

SHIRLEY/JORDAN RIVER ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION

Notice of Meeting on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at 7:00 pm

Juan de Fuca Local Area Services Building, #3 – 7450 Butler Road, Otter Point, BC

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

- 1. Additional information received for the following agenda item:
 - a) Agenda Item 6 a) RZ000275 Lots A-H, and J and K, District Lot 87, Renfrew District, Plan EPP31225 (Kirby Creek Road)
 - Brenda Mark, Shirley
 - Gerard LeBlanc, Shirley

From: To:

<u>idf info</u>

Subject: Proposed Bylaw #4464

Date: Monday, March 14, 2022 3:25:43 PM

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Shirley / Jordan River Advisory Planning Commission:

Re: Proposed Bylaw #4464

Rezoning from Forestry (AF) to Rural 2 (RU2) as proposed by Bylaw 4464 would be appropriate and facilitate agriculture in the community. The fact that all of the property owners in the subdivision on Kirby Creek Road are on board is a plus.

There is mention in the staff report of riparian areas on some of the subject properties. It is likely that any watercourses there would be at least tributaries of Kirby Creek, which is a fish-bearing creek and has several water licenses on it. Given the importance of protecting watersheds, water supply and water quality should a specific Riparian Area Report be required for the rezoning application? This may have already been done, but I don't see mention of it.

I would be in favor of this rezoning if there is an appropriate RAR for the properties.

Thank you

Brenda Mark, Shirley

From: Gerard LeBlanc
To: jdf info
Cc: Jain Lawrence

Subject: Zoning Bylaw Amendment Application for Kirby Creek Road Bylaw 4464

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Good afternoon.

I am writing to support the rezoning application made by the residents of Kirby Creek Estates to include agriculture as a permitted use on their properties. The area seems well suited to farm and food production given its orientation and exposure. The gardening that currently occurs there seems to indicate an adequate water supply and other conditions exist to support agriculture.

I believe the proposed rezoning is in keeping with the objectives of the CRD Regional Food and Agriculture Strategy in that it will provide area residents with locally-grown food, it will help increase local and regional food security, will employ people locally and will 'set the table' for a continued local role in providing for agriculture and food.

Enabling agriculture on the subject properties supports many local, regional, First Nations and provincial objectives for agriculture and food security.

I endorse and support the proposed bylaw amendment.

Gerard

Gerard LeBlanc

Shirley, BC,