Hamilton

Special Agriculture and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee
MINUTES 19-002
Monday, May 13, 2019
7:00 p.m.
Ancaster Fairgrounds, Rooms A & B
630 Trinity Road, Ancaster

Present:	Councillors L. Ferguson and A. VanderBeek A. Spoelstra (Chair), D. Smith (Vice-Chair), J. Groen, P. Krakar, C. McMaster, N. Mills, A. Payne, R. Pearce, R. Shuker, G. Smuk, and M. Switzer
Absent With Regrets:	Councillor B. Clark – City Business Councillor B. Johnson – Personal J. Mantel and C. Roberts
Also Present:	H. Swierenga

FOR INFORMATION:

(a) APPROVAL OF AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised that there were no changes to the agenda.

(Switzer/Smith)
That the agenda for the May 13, 2019 meeting of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Advisory Committee be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(b) Review of the Draft Site Alteration By-law Proposal (Item 5.1)

(Switzer/Payne)
That Staff be requested to incorporate the following into the Draft Site Alteration By-law:

(a) Addition of an Appeal process;

(b) Establish cut-to-fill land leveling on existing agricultural operations as a permitted use which does not require a permit;

(c) Amendment of Section 5, Sub-section 4 by deleting the words “fill or”, to read as follows:

(i) This By-law does not apply to the stockpiling of ~~fill or~~ topsoil for sale or exchange or use as an incidental part of a commercial operation undertaken as a permitted or legal non-conforming use of land, provided that any such stockpiles;

(d) Definition of areas that fall within the purview of the by-law;

(e) Receipt of a letter of compliance or letter of final inspection upon completion of work;

(f) Implementation of a graduated application fee system based on the quantity of imported earth; and,

(g) Amendment of Section 26, Sub-section 1 by changing the validity of a site alteration permit from one year to two years, to read as follows:

(i) A site alteration permit shall be valid for a period of ~~one (1)~~ ***two (2)*** year***s*** from the date of issuance.

CARRIED

(c) ADJOURNMENT (Item 7)

(Groen/Smith)
That the meeting of the Agriculture & Rural Affairs Advisory Committee be adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Spoelstra, Chair
Agriculture and Rural Affairs
Advisory Committee

Alicia Davenport
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