

Appendix 2: Report of the Public Hearing

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEARING

held at the Juan de Fuca Local Area Services Building
#3 – 7450 Butler Road, Otter Point, BC
February 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

SUBJECT: **BYLAW NO. 4259**, cited as “Juan de Fuca Land Use Bylaw, 1992, Amendment Bylaw No. 136, 2018”

PRESENT: **Director M. Hicks**, Chair by Resolution of the Capital Regional District Board on Wednesday, January 9, 2019

CRD Staff: I. Lawrence, Manager, Local Area Planning; W. Miller, Recorder

PURPOSE OF THE HEARING:

Bylaw No. 4259 will amend Bylaw No. 2040, “Juan de Fuca Land Use Bylaw, 1992”, by deleting That Part of Lot 2, Section 90, Renfrew District, Plan VIP6764 Lying to the North of the 66 Foot Road Dedicated by Said Plan from the Rural (A) zone and from the Forestry (AF) zone, and adding said lot to a new Rural 2 (RU2) zone for the purpose of permitting agriculture.

NOTICE: Notices were inserted in two (2) consecutive issues of the Times Colonist appearing on January 29, 2019 and January 30, 2019.

ATTENDANCE: There were four people in attendance.

The Chair declared the Public Hearing open at 7:00 p.m.

The guidelines and procedures of the Public Hearing and the Notice of Public Hearing were read to those present.

I. Lawrence confirmed that the Public Hearing for Bylaw No. 4259 is for rezoning application RZ000259 and that a submission supporting the proposal was received from Katie, Darrell, Wes, Marta, Ken and Charlotte of Livin’ the Dream Farm in Shirley.

Chuck Minten, Shirley, stated that:

- he lives on his family farm
- his family farm has been in operation for 100 years
- there is a strong history of farming in the area
- there has been a decline in farming over the years
- farms are an important part of rural communities
- he supports the proposal

Jeff Head, Shirley, stated that:

- residents of the Kirby Creek development wish to create a community that supports small hobby farm activities on their properties
- there is a strong history of farming in the area
- he supports agricultural use on lands no longer used for forestry
- he supports the proposal

The Chair called three times for further discussion on the bylaw and hearing none closed the Public Hearing on Bylaw No. 4259 at 7:05 p.m.

CHAIR, Director M. Hicks

RECORDER, W. Miller

Wendy Miller

From: Iain Lawrence
Sent: Wednesday, February 06, 2019 2:13 PM
To: Wendy Miller
Subject: FW: Zoning application for the Richardsons

From: Livin' the Dream Farm
Sent: Wednesday, February 06, 2019 2:12 PM
To: Iain Lawrence <ilawrence@crd.bc.ca>
Subject: Re: Zoning application for the Richardsons

Hi Iain,
We are writing to show our support for the Richardsons in accepting their application to rezone their property for agricultural use. More farmland, fresh organic veggies growing is a great regenerative way to put that land to use. We hope for some positive news for them tonight. Thank you for your consideration,
Katie, Darrell, Wes, Marta, Ken and Charlotte from Livin' the Dream Farm, Shirley.

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