



Agenda

The Blue Mountains, Grants and Donations Advisory Committee

Date: Thursday, March 7, 2024

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Virtual Meeting, Teams

Prepared By:

Carrie Fairley, Executive Assistant Committees of Council

Pages

A. Call to Order

A.1 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement and Moment of Reflection

We would like to begin our meeting by recognizing the First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples of Canada as traditional stewards of the land. The municipality is located within the boundary of Treaty 18 region of 1818 which is the traditional land of the Anishnaabek, Haudenosaunee and Wendat-Wyandot-Wyandotte peoples.

A.2 Committee Member Attendance

A.3 Approval of Agenda

Recommended (Move, Second)

THAT the Agenda of March 7, 2024, be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda.

A.4 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

NOTE: In accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* and the Town Procedural By-law 2023-62, Council or Committee Members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

A.5 Previous Minutes

Recommended (Move, Second)

THAT the Grants and Donations Advisory Committee minutes of October 19, 2023, be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

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B. Staff Reports and Deputations

None

C. Public Comment Period

NOTE: In accordance with the Town Procedural By-law 2023-62, fifteen minutes is allotted at the Meeting to receive public comments regarding Grants and Donations Advisory Committee matters included on the Agenda. The speaker shall provide their name and address and shall address their comments to the Chair. Comments shall not

refer to personnel, litigation or potential litigation matters, or regarding matters that are a follow-up to a Public Meeting.

Comments received by the public that have not been included on the Agenda will be read at the meeting by the Executive Assistant.

D. Matters for Discussion

D.1 Follow-up from Council

Re: Funding Requests approved at the November 20, 2023 Council Meeting

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D.2 Discussion

Re: What will be the Grants and Donations Committee's major Fundraising Event in 2024

D.3 Lobsterfest

Potential Date: May 25, 2024

D.4 2025 Budget Consideration Request to Council

Re: Matching funds raised by Grants and Donations Committee for assisting Community grant requests

E. Correspondence

None

F. New and Unfinished Business

F.1 Additions to Agenda

F.2 Items Identified for Discussion at the Next Meeting

G. Notice of Meeting Dates

At the Call of the Chair

H. Adjournment

Recommended (Move, Second)

THAT this Grants and Donations Advisory Committee Meeting does now adjourn at (time) p.m. to meet again DATE Virtually, or at the call of the Chair.



Minutes

The Blue Mountains, Grants and Donations Advisory Committee

Date: October 19, 2023
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Location: Virtual Meeting, Teams
Prepared By:
Carrie Fairley, Executive Assistant Committees of Council

Members Present: Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Michael Caron, Brandon Lapstra, Jackie Stewart, Marc Anthony Venere
Staff Present: Director of Community Services Ryan Gibbons, Acting Director of Finance Sam Dinsmore, Administrative Assistant Tracy Nowak

A. Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. with all members present, virtually.

Michael Caron left the meeting at 3:14 pm.

Marc Anthony Venere left the meeting at 3:35 pm.

A.1 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement and Moment of Reflection

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A.2 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Michael Caron
Seconded by: Marc Anthony Venere

THAT the Agenda of October 19, 2023, be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda.

Yay (5): Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Michael Caron, Brandon Lapstra, Jackie Stewart, and Marc Anthony Venere

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

A.3 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

NOTE: In accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* and the Town Procedural By-law 2023-62, Council or Committee Members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

None

A.4 Previous Minutes

Moved by: Jackie Stewart

Seconded by: Michael Caron

THAT the Grants and Donations Advisory Committee minutes of June 16, 2023, be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (5): Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Michael Caron, Brandon Lapstra, Jackie Stewart, and Marc Anthony Venere

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

B. Staff Reports and Deputations

B.1 2023 Grants and Donations Applications, FAF.23.153

The Deputy Mayor provided some background information on the fundraising efforts in the past and background on how the Committee was formed.

Acting Director of Finance, Sam Dinsmore introduced himself to the Committee and provided a brief overview of Staff Report FAF.23.153, entitled 2023 Grants and Donations Applications and provided information to the Committee on the amount of money that was available for donations.

