



**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA
IN THE
REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK**

OFFICIAL PLAN REVIEW STEERING COMMITTEE

**TOWN OF
GEORGINA**

MINUTES

February 21, 2014
2:00 p.m.
Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Art Field, Chair called the meeting to order.

2. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

The following Committee members were in attendance:

Art Field, Chair

Mike Fenton, Vice Chair

Brad Smockum, Councillor

Ted Brown, Vice Chair

Naomi Davison, Councillor

Danny Wheeler, Regional Councillor

The following staff members were in attendance:

Andrea Furniss, Senior Planner-Policy

Harold Lenters, Director of Planning and Building

Velvet Ross, Manager of Planning

Patrice Asaph, Administrative Assistant to Director of Planning and Building

The following consultant team members were in attendance:

Jim Dymont of MHBC Planning

3. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS

Art Field, Chair distributes a revised list of questions to be considered.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Ted Brown, Seconded by Mike Fenton

RESOLUTION NO. OPRSC-2014-0001

Page 1, under 6.1, Remove 2014 and replace with 2013.

That the agenda be approved as amended and presented.

Carried.

5. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** *None.*

6. **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

6.1 Minutes of the meeting held on October 3rd, 2013

Moved By Naomi Davison, Seconded by Brad Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. OPRSC-2014-0002

That the minutes of the meeting held on October 3, 2013 be approved as presented.

Carried.

7. **DELEGATIONS/SPEAKERS** *None.*

8. **PRESENTATIONS** *None.*

9. **CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS ON THE AGENDA**

9.1 Project Status

9.1.1 Timetable Update

Verbal update by Andrea Furniss on project status. Andrea attended Agricultural Advisory Committee and the Georgina Heritage Committee to get their input on the OP review.

Open houses were well attended. Information was relayed to the public that this is a one-time opportunity to expand the hamlet boundaries. Comments were received from the public attendees and will be compiled in a Report from the Hamlet meetings. This report is to be finalized and sent out to public in the near future.

Andrea Furniss and Jim Dymont met with Sheri Taylor, Consultant Worker for the representative for Chippewas of Georgina Island. They accompanied Sheri on a tour of the Island. Sheri will be sending written comments to Andrea. Positive feedback has been received from First Nation groups and they are pleased that consideration is being given to surrounding First Nations groups for their comments on the OP review.

9.1.2 Workshop #1 report

Art Field questions the use of pesticides (pg. 9 in report). Ted Brown questions whether by-laws can be enforced on their use. Harold Lenters states that this is not something that is addressed in the Official Plan Review and is a provincial matter.

9.2 Planning Policy Review Report

Jim provides an overview of the Planning Policy Report – March 14, 2014.

Points made and comments noted at the Technical Advisory Committee meeting will be reviewed with the Steering Committee before being finalized in the official report.

Sustainability section combines with “Healthy Communities’ in current Plan.

Current Plan has 3 levels of Environmental protection and Greenland System, the updated Official Plan is suggesting (1) one level with overlays of the Region Greenland mapping providing additional designated levels of protected areas.

Schedules on mapping will provide the hydrologic features and natural heritage features. ESA terminology is no longer used.

Velvet Ross notes that the Region and Province clearly identify areas that are defined Town/Villages and the Official Plan will use grey shading that clearly differentiates these areas.

The current OP doesn’t provide certainty of population growth in specific areas. The proposed OP will address where the population will be distributed. Employment data & traffic zone data will provide updated numbers. Art asks what are the employment numbers by area. Andrea Furniss advised that those numbers will be forth coming.

Art asks if it is possible to defer the decision on expanding the settlement areas. Harold Lenters response is to address it now so the minor adjustments wouldn’t require further studies beyond the OP review. The Sedore property or a portion of the property will be considered for inclusion into the serviced Lakeshore Residential Area.

Jim stated that there is a need to address Secondary Suites in Accessory buildings as part of this OP review. Discussion was held on whether a zoning By-law amendment should be required.

A statement to recognize the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation should be included.

Regional roads will be identified. Highway 404 extension will be shown in blue as a R.O.W. of the Province.

Jim Dymont asked whether lands in Virginia should be scaled back. Danny Wheeler indicated that lands should not be removed. Harold Lenters suggested that the lands can remain in the Hamlet but add restrictive policies similar to the serviced Lakeshore Residential Area. Jim Dymont also stated that it could be recognized in the Plan that the Town is aware of the potable water issue.

9.3 Discussion Questions prepared by Art Field

Harold Lenters addresses the questions not already discussed from Art Field.

The Secondary Plan Reviews will focus on the capacity for public sewer and water.

In regards to addressing fill in the OP, Harold Lenters indicated it is regulated by the Town's Municipal Act By-law, but the OP could contain some direction that this By-law needs to be updated.

9.4 Next Steps

Finalize Open House Report.

Prepare Planning Directions Report.

Draft Official Plan Amendment by May.

Reviewing existing site specific OPA designations.

10. COMMUNICATIONS *None***11. MOTIONS/NOTICES OF MOTION** *None***12. OTHER BUSINESS**

12.1 Next Meeting to be held on April 24, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Naomi Davison, Seconded by Brad Smockum

RESOLUTION NO. OPRSC-2014-0003

That the meeting adjourn at 4:00 p.m.

Carried.

Art Field, Chair

Patrice Asaph, OPRSC Coordinator