

Banner Road (15th Line), between Stanley Street South and Darlison Drive (future road), in the Village of Thamesford, and municipally known as 154928 and 154930 15th Line.

Presentation of Report

Meghan House of the County of Oxford Community Planning Office reviews the planning report for Committee pertaining to property described as Lots 8 and 9, Plan 41M-320 (Sloan Subdivision). The lands are located on the east side of Banner Road (15th Line), between Stanley Street South and Darlison Drive (future road), in the Village of Thamesford, and municipally known as 154928 and 154930 15th Line.

The variances are requested to facilitate the construction of a single detached dwelling on each of two vacant lots (Lots 8 and 9 in the Sloan Subdivision). The applicant has indicated that the dwellings will be one-storey with an attached garage and smaller setbacks and greater coverage will permit a larger building envelope for this form of dwelling.

Ms. House notes, for Committee's information, a previous minor variance application (File No: A11-12) was granted on August 14, 2012 to decrease the minimum required exterior side yard width from 10 m (32.8 ft) to 6 m (19.7 ft) for the corner lots (Lots 7 and 8) and would continue to apply to the proposed development of Lot 8.

Ms. House notes Planning staff are of the opinion that the requested variances are considered to be minor in nature, desirable for the appropriate development and use of the land and in-keeping with the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law and the objectives and policies of the Official Plan with respect to development in the Low Density Residential designation of a Serviced Village.

Ms. House notes that at the time of writing the report there were no concerns or objections received from public agencies or neighbours prior to the meeting.

Council Question Period

None.

Public Question Period

None.

Public in attendance

None.

04-07-19 Moved by: Paul Mitchell Seconded by: Steve MacDonald

“THAT the Township of Zorra Committee of Adjustment approve Application File A07-19, submitted by John Scholten for lands described as Lots 8 & 9, Plan 41M-320, and municipally known as 154928 and 154930 15th Line (Banner Road), in the Village of Thamesford, to facilitate the construction of single detached dwellings as described in CP 2019-224 as it relates to relief from the provisions of Table 11.2 Zone Provisions for the ‘Residential Type 1 Zone (R1)’:

- i. To decrease the minimum required front yard depth from 10 m (32.8 ft) to 7.5 m (24.6 ft); and,
- ii. To increase the maximum permitted lot coverage from 30% to 40%.”

Disposition: Carried

- (b) **10:55 a.m.** – Minor Variance Application A06-19 submitted by Wayne Romphf pertaining to lands described as Part Lot 6, South Side of Washington Street and West Side of Allen Street, Plan 105, Township of Zorra. The lands are located on the south side of Washington Street, between George Street and Allen Street, in the Village of Thamesford, and is municipally known as 121 Washington Street.

Presentation of Report

Meghan House of the County of Oxford Community Planning Office reviews the planning report for Committee pertaining to property described as Part Lot 6, South Side of Washington Street and West Side of Allen Street, Plan 105. The lands are located on the south side of Washington Street, between George Street and Allen Street, in the Village of Thamesford, and is municipally known as 121 Washington Street.

The variances are requested to facilitate the construction of an addition to the rear of an existing detached accessory structure (garage).

Ms. House notes that Planning staff are of the opinion that the requested variances for the gross floor area of accessory structures, side yard width, and overall lot coverage are considered to be minor in nature, desirable for the appropriate development and use of the land and inkeeping with the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law and the objectives and policies of the Official Plan with respect to accessory structures. However, the requested variance with respect to the height of the proposed accessory structure is not considered to be minor in nature, desirable for the appropriate development and use of the land and in-keeping with the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law and the objectives and policies of the Official Plan with respect to accessory structures.

In summary, it is the recommendation of this Office that the application in part be given favorable consideration, while the variance for building height should be denied or modified. An alternative for Committee's consideration is to defer the application to allow the applicant the opportunity to consider reducing the proposed building height through a revised proposal or alternative roof truss design to reduce the height of the proposed accessory structure.

Ms. House notes that at the time of writing the report there were no concerns or objections received from public agencies or neighbours prior to the meeting.

Council Question Period

Councillor Davies asks the applicant if lowering the height of the building would still fit his use and design. Wayne Romphf, Applicant notes that he can rework the height of the building and was told that 20 feet would still give him the room he needs. Mr. Romphf notes that it would probably look better if it was shorter. Ms. House notes that 20 feet to the peak would be approximately 15-16 feet to mid-truss and that would be consistent with character of garages in the area.