Deputy Mayor Bordignon noted that the Clarksburg Village Association will be removing the ask for \$8,000 through this committee as it is being requested through another committee, the Economic Development Advisory Committee, or the Economic Development Department.

Director Gibbons provided information to the Committee on how the subsidy requests work through the Community Services Department noting the groups will come forward to off set the costs of a rental fee at a Town facility, being a park, pavilion, or hall, generally for an event.

The Committee discussed the request from the Lion's Club, which was noted in the application as funding needed for a new trailer. The Committee discussed and agreed that capital spending was not in the purview of this Committee.

The Committee discussed each application and the cash and subsidy requests contained in the applications noting that the "asks" total \$88,000 and there is \$48,000 in funds available.

Moved by: Brandon Lapstra
Seconded by: Jackie Stewart

THAT the Grants and Donations Committee receive Staff Report FAF.23.153, entitled
“2023 Grants and Donations Applications;”

AND THAT the Grants and Donations Committee make recommendations to Council to
authorize the funding of these applications:

Group/Organization	Cash Amount	Subsidy Amount
Beaver Valley Agricultural Society	\$900	\$4,640
Beaver Valley Outreach		\$11,820
Big Canoe Project	\$700	\$90
Blue Mountain Curling Centre		\$1,356
Blue Mountains Historical Society	\$1,000	
Breaking Down Barriers and Independent Living Centre	\$1,500	
Climate Action Now Network (TBM)	\$1,500	
Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce	\$500	
Elora Environment Centre – Tree Trust	\$2,000	
Escarpment Corridor Alliance	\$500	
Events for Life	\$5,000	
Georgian Bay Forever	\$500	
Georgian Triangle Anglers Association	\$500	
Golden Beavers		\$3,100
Grey Bruce Hospice	\$1,000	
Grey Sauble Conservation Authority/Beaver River Watershed Initiative	\$1,500	
Home Horizon Georgian Triangle Residential Services	\$1,500	
Hospice Georgian Triangle Foundation	\$2,000	
Living Better with Parkinsons	\$1,000	

Magic of Children in the Arts	\$600	
Marsh Street Centre	\$2,000	
Music in the Park	\$2,500	\$1,700
My Friends House	\$1,500	
Ontario Track 3 Adaptive Sports Association	\$2,500	
Pollinate TBM	\$500	
Rotary Club of Thornbury Clarksburg	\$4,000	
St. George's The Parish of The Blue Mountains	\$2,500	
St. John Ambulance Grey Bruce	\$500	
Theatre Collingwood Association	\$500	
Total:	\$38,700	\$22,706

Yay (3): Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Brandon Lapstra, and Jackie Stewart

Absent (2): Michael Caron, and Marc Anthony Venere

The motion is Carried (3 to 0)

C. Public Comment Period

None.

D. Matters for Discussion

D.1 Follow-up Direction from Council

None

D.2 Fundraising Ideas

The Committee discussed hosting Lobsterfest, potentially a gala and a lottery.

Member Lapstra noted that the lottery may be the best route to not step on toes of other fundraising efforts in the Town. The Deputy Mayor Bordignon noted that galas are a good way to raise funds and noted that the Town is not able to host a lottery, so we would have to utilize the not-for-profit organization that Member Stewart is a part of, for the endowment fund. Deputy Mayor Bordignon noted that he will speak to Town staff and will work with Member Stewart's foundation to see what we can do. Member Stewart noted that lotteries are tough to organize, and you require a lot of people to raise enough money and she further noted that Owen Sound stopped holding lotteries as they were losing money.

The Committee discussed hosting Lobsterfest and briefly discussed the options of having it at Bayview Park, where there can be a lot of people accommodated outside or would it be better to only offer take-out, or a hybrid of both. Deputy Mayor noted that this event would have to be at the end of May or beginning of June, before the Fish Fry at St. George's Church and in order to have fresh lobster at a reasonable price. Member Stewart noted her support for Lobsterfest and further noted that it is ran by volunteers, costs were low and is a popular event with residents of the Town.

