



Rural Municipality of Eastern Kings

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, May 30, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.

In attendance: Mayor Larry Fitzpatrick, Deputy Mayor Danelle Elliott, Councillors Nathan Paton, Don Humphrey, Donna Campbell Dixon, Bernadette McInnis, Development Officer Michelle Paquet Monette and Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Sonya Martin.

Regrets: Councillor Arthur Baker

Upland Consultant: Ian Watson Lead Senior Planner

1. Call to Order

The public meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. Mayor's Greeting to the Community & Introduction of Guest Speaker

Mayor Fitzpatrick greeted the community and invited them to submit any questions or other feedback via the forms supplied. Forms could be taken home and input returned by the 9th of June 2023.

3. Upland Planner Ian Watson

Mayor Fitzpatrick introduced Ian Watson who proceeded with a power point presentation of the draft RMEK Official Plan & Development, Zoning & Subdivision Control Bylaw, which was followed by a public question and answer period. There were 9 attendees.

4. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Appendix "A" – Q & A notes from attendees

Appendix "B" – UPLAND Planning + Design - Power Point Presentation digital file only.

Signed in accordance, *Municipal Government Act S.116(4)*

Larry Fitzpatrick, Mayor

Date

Sonya Martin, Chief Administrative Officer

Date



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Appendix “A” Minutes as transcribed at the public meeting by Michelle Monette, DO.

	<p>Would it be possible to see the permit forms. (Donna Campbell Dixon)</p>	
	<p>How is it decided what is a special permitted use? (David Fletcher)</p>	<p>The plan and bylaw is the starting point. In general my recommended direction is as much as possible to move away from special permits towards clear processes. We applied the lens of, are the parameters of this use vague and varied so that you need flexibility and input into what it could look like and what the impacts would be on a community. Example of NOT: single detached home on property. Very clear cut. We applied that lense in going through the draft...how much scope is there in this potential use that needs more flexibility.</p>
	<p>Council can't decide if it is for the people if the special permitted use has been reduced to check, check. In some cases it is ok. In some cases not ok because it shuts our voice down. That's not right if a policy is rewritten, but you have removed the council and the people's voices from the process. I think you are wrong. That's just my opinion. (Dave Fletcher) I would like more explanation that the simplified one of a single dwelling. Can we use dollar value as the basis for choosing what is looked at by council. To take the process from the people to get things done is not the way to do it.</p>	<p>That's not taking council's authority away. Their authority is over the plan and bylaw. They set the standards. That is council exercising it's right according to the planning act. The goal is to have a clear set of rules and expectations so you come into the community knowing what can go on around you.</p>
	<p>What projects require special permit process?</p>	<p>Grouped dwellings, multi unit dwellings (SECTION 8)</p>

	Grace Cameron: I believe opposite. The more the process is clear, the better it is. The more you take subjectivity out of it, the better you are. They are applied equally across the board, the more it is not a special permit.	
	Grace Cameron: the large number of objectives. There are too many. There is no performance management system to identify if any progress has been made on these objectives.	
6.1.3 Plan	Grace Cameron. The first paragraph is informative. It is relative. Bylaw 5.1 existing structures. 5.1.3. existing conforming uses. It does make reference to the 12-month grace period but in a different way than in the plan. Can these sections reflect on each other more clearly. Un6.1.3 – was that intended to be removed and wasn't? The two sections in the bylaw re nonconforming buildings and structures is separated from non conforming uses by the undersized lots section. Should these be together to help with understanding.	
7.1.? Planning Committee	The planning committees authority – shall be outlined in planning committee bylaws. Terms of reference.	De
Bylaw 2.7.1	All permits shall be posted on property and be visible on street and be visible on street (be more reflective of world reality.	
8.1.4 bylaw 8.2.4	Some standards are the same and some are different. This seems a	Part of the whole point of zones is to reflect the context of that zone. And agricultural zone is primarily continuation of agriculture. A



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	problem. Why do we need 100 feet of frontage. Why different.	residential zone is for residential uses. The standards don't differ
	Recreational vehicles: Is that non-conforming	Not allowed according to the planning act. We do temporary permit for seasonal only.
	Don Humphrey: What can we compel them to do.	Language in the draft is clear to say that you meet the guidelines or do not need to meet them. Our act allows us to use setbacks.

Mayor Fitzpatrick says tonight's meeting is about the official plan and new bylaw. Not windmill specific. Apples and oranges.

Ian Watson: Tonight, is about presenting the draft official plan and bylaw. A quick overview of why we do this and how we got here. Context. Highlights of drafts will be presented. Highlight key changes since last draft based on public feedback. Official Plan for public to respond to council.

Ian's presentation: started at 7:05 p.m.

Granny suites: only allowed on primary dwelling (where the owner makes their primary home). Not at a secondary dwelling/cottage. Ian – please add this

Ian: can we please have a copy of your presentation?

Draft Windfarm Application

Appendix "B" Attachment – UPLAND Planning + Design - Power Point Presentation