

A public hearing of Truro Town Council was held Monday, June 11, 2007, at 1:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Truro Civic Building.

Present: Mayor W.R. (Bill) Mills; Councillors S. Byers, B. Kinsman, D. Bennett Cook, G. MacArthur and R. Tynes

Regrets: Deputy Mayor C. Cox

In Attendance: CAO J. Langille, Director of Public Works A.J. MacKinnon, Director of Finance R. Putnam, Director of Planning J. Fox, Parks and Recreation Director D. MacKenzie, Police Chief K.C. MacLean, Fire Chief T. Bremner and J.T. Rafferty, Town Solicitor

Mayor Mills announced that prior to the beginning of the Public Hearing a short presentation would be made.

**Historica Fair Award Presentation – Ms. Erin Brocklehurst, Truro Junior High**

Mayor Mills provided Council with information relating to the history and qualifying criteria of the Historica Fair Award and announced that Ms. Erin Brocklehurst, a student at Truro Junior High School, was this year's winner for her project on the history of Stanfield's Ltd. On behalf of the Town of Truro Mayor Mills presented Ms. Brocklehurst with the Historica Fair Award and a \$50.00 book store gift certificate, stating that all the hard work that went into her project was much appreciated.

Mayor Mills advised Council that he and Director of Parks and Recreation D. MacKenzie had recently attended an event and were presented with a plaque from the Truro and Area Minor Football Association in recognition of the Town's many contributions, in particular the construction of the new TAAC Clubhouse.

Council was advised that due to unforeseen circumstances, Deputy Mayor C. Cox had extended his regrets for being unable to attend the Council Meeting.

**576 Prince Street, Development Agreement Application**

Council was advised that the Public Hearing had been advertised as required.

The CAO read correspondence from J. Bigelow, Secretary for the Town Planning Advisory Committee, regarding an application from Greinar Investments Limited to enter into a development agreement with the Town to permit the development of 14 new residential units in an existing mixed use building at 576 Prince Street. The Committee was in support of the application and recommended that Council consider entering into the development agreement as outlined in the staff report. The CAO also read correspondence from Mr. Ken Henderson, Chair of the Heritage Advisory Committee, advising of the Committee's concerns with the application, including the future of the mural on the west side of the building and with the limited details provided by the developer.

Director of Planning J. Fox reviewed with Council the staff report dated June 7, 2007, relating to the application from Greinar Investments Limited. J. Fox also reviewed with Council the results of the public participation survey mailed to property owners within 750 feet of the subject property; of the respondents 25 were in favour, 8 were opposed and 7 had no opinion.

Upon concluding their review, Planning Staff determined that the proposed development is consistent with the Town's *Municipal Planning Strategy*. Staff recommended that Council enter into a development agreement to permit the proposed development as outlined in the report.

Following the presentation of the staff report, Council members were given the opportunity to ask questions of staff and the developers. Discussion took place relating to plans for an outdoor garden space, availability of parking, the mural on the Dominion Street side of the building, potential changes to the exterior of the building and what materials will be used for the windows and siding.

Mayor Mills gave members of the audience the opportunity to raise any concerns; there were no questions from the gallery.

Mayor Mills made a final call for discussion on the issue from Council members or members of the public. There being no other questions or comments, Mayor Mills closed the public hearing and moved to the public council portion of the meeting.

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W. R. (Bill) Mills  
Mayor

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J. K. Langille  
CAO