

TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN
Minutes of a Public Hearing held on
Tuesday, January 27th, 2015



PRESENT: Mayor Ross Forrest
Councillor Carolyne Austin
Councillor Bob K. Day
Councillor Lorna Vomacka

ABSENT: Councillor Tim McGonigle
(with prior approval)

STAFF: Joseph A. Fernandez, Chief Administrative Officer
Roni-Lee Roach, Executive Secretary

PUBLIC: 15

Mayor Forrest called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1. OPENING REMARKS

- (a)** The Mayor explained the process for the public hearing and which was being called in accordance with *Local Government Act*. The purpose of the hearing was to provide the public the opportunity for input on the proposed Town of Lake Cowichan Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 954-2014.

The Mayor also established the rules for the conduct of the hearing.

Mayor Forrest called for any questions on the process laid out for the public hearing.

Hearing none, Mayor Forrest then called on the Chief Administrative Officer to introduce the bylaw.

2. BYLAW NO. 954-2014

- (a)** The Chief Administrative Officer advised that the Zoning Amendment Bylaw had been given 1st and 2nd readings by Council on December 23rd, 2014. The purpose of the bylaw was to add "Bed and Breakfast", as accessory use to the principal use under section 5.1.2 of Bylaw 935-2013 on the parcel described as Lot 3, Block 4, Section 5, Plan 1750 and zoned Urban Residential (R-1).

The Chief Administrative Officer further advised that the requirements of the public notice process have been met and that no written submissions had been submitted as of the end of the business day, this day.

- (b)** ⇒ The Mayor called for public input.

Wayne Winters

Wayne Winters, 221 North Shore Road, expressed his concern with parking congestion on North Shore Road and how this could affect the line of sight for vehicular traffic because of the proposed bed and breakfast use. He also outlined his concerns with the lack of curbside parking, the safety hazard caused by the number of vehicles parking, and the busy traffic during the summer months with the close

proximity of the public boat launch posing additional safety issues.

Sharon Winters

Sharon Winters, 221 North Shore Road, reiterated the concerns expressed by Mr. Winters. She stated that she was not against the establishment of a bed and breakfast operation but she was concerned with the issue of parking and the safety hazards that this may pose.

Cindy DeBree

Mayor Forrest asked if the proponent wished to speak.

Cindy deBree, spoke on behalf of Antony Burt of 207 North Shore Road. She responded that the property had a double car garage and had space in the yard to park three vehicles. She indicated that with the two room limitation there would be no more than three(3) vehicles parked on the property at any given time.

⇒ The Mayor issued the second call for public input.

None.

⇒ The Mayor issued the third call for public input.

None.

- (c) Mayor Forrest stated that no more submissions would be accepted after the meeting and that the bylaw would be referred to the regular meeting following the public hearing.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Forrest declared the public hearing for the proposed Bylaw No. 954-2014 closed and advised that the Bylaw be returned to Council for further consideration (6:12 pm.).

Certified correct _____.

Confirmed on the _____ day of _____, 2015.

Mayor