

Date: Wednesday, July 27, 2022

Time: 5:00 pm

Location: Zoom Conference

Attendance: Tim Nohara, Chair
Carla Baxter
Louis Damm
Bill Heska
Jim Jeffs
John Langendoen
Jim Steele
Bob Hildebrandt, Councillor - Town of Pelham
Barbara Wiens, Director, Community Planning & Development, Town of Pelham
Jodi Legros, Administrative Assistant, Community Planning & Development, Town of Pelham (Secretary)

Regrets: David Cribbs, CAO, Town of Pelham
Shannon Larocque - Senior Planner, Community Planning & Development, Town of Pelham

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum

Noting that quorum was present, Chair, T. Nohara called the meeting to order at approximately 5:02 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by J. Langendoen
Seconded by B. Heska

THAT the agenda for the July 27, 2022 regular meeting of the Cannabis Control Committee be adopted.

Carried

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature

There were no pecuniary interests disclosed by any of the members present.

4. Approval of Minutes

The Committee approved the minutes from the June 15, 2022 Cannabis Control Committee meeting.

Moved by **J. Steele**
Seconded by **C. Baxter**

THAT the minutes of the June 15, 2022 Cannabis Control Committee be approved as amended.

Carried

5. Legal Actions Update

Town staff provided an update on the outcome of the Ontario Land Tribunal Hearing that reconvened Monday July 25, 2022 with respect to appeals relating to the zoning by-law and official plan amendments. Staff reported that prior to the hearing, Phoena (formerly Canntrust) withdrew their appeals. Minutes of Settlement between Redecan and the Town were presented to the Tribunal for its consideration. Woodstock Biomed indicated they did not object to the amended OPA and presented their closing argument to the Tribunal and requested their property be recognized as an existing use requesting site specific setbacks, which the Town solicitor disagreed to in the Town closing argument. The Hearing concluded and a written decision by the Tribunal Member is pending.

The committee requested Staff provide the revised Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments that were presented to the Tribunal to the committee for its information.

6. Unfinished Business and Recommendations Discussion

The committee discussed the need for a cannabis Light By-law. The Town drafted a Dark Skies By-law which included regulations for greenhouses that had been reviewed and deferred by the committee, pending legal action in relation to a Leamington light abatement by-law.

The committee would like to recommend that Council adopt a greenhouse light abatement by-law similar to one that Leamington recently adopted as well, as that by-law appears to have support from the greenhouse industry.

The Chair reviewed a draft closing memo to council which built on the two-pager (entitled Pelham Cannabis Regulations) presented to Council on June 20, 2022 and summarized each item, proposed recommendations and provided guiding principles for Council to consider next term. The Committee members provided feedback with edits incorporated during the meeting; and members were requested to provide additional input to the Chair and the Chair would finalize the closing memo, circulate for final review, and submit to the Town Clerk for inclusion on the August 22, 2022 Council agenda.

Moved by **L. Damm**
Seconded by **J. Steele**

THAT the Cannabis Control Committee's recommendations to council in the closing memo be approved as amended, subject to committee review and comments, and that the Chair present these recommendations and the closing memo to Council at the August 22, 2022 Council meeting.

Carried

7. Other Business

B. Heska indicated he continues to have discussions with Health Canada and the MPP's office regarding obtaining access to MDS Data Sheets.

8. Next Meeting

Next Meeting: August 17, 2022 at 5pm via Zoom

9. Adjournment

Moved by **B. Heska**
Seconded by **C. Baxter**

THAT this Regular Meeting of the Cannabis Control Committee be adjourned at 7:06 pm.

Carried

Tim J. Nohara

Edited by: Tim Nohara, Chair

Jodi Legros

**Prepared by: Jodi Legros
Administrative Assistant
Community Planning & Development
Town of Pelham**