Member Stewart spoke regarding the gala noting that her idea is to host it at Town Hall and call it "Dinner on the Town", with a long table set up. Member Stewart further noted that it does not have to be a black-tie event, it can be casual dress as well. Member Stewart further suggested using local chefs and restaurants which would allow the local restaurants to show their culinary skills. The Deputy Mayor suggested creating a sub-committee for this specific event and can discuss ideas, what we can do and where we can do it.

The Committee discussed penciling in the date of June 1, 2024, for Lobsterfest.

D.3 Adding Another Council Member to the Grants and Donations Committee

Moved by: Jackie Stewart

Seconded by: Brandon Lapstra

THAT the Grants and Donations Committee requests Council to amend the Terms of Reference to allow for up to two Council members on this committee.

Yay (3): Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Brandon Lapstra, and Jackie Stewart

Absent (2): Michael Caron, and Marc Anthony Venere

The motion is Carried (3 to 0)

E. Correspondence

None.

F. New and Unfinished Business

F.1 Additions to Agenda

None

F.2 Items Identified for Discussion at the Next Meeting

Lobsterfest – June 1, 2024

Discussion on another event – possibly a gala

Follow-up to what went through Council regarding the funding of the applications.

Follow-up on from staff regarding the outstanding questions from October 19, 2023, Grants and Donations meeting.

G. Notice of Meeting Dates

The Executive Assistant Committees of Council will canvass dates with the Committee Members for the next meeting.

H. Adjournment

Moved by: Jackie Stewart

Seconded by: Brandon Lapstra

THAT this Grants and Donations Advisory Committee Meeting does now adjourn at 4:01 p.m. to meet at the call of the Chair, virtually, or at the call of the Chair.

Yay (3): Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Brandon Lapstra, and Jackie Stewart

Absent (2): Michael Caron, and Marc Anthony Venere

The motion is Carried (3 to 0)



Minutes

The Blue Mountains, Council Meeting

Date: November 20, 2023
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual Meeting
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON
Prepared by: Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

Members Present: Mayor Andrea Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Councillor Gail Ardiel, Councillor Paula Hope, Councillor Alex Maxwell, Councillor Shawn McKinlay, Councillor June Porter

Staff Present: CAO Shawn Everitt, Director of Operations Shawn Carey, Director of Community Services Ryan Gibbons, Director of Planning and Development Services Adam Smith

A. Call to Order

Mayor Matrosovs called the meeting to order with all Council members present, in person in the Council Chamber.

A.1 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement and Moment of Reflection

We would like to begin our meeting by recognizing the First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples of Canada as traditional stewards of the land. The municipality is located within the boundary of Treaty 18 region of 1818 which is the traditional land of the Anishnaabek, Haudenosaunee and Wendat-Wyandot-Wyandotte peoples.

A.2 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

THAT the Agenda of November 20, 2023, be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

A.3 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

Councillor Maxwell declared a conflict on Agenda item B.5 Thornbury/Beaver Valley Lions Club request for Council support for funding the Club Service Trailer, as he is a member of the Lions Club.

Councillor Ardiel declared a conflict on Agenda item B.7 Peter Franklyn Re: Concerns regarding Follow-up Report to Georgian Hills Vineyard Noise By-law Relief Requests 2023, FAF.23.164 as one of the owners of Georgian Hills is a relative of hers.

