

Public Information Meeting Minutes Wednesday, April 22, 2015 7:00 p.m. Council Chamber, Town Hall

> Mayor A. Thompson Councillor D. Beffort Councillor N. de Boer Councillor J. Downey Councillor A. Groves (Absent) Councillor J. Innis Councillor G. McClure Councillor R. Mezzapelli Councillor B. Shaughnessy

Director of Administration/Town Clerk: C. deGorter Manager of Development – West: R. Hughes Council/Committee Co-ordinator: B. Karrandjas Community Development Planner: J. Maestre Economic Development Officer: B. Roberts Senior Development Planner: B. Ward

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order in the Council Chamber at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Thompson advised the public that any concerns or appeals dealing with the Zoning By-law Amendment application should be directed to the Legislative Services Department. He noted that any interested persons wishing further notification of the staff report(s) regarding the application were advised to sign the appropriate notification form required by the Legislative Services Department. Mayor Thompson confirmed with Brandon Ward, Senior Development Planner that notification was conducted in accordance with the Planning Act.

# 2. PRESENTATIONS

#### A. Application for a Town-Wide Zoning By-law Amendment.

Ms. Jennifer Maestre, Community Development Planner, Town of Caledon advised that the purpose of the public meeting is to propose a Town-wide Zoning By-law amendment which will permit additional agriculture-related uses within Agricultural and Rural zones. Recently approved amendments to the Town of Caledon Official Plan have been implemented to reflect the latest changes to Provincial Policy with respect to agricultural uses. These changes encourage on-farm diversification, agri-tourism, agriculture-related commercial and agriculture-related industrial uses. The intent of the proposed zoning bylaw amendment is to enhance the long term viability of farm operations within Caledon as well as to encourage appropriate economic development within the agricultural community. (See attached presentation)

Members of Council asked a number of questions and received responses from the presenter.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. **THERES TOBOLKA**, 2146 Old Base Line Road, Caledon requested clarification regarding the definition for a farm designation. She noted that she was confused regarding the intent of the proposed definition. Ms. Tobolka expressed concern that she feels this is a big issue and that the public should be leading the process and not led by Planners. Ms. Tobolka received responses from staff.

# WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

There was no written correspondence received.

# 3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Allan Thompson, Mayor

Carey deGorter, Clerk