

# Rural Municipality of Eastern Kings

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 6:15PM

In attendance: Mayor Grace Cameron, Deputy Mayor Danelle Elliott Councillors Bernadette McInnis, David Stewart, Bradley MacDonald, Arthur Baker, Chief Administrative Officer Ron Coffin

1. Call to Order – Mayor Grace Cameron called the meeting to order at 6:18pm
2. Conflict of Interest Declaration – Individual Councillors

Letter from Don Humphrey was read to the Assembly. Mayor Grace Cameron recused herself from meeting, after reading the declaration attached. Councillor Bernadette McInnis also recused herself from the meeting and both physically left the meeting. No further conflicts were declared at this point.

At this point the meeting was chaired by Deputy Mayor Danelle Elliott.

3. Agenda Approval - It was moved by Bradley MacDonald and seconded by Arthur baker that the Agenda be approved; all were in favour and the motion was carried.
4. Old business: Discussion of Windmill Turbine Development in Eastern Kings – questions from councillors answered by Heather MacLeod on behalf of PEIEC.

Question from Bradley MacDonald – is it possible to reroute the transmission lines from Elmira to the North Side? Response - PEIEC responded that they were open to re-routing the lines.

From the audience in attendance: regarding the development costs, this site versus other proposed sites; response the approximate budget for this proposed development is \$60million, there is no comparison document for this project to other proposed sites.

From Bradley MacDonald – what is the proposed size of the turbines for this project? Response - at this time 4.2 mega watt range turbines are being proposed. The potential height of these turbines is 175m tall, by comparison Hermanville turbines are 150m and the existing development at EK the turbines are 125m. The proposed larger turbines would begin producing energy at a lower wind speed.

From David Stewart – what is the biggest turbine possible and are there any restrictions? Response - the restrictions on the size are due to the ability to transport the turbines to the site and the wind regime, which is a Class 2.

From Anne McPhee – what is the blade length of the turbines currently being considered – response 70m long.

From Bradley MacDonald – would turbines at EK be different from any other development on PEI? Response – all of PEI is a Class 2 wind, so not different from any that would be proposed for another development project.

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From David Stewart – what is the proposed life span at the development at North Cape? – response, the site is 16 and 18 years old, PEIEC has extended warranty agreements with the manufacturer and the Power Purchase Agreement has been renewed, the site is producing beyond expectation at this point and retrofitting and regeneration of the units is planned.

From Arthur Baker – how and what is the decommissioning agreement? Response – the lease agreement with the land owners contains an agreement to return the land to it's original state or a condition agreed to between the landowner and PEIEC.( reference [www.canwea.ca](http://www.canwea.ca))

From Danelle Elliott – is there a negative effect from the proposed new development on the existing development? Response – with the setbacks in place there would be no significant negative effect on the existing development, the existing development would also have no significant negative effect on the proposed development.

From Anne McPhee – what is the extent of the maintenance and the supervisory control system. Response – the system records alerts and any faults with the equipment however human intervention is still required. There are 4 to 5 people required on staff to service the sites.

5. Adjournment – at 8:00 council moved to adjourn the meeting, motion was made by Bradley MacDonald and seconded by Arthur Baker, all were in favour and the meeting was adjourned.

Public Questions and Discussion with PEIEC and the public followed.

Signed in accordance *Municipal Government Act* S.116(4)

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Grace Cameron – Mayor

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Ron Coffin – Chief Administrative Officer

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