

Public Meeting
Cavendish Beach Music Festival
June 11, 2019
6:00 p.m.

The Public Meeting was held on June 11, 2019, at 6:00 at the Cavendish Visitor Information Centre.

PRESENT: Councillor Clark Dunning, Councillor Kenny Singleton and Councillor Bill Drost. Brenda MacDonald – CAO and Heather Hay – Administrative Assistant.

ABSENT: Mayor Matthew Jelley, Deputy Mayor Lowther, Councillor Chris Robinson and Councillor Lee Brammer.

VISITORS: Shane Hubley – RCMP, Jeff Squires and Brodie O’Keefe – CBMF, Alan Aitken – Department of Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy and Richard Blacquiere – Liquor Control Commission.

There were 10 visitors in attendance at the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER:

Planning Board Chair Clark Dunning called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m..

Planning Board Chair Clark Dunning advised everyone to sign in at the front of the room if they haven’t done so for the record.

Planning Board Chair Clark Dunning advised the public of the public meeting process. He advised that the meeting is being taped for accurate minutes and no other reason.

Planning Board Chair Clark Dunning advised that the meeting is being held tonight to discuss the 2019 Cavendish Bach Music Festival only.

Planning Board Chair Clark Dunning introduced the government members in attendance:

Shane Hubley – RCMP, Jeff Squires and Brodie O’Keefe – CBMF, Alan Aitken – Department of Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy and Richard Blacquiere – Liquor Control Commission.

Planning Board Chair Clark Dunning advised that as part of the Special Event Guidelines there is a requirement each year to have a pre-and post-event meeting to gather input from the public.

One of the changes that is proposed this year, is that there will be no braceletting for the 2019 event.

Jeff Squires advised that over the last number of years the festival has tried to implement a number of changes to make things better for the customer experience on the site.

Jeff Squires advised that the fully licensed site has gone well with some changes over the years with the changes to the number of days for the event and the fully licensed venue, so the next step was to try with no braceletting on the site for 19+.

Richard Blacquiere advised that the no bracelets would be on a one year trial basis only and that is what the departments are at the meeting for to get input from the public on tonight.

Sandi Lowther questioned why the change for the 19+ for no bracelets.

Jeff Squires advised that research has shown from other venues that this works efficiently at other events and allows staff to be around the site to monitor the resources to be where they are needed on the site.

Richard Blacquiere advised that braceletting was sufficient as it does not verify the person's age as someone may have given a bracelet to someone underage that states that they are 19+.

Staff will be in a position now to be around the site and to be able to communicate more effectively with the Liquor Commission inspectors.

Jim Brown questioned if there will be fewer people checking ID's.

Richard Blacquiere advised that there will be the same number of people checking ID's, but ID's will be required at all times to be on the person if they are asked to provide it.

The Liquor Control Commission will have a full complement of inspectors on site all weekend.

Jeff Squires advised that the staff will be able to be used more efficiently on the site with the change and they can request to see ID's anywhere on the site.

Brodie O'Keefe presented information on the site for the public to view how things will be set up for the 2019 event.

David Rossiter advised that the plans for the event should be signed off on in the next day.

Vendors will be checked by the Thursday prior to the event.

Occupant capacities for each of the areas will be sent through with approval numbers for each area.

RCMP advised that the no braceletting for 19+ has no impact on them and their services.

The main role of the RCMP is for public safety and not to police the event itself.

Policing will be 24 hours a day during the event this year which is new for 2019.

Sandi Lowther advised that this is good news to have the RCMP in the area 24 hours a day during the event.

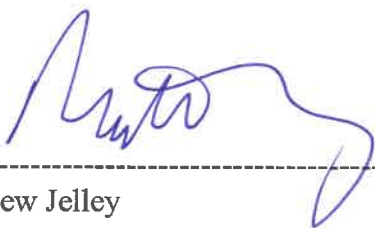
Jeff Squires advised that with the work of the Province, the Community and the event staff it is a world class event. It is a real boost and compliment to everyone involved in making the event such a success.

Planning Board Chair Clark Dunning advised that there were four people in to the office to get information on the public meeting and no written comments were received prior to the meeting.

Planning Board Chair Clark Dunning thanked everyone for attending the meeting and advised that there were comment sheets at the back of the room and the deadline to submit the comments is June 14, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT:

Planning Board Chair Clark Dunning adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m..



Matthew Jelley
Mayor



Brenda MacDonald
CAO