



DISTRICT OF HIGHLANDS
MINUTES OF SUSTAINABLE LAND USE
SELECT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, October 17, 2017 @ 7:00pm
SCHOOL HOUSE, 1589 MILLSTREAM ROAD

PRESENT:

Val Fletcher
Neville Grigg
Ingo Lambrecht
Dave Mackas
Bob McMinn
Ellie Rayner
Allan Roger

COUNCIL LIAISON:

Councillor Karen Burns

1. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved and Seconded that the Agenda be approved.

CARRIED

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved and Seconded that the minutes of the Committee meeting of July 18, 2017 be adopted.

CARRIED

3. COUNCIL LIAISON UPDATE

Councillor Burns outlined council's recent major initiatives/decisions for July through October.

a) OK Industries Application to the Province under the Mines Act

Moved and Seconded that the committee recommend to Council that:

Council submit a Freedom of Information request to the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources to obtain any submissions and correspondence between the applicant and the Ministry subsequent to the initial permit application (March 20, 2017) including, but not limited to, First Nations consultation, Mining Reclamation Plan and potential aquatic environmental impacts on migration of salmonids.

CARRIED

**Note: All of these topics appear to be deficiencies in the original application by OK Industries, as does lack of mention by OK Industries of the strong community opposition that became obvious in the design charrette.*

b) Groundwater Protection – Strategic Planning Priority

Moved and Seconded that the committee recommend to Council that:

In light of council's decision to seek Gas Tax funding for a consultant to review larger scale direction and inter-relation regarding aquifer protection DPA and storm water management that the focus should be on the use, impacts and contamination of groundwater.

CARRIED

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Groundwater Protection

Committee Action: Report following the April 20, 2017 motion and request staff for information regarding groundwater risks in south Highlands. Committee member Neville Grigg to submit a proposal to use an Australian model for Groundwater Risk assessment **(on hold)**.

b) Local Area Plan for the South Highlands

January 17, 2017 motion to Council: “that the District use a local area plan approach to provide better control over future developments in the commercial/industrial areas of the south Highlands”. The Committee will consider whether additional detail will be provided to Council for inclusion in the local area plan. Possible Committee Action: The Committee will consider whether additional detail will be provided to Council for inclusion in the local area plan **(on hold)**.

c) Work Review

Committee started review of SLUSC work to date and will continue review in future meetings.

5. THREATS TO HIGHLANDS SUSTAINABILITY

6. NEW BUSINESS

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn 9:02 pm.

CARRIED

Recording Secretary

Chair

NEXT MEETING: November 21, 2017, 7:00 pm at the School House