



Truro Town Council Meeting
Monday, April 20th, 2009
Council Chambers – Civic Building

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A public meeting of Truro Town Council was held on Monday, April 20th, 2009 at 6:30 pm in the Council Chambers of the Truro Civic Building.

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

Regrets: Councillor C. Cox

In Attendance: CAO J. Langille, Director of Planning J. Fox, Director of Public Works A. MacKinnon, Fire Chief T. Bremner, and Town Solicitor J. Rafferty

22 Duke Street/29 Victoria Street – Development Agreement Application

Councillor S. Byers stated that she had listened to everyone's presentations and was impressed with the amount of research they had put into it. She noted that she was concerned about Karen Archibald's comments regarding the fact that her property is a designated heritage property, and she is required to replace a deteriorating portion of her house with something that is required in a heritage district. But then in her backyard it is not required.

Councillor B. Kinsman advised that as a member of the Heritage Advisory Committee and Town Planning Advisory Committee, he has seen this proposal development over the last while. He noted that this development includes the restoration of the heritage property at 29 Victoria Street, which would improve the streetscape.

The Mayor noted that he had done some business recently with Karen Archibald, one of the residents present and one who had made a presentation to Council. He advised that he had spoken to Ms. Archibald about this, as well as the developer, and he did not believe it was a conflict of interest, but did want to state it for the public record.

On motion of Councillors R. Tynes and D. Bennett-Cook, it was moved that the recommendation from the Director of Planning be accepted, subject to the concerns raised by the citizens, including sewage, drainage, the survey and boundary lines, constant lighting and the letters of support.

Councillor B. Kinsman advised that prior to Councillor R. Tynes' motion, he was going to motion that Council deny the request. He noted that he would like to see it include the recommendations from the Heritage Advisory Committee with respect to 29 Victoria Street, that any development that occurs, occurs at 29 Victoria Street first, so that building is completed. Councillor B. Kinsman also noted that he would like to see the King Street driveway closed off. The mover and seconder of the motion agreed to include that in the motion.

Motion defeated by two votes in favour cast by Councillors R. Tynes and D. Bennett-Cook, and four votes against cast by the Mayor, Deputy Mayor G. MacArthur and Councillors B. Kinsman and S. Byers.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Councillors R. Tynes and D. Bennett-Cook, it was moved that the meeting be adjourned at approximately 8:45 p.m. Motion carried.

W. R. (Bill) Mills
Mayor

J.K. Langille
CAO