reddin Meadows to rezone parcel numbers 1061175, 1061167 and 329011, (approx. 14.01 acres in total) from the Low-Density Residential Zone (R1) to the Planned Unit Residential Development Zone (PURD).
- An application received from Lesli Hilton of 53 Marion Drive for an amendment to the Town of Stratford Zoning and Development Bylaw #45 to allow for a home occupation in a semi-detached dwelling. Currently, a home occupation is only allowed in a single dwelling in the Town of Stratford.
- Applications received from SJ Murphy Planning and Consulting on behalf of the Town of Stratford, Ian Dalton, 101523 PEI Inc, Paul and Robert Farquharson, and Jane Farquharson and Doug Crossman, for amendments to the Town of Stratford Official Plan and the Zoning and Development Bylaw #45 where the proposed amendments will allow for the development of the proposed Community Campus, future residential development, as well as additional industrial development adjacent to the Business Park as follows:
 - Portion of PID 608141 - re-designation and rezoning:
This section involves a request to be re-designated as Institutional and rezoned PSI- Public Service Institutional. It is currently designated Agricultural and zoned Agricultural Reserve (A1). It is associated with the proposed Community Campus.
 - Portion of PID 608141 - new designation and new zoning:
This section is to be designated as Institutional and zoned PSI- Public Service Institutional. This portion of PID 608141 has been annexed into the Town and is associated with the proposed Community Campus.
 - Portion of PID 608141 - new designation and new zoning:
This section is to be designated as Industrial and zoned as M1 – Industrial. It is a portion of PID 608141 that has been annexed into the Town. The lower sections of PID 1086107 and 608141 (shown together as light grey) would retain the existing Industrial designation and M1 zoning. This abuts an existing M1 zone and would be part of an expansion of the industrial area.
 - Portion of PID 1086107 – re-designation and rezoning:
This portion to be re-designated as Institutional and rezoned PSI- Public Service Institutional. It is currently designated Agricultural and zoned as Agricultural Reserve (A1). It is associated with the proposed Community Campus.
 - Portions of 608141 – new designation and new zoning:
This portion of PID 608141 to be designated as Residential and zoned R1- Low Density Residential to permit future residential development. This portion of PID 608141 has been annexed into the Town.
 - Portion of PID 1086107, and PID 190041 – re-designation and rezoning:
This portion of PID 1086107 and all of PID 190041 to be re-designated as Residential and re-

- zoned R1- Low Density Residential to permit future residential development on PID 1086107. There is an existing dwelling on PID 190041.
- PID 814095 - new designation and new zoning:
This parcel to be designated as Residential and zoned R1- Low Density Residential. It has been annexed into the Town and has an existing residential structure on it.
 - Subsection 7.2(9) of the Official Plan to be amended to include a new clause b) “Permit restaurants and lounges and other ancillary uses associated with recreation and institutional uses.”
 - Section 17.3 of the Development Bylaw to be amended to include “xii. Restaurants and Lounges Accessory to the Main Use” in the list of permitted uses in subsection 17.3.2.; and

The public meeting will be held at the Stratford Emergency Services Centre, 4 Georgetown Road, on Wednesday, June 23, 2021.

Summer Time Change for Meetings

A resolution was approved to change Stratford Town Council and Committee of the Whole meetings to 4:00pm for the months of July, August and September 2021. Regular meeting times will resume in October.

Electronic Voting

Council approved a resolution which will include an electronic voting option for the next municipal election in the fall of 2022. The resolution also reduces the number of advance polls by one, for a total of two days, as residents will have access to the electronic voting option. It is hoped that an online voting option will increase voter turnout, particularly among the younger voters who have not been as engaged historically, by providing an alternative option.

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