



Planning and Development Committee Public Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 17, 2024
7:00 p.m.
Hybrid Meeting / Council Chamber

Mayor A. Groves
Councillor N. de Boer
Councillor C. Early
Councillor L. Kiernan
Councillor D. Maskell
Councillor C. Napoli
Councillor T. Rosa
Councillor M. Russo (virtual)
Councillor D. Sheen

Manager, Strategic Policy Planning: S. Burke
Commissioner of Planning & Development / Chief Planner: E. Lucic
Coordinator, Council and Committee Services: A. Dhindsa
Municipal Clerk, Council and Committee Services: K. Klingenberg
Principal, Nethery Planning (External): J. Nethery

1. NOTICE

2. CALL TO ORDER

Chair T. Rosa called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

3. INDIGENOUS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Chair T. Rosa delivered the Indigenous Land Acknowledgement.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor L. Kiernan **Seconded by:** Councillor C. Early

That the September 17, 2024 Planning and Development Committee - Public Meeting Agenda be approved, as amended by the Addendum.

A recorded vote was taken as follows:

Recorded Vote	YES	NO	CONFLICT	ABSENT
Councillor de Boer	X			
Councillor Early	X			
Councillor Kiernan	X			
Councillor Maskell	X			
Councillor Napoli	X			
Councillor Russo	X			
Councillor Sheen	X			
Mayor Groves	X			
Chair Rosa	X			
Total	9			

Carried.

5. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

6. PUBLIC MEETING

Chair T. Rosa advised that the purpose of the public meeting is to obtain input from the public. He noted that questions, concerns, appeal information or requesting further notification regarding any of the proposed applications can be directed to the Town's Council and Committee Services Division by email to agenda@caledon.ca or by phone at 905.584.2272 ext. 2366.

6.1 Supplementary Aggregate Policy Review: Public Meeting Report

Chair T. Rosa confirmed with Joe Nethery, Consultant for the Town's Planning Department, that notification was conducted in accordance with the *Planning Act*.

J. Nethery, Principal, Nethery Planning provided a presentation with the aid of a slide deck regarding the Supplementary Aggregate Policy Review.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair T. Rosa noted that received written submissions are to be included on the agenda and called upon the speakers registered to provide comment on the Supplementary Aggregate Policy Review.

Anthony Fairclough, Forks of the Credit Preservation Group, expressed concerns for clear descriptive science-based policies, air quality, wetland protection, and assuring clean drinking water in Environmentally Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas (ESGRA's). Anthony requested courage in policymaking with wording that is prescribed to have impact on protecting the environment.

Debra Wilson, representing as a resident, expressed concerns for air quality and clean drinking water. Debra further expressed concerns regarding maintaining a healthy watershed and rivers, environment, and woodland protections. Debra requested clear and descriptive evidence based aggregate policies.

Mike McSweeney, Ontario Stone Sand and Gravel Association, addressed the need for aggregates and requirements for comments or input from the aggregate industry. Mike expressed concerns about limiting use of aggregates as a provincially significant resource, ensuring science-based decisions, greenwashing considerations, overstepping municipal authority, undermining provincial standards, policy (in)consistency or (in)efficiency and increased costs of restrictive aggregate resource policymaking. Mike requested reconsideration of the proposed policy amendments and more collaboration between the aggregate industry and impacted community.

Linda Lundstrom, resident, requested consultation with Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation and Indigenous peoples. Linda expressed concerns regarding air quality specific to the increased particles in the air, removal of water table aggregate resourcing limitations, and impacts to local (the Credit) rivers.

Albert Carwana, President of the Local Chapter of Trout Unlimited Canada, expressed concerns for protecting ESGRA's, brook trout spawning, and preserving cold water habitats.

Nicola Ross, (Ward 1) resident, commented on traffic concerns with the aid of a slide deck. Nicola specified traffic concerns of cumulative effects, increased truck traffic, and higher municipal costs associated with road and bridge improvements or maintenance to support higher aggregate resourcing. Nicola responded to questions of Committee.

Tony Sevelka, Academic, commented with the aid of a slide deck concerning fly rock protocols and appropriate setbacks. Tony expressed concerns regarding the need for a prescriptive policy, property value preservation, use of available municipal tools, the need for health, safety and welfare to prevail, use and enjoyment of property and property rights. Tony further expressed concerns of limited policy definition regarding blasting and associated fly rock debris, associated appropriate setbacks and minimum offsets for sensitive areas and protecting way of life.

Committee recessed at 9:05 p.m. to 9:18 p.m. Councillor M. Russo left the meeting and did not return.

David Sylvester, Forks of the Credit Preservation Group Chair and Aggregate Working Group member, expressed concerns with the aid of a slide deck regarding water, air, and environmental protections with prescriptive language to provide adequate safeguards. David further expressed concerns regarding ESGRA protections and reiterated the need for evidence-based language in the aggregate resource policy.

Jane Thompson, Aggregate Resource Working Group member, with the aid of a slide deck presenting schedule E12, expressed concerns regarding appropriate constraints to concentrated aggregate resourced areas in Ward 1. Jane expressed concerns about aggregate resource uses in the Cheltenham and Inglewood areas of the Town of Caledon. Jane expressed policy considerations for exclusion of aggregate resource areas incompatible with country estates, thirty-meter buffering in shale resource extraction feasibility, and the environment. Jane expressed transportation concerns related to hauling routes, through traffic and municipal road maintenance being considered for upload to the province. Jane expressed concerns regarding an inability to enforce or impose construction of haul routes to aggregate resource areas. Jane identified the Town of Caledon as also being a dense water resource to the Greater Toronto Area and the subsequent considerations of drinking water protections in the policy. Jane concluded by expressing associated concerns of aggregate resourcing impacts on scenery and tourism, access to nature areas, and concentrated impacts specific to the southwest quadrant of the Town of Caledon.

Cheryl Connors, representing as a resident, commented with the aid of a slide deck regarding concerns with the oversupply of Caledon aggregates, impacts of resident health, road safety, trucking, and associated aggregate resourcing impacts to area residents. Cheryl expressed concerns regarding the cumulative affects on concentrated resource areas specifically in the Mono Mills area of the Town of Caledon. Cheryl commented on potential impacts of blasting near trauma treatment centers. Cheryl

expressed concerns regarding trauma centers and Palgrave Elementary School being added onto the list of parcels unavailable for nearby aggregate resourcing. Cheryl expressed timing concerns regarding completing the local constraint exercise.

Chair T. Rosa called upon members of the public who had not registered to provide comment.

Bob Shapton, Pit Sense Niagara Escarpment Group Inc, expressed concerns regarding pit license restrictions with respect to contaminated soil, unintentional license violations and a lack of consequences. Bob requested the issues identified by the Auditor General be resolved.

Willa Gauthier and Penny Richardson, residents involved with the Coalition of Concerned Citizens, provided comment. Willa expressed concerns of water and reinjection technology, and selected sites of aggregate resourcing areas. Willa commented on Council representing its residents within the policy. Penny commented on maintaining previous efforts and progress made being kept in the aggregate policy.

Ezra Satok-Wolman commented on outstanding work to be completed for the policy and extending the moratorium for new aggregate resourcing applications. Ezra inquired about applications outside of designated aggregate resourcing areas. Joe Nethery, Principal, Nethery Planning responded to the question of Committee on behalf of the speaker.

Paul Revell expressed concerns regarding dumping materials into pit areas after aggregate resources have been extracted without appropriate supervisions.

J. Nethery, Principal, Nethery Planning and S. Burke, Manager, Strategic Policy Planning responded to questions of Committee.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 10:22 p.m.