

TOWN OF WITLESS BAY

MUNICIPAL PLAN

MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT No. 1, 2019

**Re-Designation of Property at Civic # 12 and Civic # 14-24 Dean's Road
to the
Commercial Land Use Designation**

Prepared by Paul Boundridge, MCIP

August 2020

MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT NO. 1, 2019

BACKGROUND

The Town of Witless Bay Municipal Plan 2013-2023 came into effect on June 24, 2016 and has not been amended since. The Town now wishes to amend the current Plan and Development Regulations and this report has been prepared to explain the proposed change.

The Town of Witless Bay received an application from the owner of Civic #12 Dean's Road to rezone the subject property from the Residential (Res) Land Use Zone to the Commercial Highway (CH) Land Use Zone. At the same time, with the permission of the existing property owner, the Town received an application from the prospective purchaser of adjoining land known as Civic # 14-24 Deans Road to rezone it from the Residential (Res) Land Use Zone to the Commercial Highway (CH) Land Use Zone. The rezoning triggered a municipal plan amendment involving re-designating the subject properties from the Residential Land Use Designation to the Commercial Land Use Designation. The purpose of the requested rezoning is to subsequently accommodate an application to develop each property for a commercial land use.

A Planning Report to the Town of Witless Bay Municipal Council was prepared on each rezoning application in June 2019. The reports discussed the rezoning applications and the amendments to the Municipal Plan and Development Regulations which would be involved. The Report noted that the proposed rezoning would be consistent with the goals and policies of the municipal plan with regard to economic development and growth and creating new employment opportunities within the community. After a public consultation meeting was held on August 27, 2019 at the Witless Bay Town Hall, Council decided to adopt-in-principle the proposed amendments at the Regular Meeting of Council of September 10, 2019.

A Release from the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment (DMAE) was issued on March 13, 2020. The Town of Witless Bay Municipal Council decided at the Regular Meeting of Council of May 19, 2020 to adopt the proposed Witless Bay Municipal Plan Amendment No. 1, 2019 and the proposed Witless Bay Development Regulations Amendment No. 1, 2019. At the Regular Meeting of Council of May 19, 2020 Council also decided to appoint Mr. Wayne Thistle as Commissioner for a Modified Public Hearing, a COVID 19 pandemic and recommended by the DMAE.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

During the preparation of the amendment, Council undertook the following initiatives so that individuals and groups could provide input to the proposed Municipal Plan Amendment No. 1, 2019 and the Development Regulations Amendment Number 1, 2019. A Public Notice of Modified Public Hearing appeared in the Saturday, 23 May 2020 edition of the *Telegram* newspaper, and on the Town of Witless Bay website and Facebook page. The Notice indicated that interested persons would have until 1:00 P.M. of Friday, 26 June 2020 to examine the proposed amendments and file with the Town written submissions of any concerns or objections to the proposed amendments. Any submissions received would be immediately forwarded to the Commissioner for consideration in the report that he would be preparing for Council.

No written representations were received by the stated deadline. In a 17 July 2020 Commissioner's Report to Council on the proposed Witless Bay Municipal Plan Amendment No. 1, 2019 and Witless Bay Development Regulations Amendment Number 1, 2019 it was recommended that Council should approve the amendments as adopted.

AMENDMENT

The Town of Witless Bay Municipal Plan 2013-2023 shall be amended as follows:

Redesignate land at Civic Number 12 and Civic Number 14-24 Dean's Road from the Residential Land Use Designation to the Commercial Land Use Designation as shown on Future Land Use Map 2 attached.

URBAN AND RURAL PLANNING ACT, 2000
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
WITLESS BAY MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT No. 1, 2019

Under the authority of section 16, section 17 and section 18 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act 2000*, the Town Council of Witless Bay:

- a) adopted the Witless Bay Municipal Plan Amendment No. 1, 2019 on the 19th day of May 2020;
- b) gave notice of the adoption of the Witless Bay Municipal Plan Amendment No. 1, 2019 2019 by public notice of a Modified Public Hearing placed on May 23, 2020 in the *Telegram* newspaper and on the Town of Witless Bay Municipal Council website on May 21, 2020 and the Town of Witless Bay Municipal Council Facebook page on May 28, 2020;
- c) set the 26th day of June at 1:00 P.M. for any interested person to submit a written representation or objection to the Town Clerk for referral to the independent Commissioner for consideration in the preparation of a Commissioner's Report to Council; and,
- d) confirms that no written representations were received by the stated deadline, and that that in a July 17, 2020 Commissioner's Report to Council on the proposed Witless Bay Municipal Plan Amendment No. 1, 2019 it was recommended that Council should approve the amendment as adopted.

Now under the authority of Section 23 of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act 2000*, the Witless Bay Town Council approves on this ¹²11th day of August 2020 the Witless Bay Municipal Plan Amendment No. 1, 2019 as adopted on May 19, 2020.

SIGNED AND SEALED this 20th day of AUGUST 2020

Mayor: Dermot Moran
Dermot Moran

Clerk: Geraldine Caul
Geraldine Caul

(Council Seal)



Provincial Registration

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT
TOWN OF WITLESS BAY
MUNICIPAL PLAN AMENDMENT NUMBER 1, 2019**

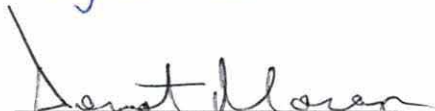
WHEREAS the Town of Witless Bay wishes to accommodate commercial development at Civic Number 12 and Civic Number 14-24 Dean's Road.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Town of Witless Bay hereby adopts the following map amendment to the Town of Witless Bay Municipal Plan in accordance with the provisions of the Urban and Rural Planning Act.

