



TOWN OF KENTVILLE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Meeting Minutes: January 22, 2024

Present: Mayor Sandra Snow, Deputy Mayor Cate Savage, Councillor Craig Gerrard, Councillor Paula Huntley, Councillor Cathy Maxwell, Councillor Gillian Yorke, and Councillor Andrew Zebian.

Present: Acting CAO Louis Coutinho, Recording Secretary Jennifer West and Solicitor Muttart

1. CALL TO ORDER at 4:00pm

It was moved

That Council approve the agenda for the Special meeting of Council on January 22, 2024.

Kentville Crossing Initiation Request

Mayor Sandra Snow opened the meeting and CAO Louis Coutinho gave a summary of the project. The request is for Council, upon approval at each step, to use an agreed upon timeline for the development process.

Presentation and Request from the Developer

Chrystal Fuller, with Brighter Communities, representing the developer Brison Developments, gave a presentation about the timeline. An initiation report is a plan amendment and rezoning application, and approval of the timeline would show an open by Council to hear more about the project.

The goal for this site is to rezone the parcel to be residential. Brison Development, Design Point and Brighter Communities have put a lot of thought into this project already.

Developer Mitch Brison spoke about his past developments, and the proposed projects.

Presentation available

Consulting Planner Caroline Robertson from C+D Community Design gave some feedback on this project. The proposed development will require an amendment of the MPS and an amendment to the LUB. She described the importance of development, but also public feedback and a vision for the town. She suggested that the development may require a stormwater management plan, a traffic study, landscape design and active

transportation considerations. If Council decides to use this timeline, her team would be able to support the work.

Director Dave Bell described the wellfield for the town and the impending addition of an eighth well.

Council was asked to permit the proposal to move forward in an expedited manner (revised version).

Discussion:

The timeline for full construction will be related to market factors. The regional sewer system does have capacity for more units. The regional availability of industrial land should also be considered in future phases of consideration of this project. The timeline was created with consideration of the budget discussions this winter and spring.

It was moved by Councillor Andrew Zebian and Deputy Mayor Cate Savage

That Council support the expedited planning process and compressed timeline as presented in the attached document. The amendment process will not be compromised by the change in the timeline and is supported by Staff at revised.

Motion Carried

Members who voted in favor of this motion:

Gerrard, Huntley, Maxwell, Savage, Snow, Yorke, and Zebian

2. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved

The Special Council Meeting adjourn at 5:10 pm.



Approved by CAO Jeff Lawrence