



covenant restricting lighting at the driving range was never enforced.

Mr. D. Broughton, 1030 Lucas Avenue, stated:

- He is a golf professional.
- This golf facility is of value to the community and is popular with Saanich youth and families in the evenings; the new lighting design will correct problems associated with the old lighting system.

Ms. J. Robson, 920 Sioux Place, stated:

- She uses the range in the evenings for lessons and supports the amendment.

Ms. S. Stewart, 4635 Blenkinsop Road, stated:

- She supports Ms. Mayr and her attempt to find a solution to the problem caused by the evening lighting at her driving range.

Mr. B. Loucks, 4160 Glendenning Road, Blenkinsop Valley Community Association, stated:

- They recommend that Saanich develop a system of tracking active covenants.
- If Council approves the covenant amendment, residents should be given a process to follow if they are not satisfied with the light environment.

Ms. N. Chambers, 4317 Blenkinsop Road, stated:

- As a farmer she supports any measures to protect farm land in the Valley.
- The golf facility should not be open at night if it disturbs residents.

A resident of 4251 Blenkinsop Road, stated:

- She is a direct neighbour of the golf range.
- The light does not bother her but a solution is needed which will be fair to all parties.

Ms. M. Trelevyn, 4230 Glendenning Road, stated:

- She lives behind the range up the hill and is not bothered by the lights at night.
- The golf range is an asset to the community.

Mr. E. Politsky, 4198 Glendenning Road, stated:

- He is affected by the driving range lights at night.
- He is concerned that the covenant has not been enforced since 2000.
- Although the new lighting system will probably be an improvement, he is not satisfied.

In response to questions from Council, Mr. Harrison stated:

- The new lights will appear like a street light in the distance and no one will see a glare from the lamps.
- Installation of a demonstration light would have been costly.
- The poles will be 60 feet high while the berm lighting will be buried in the ground.
- A similar system can be seen at Layritz Park.

- MOTION:**                    **MOVED by Councillor Gillespie and Seconded by Councillor Derman: "That Council amend the covenant to permit the use of night time lighting with the following restrictions:**
- i) During the months of September, October, November, December, January, February and March only;**
  - ii) Not to be employed later than 9:00 p.m. in the permitted months;**
  - iii) Provided that the illumination conforms to modern green standards as indicated on plans and specifications prepared by Musco Lighting and submitted by Wong & Doerksen on August 13, 2008."**

Councillor Gillespie stated:

- It would appear that Musco Lighting has prepared a good design for this location and that it will solve the problems presently being experienced by neighbours.

Councillor Wergeland stated:

- It appears that the main issue tonight is lack of confidence in our bylaws and covenants.
- He would prefer that the applicant remove all the lights and comply with the existing covenant, which would not preclude consideration of an application for lighting in future.

Councillor Sanders stated:

- The lighting proposal was not shown in the context of the neighbouring properties which would have been helpful to Council.
- Covenants should be respected; the applicant should remove the lights.

Councillor Brownoff stated:

- A demonstration of the proposed new lighting system would have been beneficial for the neighbours.

Councillor Derman stated:

- The history of this golf operation is unacceptable.
- The proposed new green lighting system appears to be successful where installed elsewhere in Saanich; however, the operators should have arranged a demonstration of the lights for the residents.

Councillor Hunter stated:

- The golf facility did not comply with the restrictive covenant.
- It would be appropriate for the owner to remove the lights now and reapply in future.

Councillor Brice stated:

- The covenant has been disregarded since 2000.
- The golf course owners should have reassured the community with a demonstration of the new lighting system.

In response to questions from the Council, the Municipal Solicitor stated:

- Enforcement of the terms of the restrictive covenant was held in abeyance during this application period; if the covenant is not amended by Council, the owner will be expected to comply with its provisions.

**The Motion was then Put and LOST,**

**with Councillors Brice, Brownoff, Derman, Hunter, Sanders and Wergeland, in opposition.**

Adjournment

On a motion from Councillor Hunter, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

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CHAIR

I hereby certify these Minutes are accurate.

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