A.4 Previous Minutes

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT the Council minutes of October 30, 2023, Special Meeting of Council minutes of October 31, 2023, November 7, 2023, November 9, 2023 and November 14, 2023 be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

B. Deputation / Presentations

B.1 Tim Lanthier, CAO, Grey Sauble Conservation Authority, Re: Grey Sauble Conservation Authority 2024 Draft Operating and Capital Budget

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Tim Lanthier, CAO, Grey Sauble Conservation Authority, Re: Presentation of 2024 Draft Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Operating and Capital Budget;

AND THAT Council encourages Councillor Maxwell to work with The Blue Mountains staff and GSCA to work toward a maximum 2.5% increase in 2024;

AND THAT Council request Council Members to provide suggested amendments to the GSCA budget to the Clerk, to provide to Councillor Maxwell as appointed member to GSCA, and to provide the summary of comments on the December 18, 2023 Council Meeting;

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

B.2 Doug Hevenor, CAO, Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, Re: Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority 2024 Draft Budget and Program Overview

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Doug Hevenor, CAO, Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, Re: Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority 2024 Draft Budget and Program Overview;

AND that Council approves the draft NVCA 2024 budget overview, as presented

Yay (2): Councillor Ardiel, and Councillor McKinlay

Nay (5): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Lost (2 to 5)

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Doug Hevenor, CAO, Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority, Re: Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority 2024 Draft Budget and Program Overview;

AND THAT Council encourages Councillor Porter to work with The Blue Mountains staff and NVCA to work toward a maximum 2.5% increase in 2024;

AND THAT Council request Council Members to provide suggested amendments to the NVCA budget to the Clerk, to provide to Councillor Porter as appointed member to NVCA, and to provide the summary of comments on the December 18, 2023 Council Meeting;

Yay (6): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

Nay (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 1)

B.3 Sonya Reichel, Executive Director, Georgian Triangle Humane Society, Re: Request for consideration for annual pledge through Council budget process to fund new Georgian Triangle Humane Society animal centre

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel
Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Sonya Reichel, Executive Director, Georgian Triangle Humane Society, Re: Request for consideration for annual pledge through Council budget process to fund new Georgian Triangle Humane Society Animal Centre;

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains directs staff to provide a staff report in response to the deputation of Georgian Triangle Humane Society's request for funding, which will include input on usage from Community Services and By-law Services

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

B.4 Robert Johnston, Resident and Director, Northeast Grey Health Clinics, Re: Concerns regarding access to local Primary Health Care and request for Council funding for physician recruitment

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Robert Johnston, Resident and Director, Northeast Grey Health Clinics, Re: Concerns regarding access to local Primary Health Care and request for Council funding for physician recruitment;

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains refers the deputation materials of Mr. Johnston to staff for a report back to Council, in consultation with Councillor Porter as the Council Appointee to the North East Grey Health Clinic, for consideration of a physician recruitment fund in the 2024 draft budget

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

B.5 Tom Kennedy, Treasurer, Thornbury/Beaver Valley Lions Club, Re: Request for Council support for funding the Club Service Trailer

Councillor Maxwell declared a conflict and Maxwell vacated the Council Chamber regarding this Agenda item, having earlier declared a conflict as he is a member of the Lions Club.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Tom Kennedy, Treasurer, Thornbury/Beaver Valley Lions Club, Re: Request for Council support for funding the Club Service Trailer;

AND THAT Council directs staff to provide a staff report in response to Mr Kennedy's deputation, that will include funding sources, including through Grants and Donations, for Council consideration

Yay (6): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

Conflict (1): Councillor Maxwell

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

B.6 Dan Skelton, President and COO, Blue Mountain Resorts, Re: Update to Council regarding Proposed Employee Housing and Scenic Gondola Base Lodge

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Dan Skelton, President and COO, Blue Mountain Resorts, Re: Update to Council regarding Proposed Employee Housing and Scenic Gondola Base Lodge;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a report in response to the deputation of Dan Skelton, and the request for Council support of a Community Infrastructure and Housing Accelerator Order, together with information regarding the traditional planning processes;

AND THAT Council encourages Blue Mountain Resort to communicate with neighbouring residents regarding the proposed employee housing project

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

B.7 Peter Franklyn, Resident, Re: Concerns regarding Follow-up Report to Georgian Hills Vineyard Noise By-law Relief Requests 2023, FAF.23.164

Councillor Ardiel vacated the meeting having earlier declare a conflict regarding Agenda item B.7. as one of the owners is a close relative.

