

## Souris Town Council and Souris sewer and water Utility Corporation

## **MINUTES**

SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING MONDAY, July 9, 2018 @ 6:00pm

Town Hall ~ Council Chambers 75 Main Street, Souris, PEI

Mayor O'Brien called the meeting to order with a quorum. All Council were present.

This Public Meeting was called in order to give residents and property owners an opportunity to give input in to proposed donation of Land and Rezoning of Land (PEI Parcel Identification Number 899187) for purposes of developing Seniors Housing as per advertisement in Guardian (copy attached) as well as personal notification that was sent to adjacent property owners. David McQuaid was present to answer question about the development. David had conceptual drawings for viewing.

Mayor O'Brien opened the floor to attendees:

## **Attendees included:**

Reta MacDonald, Ian MacDonald, Dianne Nadeau Roche, Cathy Gallant, Anne Marie Scott, Marilyn McLean, Nancy MacLean-Eveson, Helen MacDonald, Clifford MacCormac, Larry Eveson, Dianne LaChappelle, Bernie MacKenzie, Louie Clinton, Darlene Clinton, Ellen Dingwell, Linda Lutz, Rita Lutz, Anne (John) MacDonald, Lorraine Burt, Ken Burt, Jeannette White, Francis White, Brian Deveau, Keith Roche, Curtis Laybolt, Sandra Jennings, Robert MacPhee, Matthew Rice, Betty Rice, Justine Rice

- Ken Burt & Lorraine expressed concern over the design. No green space, very hotel/motel looking.
- Dianne & Keith Roche understood there is supposed to be a buffer zone between residential and commercial development.
- Ken Burt feels with less green space in the neighbourhood the value of their properties will drop.
- Lorraine Burt said she would feel like they will be blocked in.
- Francis White said he would feel the same way if his property was on that side of the street.
- Ken Burt is against row housing.
- Matthew Rice is concerned about the extra traffic this development would create. He is also against the Town giving away the land, he feels the developer should have to pay fair market value for the land. He also feels their property value will go down with this development.

A lot of general discussion was held amongst the people. Some in favour of the development, others not.

Mayor thanked everyone for coming and explained that all their comments will be taken into consideration when Council is making their decision. Any decision made will require two readings by Council for approval. It is possible if decided upon first reading may happen at the regular general meeting to follow.



## TOWN OF SOURIS NOTICE TO RESIDENTS OF PUBLIC MEETING

In accordance with section 143 (1) (2) of the Municipal Government Act. Transfer of Land below market value, and in accordance to bylaw section 21.1 of the Town of Souris Development and Zoning bylaws NOTICE is hereby given of a PUBLIC MEETING to provide residents and/or other interested parties an opportunity to make representation to Planning Advisory Board and Town Council concerning a transfer of municipal owned land.

The land proposed to be transferred by the Town of Souris, shown in the diagram below is made up of 2.96 acres with access to Anniversary Avenue, indicated by PEI Parcel Identification Number 899187, currently owned by the Town of Souris is proposed to be donated to developers David & Wendy McQuaid. They are proposing to build twenty town house units for people in need: ie. veterans, people with disabilities, seniors etc. All units will be accessible with universal design. All units shall be ground floor. The building and it's heating system shall be energy efficient. All units shall be affordable and accessible. *They have a similar building in Montague-143 Fraser Street*. The term of the disposition being the Town of Souris will have no further interest in the land once transferred.

**ALSO**, to be considered at this same meeting is an **Application to Rezone** the SAME property from it's current status of (O1) Open Space/Recreational land to (M3) Multiple Family Residential.



All are Welcome to make representation respecting the proposed transfer of land and/or rezoning of land in writing or in person to the Town Council at a **PUBLIC MEETING scheduled for Monday July 9, 2018 at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers, 3**<sup>rd</sup> **Floor, Town Hall, 75 Main Street, Souris.** 

A copy of the proposed land transfer, property description, the nature of the disposition, value and consideration, is available for inspection at Souris Town Hall, 75 Main Street during regular business hours Monday – Friday 8:30am – 4:00pm. Written submissions should be received by July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

This meeting is open to all residents of the Town of Souris.

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