Minutes of a Town of Pictou Public Hearing meeting convened at the CN Station – Council Chambers on the above date. Mayor James Ryan presiding.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Melinda MacKenzie; Councillors Dan Currie and Nadine LeBlanc

ALSO PRESENT: Kyle Slaunwhite, CAO
Nicole MacDonald, Deputy Clerk/Minute Recorder

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: Councillor Shawn McNamara

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. APPEAL TO A VARIANCE FROM THE HEIGHT REQUIREMENT OF THE PICTOU COUNTY COMMON LAND USE BY-LAW – PROPERTY LOCATED AT BEECHES ROAD, PICTOU NS (PID #00970715)

The planned Development is for a multi-unit building in an R3 Zone. The Use is as-of-right (meaning multi-units are permitted in this Zone); however, there is a request for a variance to the maximum permitted height of 35 feet (around 4 feet).

As part of the application process, neighbouring property owners were notified, allowing them to appeal the Development. One letter of objection was received from Kyllie MacGregor, which triggered an appeal that is required to be brought before Council. The decision is now in Council's hands.

Ms. MacGregor mentioned that no other apartment complexes are located in the area, and that she does not think it is a good fit for the neighborhood, noting there are other more suitable locations.

Council Questions:

- Is this the only property being discussed at this hearing? – Yes
- Is the building a peak roof? – Yes, this makes the building higher than permitted as-of-right allowances
- If it was a flat roof and building was 35 feet high, would a hearing be required? – No
- Was the drawing shared with the public? – Yes, except with one updated minor variation
- What is the height of the adjacent Fisheries School building? – 4 stories high plus attic; so similar height

Public Questions:

- Is there a street drawing available? – Not required; one hasn't been provided by the applicant

3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting.

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James J. Ryan
Mayor

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Kyle Slaunwhite
CAO