

Minutes of a Public Hearing in regards to By-law No 999/14, held in the Clearwater County Council Chambers on December 09, 2014.

The Public Hearing was called to order at 1:15 P.M. with the following being present:

Reeve:	Patrick Alexander
Councillors:	Earl Graham
	John Vandermeer
	Theresa Laing
	Kyle Greenwood
	Jim Duncan
	Curt Maki
Chief Administrative Officer:	Ron Leaf
Director, Planning:	Rick Emmons
Administration:	Keith McCrae
	Kim Gilham
Media:	Sarah Maetche
	Helge Nome
	Dania Gravelle
Public:	Vic Maxwell
	Don McPhee
	Donna Hagan
	Linda Hemphill

Reeve Alexander outlined the hearing agenda and process to be used for the Public Hearing.

Kim Gilham provided history and an overview on the application by Vic Maxwell, on behalf of Donald McPhee, for the redesignation of 13.5 acres from Agriculture District “A” to Intensive Agriculture District “IA” located in the SW 09 40 06 W5M.

Ms. Gilham provided background information and explained the intent is to create a 13.5 acre Intensive Agriculture parcel as a separate title to accommodate facilities for the breeding, training and sale of “warm-blood” horses.

Ms. Gilham noted applicable sections of the Municipal Government Act (MGA) and stated first reading to Bylaw 999/14 was granted by Council on October 28, 2014. As required by legislation, notice of today’s Public Hearing was advertised in the local newspapers and comments were invited from the adjacent landowners and referral agencies. Upon consideration of the representations made at this Public Hearing, Council may consider whether or not to grant second and third readings to the bylaw.

The Chair invited questions of the Development Officer regarding the application from Council.

No questions were asked by Council

Comments received from agencies.

Clearwater County Public Works

Generally, Public Works has no objection to the development. Access into the proposed redistricted parcel is from an existing approach that meets County standards already. Sightlines are good from both directions.

Municipal Planning Commission

There is no review available from the Municipal Planning Commission at this time.

The Chair invited the applicant to speak.

Vic Maxwell provided information on the operations of the facility and noted current operations are successful. Mr. Maxwell noted subdividing would allow the applicants to plan for succession and retirement.

Mr. Maxwell responded to questions from Council and noted manure handling and disposal is not expected to be of issue as the operation will not generate large quantities of manure and the parcel has room for disposal.

The Chair invited anyone in favour of the application to speak.

No one spoke in favour of the application.

The Chair asked for written comments in favour of the application from the public.

No written submissions in favour of the application were received.

The Chair invited anyone in opposition of the application to speak.

No one spoke in opposition of the application.

The Chair asked for written comments in opposition of the application from the public.

No written submissions in opposition of the application were received.

The Chair invited the applicant to express any final comments on the application.

The applicant did not add any final comments.

The Chair closed the Public Hearing at 1:23 P.M.


REEVE
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER