

**MINUTES OF THE ELECTRONIC PUBLIC HEARING
of the Town of Whitecourt**
held on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 at the Town Office Large Boardroom

Present: Mayor Chichak; Deputy Mayor Connell; Councillors Chauvet, Hilts, McAree, and Pickard; Chief Administrative Officer Smyl; and Recording Secretary Gallant.

Absent: Councillor Schlosser

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:01pm. Mayor Chichak presiding.

Appointment of Chair: 21-185 Moved by Councillor Chauvet

That Mayor Chichak be appointed as Chair of the Public Hearing.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councillor Pickard arrived for the meeting at 4:02pm.

The Chair reviewed procedures for the public to address Council and also how Council would conduct discussions for the Electronic Public Hearing, noting that anyone wishing to address Council was required to pre-register.

Item: i. Proposed Amendment to Land Use Bylaw No. 1506;

Councillor Chauvet declared a conflict of interest as he owns property in the area and vacated the meeting at 4:04pm.

Development Officer Love advised that an application was received to rezone a portion of Lot D, Plan 5045NY from C-2 (Service Commercial) to D-C (Direct Control). Notification of the proposed amendment was posted on the Town's website, advertisements placed in the May 5 and 12, 2021 local papers, and sent to nearby property owners on April 26, 2021. The Municipal Planning Commission reviewed the proposal on May 13, 2021 and provided its support. The rezoning would allow the property owner to apply for permits to operate a mini-golf course and campground. Approval for the proposed development has been provided from Alberta Transportation. He noted that two written submissions were received in support of the application and were provided to Council as information.

Chair Chichak noted that two individuals pre-registered to speak in favour of the proposal.

Applicant Amanda Pauze of 94 Olson Crescent, representing Brooke's Creek Mini Golf Course, addressed the hearing in favour of the proposed amendments. Ms. Pauze noted that the development would be a great addition to recreational aspects of the community and a good complement to Rotary Park.

David Evasiuk of 9-10 Abraham Drive, addressed the Hearing, noting that he has been a resident of Whitecourt for over 60 years and that this attraction, in a great location, would be another activity that would benefit the community now and in years to come.


Chair Chichak advised that there were no other registrants to speak at the Hearing.

Adjournment:

21-186 Moved by Councillor Hilts

That the Public Hearing be adjourned. Time: 4:07pm.

- CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer