

VILLAGE OF GLENWOOD

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 Minutes

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held at the Glenwood Community Hall on Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

The purpose of the meeting was to hold a Public Hearing regarding proposed amendments to the Village of Glenwood Land Use Bylaw known as Bylaw 192-2024.

In attendance: Mayor Allred, Deputy Mayor Peterson, Councillor Doral Lybbert, Councillor Sandy Lybbert, Councillor Brian Wickhorst

Officials: Chief Administrative Officer Cynthia Vizzutti, Planner Ryan Dyck in attendance.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Allred called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

2. Public Hearing 2024.05.07.51

Moved by Mayor Allred that the meeting be recessed and the Public Hearing be opened.

Planner Ryan Dyck gave an overview of the proposed amendments. CAO Vizzutti explained what variances are and the impact of the proposed changes to variance percentages.

Brenda MacMillan stated she provided a submission to the proposed amendments. She said the wording in the bylaw was onerous.

Bob Tatlow expressed concerns about Section 6.1 c) regarding the requirement to only allow a temporary shipping container on the property until construction lock up was reached, and that it may hinder the ability to store construction materials needed to complete the interior of a building.

Bob Tatlow expressed a concern under Section 15.2 that the proposed amendment would require multi-use dwellings to have a minimum housing floor area of 1500 square feet. He said an 800 square foot minimum was more suitable.

Bob Tatlow expressed a concern under Section 16.2 about confidentiality regarding the proposed amendment which would allow for a designated officer to have access to a tourist home register.

Myrna Young showed that Brenda MacMillan's submission was sent.

Myrna Young asked why Section 49.1 regarding subdivision was being placed in the amended bylaw.

Ryan Dyck, Planner explained that Section 49.1 is a standard addition to municipal bylaws as it is required under the Municipal Government Act.

Myrna Young stated she did not want the following allowed under discretionary uses in a residential area: Autobody and Paint Shop, Auto Sales and Service, Institutional, Towing Operations, and WESC, micro, mini, or small.

Wayne Layton has a shipping container and he stated he doesn't want this right taken away from the people as they want to be free from City laws. He stated shipping containers save thousands of dollars and that taking them away means loss of survival through self collection for a profitable life.

Brenda MacMillan asked that club or fraternal organization be removed from the proposed bylaw.

Rick Olson said shipping containers should not be viewed negatively if they are screened and painted.

Brian Halliwell said this is a witch hunt over shipping containers and this would affect a person's ability to enjoy their property.

Ross Leborgne said they moved here because the Land Use Bylaw was less strict. He said people should be allowed to have shipping containers as they are fire proof, rodent proof and economical.

Francis Hood stated companies use shipping containers for storage businesses in other towns.

Verneen Kutsch said shipping containers are acceptable if they are painted and used to store items.

Chester Ferris asked if Council wants to see the Village die and stated Council is taking away people's rights.

Brenda MacMillan accused the Development Officer (CAO) of treating applications differently for different people, putting trip wires in front of residents and denying development permits to certain residents. No examples of this were provided to the Council.

CAO Vizzutti informed the public she has never played favorites with the residents and she takes exception to being accused as such. She stated she cares deeply about the Village and carries out her duties without favoritism of any kind. She stated if Village residents think she travels in snow storms to get to the Village and puts in hundreds of excess hours at no additional pay to serve the Village, and then be subjected to a constant barrage of unfounded, untrue accusations, then she needs to reconsider why she is here and whether she should continue to serve the Village. CAO Vizzutti stated she had a 35-year exemplary career in the field of municipal management, before coming to Glenwood, and she will not tolerate any further unfounded, untrue accusations.

Deputy Mayor Peterson and Councillor Wickhorst stated they are trying to find a balance regarding the proliferation of shipping containers.

Deputy Mayor Peterson found and read the submission of Brenda MacMillan, regarding the proposed amendments, into the record.

Mayor Allred asked if there were any further submissions or information to be provided to Council from the public, regarding the proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendments. Seeing no further information being proposed Mayor Allred declared the Public Hearing closed and the Special Meeting be reconvened.

3. Adjournment
2024.05.07.52

Moved by Councillor Sandy Lybbert to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.
Carried.



Meeting Chair



Chief Administrative Officer