



**TOWN OF SAINT ANDREWS
PUBLIC HEARING OF OBJECTIONS MEETING
MINUTES**

**April 15, 2021, 6:00 p.m.
Electronic Meeting**

A. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

A Public Hearing of Objections of the Town of Saint Andrews Council was held on Thursday, April 15, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Mayor Doug Naish, Deputy Mayor Brad Henderson, Councillor Kate Akagi, Guy Groulx, Kurt Gumushel, Andrew Harrison

Staff: Paul Nopper, Clerk - Senior Administrator, Alexander Gopen, Planner, Southwest New Brunswick Service Commission

Absent: Councillor Edie Bishop, Councillor , Chris Spear, CAO/Treasurer

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Motion: 174 - 04/21

Moved by Deputy Mayor Brad Henderson

Seconded by Councillor Groulx

That the Agenda be approved as presented.

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Carried

C. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

D. PRESENTATION

E. HEARING OF OBJECTIONS

Clerk Nopper - 86 letters received with 75 letters of support and 11 letters of objection.

The following is a summary of the letters of objection:

- *Concern on the lack of due process in the sale of 108 Sophia Street. What was done to inform the public? Why were property owners not provided polling letters?*
- *What would be the future use of the property if the veterinarians were to cease operations? Would the property be still commercially rated?*
- *Why is Council considering this service at the 108 Sophia location when there is a need for residential properties and missing out on the opportunity for housing?*
- *Has Council considered the taxation between residential and commercial properties?*
- *What is the difference between Mixed-Use and Commercial on both amendments?*
- *Have there been any assessments on traffic, safety, parking, noise, and disturbance?*
- *Will the property maintain the historical character that it has?*

Councillor Groulx: Point of order to include a comment from social media by Councillor Harrison

Councillor Harrison: I will allow the comment to be read. I feel this was appropriate and agree with it 100%.

Mayor Naish: I will allow this as Councillor Harrison has agreed to the information to be allowed in the minutes.

Councillor Groulx: As some may know, the Town is looking to rezone the old Medical Centre into a vet clinic. It is important that all those who support this effort make the Town know you support it. Please both email the Town and join the Hearing of Objections on April 15th to tell us you support this decision. The forces of NYMBISM are strong in this Town and without solid support, our Town Council can often go a bit weak in the knees when confronting it. If it is the only voice we hear then sometimes it is hard to do otherwise. So if you want a local vet clinic in this Town and think the old Medical Centre is a good place to put it, then please email the Town and state your support at the April 15th Zoom meeting. Commenting on this post may be fun or cathartic but it will not end up in front of the six Councillors who need to make the decision. Email the Town and attend the Zoom meeting.

1. **Amendment Z21-02 to Zoning By-Law Z21-01 for Rezoning 108 Sophia Street (6:00 p.m.)**
2. **Amendment MP20-03 to Municipal Plan MP20-01 for Rezoning 108 Sophia Street (6:15 p.m.)**

F. QUESTION PERIOD

G. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Motion: 175 - 04/21
Moved by Councillor Akagi
Seconded by Councillor Gumushel

At 6:23 p.m. that the meeting be adjourned.
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Carried



Doug Naish, Mayor



Paul Nopper, Clerk

