

TOWN OF O'LEARY
NOVEMBER 18, 2020 PUBLIC MEETING
RE: OFFICIAL PLAN AND DEVELOPMENT BYLAW AMENDMENTS

Mayor Eric Gavin called the meeting to order at 7 pm and welcomed everyone. Introductions of attendees plus those virtually attending were made. The following persons were in attendance: Mayor Eric Gavin, Councillor Darrel Wood, Councillor Joey Dumville, Councillor Valene Gallant, Councillor Judy MacIsaac, Councillor Darren MacKinnon via Zoom, Community Senior's Co-erative Ltd. (CSCL) Chair Sally Lockhart, CSCL members John Martin, and Ron MacWilliams, CSCL consultants Steve Davies, John Aylward and Greg Munn via Zoon, CSCL Project Manager Jordan MacDonald, Town Planner Samantha Murphy via Zoom, West Prince Graphic Melissa Heald and Town CAO Bev Shaw.

Note that current public health measures were followed including physical distancing, sanitizing, and contact tracing list.

Mayor Gavin informed the meeting of the purpose for this public meeting saying the Community Seniors Co-operative Ltd. has requested a change in zoning for PID # 591529 and the adjacent portion of PID # 474643 to accommodate a new 50 bed community care facility. Hand outs were circulated to the meeting providing an overview of the proposal and is attached to these minutes.

Written submissions received prior to the meeting were read out. These included: 1. O'Leary Planning Board recommending to Town Council that a public meeting be held to obtain input on the proposed amendments and that the proposed community care facility is an exciting and beneficial project and is supported by the O'Leary Planning Board., 2. O'Leary Public Hall thanking the Town for the opportunity to comment and expressing support for the project., 3. Claudette and Heather Arthur, who were unable to attend the meeting, wrote to express the opinion that they did not support the change and did not feel it was appropriate to have two community care facilities so close to Main Street. CAO noted that the PEI Fire Marshal's Office has expressed no exception to the project after review of the floor plans and concept elevations for the proposed building. A couple other phone calls had been received at the Town Office but no concerns expressed.

Mayor Gavin invited comments/questions from the floor. Six persons, including 4 members of Town Council spoke in favour of the proposal, noting the need for this type of facility, the benefits of the proposed design, the support from the broader region, the collaboration with the community in developing the project and the thanks were extended to the Town for their financial support. No one spoke out against the proposal.

Mayor Gavin gave closing remarks mentioning the many benefits of the project including economic spin-offs for the Town and commended the CSCL volunteer board for their amazing efforts.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.