

MINUTES
WOODLOT COMMITTEE

The Woodlot Committee of the County of Lambton met at the Lambton County Buildings at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, November 9, 2004, to hold a hearing into an application for exemption from the County of Lambton Trees By-law 45 of 2003.

Present: Chair P. Davidson, Warden Todd Case. Members: J. Burns and J. Foubister. Also present were Deputy-Secretary-Treasurer M. Pauschenwein and Woodlot Inspector R. Minielly.

APPLICATION W-001/04

George and Alma Babula
Concession 10, Part Lot 23
1180 Gould Road
Township of Dawn-Euphemia
(former Township of Dawn)

George and Alma Babula, owners of the above-noted property have applied for an exemption from the County of Lambton By-law 45 of 2003, being "A By-law to prohibit or regulate the destruction or injuring of trees".

Attending the meeting was Mr. and Mrs. Babula. Mr. Babula was asked to explain his application and he replied that he had no details to add. Robert Minielly stated that he attended the woodlot on September 3, 2004 after a telephone call reporting that woodlot was being removed. Mr. Babula was told to not remove any more trees and to not burn those trees that had been removed. Mr. Minielly said that this was old pasture land and approximately 1.3 acres had been removed. Mr. Babula told the Woodlot Inspector that the property was logged in 2003 by a previous owner and that the majority of tops and stumps in piles were from that time.

This is a contiguous woodlot consisting of ash, maple, and burr oak. The trees are approximately 6" – 15" in diameter measured at 12" from the ground.

Mr. Babula was asked by a Committee member if he was willing to replant and if so where he would replant. Mr. Babula said that replanting would be done on the land of his grandson on Pantry School Road. Mr. Babula was told that the Woodlot Inspector would indicate the species of trees to be replanted. Mr. Babula asked how long he would have to replant. Mr. Minielly replied that he would have 2 years to replant.

Mr. Babula was informed that the Woodlot Committee makes a recommendation to County Council and County Council would make a final decision on November 24, 2004. He was also advised of appeal procedures.

- (A) #1: Case/Foubister: That recommendation be made to County Council that Application W-001/04 be approved and that the applicant enter into an agreement with the County of Lambton to replant on a one to one in area basis and that the Woodlot Inspector indicate the species of trees to be planted. Carried.

Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned to meet again on December 14, 2004.

Time: 9:40 a.m.

Patricia Davidson
Chair

Madeline Pauschenwein
Deputy-Secretary-Treasurer