

Minutes Public Meeting

November 7, 2024

Call to Order

The Warden called the electronic public meeting to order on the above date at 1:00 p.m. and assumed the Chair.

Roll Call

The Deputy Clerk confirmed that Councillors Boddy, Carleton, Dobreen, McKay, Keaveney, Nielsen, McQueen, and Matrosovs were in attendance.

Kim Wingrove, Chief Administrative Officer; Tara Warder, Clerk; and Sarah Goldrup, Deputy Clerk were also in attendance.

The following staff members were also participating:

Randy Scherzer, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Scott Taylor, Director of Planning; Becky Hillyer, Senior Planner; Cassondra Dillman, Intermediate Planner; Derek McMurdie, Planner; Claudia Markworth, Administrative Assistant; and Rob Hatten, Communications Manager.

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Public Meeting

The Warden advised that notice for the meeting was given in accordance with the County's Procedural By-law and the Planning Act and that the purpose of the public meeting was to obtain input from the public. The Warden confirmed that the County's planning staff will prepare a report for consideration at a future meeting of County Council that will consider the submissions made regarding this matter. Further, the Warden shared a reminder that to request a notice of decision or notice of any further meetings, members of the public send a written request or any questions to planning@grey.ca.

Official Plan Amendment 23 - Rural Permitted Uses and Development Policies

Scott Taylor, Director of Planning, confirmed that notice for the meeting was given in accordance with the County's Procedural By-law and the Planning Act. The Director provided a presentation regarding Official Plan Amendment 23 (OPA 23) and provided background for the proposed changes to rural permitted uses and development policies to provide greater clarity and consistency with the Provincial Planning Statement, 2024 (PPS).

Scott Taylor advised that the County had received written submissions from the following parties, which will form part of the public record regarding this matter and be included with the submissions made today as part of a staff report for consideration of County Council as part of a future meeting regarding this matter: Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, Bell Canada, Enbridge Gas, Cobide Engineering, MHBC Planning, and the Municipality of West Grey.

Public comments were heard from Dana Kieffer on behalf of Cobide Engineering, reiterating their written submission about considerations allowing modular home parks, provisions for subdivisions and condominiums, expanding the limitation to 25% of developable land, and resource-based recreational uses where permitted by servicing and allowing for year-round and permanent residences.

In response to questions, Scott Taylor confirmed staff's consideration of any further clarity provided by the province regarding the interpretation or application of the PPS. Further, the Director discussed additional residential uses or smaller houses as they relate to the development policies being clarified as part of OPA 23.

Adjournment

The public meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m. to the call of the Warden.	
Brian Milne, Warden	Tara Warder, Clerk