Redesignate land at Civic Number 12 and Civic Number 14-24 Dean's Road from the Residential Land Use Designation to the Commercial Land Use Designation as shown on Future Land Use Map 2 attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Witless Bay requests the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment to register the proposed amendment in accordance with the requirements of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.

IN WITNESS THEREOF the Seal of the Town of Witless Bay has been hereunto affixed and this Resolution has been signed by the Mayor and the Town Clerk on behalf of Council this 20th day of August, 2020.




Mayor, Dermot Moran



Town Clerk/Manager, Geraldine Caul

MCIP Certification:
I hereby certify that this Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.



Paul Boundridge, MCIP

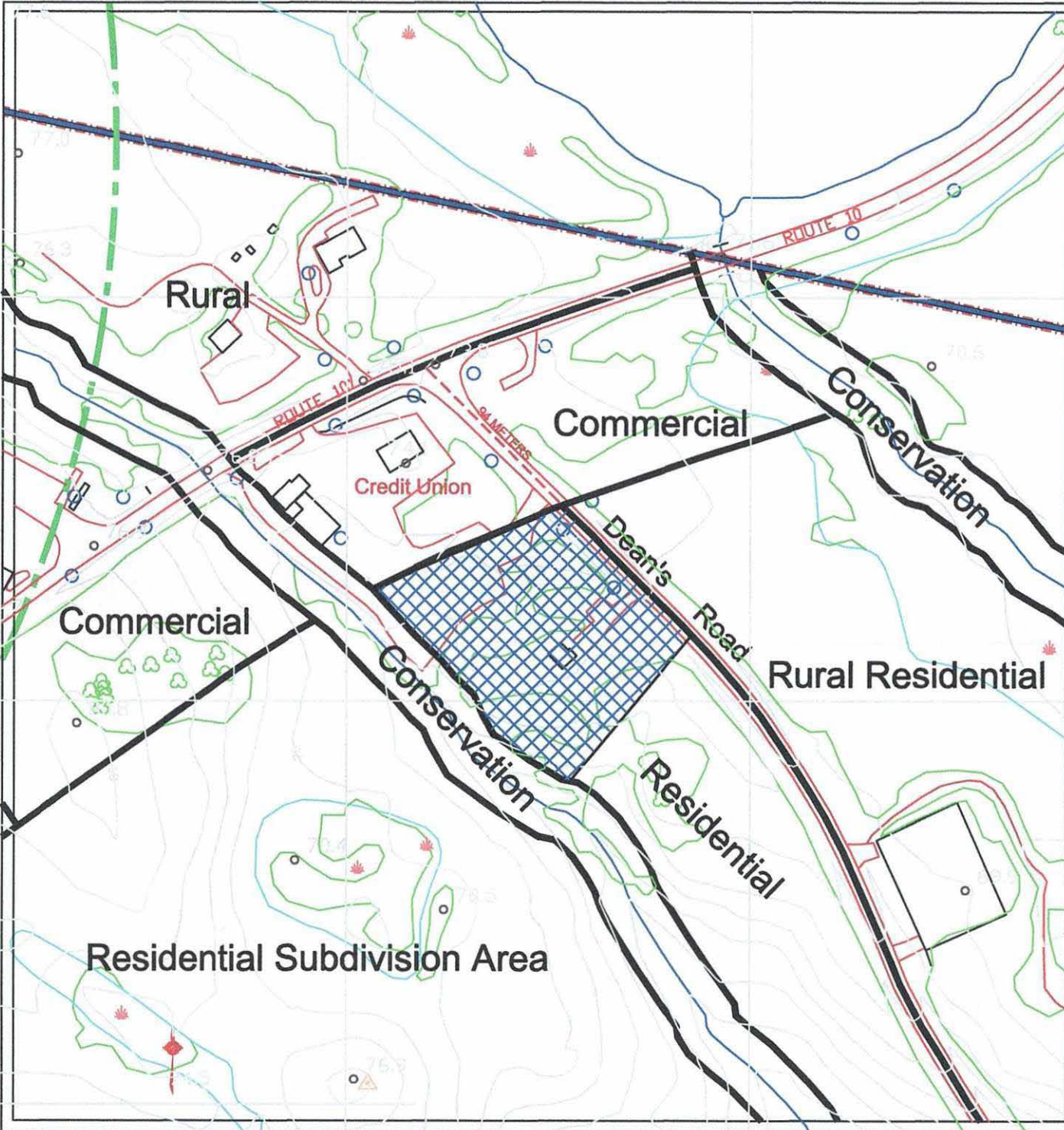
May 19, 2020

Council Adoption

**Municipal Plan/Amendment
REGISTERED**

Number 5455-2020-001
Date September 11, 2020
Signature Maya O'Leary

Provincial Registration



Town of Witless Bay

Municipal Plan 2013 - 2023

Future Land Use

Amendment No.1, 2019



From: Residential
To: Commercial

Dated at Witless Bay, Newfoundland and Labrador

This 20th day of August, 2020

Dermot Moran
Dermot Moran, Mayor

Geraldine Caul
Geraldine Caul, Town Clerk/Manager

REGISTERED

Number 5455-2020-001

Date September 11, 2020

Signature *Mary O'Leary*

I certify that this Amendment No.1, 2020 has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000.



Paul Boudridge
Paul Boudridge, MCIP