

## **MINUTES**

# **Public Meeting**

# United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Monday, March 29, 2021, 12:00 p.m.

# **Virtual Meeting**

Present: County Council: Warden Frank Prevost, Councillor Bryan McGillis

County Staff: Tim Simpson, Chief Administrative Officer, Ben de Haan, Director of Planning and Transportation Services, Paul Hicks, Acting Manager of Planning, Kimberley Casselman, Director of Corporate Services/Clerk

Public Attendees: Kimberley MacDonald, Raisin Region Conservation Authority, Jennifer Barrett & Michelle Armstrong, GFL Environmental, James Holland, South Nation Conservation

#### 1. Call to Order

Warden Prevost called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and asked Clerk Casselman to provide housekeeping information for the meeting.

# 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest - None

## 3. Public Meeting

## 3.1 Official Plan Amendment No. 6 - Housekeeping

Warden Prevost introduced Acting Manager of Planning, Paul Hicks, who further explained how the meeting would proceed. Mr. Hicks stated that the public meeting was a forum for the public and Council to receive information that pertained to the proposed housekeeping amendments to the Official Plan, as well as voice any questions, comments or concerns regarding the amendments. Mr. Hicks stated that the meeting was being held pursuant to Section 17 and Section 21(1) of the *Planning Act* and added that anyone wishing to receive further



information about the Housekeeping Amendments to the SDG Official Plan, could send an email to info@sdgcounties.ca.

Mr. Hicks presented a PowerPoint presentation that provided information on the proposed Housekeeping Amendments to the SDG Official Plan. A copy of the presentation is held on file. Mr. Hicks spoke to the various categories of the amendments, including the correction of minor grammar, spelling and formatting issues; the introduction of new text or editing of existing test to improve readability and clarity; correction of mapping errors and reformatting the Official Plan schedules; and the various substantive policy changes. Mr. Hicks also presented information on the consultation activities that had taken place in preparing the amendment, including with local municipalities, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and the general public. He stated that at the time of the public meeting, the County had received two submissions from the statutory circulation of the amendment from GFL Environmental and South Nation Conservation, and the response to the submissions. Mr. Hicks concluded his presentation by providing information on next steps in the amendment process.

Warden Prevost thanked Mr. Hicks for his presentation and invited members of the public to speak to the amendments. No members of the public present at the meeting provided comments.

Warden Prevost invited members of Council in attendance to provide comments. Councillor Bryan McGillis stated the proposed amendments would be helpful especially the amendments regarding clarification surrounding the creation of secondary dwellings on properties.

CAO Simpson spoke to the amendments surrounding hydrological studies for lots that are smaller than an acre. He asked if this applied to second dwelling units on lots. Mr. Hicks stated that the proposed amendments with regard to hydrological study requirements were not to remove this requirement, but add extra discretion on the part of County staff for certain instances.

# 4. Adjournment

Warden Prevost adjourned the meeting at 12:25 p.m.