Councillor Mitchell questions the need for the height requested. Mr. Romphf notes that it is for classic cars, boats, snowmobiles and will allow him to lift up his truck. Councillor Mitchell notes that the application should be deferred and more accurate numbers brought back from the applicant.

Councillor Davies notes support of moving the application forward and allowing 16 feet for the height of the building.

Public Question Period

None.

Public in attendance

Wayne Romphf, applicant.

05-07-19 Moved by: Paul Mitchell Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT the Township of Zorra Committee of Adjustment defer Application File A06-19, submitted by Wayne Romphf for lands described as Part Lot 6, South Side of Washington Street and West Side of Allen Street, Plan 105, and municipally known as 121 Washington Street, in the Village of Thamesford, to facilitate the construction of an addition to an existing detached garage as described in CP 2019-226 as it relates to relief from the provisions of Table 5.1.1.3 - Regulations for

Accessory Uses, to allow the applicant the opportunity to consider reducing the proposed building height through a revised proposal or alternative roof truss design to reduce the height of the proposed accessory structure.”

Disposition: Defeated

06-07-19 Moved by: Katie Davies

Seconded by: Steve MacDonald

“THAT the Township of Zorra Committee of Adjustment approve Application File A06-19, submitted by Wayne Romphf for lands described as Part Lot 6, South Side of Washington Street and West Side of Allen Street, Plan 105, and municipally known as 121 Washington Street, in the Village of Thamesford, to facilitate the construction of an addition to an existing detached garage as described in CP 2019-226 as it relates to relief from the provisions of Table 5.1.1.3 - Regulations for Accessory Uses and Table 11.2 - Zone Provisions in the ‘Residential Type 1 Zone (R1)’:

- i. To increase the maximum permitted lot coverage for an accessory structure from 10% of lot area or 100 m² (1,076.4 ft²) of gross floor area, whichever is the lesser, to 176.3 m² (1,898 ft²) of gross floor area;**
- ii. To decrease the minimum required interior side yard width for an accessory structure from 1.2 m (3.9 ft) to 1.15 m (3.8 ft); and,**
- iii. To increase the maximum permitted lot coverage for all buildings and structures from 30% to 40% of lot area;**
- iv. To increase the maximum permitted building height for an accessory structure from 4.0 m (13.2 ft) to a maximum of 4.9 m (16.0 ft).”**

Disposition: Carried

- (c) **11:00 a.m.** – Minor Variance Application A05-19 submitted by Matt Ross pertaining to lands described as Part Lot 22, Concession 7 (West Zorra), Township of Zorra. The property is located on the east side of 43rd Line, between Road 88 and Road 92, and is municipally known as 436356 43rd Line.

Presentation of Report

Meghan House of the County of Oxford Community Planning Office reviews the planning report for Committee pertaining to property described as Part Lot 22, Concession 7 (West Zorra), Township of Zorra. The property is located on the east side of 43rd Line, between Road 88 and Road 92, and is municipally known as 436356 43rd Line.

The applicant is seeking relief from Table 5.1.1.3, Regulations for Accessory Uses in the ‘Residential Existing Lot Zone (RE)’ to increase the maximum lot coverage and height for a detached accessory structure to facilitate construction of a detached garage/shop. The subject lands comprise an area of approximately 0.8 ha (1.9 ac) and contain an existing single-detached dwelling. The surrounding land uses are predominately agricultural and rural residential.

Ms. House notes that Planning staff are of the opinion that the requested variances are not considered to be minor in nature, desirable for the appropriate development and use of the land and in-keeping with the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law and the objectives and policies of the Official Plan with respect to accessory structures. In summary, it is the recommendation of this Office that the application not be given favorable consideration. An alternative for Committee’s consideration is to defer the application to allow the applicant the opportunity to consider reducing the gross floor area of the proposed building.

Ms. House notes that at the time of writing the report there were no concerns or objections received from public agencies or neighbours prior to the meeting.

Council Question Period

Councillor Mitchell questions the difference between RE and RR zoning. Ms. House notes that they have similar provisions regarding lot coverage etc. but RE were lots that existed as of the date of passing of the Zoning By-law. Matt Ross, Applicant notes that there is not currently an existing garage or storage area on the property and wants to store snow equipment and other motorized vehicles.