Moved by: Councillor Porter
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Peter Franklyn, Resident, Re: Concerns regarding Follow-up Report to Georgian Hills Vineyard Noise By-law Relief Requests 2023, FAF.23.164

Yay (6): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

Conflict (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

B.8 Kailey Sutton, Lawyer, McMillan, Re: Letter of support regarding Court of Revision and Drainage Act Appeal Notice of Settlement and By-law, PDS.23.125 and By-law

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Kailey Sutton, Lawyer, McMillan, Re: Letter of support regarding Court of Revision and Drainage Act Appeal Notice of Settlement and By-law, PDS.23.125 and By-law

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

C. Public Comment Period

Guy Farrell, 132 Claire Glen, Blue Mountains, provided comments regarding the deputation of Dan Skelton, Blue Mountain Resort, and the proposed BMR employee housing project.

Debbie Crosskill, Clarksburg resident, provided public comments regarding water testing centre in Ravenna on Fridays.

The Town Clerk read public comments from Leslie Foster and Jim Lively, 59 Duncan Street, Thornbury, regarding the Cemetery Master Plan.

The Town Clerk read public comments from John & Hazel Milne, Thornbury residents, regarding Staff Report FAF.23.179 entitled "Response to Request from Council Regarding Delegate Attendance at COP28"

The Town Clerk read public comments from Julie Tipping, Thornbury resident regarding Staff Report FAF.23.179 entitled "Response to Request from Council Regarding Delegate Attendance at COP28"

Jim Torrance, BMRA representative, provided comments regarding the deputation of Dan Skelton, Blue Mountain Resort, and the proposed BMR employee housing project.

Pamela Spence, Craigleith resident, provided comments regarding the NVCA and GSCA deputations, runoff from escarpment into Georgian Bay, proposed tree bylaw, and deputation of Dan Skelton of BMR and proposed employee housing.

D. Adoption of Consent Agenda

D.1 Correspondence

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receives the correspondence listed as Agenda items D.1.1 to D.1.10, less any items requested for separate review and discussion, and further does support the Staff recommendation made with regard to the Correspondence items, including any additional direction given to Staff through discussion, with an appropriate Staff action or response awaited for report back to Committee or Council, where indicated.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

D.1.1 Sarah Beveridge, Chair, Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board, Re: Request Appointment of Marco Santaguida to the Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board, 2022-2026 Term of Council (For Council Consideration)

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Sarah Beveridge, Chair, Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board, Re: Request Appointment of Marco Santaguida to the Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board, 2022-2026 term of Council;

AND THAT Council approves the appointment of Marco Santaguida as a member of the Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board for the 2022-2026 term of Council

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

D.1.2 Town of Collingwood, Re: Town of Collingwood Resolution and Correspondence to the Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade regarding Small Business Enterprise Centre (SGB SBEC) (For Council Consideration)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Town of Collingwood Re: Town of Collingwood Resolution and Correspondence to the Ministry of Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade regarding Small Business Enterprise Centre (SGB SBEC);

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains supports the November 10, 2023 Town of Collingwood's correspondence and its support of the South Georgian Bay Small Business Enterprise Centre's request that the Province provide increased provincial funding to South Georgian Bay Small Business Enterprise Centre;

AND THAT in coordination with The Town of The Blue Mountains Communications Division, Council request Mayor Matrosovs to provide a letter of support to the Province

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

D.1.3 Township of Essa, Re: Council Resolution of Support regarding Provincial and Federal Supports for Drinking Water Plant Expansion (Receive For Information)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Township of Essa Re: Council Resolution of Support regarding Provincial and Federal Supports for Drinking Water Plant Expansion.

The motion is Carried

D.1.4 Doug Measures, Mayor, Township of Clearview, Re: Correspondence to Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Re: Request for Provincial Appointee for Housing Task Force (Receive For Information)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Doug Measures, Mayor, Township of Clearview, Re: Correspondence to Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Re: Request for Provincial Appointee for Housing Task Force.

