



**THE PUBLIC MEETING OF COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF ESPANOLA**

**Council Chambers
Municipal Building**

**November 11, 2014
7:30 pm**

His Worship Mayor Lehoux presided over the meeting.

Present:

Councillor Beer, Howard, McMillan, McMaster, Meikleham,
Rose

Staff: Cynthia Townsend, Clerk Treasurer/Administrator, P.
Roque, Deputy Clerk, T. Denault-Roque, Recording Secretary

Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof.

Delegations/Petitions

None

Public Hearings

Under Section 34 of the Planning Act, a Public Hearing is being held for the purpose of receiving comments on a proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment Application:

The purpose of this Zoning Bylaw Amendment is to rezone the property located in Part of Lot 10, Concession V; 976 Second Avenue, Town of Espanola from the Rural Residential (RR) Zone to the Rural Residential Special Exception Eleven (RR-11) Zone in order to permit a proposed private gym and fitness training studio accessory to a residential dwelling and recognize the reduced lot area.

Both written and verbal comments were received and included in the Council Agenda.

The Mayor asked for comments from the Public.

Ms. Laura Wright, an area property owner stated that she is against the proposed rezoning application. She stated that a commercial establishment should be kept in the downtown core, where the zoning is already in place. She is concerned that rezoning to permit this business will decrease her property value. Ms. Wright also stated that there would not be enough room for clients to park.

Ms. Shirley Burley addressed Council with her concerns regarding the application. She stated that she is a long time resident of the area, and had chosen to purchase a home

in this location because of the low traffic volume and the quiet setting. Ms. Burley stated that the current road conditions were already deteriorating; she is concerned that the business would create additional traffic flow, which would cause the Second Avenue to deteriorate further at a quicker rate.

She went on to add that the Post Office box for residents in the area is located in front of the property in question. She is concerned that residents will be unable to access it with their vehicles due to clients parking on the roadway.

Ms. Burley also expressed concerns with respect to health and environmental issues that may arise due to the increased usage of water and septic. She stated that all residents in that area are on private systems. She is concerned that an increase of waste water could jeopardize the quality of drinking water for all the residents. She asked if Council has considered this and if they had a plan.

Ms. Burley advised Council that in the Spring the street in front of 830 Second Avenue becomes a lake and is almost impassable. She asked Council what they planned to do about this as an increase in traffic on this road at that time of year would cause traffic issues. With they run storm sewers down to this area?

Mr. Frank Beer stated that although he does not live in this particular area, he does live in a residential area where one of his neighbours has a home based construction business. He stated that there is definitely an increase in traffic and there are issues with the flow of traffic. He commented that although Mr. Bulloch is currently suggesting a small clientele, growth is possible, traffic would mostly increase and overlap as a class ends the next one starts.

Mr. Dan Lagrandeur, a resident at 1020 Second Ave addressed Council with traffic concerns. He stated that he has a young family and decided to purchase a home in that location due to the light traffic, making it a safer location for his children. His children often walk the street to the mailbox and he is very concerned about safety issues that would arise with an increase in traffic.

The applicant Curtis Bulloch was present but did not address Council.

This portion of the meeting closed at 7:39 pm.

PART 1
CONSENT AGENT

CA-017-14 J. Rose – J. Beer

Be It Resolved That: Items A1 to F2, contained in Part 1, Consent Agenda be adopted.

Carried

Items A1 – A2
Minutes

14-150 J. Beer – J. Rose

Be It Resolved That: The following minutes are hereby accepted; Regular Meeting of Council of October 14, 2014; Special Meeting of Council of October 14, 2014.

Carried

Board and Committee

Reports

B1

14-151 J. Rose – J. McMillan

Be It Resolved That: The following reports are hereby received;
Espanola Public Library Board Meeting of October 6, 2014.

