

**RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**MAY 29, 2000**

Location: Point Tupper Heritage Museum

Warden Cotton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The Clerk took roll call of Councillors.

Warden Cotton indicated that Councillor Bourque was absent due to a medical appointment.

Public Hearing re: Adoption of Municipal Planning Strategy and Land-Use By-Law for West Richmond

(i) Presentation from District Planning Commission Staff

Ms. Dawn Sutherland presented on behalf of the District Planning Commission.

Ms. Sutherland indicated that the recommendations of the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law were influenced by the EDM Study, completed in January, 2000 of the West Richmond Area, as well as input from the Area Advisory Committee.

Ms. Sutherland indicated that the West Richmond area contained an ice-free port with great industrial potential.

Ms. Sutherland referred to two maps indicating generalized future land use and zoning, briefly explaining the highlighted Industrial, Residential and Watershed areas, indicating categorizations of development in each area.

Councillor McNamara indicated that it was important to note that the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law was developed in keeping with the recommendations of the EDM Study.

(ii) Receipt of Oral and Written Submissions

Mrs. Vicki Jensen indicated that she recognized a lot of hard work was put into this study, indicating that as part of a community economic group herself she believed that development for the purpose of recreation and tourism should be stressed because of the enhanced beauty of the area.

Mrs. Jensen recommended that perhaps a park be established to recognize the potential of the Point Tupper area.

In response to a question from Mrs. Jensen, the Clerk indicated that someone wishing to develop land in the Point Tupper area, for the purpose of establishing a park, would have to contact Richmond Municipal Council as well as the province, who owns the land.

Moved by Councillor MacPhee, seconded by Councillor McNamara that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.