



Peggy's Cove Commission Meeting

Minutes

Thursday, June 11, 2020

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Via Teams/Conference Call

Members in Attendance

John Campbell – Chair

Gary Logan – Vice Chair

Aonghus Garrison

Peter Richardson

Jeannie Chow – Dept. of Business

Gordon Smith – Dept. of Municipal Affairs

Graham Fisher – Dept. of Municipal Affairs

Member Regrets

Matt Whitman – HRM Councilor

Agenda Items

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 3:05

1.1. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the June 11, 2020 agenda *upon motion, duly seconded, Motion carried.*

2. Minutes – April 16, 2020 PCC meeting

Motion to approve the April 16, 2020 meeting minutes upon motion, duly seconded, Motion carried.

3. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

None to declare

4. Bylaw Enforcement/compliance

- Commissioner Smith reported nothing new to share as this refers to mobile vending issue which will be discussed under 5.4.
- Request to table to next meeting for an update
- Commissioner Smith to provide a report on how we coordinate with HRM on enforcement to provide new Commission with bylaw enforcement/compliance requirements through HRM

5. Other Business

5.1 New Applications

- No new applications

5.2 Correspondence

- Wedding letter provided for discussion. Approval authority depends on location of wedding i.e. Peggy's Cove by the Lighthouse or on residence property since letter was not explicit. As a Commission we have no jurisdiction over federal property.
- G. Fisher to provide a letter citing our mandate and responsibility on the party requesting authorization to hold wedding to do their due diligence around permits etc.

5.3 ABC process for new commissioners

- Commissioner Chow provided an update on provincial ABC process which is now public and, on the website
- PC Commission situation unique since it requires that 3 members must reside in Peggy's Cove preservation area.
- A flyer was prepared by the Department of Business and distributed to Commissioners with encouragement to post publicly in the Cove area for those that may not know how to apply – post on PCC website as well (G. Fisher to do)
- Current Commissioners encouraged to reapply – Commissioner Chow to check if appointing Commissioners outside of community an option if there are insufficient resident applicants

5.4 Mobile Vending Follow-Up re resolution from 6 April 2019

- Commissioner Smith has been in discussions with DOJ solicitor around language and how best do we define and achieve our policy objective regarding zoning and accessory buildings.
- The current legislation is open to interpretation i.e. legislation authority open to legal challenge
- Urgency now with businesses opening – once receive legal advice Commissioner Smith will share with Commission.

5.5 Report on Develop Nova Scotia (DNS) meeting

- Commissioner Logan did not participate in the last meeting
- Commissioner Garrison attended and noted community worried about Master Plan. They have not made it to 60% in any actionable phase but indicated that COVID-19 was not to slow down their capital work. DNS did provide the Commission with an email re continuing work on master plan, and funding update. Province has committed to provide funding to a tourism revitalization plan.
- Could see a start of projects as early as mid Sept. – hoping Commission will be included in process.

5.6 Consideration of By-Law Review

- Commissioner Smith has reached out to government procurement to access standing offer companies. He also spoke with TIR to determine if they may have consultants/planners to carry out this work.

- Objective is to prepare an RFP and have someone ready and appointed so the new Commission (August 2020) can have consultant ready to direct the work.
- Request to have information circulated prior to Aug. 1 when current terms expire – Commissioner Smith has agreed to provide information.

5.7 Consideration of Public Meeting – Spring 2020 (Cancellation Vote)

- All Commissioners in agreement to cancel the AGM due the to current restrictions under the pandemic.
- Online vote occurred previously– record vote in prior minutes per governance requirements.
- **Motion:** Due to the current provincial State of Emergency and the health concerns related to hosting large public gatherings during the ongoing pandemic, the Peggy Cove Commission will cancel the Annual General Meeting required under the Commission's governance document.

6. New Business

- No new business raised.

7. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn – time 3:45 pm *upon motion, duly seconded, Motion carried.*