

## P3216 AMENDMENT TO ZONING BY-LAW RE ABBOTTS OPEN SPACE – PUBLIC MEETING October 3, 2022

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| <b>AGENCY</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>  |
| Grey County – Planning and Development   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The amendment stems from OLT Decision on the “Abbotts Subdivision” (OLT Case No., OLT-22-002269). The County signed minutes of settlement on the subdivision, where were approved by the OLT and required that following a decision of the Tribunal in the appeals, the Town shall forthwith initiate a zoning amendment to zone a tree protection area in a portion of the unopened road allowances, as shown on Schedule A</li> <li>County staff are of the opinion that the proposed zoning amendment fulfills the above noted clause from the minutes of settlement</li> <li>No further concerns</li> </ul>              |
| <b>PUBLIC</b>  |   |
| Cathy Howell, Helmut Hock<br>Mark and Jessie Blackman<br>Alan and Wendy Chesworth<br>Trevor Temple<br>David Turnbull | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Its improper for the lame duck Council to decide on this matter</li> <li>Councillor Bill Abbotts, who is related to Tammy Abbotts, should recuse himself</li> <li>The Town has no policy or planning guide regarding open spaces and should not proceed before establishing a policy guide</li> <li>Application is incomplete – no information about size of the land, how many trees with be saved/cut, are border trees marked, is an EIS required, how will it impact drainage, who will maintain the space</li> <li>No trees should be cut until the site development plan is approved and permits are issued</li> </ul> |
| Carol and Bill Stratton  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nothing should be discussed until the new council is elected</li> </ul>  |

## VERBAL COMMENTS AT THE PUBLIC MEETING

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| Christina Eaton | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Family home backs onto the currently unopened Bay Street West road allowance through which a through road is proposed just a few feet from her backdoor</li><li>• Application should be deferred to the next Council so it can be considered at the same time as the Tree By-Law</li><li>• The proposed creation of Open space area is about tree preservation and buffering for the neighbouring resides; how many trees will be preserved and cut down, what vegetation is planned to replace any trees, how will border and boundary trees be protected; who is responsible for maintaining it; possible flooding when the trees are removed</li></ul>  |
| June Porter     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Term Open Space and Tree Preservation are not defined in the Official Plan, Planning Act or Municipal Act;</li><li>• Existing Tree By-Law 2010-68 references a tree preservation area, not protection;</li><li>• Open Space provides clean air, habitat for plants, animals including brown bats in the subject area and protection from stormwater floods;</li><li>• Page 71 of the Town's Official Plan requires for all areas, other than the Village, is 40%;</li><li>• Proposed Open Space tree area does not comply with the Official Plan under development policies B.3.2.4 which states that all usage shall be subject to implementing a Zoning By-Law and may be subject to a Site Plan control</li></ul> |
| Sue Roberts     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Objection to proposed Zoning By-Law Amendment to re-zone a portion of Bay Street West and Victoria Street North road allowance;</li><li>• The Application does not provide enough detail and information on which to make informed comments; unaware of the specific policy or planning guide on Open Space zones;</li><li>• If existing trees are cut down, will new trees be planted? Is there an impact on drainage and will the Town maintain the Open Space zone?</li></ul>   |
| Peter Samson    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The application should be deferred to the next Council;</li><li>• The process with zoning of the land and the Town gave away the unopened road allowances as part of that;</li></ul>   |

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|             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If there is an increase to the number of units in the area by 50% there needs to be consideration with the road</li> </ul>   |
| Kim Gardner | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concerned about the degree to which public concerns impact the review of the subdivision and any subsequent appeals made to the OLT</li> <li>• Lack of information on what will be occurring in the Open Space Zone</li> </ul> |
| Anna Gordon | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Defer to next Council;</li> <li>• Is Council aware of how many trees are being cut down?;</li> <li>• The Application does not provide any detail on the size of the Open Space</li> </ul>                                      |
| Tim Peloso  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Defer to next Council because of the present lame duck situation and the glaringly obvious conflict of interest situation</li> </ul>   |