Carried

Matters arising from the "In Camera Session"

No session held

Business Arising from Board and Committee

None

Bylaws and Resolutions

Item E1

Confirmatory

14-152 J. McMillan – J. Rose

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2619/14 be adopted. Being a Bylaw of the Town of Espanola to confirm the proceedings of Council at its Meeting of October 14, 2014.

Carried

Item E2

Lapierre Contracting

14-153 J. Rose – M. McMaster

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2620/14 be adopted. Being a Bylaw of the Town of Espanola to execute an agreement with Lapierre Contracting.

Carried

Item E3

ThyssenKrupp Elevator

14-154 M. McMaster – J. Rose

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw No. 2621/14 be adopted. Being a Bylaw of the Town of Espanola to execute an agreement with ThyssenKrupp Elevator.

Carried

Items F1-F2

14-155 S. Meikleham – T. Howard

Be It Resolved That: The following reports are hereby received; Sudbury and District Board of Health Meeting Minutes of October 16, 2014 – Unapproved; Espanola Police Services Board Meeting of September 18, 2014.

Carried

PART II

REGULAR AGENDA

Bylaws and Resolutions

Item G1

Zoning Bylaw

Application B-02/14

14-156 M. McMaster – T. Howard

Be it Resolved That: Bylaw 2618/14 be adopted, being an amendment to Zoning Bylaw 2368/11 in order to permit a

proposed private gym and fitness training studio in the garage in a Rural Residential Zone.

Carried

Deputy Mayor Beer and Councillor McMaster were both opposed to the proposed bylaw amendment for the same reasons that were brought forth by those in attendance. Councillor Meikleham, McMillan, Howard and Rose support the application. Councillor Meikleham stated that he values the opinion of the Town's Planning consultant and JL Richards have recommended the application be approved. There are other businesses in the area and they feel the Town's mandate is to encourage entrepreneurs. They feel that due to the small size of the classes, an increase in traffic would be minimal.

In the Council Agenda package was a letter from the Manager of Public Works commenting on the road conditions, and the municipality's plan to do some remedial work.

Mayor Lehoux advised Council and the public of the Appeal process.

Item G2
**Traffic Bylaw
Amendment**

14-157 M. McMaster – J. Beer

Be It Resolved That: Bylaw 2617/14, an Amendment to the Traffic Bylaw Schedule "N" be adopted. Being a Bylaw to extend the northern boundary of the special needs pick-up / drop-off zone to Mead Blvd.

Carried

Staff were directed to request increased police patrolling and Traffic Bylaw enforcement in school zone.

Item G3
**Property Standards
Appeal Committee**

14-158 M. McMaster – S. Meikleham

Be It Resolved That: We propose that the Property Standards appeal committee for each of the municipalities of the township of Baldwin, the Township of Nairn-Hyman, the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers and the Town of Espanola be comprised of the Clerks from these municipalities; AND THAT we request that the respective Councils consider this proposal and provide their endorsement.

Carried

Correspondence For Information Only

None

This information was previously circulated to Council. If required a copy of the information is available at the Municipal Office.

- AMO Watchfile 14/10/09
- AMO Communications 14/10/21
- MPAC Correspondence re: Assessment Notice
- Correspondence re: Voluntarism in Ontario
- Correspondence re: Rail Safety
- Correspondence re: Home Postal Delivery

Conference and Conventions

None

Mayor and Councillors Reports and Announcements

**Remembrance Day
Ceremony**

The Remembrance Day Ceremony was well attended. Mayor Lehoux commented on the recent tragedies in the media and that perhaps it has contributed to the renewed patriotism in our Country.

Future Council Meetings

Community Services Committee Meeting of November 18, 2014 @ 4:00 pm
Regular Meeting of Council of November 25, 2014 @ 7:30 pm

Adjournment

M. McMaster – J. Beer

Be It Resolved That: The Regular Meeting of Council is hereby adjourned. Time: 8:00 p.m.

Carried

Mike Lehoux
Mayor

Cynthia Townsend
Clerk Treasurer/Administrator