

**R.M. OF LUMSDEN NO. 189  
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
HELD ON JUNE 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

The Lumsden Rural Municipal Council convened their special meeting in the Council Chambers of the Library in Lumsden, on Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 4:05 p.m. with Reeve Jim Hipkin presiding.

**Present:** Reeve: Jim Hipkin  
Councillor: Al Szeles, Kent Farago, Tom Harrison,  
Dale Srochenski, Bill Marquardt

Administrator: Wayne Zerff  
Asst. Administrator: Darcie Cooper  
Municipal Planner: John Wolfenberg

**Absent:** Councillor: Jim Atcheson

Council held a special meeting to review Draft #11 of the Official Community Plan prepared by municipal planner John Wolfenberg.

John Wolfenberg reviewed Draft #11 with council, sections pertaining to dispersed and cluster residential parcel sizes and rezoning processes. Council also reviewed sections pertaining to Intensive Livestock Operations (ILO).


**Draft 11 Discussion:**

- Council discussed, at length, what they felt would be appropriate parcel sizes for each zone. Some members felt that the Dispersed Parcel Sizes of twenty-one (21) acres as proposed were too large and that good agricultural land would be lost due to this parcel size. It was felt by these members that the current size of max. 12.5 acres would be best.
- There was a lot of discussion on how these proposed subdivision policies would affect the agricultural land in the municipality. It is felt by some members that we need to try and preserve the agricultural land as much as possible.
- John recommended that Council have a couple of different options for parcel sizes, to put to the public at the public meeting to get a feel of what the ratepayer's would like to see for parcel size range. Council agreed with John's recommendation.
- Some parcel size options given for the Dispersed single parcel; were 21 acres or less, and 12.5 acres and less. For Clustered Low Density, options were 10-20 acres and 4-10 acres
- Council felt that there needs to be a provision for an Agricultural Subdivision, under the Agricultural Objectives
- Administrator Wayne Zerff, indicated that the current proposal does not allow for the development of the current Country Residential development in the Valley District of a minimum of 21 acre parcel sizes, unless there is a Cluster of them and even then, with the current size of 10-20 acres, it would encourage smaller valley parcel development
- Council discussed that they felt the 21 acre parcel sizes worked well in the valley, because there was minimal disturbance to the land and most of the land was kept natural by the landowners.
- Council suggested that Wayne, Darcie and John come up with another line on the chart to address Country Residential subdivisions
- Council reviewed the ILO sections and it was recommended that under Clause B (4)(a), should be re-worded to "Proposed new Intensive Livestock Operations (ILOs) shall be prohibited uses in the Zoning Bylaw, but this Policy and Zoning prohibition shall not apply to any existing ILOs, which have already obtained a Permit from the MoA and are recognized by the R.M. of Lumsden No. 189 as an approved ILO, before the effective date of this Plan and the new Zoning Bylaw.
- John requested that Council read pages 29-33 of Draft 11 and provide their comments at the next regular council meeting.
- Council reviewed the ILO map and indicated a few more additional producers that should receive a meeting invitation to the ILO producer meeting on June 29<sup>th</sup>.
- Council discussed a possible public meeting date of August 11<sup>th</sup> for a public meeting for the Official Community Plan. Councillors were to check their schedules and confirm the date at the June 24<sup>th</sup> meeting. The public meeting notice information could then be sent with the Tax Notices.

**Adjournment:**

Srochenski: "That we adjourn this meeting at 6:50 p.m."

**CARRIED**

  
Reeve

  
Administrator