



Meeting Date: June 05, 2019

Time: 5:30pm

Location: Madoc Township Municipal Building

Public Meeting Regarding Proposed ATV Event on Barry Road

**Council Members Present: Reeve Blackburn
Deputy Reeve Rollins
Councillor Beaton
Councillor Rowe**

Council Members Absent: Councillor Smith

**Staff Present: Acting Clerk/Planning Coordinator Amanda Cox
Acting Treasurer/Administrator Anne-Marie Goulah
Working Roads Superintendent Mike Arney**

1. Call to Order

The public meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Reeve Blackburn

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof and conflict of interest

None

Approximately 25 people attended the public meeting regarding a proposed ATV Event on Barry Road.

Reeve Blackburn asked for opinions/concerns from the audience.

A Barry Road resident stood and voiced their concerns. Their property is right up against the property where the proposed ATV event has been requested to be held.

There are environmental concerns including the bonfires and what will be burnt and how long will the fires be going.

There is a creek that runs through the property, if the event draws a lot of water, surrounding wells could be affected. There is a possibility of fuel spills which will contaminate the ground, possibly limiting the uses of the property in the future.

The road will be further damaged by the increased heavy traffic on the road.
The event is too close to this residents' house, this resident is retired and not well.
Concern there will be bonfires even if there is a fire ban, how will the ban be enforced? The Madoc Township fire department is volunteer, homes could be lost if the fire becomes out of control.
Emergency services and ambulance may not be able to get to the event in time if they are needed.
Noise involved would be too much, and may run late, this may reduce property values because of noise.
There is no economic benefit to Madoc Township, any financial benefit would be in Centre Hastings.

Barry Road resident just purchased their property and is concerned that vehicles and traffic will hinder the ability to access their driveway which is directly across from the property requesting the event.
Concern with this becoming a continuous event.
Why can it not take place at the arena?
Has animals and is concerned with their safety as well as the disturbance of the wildlife in the area.
Is this property zoned correctly?
Traffic will further damage the road.
Agrees with everything in previous resident's statement.

Barry Road resident concerned with noise, disturbing the wildlife, fuel spills and at-risk tree species.
Already have the arena, do it there. Why disturb the quiet on Barry Road?

Queensborough Road resident has the same concerns with previous speakers. The event could take place at Lingham Lake where these types of events already take place.
Concerned that Laws and By-Laws will not be followed.
Does not believe that this will be an event that only takes place once a year.

Bosley Road resident says there is already a lot of ATV traffic and is concerned with the speed. The country deserves peace and quiet.
When there is racing at the arena, they come down the road and its very noisy, they also run on the grass and make their own trails.

Barry Road resident says it will not just be one weekend.

Township resident says to look at other events and see how they have grown.
Has attended many of these events and thinks it will be thousands not hundreds of people.
These events grow and grow, the one in Marmora was almost closed down because of traffic
spill over.
Recognizes its fun but the reproductions are too great to the environment and to the residents.
What will stop other properties from being purchased for the same thing.


Acting Clerk


Reeve