

THE RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF STE. ANNE

AGENDA

Public Hearing in Giroux, MB

August 10, 2010

1. Call to order – 6:30 pm.
2. Adopt Agenda
3. Public Hearing – 7:00 pm.
4. Adjourn

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Minutes of a special meeting of The Rural Municipality of Ste. Anne held at the Giroux Hall in Giroux, Manitoba to discuss the RM of Ste. Anne's new Zoning By-law.

Reeve Art Bergmann called the special meeting to order at 6:40 pm with the following members of council in attendance: Councillors Renald Courcelles, Jake Reimer, Mark Lanouette, Daniel Brunel, Roger Massicotte, Laurie Evans, and Acting CAO Loni Eskildsen.

Also present was Allison Driedger from Community Planning Branch in Steinbach.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

398-10 Courcelles - Brunel

BE IT RESOLVED that the agenda for the special meeting of August 10, 2010 be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

Various issues were discussed by the Committee of the Whole in regards to the new Zoning By-law. Ms Driedger handed out comments from Manitoba Water Stewardship and Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives-Land Use Branch for councils' information.

A Public Hearing was conducted in accordance with the Planning Act to adopt a new Zoning By-law within the RM of Ste. Anne.

PUBLIC HEARING

399-10 Brunel - Courcelles

BE IT RESOLVED that the public hearing be opened at 7:06 pm.

Reeve Art Bergmann welcomed the public and introduced all councillors, Acting CAO and Steinbach Community Planning Branch representative. He gave instructions to all persons present, approx. a dozen, as to how the meeting is to proceed. He also indicated that the meeting will not be closed at the end of the evening, as the input from several provincial government agencies is still required.

Reeve Bergmann further indicated that Allison Driedger from the Steinbach Community Planning Branch was here to help explain any changes or give explanation as needed. He further indicated, that overall the new Zoning By-law has not changed much from the original, adopted in 1998. He then gave the floor to Ms. Allison Driedger.

Ms. Allison Driedger explained the process of adopting the new Zoning By-law; the differences and similarities between the new RM of Ste. Anne Development Plan and the new Zoning By-law; and that minor changes can still be made to the new Zoning By-law. She further commented that the new Zoning By-law is designed to be more user- friendly by having the definitions in the front of the by-law and the permitted and conditional use tables in the back of the document.

Ms Driedger identified a major difference in the new Zoning By-law as the Livestock Operation/Residential minimum separation table which is to the benefit to both a livestock producer and residents in the area.

Minor changes are proposed as follows:

- 1) Garden Suits to be included in any residential and agricultural use zoned areas, but NOT in HC (Highway Commercial) or CRR (Recreational areas).
- 2) Garden Suits on lot sizes of 3 acres or less are to be serviced by a holding tank.

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Clarification was given as to what a garden suit is by Ms. Driedger. Reeve Art Bergmann interjected and explained that it is not a permitted use but rather a conditional use; that it is temporary in nature; and that the structure is to be removed when the intended purpose no longer existed. The question of funding for garden suits arose from the public, and Ms. Driedger explained that it is a provincial program for rural areas only.

- 3) Change the 80ft set back requirements from any major waterways to 200ft.

A concern was voiced from the public that the set back would negatively impact farmers. The Reeve explained that a variation could be requested. He further explained this is to protect existing vegetation along the riverbank which helps the stabilize the riverbank which is ever changing and to protect our waterways for future generations.

- 4) That a variation maximum should not be more than 25% of the minimum requirement for all established zones.

A prepared statement was read to council regarding group homes and its definition as defined in the new Zoning By-law. The person questioned why Group Homes were not identified in any zoning tables. Council stated that it is an oversight and corrected it as follows:

- 5) Group Homes (max of 4 persons or less) as defined in the new Zoning By-law should be a permitted use in all residential areas including Agricultural Mixed areas, and Group Residences (5 persons or more) should be conditional in the same areas.
- 6) That the separation distance between group homes and residences be set at 1000ft.
- 7) That livestock in RR5 areas be permitted as is, with a maximum of 50 hens and no roosters.
- 8) That chicken barn set-back requirement is set at a minimum 50ft from the side or rear property line.

General comments, discussion and clarification on the new Zoning By-law occurred. Reeve Art Bergmann asked if there are any further questions or comments, or any objections to the proposed minor changes. No person present raised an objections.


Reeve Art Bergmann repeated that the hearing is not closed, as the comments from other Provincial Government Agencies are still needed, and thanked everyone for coming.

Adjournment

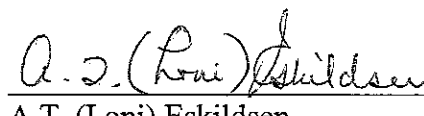
400-10 Courcelles - Reimer

BE IT RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:12 pm.

Carried.



Art Bergmann
Reeve
RM of Ste Anne



A.T. (Loni) Eskildsen
Acting CAO
RM of Ste Anne