THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ESSA PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2019

RE: PROPOSED ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT (Z2/19, Affecting Properties throughout the Whole of the Township of Essa)

A Public Meeting was held on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 in the Council Chambers of the Administration Centre, Township of Essa.

In attendance:

Mayor Sandie Macdonald

Deputy Mayor Michael Smith

Councillor Keith White Councillor Henry Sander Councillor Ron Henderson

Staff in attendance:

C. Healey-Dowdall, Chief Administrative Officer

C. Traynor-Richter, Manager of Finance

C. Ross-Tustin, Fire Chief

D. Perreault, Manager of Public Works

K. Pascoe, Deputy Clerk

The Mayor opened the meeting by stating that the purpose of this Public Meeting is to review a Zoning By-law Amendment, in accordance with the provisions of the Planning Act. As well, to hear comments and review written submissions from the public and public agencies.

The Planner described the application as follows: The Zoning By-law Amendment would affect farmlands where surplus homes have been severed off due to farm consolidations (a requirement of the Provincial Policy Statement). There are four properties impacted:

- 1) Conc 6, Part Lot 3 (around 5349 6th Line);
- 2) Conc 10, Part Lots 22 & 23 (around 7623 & 7747 10th Line);
- 3) Conc 7, W Part Lot 9 (around 6135 County Road 56); and
- 4) Conc 8, W Half Lot 14 (around 6638 9th Line).

The proposed Zoning By-law Amendment would rezone the lands to Agricultural Exception One (A-1) Zone to prohibit a dwelling unit on the farmland only in each case. No comments were received from any agency.

The Mayor then asked if anyone in the audience would like to speak, and that speakers must state their name and address so that proper records may be kept and notice of future decisions be sent to those persons involved in the review process. Mr. Dermott asked if the Township had to rezone the farmland and the Manager of Planning/CAO explained that yes, this was a condition of severance and in keeping with Provincial planning policy.

The Mayor then stated that if there were no further questions or submissions, Council wishes to thank all those in attendance for their participation. The planning office will be preparing a report and by-law to be presented to Council concerning this matter.

Sandie Macdonald, Mayor

Krista Pascoe, Deputy Clerk