

TOWNSHIP OF ADMASTON/BROMLEY
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Thursday, June 19, 2025

At 6:30 p.m.

Present – Mayor Michael Donohue, Brian Hamilton, Keith Gourley, Angela Field and Kevin Legris

Staff present – CAO/Clerk Charkavi, Treasurer-Deputy CAO/Clerk Coughlin, Public Works Superintendent Visinski and Finance Clerk Fraser

1. Chair Keith Gourley called the meeting to order at 6:54 p.m.
2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest – None.
3. Approval of Agenda – June 19, 2025

Resolution No. 01-06-25

Moved by Brian Hamilton

Seconded by Kevin Legris

BE IT RESOLVED that the Committee approve the agenda for the June 19, 2025 Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting as presented this date
"Carried"

4. Approval of Minutes – May 1, 2025

Resolution No. 02-06-2025

Moved by Kevin Legris

Seconded by Angela Field

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Planning and Economic Development Committee approve the minutes from the May 1, 2025 meeting.

"Carried"

5. Fencing By-law for Large Animals Report
 - a. Draft Fencing of Large Animals By-Law
 - b. By-Law 2004-37

CAO/Clerk Charkavi gave a synopsis of her report. She reached out to prior staff to find out what they did in the past. Not bringing to council tonight, bringing it to committee for review, would like to have discussion/review of the bylaw.

Chair Gourley asked if the previous bylaw had ever been enacted upon it. Contract someone to transport large animals to sale barn. MLES does not have the means to do that.

Previous bylaw still an active bylaw, we just have no one to transport the large animals. The Township would like to contract someone for transport, as well as renegotiate with Cobden Sale Barn as we have not had an agreement in place in a long time.

Mayor Donohue questioned some of the draft bylaw. Responsibility for animals at large would be with the owner. Misconstrued line fence portion of the bylaw has nothing to do with large animals. Line fence not to keep animals in, but to mark boundaries.

Committee Member Field express some concern with the draft bylaw as it's currently written, especially Clause 5.1, Inspection Right of Entry. CAO/Clerk Charkavi explained, that the clause is a standard clause with bylaw enforcement, it allows bylaw right of entry. Committee member Field asked for the generic clause to be reworded, committee member Donohue suggested, "upon receipt of a complaint" bylaw can access the property but not have access all the time.

Committee member Legris had some issues with clause four of the draft bylaw. CAO/Clerk explained this is draft by-law and what Bonnechere Valley is currently using and explained the township would not be liable, the fence is just there to prevent the animals from being at large again. She reminded the group the township does have an existing bylaw which could be amended to contract someone to transport large animals.

Committee member Donohue suggested a consistency between large and small animals. He agreed this bylaw is essential, however, consistency is key.

CAO/Clerk Charkavi is going to do another report and bring it forward next meeting, gave the committee opportunity to amend current bylaw, she is going to find a contractor for transport, as well as see about an agreement with Cobden Sale Barn, legitimacy to a public facility. Put a provision in for repeat offenders, cost prohibited or amend property. It was suggested to approach large animals' same way as small animals.

Resolution No. 03-06-25

Moved by Kevin Legris

Seconded by Angela Field

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council direct staff to bring forth the By-Law to require the fencing of livestock to the August 7, 2025 Council meeting.

"Defeated"

- 8. Next Meeting – At the call of the Chair
- 9. Adjournment

Resolution No. 04-06-25

Moved by Brian Hamilton

Seconded by Kevin Legris

BE IT RESOLVED that Thursday June 19, 2025 Planning and Economic Development Committee meeting recess at 7:28 p.m.

"Carried"

Chair

CAO/Clerk