Councillor Forbes notes that he does not see a problem with the request that is being made.

Public Question Period

None.

Public in attendance

Matt Ross, Applicant
Bob Ross

07-07-19 Moved by: Ron Forbes Seconded by: Paul Mitchell

“THAT the Township of Zorra Committee of Adjustment approve Application File A05-19, submitted by Matthew Ross for lands described as Part Lot 22, Concession 7 (West Zorra), and municipally known as 436356 43rd Line, to facilitate the construction of a detached accessory structure as described in CP 2019-223 as it relates to relief from the provisions of Table 5.1.1.3, Regulations for Accessory Uses in the ‘Residential Existing Lot Zone (RE)’:

- i. **To increase the maximum permitted gross floor area for an accessory structure from 10% of lot area or 170 m² (1,830 ft²) of gross floor area, whichever is the lesser, to 297.3 m² (3,200 ft²) of gross floor area; and,**
- ii. **To increase the maximum permitted building height for an accessory structure from 5.0 m (16.4 ft) to 5.3 m (17.3 ft).”**

Disposition: Carried

- (d) **11:05 a.m.** – Zone Change Applications ZN 5-19-07 & ZN 5-19-08 submitted by Dirk Boogerd pertaining to lands described as Part Lot 11, Concession 7 (West Zorra), Township of Zorra. The subject properties are located on the north side of Road 78 (Oxford Road 33), between 43rd Line and 45th Line and are municipally known as 435620 43rd Line and 784411 Road 78.

Presentation of Report

Meghan House of the County of Oxford Community Planning Office reviews the planning report for Council pertaining to property described as Part Lot 11, Concession 7 (West Zorra), Township of Zorra. The subject properties are located on the north side of Road 78 (Oxford Road 33), between 43rd Line and 45th Line and are municipally known as 435620 43rd Line and 784411 Road 78.

The Zone Change applications propose to amend the zoning that applies to the subject properties from ‘Special General Agricultural Zone (A2-3)’ to ‘General Agricultural Zone (A2)’. The applications are intended to remove site specific zoning provisions that permit “a meeting retreat” and “a bed and breakfast establishment containing not more than 5 guest rooms” as these uses have were never established on the lot to be retained and have ceased on the lot to be enlarged. The applications are intended to facilitate a related Application for Consent (File No. B19-10-5) that proposes to sever approximately 2.6 ha (6.5 ac) of vacant agricultural land to be added to an adjacent property directly to the east of the subject property.

Ms. House notes that as the site specific provisions were intended to permit a specific proposal, within the existing dwelling and are no longer desired by the Township or the property owners, the proposed zoning amendment is recommended for approval.

Ms. House notes that at the time of writing the report there were no concerns or objections received from public agencies or neighbours prior to the meeting.

Council Question Period

None.

Public Question Period

None.

Public in attendance

Dirk Boogerd, applicant.

- (e) **11:10 a.m.** – Zone Change Application ZN 5-19-11 submitted by 2374437 Ontario Inc. (Wayne and Carol Fraser) pertaining to lands described as Part Lot 12, Concession 4 (West Zorra); all of Lot 52 and Part Lots 34, 47-51 and 53, part of Maria Street (Closed by By-Law R510476) and Part of Elizabeth Street (Closed by By-Law R5104760), on Plan 69; Part 1, on Plan 41R-9135, except 41M-333 (Phase 1) and 41M-340 (Phase 2). The subject lands are located on the north side of James Street (future extension) and are identified as lots 7-13 (Phase 3) on the draft plan of subdivision (File: SB15-02-5 – Fraser Subdivision).

Presentation of Report

Meghan House of the County of Oxford Community Planning Office reviews the planning report for Council pertaining to property described as Part Lot 12, Concession 4 (West Zorra); all of Lot 52 and Part Lots 34, 47-51 and 53, part of Maria Street (Closed by By-Law R510476) and Part of Elizabeth Street (Closed by By-Law R5104760), on Plan 69; Part 1, on Plan 41R-9135, except 41M-333 (Phase 1) and 41M-340 (Phase 2). The subject lands are located on the north side of James Street (future extension) and are identified as lots 7-13 (Phase 3) on the draft plan of subdivision (File: SB15-02-5 – Fraser Subdivision).

