

MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

October 3, 2024, 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Held in Meeting Room 1, 285 County Road 44

MEMBERS PRESENT Mayor Nancy Peckford

Councillor Kristin Strackerjan

Councillor Deb Wilson

Kevin Willey Mitch Bloom

Nadia Diakun-Thibault

Ardis Lerner Manpreet Shahi

MEMBERS ABSENT Alain Cayer

STAFF PRESENT Senterre McKenna, Committee Clerk

A. Open Meeting

Co-Chair Nancy Peckford called the meeting to order at 5:09p.m.

B. Land Acknowledgement

The land acknowledgment was read by Nancy Peckford.

C. Approval of the Agenda

Moved By Kevin Willey Seconded By Deb Wilson

Be it resolved that:

The agenda for October 3, 2024 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

D. Disclosure of Interest

None.

E. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved By Deb Wilson Seconded By Manpreet Shahi

Be it resolved that:

The following meeting minutes be approved as circulated:

- 1. August 7, 2024
- 2. September 5, 2024

CARRIED

- 1. Committee Meeting Minutes August 7, 2024
- 2. Committee Meeting Minutes September 5, 2024

F. Closed Session

Amendment to Closed Session, Nadia added a request to Nancy Peckford gave update on Campus, there are architectural plan in process, and they will be shared in the near future. Manpreet noted that there may be another business or individual interested in expanding the campus grounds, he can give and update in the future is a client of Manpreet. Nancy Peckford noted that the plans should be completed in approx. 6 weeks.

Moved By Deb Wilson Seconded By Kevin Willey

Be it resolved:

THAT the Housing Advisory Committee proceed to Closed Session pursuant to Subsection 239(2)(k) of the Municipal Act, 2001 Section 239 (2) (k) regarding a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipal or local board, specifically for the approval of closed minutes.

CARRIED

1. Committee Meeting Minutes - August 7, 2024

Moved By Kevin Willey Seconded By Manpreet Shahi Be it resolved that:

The following meeting minutes be approved as circulated:

1. Closed Minutes - August 7, 2024

CARRIED

G. Open Session

Moved By Manpreet Shahi Seconded By Kevin Willey

Be it resolved:

THAT the Housing Advisory Committee proceed to Open Session at 5:22PM.

CARRIED

Be it resolved that:

The following meeting minutes be approved as circulated:

1. August 7, 2024 - Closed Session

H. Delegations

None.

I. Decision Items

None.

J. Correspondence/Information Items/Reports

1. Work Plan Discussion

Workplan update changes made to Workplan Document attached to the minutes. Housing Workplan Revised October 3, 2024

Nancy Peckford noted various housing strategies with Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) as they support sustainable housing development and how they offer supports to local housing initiatives. She would like them to be present as a delegation soon. Kevin Wiley noted that there were more housing supports in 1960 than we have today. Discussion about the Ferguson Forest Land that is for sale and

suggested there is a potential for housing or some commercial use. Kristin Strackerjan said that Municipal lands need to be thought through before any sale of lands to developers.

Terms of Reference

Moved to November meeting.

3. Municipal Housing Corporation, John Barclay

Nancy Peckford noted that John Barclay decided to defer the item of Municipal Housing Corporation to the December meeting. Kevin Wiley shared that the New Commons Housing is making decision on local housing, he feels that a Municipal Level Housing Corp will be better focused on local housing needs. Nancy Peckford noted that there is a housing need and there is support from Leeds Grenville County, but not enough in North Grenville. She mentioned Shalom Homes and Habitat for Humanity Homes is focused on helping the community. There was some discussions about the future use of Bell Hall on the Kemptville Campus site. The options are still a possibility in the future that it can be used as apartment housing. Nadia Diakun - Thibault noted that she has been looking online at homes recently and there are no homes that are not affordable in the area. Nadia Diakun - Thibault suggested a working group to investigate supporting a housing authority within North Grenville.

Nancy Peckford mentioned that there is a <u>Building Housing Faster and Affordably Workshop</u> on Monday, October 21, 2024, at the Brockville Memorial Civic Center, if any members are interested. She advised other municipalities and counties that have initiated housing programs and have had success with secondary suites interest on properties. Limited feedback from residents interested in North Grenville and limited support from Leeds Grenville County. The costs are too high and it wasn't as successful of a program as initially thought. The National Cooperative Housing Association supports, but funding is limited currently.

ACTION: Committee Clerk to confirm Amy Martin is available to November meeting.

K. Other Business

- 1. Items for Next Meeting
 - 1. CahdCo Report of Bell Hall
 - 2. Terms of Reference
 - 3. Identifiable Individual. Nadia Diakun -Thibault
 - 4. Brockville Meeting follow up

L. Public Questions

None.

M. Adjournment

Moved By Deb Wilson Seconded By Manpreet Shahi

Be it resolved that:

The meeting held on October 24, 2024 adjourn at 6:16p.m.

CARRIED

Housing Workplan revised Oct 3, 2024.docx