

**Township of Amaranth
Discharge of Firearms Concerns Committee Meeting**

October 28, 2021

6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Chairperson:

Committee Members:

Councillor Heather Foster
Councillor Steve Niedzwiecki
Sue Lindsey
Peter Meers
Jackie Hunter
Dan Hunter
Frank Reichenauer
Brian McRae – Ontario Association Hunters
& Anglers
Jennifer Roach - OPP

Secretary:

Nicole Martin

1. Opening of Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:07 p.m. Councillor Foster acted as Chair for the meeting purposes and led the discussion. The meeting was recorded for purposes of minute taking.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Participants were reminded that an interest can be declared now or at any time during the meeting. None declared at this time.

3. Discussion

The draft by-law was provided and discussed. Highlighted points of discussion were:

- Section 1 wording now allows shooting vs old draft which prohibits
- Keeping people safe is main objective
- Back to zoning designation
- Refrain from built up areas, limit the area as much as possible
- Permit idea to be revisited
- Make landowner responsible and accountable
- Distances between occupied dwellings to be included
- Property line to occupied dwelling to be investigated
- Exemption for agricultural lands
- Set fines

OPP to tighten up wording, individuals in the committee to review previous by-laws to advise what sections to be kept to hopefully meet in the middle
Section 1 to be added back in or amended? Once the by-law is agreed upon send letter to all residents.

Circulate new wording to the committee before the next meeting.

4. Adjournment /Next Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m. and agreed to meet again on November 18 at 6:00 p.m.

CHAIR


SECRETARY