

## Minutes of the Cobble Hill Advisory Planning Commission for June 13, 2013

Present: Rod De Paiva - Chair, Dave Lloyd, Rosemary Allen, Brenda Krug, Don Herriott, Jens Liebgott, Jerry Tomljenovic, Janis Hiles

Also present: Frank Raimondo – Alternate Director for Cobble Hill Area 'C', Gar Clapham, Betsy Burr, Brian M. French, Shelley Balme, Oliver Balme, Robin Bond  
Regrets: Robin Brett, Dave Hart, Doug Blair

Chair de Paiva called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Moved/seconded that the agenda be adopted as circulated. Carried

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Carried

New Business

### **Development Permit Application 2-C-13 ALR (Balme Ayr Farms Ltd.)**

This is an application to the Agricultural Land Commission to extract and process aggregate and import fill. The purpose is to create additional hay producing land to support the dairy operation

The application was presented by – Brian M. French, representing Shelley and Oliver Balme.

Questions from APC Members were then asked of the applicants:

Is permission for the processing of gravel within the mandate of the Agricultural Land Commission? (Permission for processing must come from the Cowichan Valley Regional District) There were questions about the location of the processing facility, truck traffic and the increase of the use of local roads. How long will it be before the land in question is reclaimed and ready for farming?

Mr. French indicated the work would be done incrementally and completion will take fifteen years, depending on market conditions for the material.

What guarantees that sufficient money will be available to reconstitute the land after the gravel has been removed? The entire operation will be bonded.

After a discussion, it was **Moved/Seconded** that the APC recommend approval of the application to the CVRD. **Carried**

### **Development Permit Application 1-C-13 ALR (Bond & Bondridge**

Enterprises Ltd) to reconfigure his two lots to increase the size of his agricultural property.

After a brief discussion it was **Moved/Seconded** that the APC recommend approval of the application to the CVRD. **Carried**

### **Director's Report**

Chair de Paiva welcomed Alternate Director Raimondo and introduced him to the APC Members. He provided an update on the proposed Kerry Park Renovation.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30 pm

Next meeting scheduled for July 11, 2013 at 7pm