The zone change application proposes to rezone the proposed lots 7-13 in Phase 3 of the approved draft plan of subdivision known as the Fraser Subdivision in the Village of Embro (File: SB15-02-5) from 'Special Residential Type 1 Zone (R1-22)' to 'Special Residential Type 1 Zone (R1-sp)', to increase the permitted maximum lot coverage from 30% to 40%. Portions of the lots are also zoned 'Open Space Zone (OS)' and this zoning will remain unchanged.

Ms. House notes that Planning Staff are recommending that the application be approved-in-principle at this time and the necessary Zoning By-law amendment will be prepared and forwarded to Council for adoption once the second phase of the draft plan of subdivision is registered and the affected lots are legally created.

Ms. House notes that at the time of writing the report there were no concerns or objections received from public agencies or neighbours prior to the meeting.

Council Question Period

None.

Public Question Period

None.

Public in attendance

Jerry Beckett

- (f) **11:15 a.m.** – Zone Change Applications ZN 5-19-09 & ZN 5-19-10 and Official Plan Amendment OP 19-06-5 submitted by Wilhelmus (Bill) Van Haeren pertaining to lands described as Part of Lots 23 & 24, Concession 1 (North Oxford). The lands are located on the southwest corner of Oxford

Road 2 (Road 68) and 45th Line, and are municipally known as 454949 45th Line and 684442 Road 68.

Presentation of Report

Meghan House of the County of Oxford Community Planning Office reviews the planning report for Council pertaining to property described as Part of Lots 23 & 24, Concession 1 (North Oxford), Township of Zorra. The lands are located on the southeast corner of Oxford Road 2 (Road 68) and 45th Line, and are municipally known as 454949 45th Line and 684442 Road 68 (Oxford Road 2).

The purpose of the Application for Zone Change relates to Consent Application B19-46-5 and Application ZN 5-19-09 proposes to change the zoning that applies to the lot to be retained from 'General Agricultural Zone (A2)' to 'Special General Agricultural Zone (A2-sp)' to recognize the proposed lot area of 11.3 ha (28 ac) in lieu of the minimum lot area of 30 ha (74.1 ac) typically required in the Township of Zorra Zoning By-law. The lot to be enlarged via the noted consent application currently comprises 24.3 ha (60.1 ac) of agricultural land with an existing residential dwelling and a private airfield and buildings accessory thereto. Application for Zone Change ZN 5-19-10 proposes to change the zoning that applies to the lot to be enlarged from 'Airfield Industrial Zone (MA)' to 'General Agricultural Zone (A2)' to permit the continued use of the lands for farming purposes. The lot to be severed is currently zoned 'General Agricultural Zone (A2)' and the zoning of the parcel to be enlarged will result in consistent zoning across the consolidated lands.

Ms. House notes that Planning Staff are recommending that the application be approved-in-principle at this time and the necessary Zoning By-law amendment will be prepared and forwarded to Council for adoption once County Council makes a decision regarding the Official Plan Amendment.

Ms. House notes that at the time of writing the report there were no concerns or objections received from public agencies or neighbours prior to the meeting.

Council Question Period

None.

Public Question Period

None.

Public in attendance

Bill Taplay, John Carroll, Dave Hewitt, Bob Pow, W. Maureen Pow, Marco Rusconi, Bill Van Haeren, and Josh Baer.

08-07-19 Moved by: Paul Mitchell Seconded by: Steve MacDonald

“THAT pursuant to the Planning Act the public meeting be adjourned at 11:48 a.m. and the regular meeting of Council be called back to order.”

Disposition: Carried

09-07-19 Moved by: Steve MacDonald Seconded by: Paul Mitchell

“THAT the Council of the Township of Zorra approve the zone change applications ZN5-19-07 and ZN5-19-08, submitted by Dirk Boogerd, whereby the lands described as Part Lot 11, Concession 7 (West Zorra), and municipally known as 435620 43rd Line and 784411 Road 78, are to be rezoned from 'Special General Agricultural Zone (A2-3)' to 'General Agricultural Zone (A2)' to fulfill a condition of consent application B19-10-5 and to reflect the current use of the properties.”

