

R.M. OF LUMSDEN NO. 189
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON MAY 12th, 2009

The Planning Advisory Committee convened their meeting in the Council Chambers of the R.M. Office, on the evening of Tuesday, May 12th, 2009 at 7:12 p.m.

Present: Chairman: Tom Harrison
Committee Members: Dave Rudolph, Paul Andre, Kent Farago, Gary Howland, Ian White

Municipal Planner: John Wolfenberg
Asst. Administrator: Darcie Cooper

Minutes:

Ermel/Joorisity: "That the minutes of the April 21st Planning Advisory Committee meeting be approved as amended." **CARRIED**

Draft Official Community Plan – Goals, Objectives and Policies:

- John handed out a revised draft of the Official Community Plan (OCP) goals, objectives and policies for the members with the changes suggested by the committee at the April 21st meeting. The committee reviewed the changes made to the Agriculture land use areas, objectives and policies recommended at the April 21st meeting.
- The committee agreed to add a 7th goal addressing ground and surface water protection
- The committee continued on the review of the draft OCP goals, objectives and policies with the section on Environmentally sensitive lands.
- The committee discussed the need to define environmentally sensitive lands and indicated that natural vegetation areas and marsh/wetland areas would be considered environmentally sensitive.
- There was discussion over item 2(2) under objectives for environmentally sensitive lands to consider the visual impact of development on the slope or rim of the Qu'Appelle Valley. There was concern raised over how this may be implemented.
- There was discussion over adding a mitigation policy under the policies for Environmentally Sensitive lands with a no net loss of environmentally sensitive lands. Some members thought this may be an extreme policy.
- The committee discussed heritage areas and there was mention of the Heritage Branch undertaking an identification of all areas in the province.
- John indicated he has a hard copy from the Heritage Branch of potential landscapes where there may be archeological finds.
- Committee discussed Intensive Livestock Operations and the need for protection of the environment. There was discussion of giving council authority in the objectives for the Agricultural areas to not allow an ILO that will contaminate the environment. There were other discussions that any type of development could be considered to contaminate the environment depending on the individuals' perception of contamination.

Other items:

- John handed out two draft maps of Natural and Manmade constraints.
- John handed out results of the survey that was sent out to the ratepayer's. Summary of results to come at a future meeting.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 2nd at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m.



Chairman



Administrator