

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PUSLINCH PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday April 18, 2018

TIME: 6:30 p.m.

PLACE: Council Chambers

FILE NUMBER: Zoning By-law Amendment D14/ODE

MEMBERS: Mayor Dennis Lever – Chair

Councillor John Sepulis Councillor Matthew Bulmer Councillor Susan Fielding Councillor Ken Roth

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and remarked the purpose of this Public Meeting is to inform and provide the public with the opportunity to ask questions, or to express views with respect to the kennel proposal. The Councillors are here to observe and listen to the publics comments; however, Council will not make any decisions this evening.

The Township requests that the public please sign in if they wish to be on record and would like to be notified of future meetings and decisions regarding this application.

When Council makes a decision, should you disagree with that decision, the Planning Act provides you with an opportunity to appeal this application to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal. Please note that if a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the Township of Puslinch before the decision is made, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Township of Puslinch to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal. In addition, if a person or public body does not make an oral submission at a public meeting, or make written comments to the Township of Puslinch before the decision is made, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so. You may wish to talk to Township staff regarding further information on the appeal process.

The Planning Act requires that at least one Public Meeting be held for a development proposal.

The format of this Public Meeting is as follows:

- The applicant will present the purpose and details of the application and any further relevant information.
- Following this the public can obtain clarification, ask questions and express their views on the proposal.

The applicant and staff will attempt to answer questions or respond to concerns this evening. If this is not possible, the applicant and/or staff will follow up and obtain this information. Responses will be provided when this matter is brought forward and evaluated by Council at a later date.

Presentations:

 Phil O'Dell, owner, and Sean McGaffey, agent, provided introductions and presented the application. Sean McGaffey described the large forested property that backs onto Mill Creek that contains the existing dwelling where the business has been located since 2003. O'Dell Engineering is the leading imported and distributor of firearms and



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accessories within the Canadian market and has experienced tremendous growth. In 2010 the Canadian Historical Arms Museum was formed which is dedicated to the preservation of historical military equipment and artifacts. The two businesses are operated from the property and require safe, secure & archival storage. On-site activities in the proposed accessory building will be limited to storage/restoration with no public access.

- Phil O'Dell remarked that the existing farm access will be used for vehicular and truck deliveries, as the drive location has been crafted where red pines were removed as part of the managed forest on the lands.
- Sean McGaffey outlined the applicable planning policies including zoning, official plan, growth plan and PPS policies.
- Sean McGaffey indicated the GRCA has no objections to the proposed storage building.
- Sean McGaffey noted the proposed building will require approved zoning, site plan approval and a separate RCMP approval process with inspection requirements.

Questions/Comments:

There were no questions or comments and Mayor Lever declared the Public Meeting closed. Council will take no action on this proposal tonight. Staff will be reporting at a later date with a recommendation for Council's consideration.

If the public wishes to receive further notification of this proposal, please sign in or leave your name with Kelly Patzer, Development & Legislative Coordinator, or contact Township staff during regular business hours. Only those persons who leave their names will be provided further notification. If you wish to speak to the proposal when it is brought before Council in the future, you must register as a delegation with the Township Clerk prior to the meeting.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.