Disposition: Carried

10-07-19 Moved by: Steve MacDonald Seconded by: Paul Mitchell

“THAT the CAO be authorized to proceed with sale of surplus municipal lands located at 204 Stanley Street North;

AND THAT in accordance with Policy 200-02, the property is to be sold by sealed tender with a minimum reserve bid of \$100,000 and the purchaser to be responsible for all transfer costs.”

Disposition: Carried

6. DELEGATIONS

- (a) **10:30 a.m.** – Heather Derks, Sparta Par Committee Chair – Taking Back the Schools.

Heather Derks presents to Council regarding school board reform in Thames Valley District School Board. Ms. Derks notes that school boards have become an example of extreme silo-ism and believes if the County was to take the provision of education services then a more holistic approach to planning could be adopted.

Mayor Ryan thanks Ms. Derks for attending and supports the presentation.

Council Question Period

Councillor Davies notes that the Zorra Local School Committee endorsed this model and notes that Council should do the same.

Public Question Period

None.

Public in attendance

None.

- 13-07-19** Moved by: Steve MacDonald Seconded by: Paul Mitchell

“THAT the Council of the Township of Zorra receive item 6(a) and consider during agenda item 7.7(b).”

Disposition: Carried

- (b) **1:00 p.m.** – Andrew Goodwin – Multi-Use Courts in Thamesford.

Andrew Goodwin proposes to have a facility created in Thamesford ahead of the Recreation, Arts and Culture Master Plan for a multi-sport court. Mr. Goodwin notes that he has started to form a committee that would fundraise and provides research and costs about other facilities. Mr. Goodwin notes that it would be approximately \$50, 000 per court including fencing.

Council Question Period

Councillor Forbes questions the location that he is proposing. Mr. Goodwin notes that they would have to check the zoning on specific properties before deciding on a location. Councillor Forbes questions how many courts they are proposing. Mr. Goodwin notes that Tennis Canada proposes four tennis courts and two ball hockey/basketball courts. Councillor Forbes questions if there would be lighting. Mr. Goodwin notes that the \$50, 000 quote includes lighting.

Mayor Ryan questions how many hours of programming per week would be happening. Mr. Goodwin notes approximately 8-10 hours a week would be fully operational.

Councillor Davies notes that six courts seems slightly overwhelming and further research will be required. Councillor Davies questions how the programming works. Mr. Goodwin notes that signage could be added to the courts ahead of time showing what time they are booked for certain programs.

Councillor Mitchell questions if the intent is for the Township to build and manage the courts and then allow Mr. Goodwin, a certified tennis instructor,

- (a) Memorandum 2019-119 from the Fire Chief regarding monthly departmental activities.

16-07-19 Moved by: Ron Forbes Seconded by: Katie Davies

“THAT Memorandum 2019-119 from the Fire Chief be received and filed for information purposes only.”

Disposition: Carried

7.2 Recreation Department

- (a) Memorandum 2019-124 from the Recreation and Facilities Manager regarding monthly departmental activities.

17-07-19 Moved by: Steve MacDonald Seconded by: Paul Mitchell

“THAT Memorandum 2019-124 from the Recreation and Facilities Manager be received and filed for information purposes only.”

Disposition: Carried

- (b) Memorandum 2019-123 from the Recreation and Facilities Manager regarding Recreation Rental Rates Review.

18-07-19 Moved by: Paul Mitchell Seconded by: Steve MacDonald

“THAT Council receive and file the Recreation Department report for consideration with agenda item 6(c).”

Disposition: Carried

- (c) Memorandum 2019-122 from the Recreation and Facilities Manager regarding Recreation Rental Fee Waiver & Reduction Policy.

19-07-19 Moved by: Katie Davies Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT Council adopt the Recreational Rental Fee Waiver & Reduction Policy # 700-06.”

Disposition: Carried

- (d) Memorandum 2019-121 from the Recreation and Facilities Manager regarding 5-year Energy Management Plan Update.

20-07-19 Moved by: Steve MacDonald Seconded by: Paul Mitchell

“THAT Council adopt the revised 5-year Energy Conservation and Demand Management Plan – 2019 attached, as required by Ontario Regulation 397/11 under the Green Energy Act 2009.”

Disposition: Carried

7.3 Building & Drainage Department

- (a) Memorandum 2019-116 from the Chief Building Official/Drainage Superintendent regarding monthly departmental activities.

