

Minutes of a Town of Pictou Planning Advisory Committee meeting convened at the CN Station – Council Chambers on the above date. Murray Hill presiding.

PRESENT: Mayor James Ryan; Deputy Mayor Melinda MacKenzie;
Councillors Dan Currie and Nadine LeBlanc

ALSO PRESENT: Community Members Gary Nowlan and Gary Schell
Kyle Slaunwhite, CAO/Meeting Recorder

REGRETS: Councillor Shawn McNamara
Chair Ken Johnston
Nicole MacDonald, Deputy Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

2. REVIEW OF PLANNING DOCUMENTS – INNER-MUNICIPAL PLANNING STRATEGY, COMMON LAND USE BY-LAW AND TOWN OF PICTOU SECONDARY PLANNING STRATEGY (continued)

Discussion continued on the Preliminary Report – Review of the Pictou County Towns’ Inter-municipal Planning Strategy and Common Land Use Bylaw.

- Item 3: The requirements for permits for small accessory buildings – Agree to proceed without permit for accessory building (not habitable) up to 215 sqft
- Item 4: Swimming Pools – Does not apply as Town of Pictou does not have a Swimming Pool Bylaw
- Item 5: Housekeeping Amendments – Agreed with correction to page 81: “off the ground level” after “~~91 metres~~ 9.1 metres”
- Item 6: Additional Policies and Regulations for Climate Change Action – Declined to add this item to the LUB and suggested to include with SPS for municipalities who want to adopt
- Item 7: The Creation of Newly Zoned Land Parcels for Local Commercial Uses Agreed – Need to revisit Land Use Map for C2 considerations
- Item 8: Rezoning of Lands to Allow for More “As-of-Right” Uses, Particularly in Relation to Higher Density Housing to Address Housing Shortages – Agreed to review Land Use Map
- Item 9: Policies and Regulations Regarding “Tiny Homes” and other forms of “Affordable” Housing – Agreed to rework the language within the R5 zone and should include maximum lot sizes and fixed foundations
- Item 10: The Regulation of Animals on Residentially Zoned Lands – Remove from LUB and handle via separate Bylaw
- Item 11: Examine Current Policies Regarding Housing and Residential Uses in Downtown – Maintain the current requirements of C1 Zones

- Item 12: A Review of the Current Policies and Regulations Concerning Development within Areas Mapped as Being Prone to Former Underground Coal Mining Subsidence – N/A
- Item 13: A Review of the Current Policies and Regulations Concerning the Reclamation of Land in the Former Resource Area – N/A
- Item 14: Adding a “Public Participation Program” Policy – Agree to add using the same format as a public hearing
- Item 15: Adding an “Inclusionary Zoning” Policy – Maintain SPAs within the R1 and R2 zones to permit consideration of increasing to R3 conditions

3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED

James J. Ryan
Mayor

Kyle Slaunwhite
CAO