



PUBLIC MEETING-2022-0009

June 13, 2022

D14ZBA22.004 – 13893 Highway 7 (Esquesing)

Minutes of the Public Meeting held on Monday, June 13, 2022 at 6:37 p.m., in the Council Chambers, Town of Halton Hills and Via Zoom.

Councillor W. Farrow-Reed chaired the meeting.

Councillor W. Farrow-Reed advised the following:

The purpose of this Public Meeting is to inform and consult with the public, and to provide the public with the opportunity to ask questions or to express views with respect to the proposed Official Plan Amendment.

The Councillors are here to observe and listen to your comments; however, they will not make any decisions this evening.

As the Chair, I am informing you that when Council makes a decision, should you disagree with that decision, the Planning Act provides you with an opportunity to appeal the decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal for a hearing, subject to Tribunal validation of your appeal.

Please note that if a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the Town of Halton Hills before the decision is made, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Town of Halton Hills to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

In addition, if a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written comments to the Town of Halton Hills before the decision is made, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Land Tribunal, unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

You may wish to talk to Planning staff regarding further information on the appeal process.

The Planning Act requires that at least one Public Meeting be held for any proposal to amend the Official Plan and every person in attendance shall be given an opportunity to make representations in respect of the proposal.

The format of this Public Meeting is as follows:

The Town will generally explain the purpose and details of the proposed Official Plan Amendment;

Next, the public can obtain clarification, ask questions, and express their views on the proposal.

Town staff will attempt to answer questions or respond to concerns this evening. If this is not possible, staff will follow up and obtain this information. Responses will be provided when this matter is brought forward and evaluated by Council at a later date.

SPECIFIC PROPOSAL

This Public Meeting involves an application by the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Canada, through their agent, Korsiak Urban Planning.

To amend the Town of Halton Hills Zoning By-law to modify the existing site-specific institutional zoning of the subject lands to allow existing private residence rooms to include kitchen and laundry facilities.

TOWN'S OPPORTUNITY

The Chair called upon the Town's representative, Greg Macdonald, Senior Planner to come forward to explain the proposal.

G. Macdonald provided an overview of the proposed Zoning By-law Amendment to allow existing private residence rooms to include kitchen and laundry facilities within the Watch Tower site at 13983 Highway 7 (Esquesing).

(Presentation on file in the Clerks Office.)

APPLICANT'S OPPORTUNITY

The Chair called upon the applicant to come forward to further information and details on the proposal.

Alison Bucking of Korsiak Urban Planning provided a brief presentation on behalf Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Canada.

PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY

The Chair asked if there were any persons online that have questions, require further clarification or information or wish to present their views on the proposal to come forward.

There were no members from the public with questions or comments.

FINAL COMMENT FROM STAFF

The Chair asked if there was any further information which Town Staff wished to provide prior to the conclusion of the meeting.

Staff had no further comments.

CONCLUSION OF MEETING

The Chair declared the Public Meeting closed. Council will take no action on this proposal tonight. Staff will be reporting at a later date with a recommendation for Council's consideration.

If you wish to receive further information regarding this proposal please contact the Planner, Greg Macdonald following the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Rick Bonnette

MAYOR

Valerie Petryniak

TOWN CLERK