21-07-19 Moved by: Ron Forbes Seconded by: Katie Davies

“THAT Memorandum 2019-116 from the Chief Building Official/Drainage Superintendent be received and filed for information purposes only.”

Disposition: Carried

7.4 Public Works Department

- (a) Memorandum 2019-117 from the Acting Director of Public Works regarding monthly departmental activities.

22-07-19 Moved by: Katie Davies Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT Memorandum 2019-117 from the Acting Director of Public Works be received and filed for information purposes only.”

Disposition: Carried

7.5 Finance Department

(a) Memorandum 2019-115 from the Tax Collector/Deputy Treasurer regarding Quarterly Report.

23-07-19 Moved by: Steve MacDonald Seconded by: Paul Mitchell

“THAT Memorandum 2019-115 from the Tax Collector/Deputy Treasurer be received and filed for information purposes only.”

Disposition: Carried

7.6 Corporate Services Department

(a) Memorandum 2019-113 from the Legislation and Policy Analyst regarding Smoking By-law.

24-07-19 Moved by: Ron Forbes Seconded by: Katie Davies

“THAT Council receive Memorandum 2019-113;

AND THAT Council adopt By-law No. 38-19, Township of Zorra Smoking By-law and to repeal By-law No. 42-15, as amended and By-law No. 26-03, as amended.”

Disposition: Carried

(b) Memorandum 2019-114 from the Legislation and Policy Analyst regarding Zorra Brand and Communications Guide.

25-07-19 Moved by: Paul Mitchell Seconded by: Steve MacDonald

“THAT Council receive Memorandum 2019-114;

AND THAT Council approve the Township of Zorra Brand and Communications Guide;

AND THAT Staff be directed to implement the Township branding as detailed in the Township of Zorra’s Brand and Communications Guide.”

Disposition: Carried

(c) Memorandum 2019-118 from the Director of Corporate Services regarding Municipal Cannabis Retail Policy.

26-07-19 Moved by: Katie Davies Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT Council adopt in principle Policy 200-21 – Municipal Cannabis Retail Policy Statement.”

Disposition: Carried

(d) Memorandum 2019-126 from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding Strategic Plan Adoption.

27-07-19 Moved by: Katie Davies Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT Council adopt the Strategic Plan, as amended.”

Disposition: Carried

(e) Memorandum 2019-125 from the Chief Administrative Officer regarding Purchasing Policy.

28-07-19 Moved by: Steve MacDonald Seconded by: Paul Mitchell

“THAT Council enact a by-law to repeal By-law 29-04 that established procedures governing the Township’s procurement process;

AND THAT Council adopt Policy 500-05 – Purchasing Policy.”

Disposition: Carried

7.7 CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING DIRECTION

(a) Aggregate Motion from Township of Mulmur.

29-07-19 Moved by: Katie Davies Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT the Council of the Township of Zorra endorse the resolution of the Township of Mulmur’s calling for:

- (a) **The inclusion of municipal representatives in future meetings related to reforms the Aggregate Resources Act;**
- (b) **Municipalities be provided authority to regulate hours of operation and haul routes within municipal boundaries;**
- (c) **If the Provincial level is accepted as a single level for applications, Municipalities be provided a process through which to provide comments on aggregate extraction activities proposed within or in the vicinity of their boundaries;**
- (d) **The comments on “Cutting the Red Tape” provided by the Ontario Sand and Gravel Association be evaluated from the perspective of the local host community and ensure that there are mechanisms/processes in place to address impacts.**
- (e) **That land unavailable for extraction due to changes on the rules to endangered and threatened species and other policies within the Natural Heritage System continue to be protected.”**

Disposition: Carried

(b) Resolution from the Zorra Local School Committee regarding School Retention Plan.

30-07-19 Moved by: Paul Mitchell Seconded by: Steve MacDonald

“THAT Council supports the Elgin County School Board Reform Presentation;

AND THAT this resolution be forwarded to the Oxford MPP, Elgin MPP, Middlesex MPP and Minister of Education.”

Disposition: Carried

(c) Notice of Motion from Councillor Davies regarding Accessory Structures in Residential Zones.

