

# **Rural Municipality of West River Planning Board Committee Minutes**

**Meeting No** 2024-14 **Time** 6:00 PM

Session Regular - Public Date Thursday, November 14, 2024

Chair Helen Smith-MacPhail - Mayor Location Afton Community Centre

Adoption status Approved Contact Person Susan Morse - CAO

Attendance Mayor Helen Smith-MacPhail, Deputy Mayor Shaun MacArthur, Councillor Aaron

MacEachern, Councillor John Yeo, Councillor Lillian MacCannell, Susan Morse - CAO,

Ehi Itua – Administrative Assistant

**Regret** Councillor Steve Pollard

Guest Nil

#### Call to Order

Mayor Helen Smith-MacPhail called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

#### Adoption & Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as circulated. It was moved by Councillor Aaron MacEachern, seconded by Councillor John Yeo, and unanimously carried.

## Declarations of Conflict of Interest

Nil

#### Recommendation Items

#### PLB.24.14.1 – Consultation on Disclosure of Records - FOIPP

**Decision Type:** Action

Status: Recommended

## **Background:**

The Department of Housing, Land & Communities received a request under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIPP) Act for the disclosure of records to and from

the Minister, Deputy Minister, the Land Use and Planning Act Specialist Alex O'Hara,

Manager, Land Use Planning Megan Williams, or Manager, Development Control Eugene

Lloyd, relating to the issuance of the permit for the subdivision and/or development in PID

20300 and PID 808154 from May 1, 2023 – September 13, 2024. The municipality was

informed that some records pertain to the Rural Municipality of West River and asked for

our views regarding disclosure.

**Description:** 

The CAO and Mayor reported that they reviewed the records that will be disclosed that

pertain to the Municipality. It includes correspondence between the CAO, Mayor and above-

mentioned individuals in which arrangements were made for meetings and phone calls to

discuss the subdivision and/or development in PID 20300 and PID 808154 and how the IRAC

decision would be carried out. The Committee recognizes that the disclosure of this

information would not harm intergovernmental relations. Mayor Helen Smith-MacPhail

appreciates the provincial government for consulting the Council on the request. The

Committee recommends for approval the disclosure of records pertaining to the

Municipality of West River and directed the CAO to communicate this view with the Access

and Privacy Services Office.

PLB.24.14.1 – Subdivision Application PID 218354

**Decision Type:** Information

Status: Received

Background:

PLB.24.12.2 & PLB.24.13.2

**Description:** 

The CAO presented the committee with an update on this subdivision application. The CAO

consulted with the Registrar of Deeds and was advised that PID 218354 is comprised of two

separate parcels of land that are described in one deed and listed under one PID, and since

these two parcels are already existing and separately described, there is no need to

subdivide the PID to convey them separately per Land Use Bylaw#2022 – 04 Section 18:

Rural Municipality of WEST RIVER

PARCEL means a lot or other division of land which is recognized as a separate unit of land

for the purposes of this Bylaw.

EXISTING LOT means a lot in existence on the effective date of this Bylaw, except where

otherwise indicated in this Bylaw

Informational Items

PLB.24.14.3 – Permit Report

**Decision Type:** Information

Status: Received

**Description:** 

The CAO presented a summary of permits issued as of October 2024 by RMWR. Mayor

Helen Smith-MacPhail recognized that there has been an excavation pit renewal approval.

PLB.24.10.10 – Enforcement Officer Report

**Decision Type:** Information

Status: Received

**Description:** 

The CAO presented an update on the property in Bird's Eye Drive, the municipal office is

waiting for further communication from the landowner regarding provincial permits. The

CAO also updated the committee on the enforcement activities for the month of October

2024 – there is no new information to report.

**Meeting Closed** 

At 6:20PM Councillor John Yeo, motioned for the meeting to be closed. It was seconded by

Councillor Aaron MacEachern and unanimously carried.

In Camera Items

PLB.24.12.8 – Pursuant to the Municipal Government Act Section 119(1) g

Deputy Mayor Shaun MacArthur joined the meeting at 6:25PM



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PLB.24.12.9 – Pursuant to the Municipal Government Act Section 119(1) f

# Meeting Opened

At 6:45PM Councillor Aaron MacEachern, motioned for the meeting to be opened. It was seconded by Deputy Mayor Shaun MacArthur and unanimously carried.

## Adjournment

- Deputy Mayor Shaun MacArthur to adjourn the meeting at 6:45PM.
- The next meeting will be December 19, 2024.

Helen Smith-MacPhail	Susan Morse	
Mayor	Chief Administrative Officer	

