

A Public Hearing for 659 Main Street in the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Thursday, July 27, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.

**Present:**

Mayor D. Devenne  
Deputy Mayor K. Nauss  
Councillor J. Feeney  
Councillor R. Nowe  
Councillor P. Carver  
Councillor S. Chia-Kangata  
CAO, J. Wentzell  
Deputy Clerk M. Hughes  
Planning and Development Assistant Garth Sturtevant

**Regrets:** Councillor J. Bain

**Gallery:** Four

**Report of the Clerk**

The Report of the Clerk was presented by CAO, Jim Wentzell. The proposed amendment to the Land Use Bylaw would permit pet grooming as a small scale business.

An application to amend the Land Use Bylaw to permit pet grooming as a small scale business was received from Katie Iyoupe on April 19, 2017. The application was received by Council on April 27, 2017 at which time the request was referred to the Planner and Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) for study and recommendation. The proposed amendment was discussed by the PAC on June 6, 2017 at which time the PAC recommended that Council amend the LUB as requested. At a meeting of Council held on June 13, 2017, Council declared their intention to amend the Land Use Bylaw to permit pet grooming as a small scale business.

Mr. Wentzell reported that all fees were paid, that the proposed amendment was duly advertised and that a Public Information Meeting was held on June 27, 2017.

Mr. Wentzell advised Council that no written submissions had been received but noted that a piece of correspondence related to this matter had been received at a Council meeting held on June 13, 2017; while that correspondence was not part of the public hearing material, the author of the correspondence was advised verbally and in writing of the process to submit comment for consideration at the public hearing but none has been received.

**Overview of the Project by the Planner**

Garth Sturtevant, Planning and Development Assistant, provided an overview of the Staff Report that was presented to the Planning Advisory Committee and Council. Mr. Sturtevant noted that staff analysis of the requested amendment showed no conflicts with existing policies and as and regulations and was consistent with policy statements. As Town Bylaws permit up to four dogs on a property, it was felt that the proposed small scale business would not affect greatly the character of the neighbourhood.

**Report on the Public Information Meeting**

Mr. Sturtevant reported that a Public Information Meeting was held on June 27, 2017 at 7:00pm. The only member of the public that was in attendance was the applicant. Concluded the meeting around 7:25pm.

**General Public**

There were no comments from the general public.

**Comments by the Applicant**

Ms. Iyoupe had no comments.

**The hearing adjourned upon motion at 7:08 p.m.**

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CAO, James A. Wentzell

Mayor, D. Devenne