31-07-19 Moved by: Katie Davies Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT Council direct the Township Building Official with Oxford County Planning Staff to review the Zoning by-law regarding accessory structures on residential zoned properties;

AND THAT Staff look at potential restrictions of sizing ratio of living space to garage space; as well as restrictions of garage door max height for residential R1, R2,R3, RE, RR, Village, and CC lots to keep structures appropriate in appearance and usage for the zoning.”

Disposition: Carried

(d) Notice of Motion from Councillor Davies regarding Cannabis Cultivation.

32-07-19 Moved by: Katie Davies Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT Council requests Oxford County Planning Staff to explore potential Zoning bylaw or bylaw amendments to encompass new challenges posed by cannabis grow facilities and capture some of the inherent risks associated with these particular operations.”

Disposition: Carried

(e) Notice of Motion from Councillor Davies regarding Railway “Quiet Zones”

33-07-19 Moved by: Katie Davies Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT Council direct the Acting Director of Public Works to explore the potential of designating Thamesford as a “quiet zone” to reduce noise disturbance of train whistles for residential area, school, and recreation facilities that border the tracks,

AND THAT council request CP Rail to assess the crossing at Stanley Street North for increased traffic flow, and potential for arm installation as an added safety measure.”

Disposition: Carried

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

(a) Landfill Proposal Update
No items.

(b) High Speed Rail Proposal Update
No items.

(c) Committees and Boards Updates

- i. Minutes from Zorra Local School Committee meeting 2019-04-15.
- ii. Minutes from Zorra Recreation Advisory Committee meeting 2019-05-27.
- iii. Minutes from Zorra Splash Committee meeting 2019-05-23.
- iv. Verbal update from Councillor Mitchell regarding UTRCA meeting 2019-06-25.

(d) Correspondence from Office of the Fire Marshal regarding Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA) compliance results.

(e) Correspondence from Ontario Provincial Police regarding the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference.

(f) Correspondence from Arlene Morell regarding Draft Rural Education Task Force.

(g) Correspondence from AMO regarding Executive Director Retirement.

(h) Correspondence from ConnexOntario regarding Addictions, Mental Health and Problem Gambling Services/Supports.

(i) Correspondence from Top Aggregate Producing Municipalities of Ontario regarding 19-07-08 Update.

(j) Correspondence from Southwestern Public Health regarding Letter to Minister of Health on the Value of Local Health Promotion

34-07-19 Moved by: Steve MacDonald Seconded by: Paul Mitchell

“THAT items 8(c)-(e) & (g)-(j) be received and filed for information purposes only.”

Disposition: Carried

35-07-19 Moved by: Katie Davies Seconded by: Ron Forbes

“THAT the Township of Zorra supports the Draft Rural Education Task Force;

THAT Staff cooperate with the Task Force;

AND THAT the Mayor offer Zorra’s assistance to the Task Force.”

Disposition: Carried

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No items.

10. COUNCIL QUESTION PERIOD & NEW BUSINESS

11. BY-LAWS

38-19 A by-law to regulate and prohibit the smoking and vaporizing of recreation smoking products in the Township of Zorra and repeal by-laws 42-15 and 26-03.

39-19 A by-law to amend Zoning By-law 35-99 (Nassau-Lee Farms).

40-19 A by-law to amend Zoning By-law 35-99 (Boogerd).

41-19 A by-law to provide for the levying and collecting the amount of taxes required in the Township of Zorra for the year 2019 and repeal by-law 23-19.

42-19 A by-law to amend by-law 11-09, as amended, being a by-law to establish fees or charges for services or activities provided or done by or on behalf of the Corporation of the Township of Zorra.

43-19 A by-law to repeal by-laws no. 29-04 and 30-06, being a by-law to adopt a purchasing policy.

36-07-19 Moved by: Ron Forbes Seconded by: Katie Davies

“THAT by-laws 38-19, 39-19, 40-19, 41-19, 42-19 and 43-19 be taken as read a first and second time.”

Disposition: Carried

37-07-19 Moved by: Paul Mitchell Seconded by: Steve MacDonald

“THAT by-laws 38-19, 39-19, 40-19, 41-19, 42-19 and 43-19 be taken as read a third time and finally passed.”

Disposition: Carried

12. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD (11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)

No items.

13. CLOSED MEETING SESSION

(a) A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board regarding Maple Leaf property.

(b) Minutes from Closed Meeting session of Council held June 19, 2019.

38-07-19 Moved by: Ron Forbes Seconded by: Katie Davies