The motion is Carried

D.1.5 Anton Kacinik, Manager Regulatory Applications, Enbridge, Re: Ontario Energy Board File No. EB-2023-0196, 2024 Federal Carbon Pricing Program Application (Receive For Information)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Anton Kacinik, Manager Regulatory Applications, Enbridge, Re: Ontario Energy Board Fil No. EB-2023-0196 2024 Federal Carbon Pricing Program Application

The motion is Carried

D.1.6 Colin Travis, Travis and Associates, Re: Comments on Blue Vista Part Block 119 (Receive For Information)

Moved by: Councillor Porter

Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the November 10, 2023 correspondence of Colin Travis, Travis and Associates Re: Comments on Blue Vista Part Block 119, and refers the correspondence to the Director of Planning for inclusion in the future staff report and the Official Plan review comments

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

D.1.7 Committee of Adjustment, Re: Notice of Decision and Right to Appeal Application Number A45-2023 (Receive for Information)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Committee of Adjustment Re: Notice of Decision and Right to Appeal Application Number A45-2023.

The motion is Carried

D.1.8 Committee of Adjustment, Re: Notice of Decision and Right to Appeal Application Number A46-2023 (Receive for Information)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Committee of Adjustment Re: Notice of Decision and Right to Appeal Application Number A46-2023.

The motion is Carried

D.1.9 Committee of Adjustment, Re: Notice of Decision and Right to Appeal Application Number A47-2023 (Receive for Information)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Committee of Adjustment Re: Notice of Decision and Right to Appeal Application Number A47-2023.

The motion is Carried

D.1.10 Murray Costello, Director, Southeast Region Operations, Enbridge Gas Inc. Re: Consultation on the future of natural gas expansion and home heating affordability (For Council Consideration)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Murray Costello, Director, Southeast Region Operations, Enbridge Gas Inc., Re: Consultation on the future of natural gas expansion and home heating affordability;

AND THAT Council refers the correspondence to Shawn Carey, Director of Operations to analyze for appropriate response and to respond from the Town of The Blue Mountains, and for a followup information report to Council in 2024

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

**D.2 Committee and Board Minutes
(Received for Information)**

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the Committee and Board minutes included on the November 20, 2023 Council Agenda, for information, less any items pulled for separate discussion.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

- D.2.1 Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board Minutes dated June 7, 2023**
- D.2.2 Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board Minutes dated July 5, 2023**
- D.2.3 Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board Minutes dated September 6, 2023**
- D.2.4 Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board Minutes dated October 4, 2023**
- D.2.5 Committee of Adjustment Minutes dated September 20, 2023**
- D.2.6 The Blue Mountains Public Library Board Minutes dated September 21, 2023**
- D.2.7 Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board Minutes dated September 27, 2023**
- D.2.8 Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board Highlights dated October 25, 2023**
- D.2.9 Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority Board Highlights dated October 2023**
- D.2.10 Agricultural Advisory Committee Minutes dated September 14, 2023**

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the Agricultural Advisory Committee Minutes dated September 14, 2023 for information

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

D.2.11 Committee of Adjustment Minutes dated October 18, 2023

D.3 Committee Reports

With the adoption of the Committee Reports included on the Consent Agenda, all Recommendations found within the Committee Report(s) are approved by Council, as recommended, less any items requested for separate review and discussion.

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT the recommendations found within the Committee Reports included on the November 20, 2023 Council Agenda are approved by Council, as recommended, less

any items requested for separate review and discussion.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

D.3.1 Committee of the Whole Report dated November 6, 2023

B.1.1 Camilo Montoya-Guevara, Vice President, Bannikin, Re: Overview from Town Consultant regarding Beaver Valley Sustainable Tourism Strategy, FAF.23.170

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Camilo Montoya-Guevara, Vice President, Bannikin, Re: Overview regarding Beaver Valley Sustainable Tourism Strategy, FAF.23.170

The motion is Carried

B.4.1 Beaver Valley Sustainable Tourism Strategy, FAF.23.170

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.23.170, entitled “Beaver Valley Sustainable Tourism Strategy”;

AND THAT Council endorse the Beaver Valley Sustainable Tourism Strategy as presented;

AND THAT Council supports that the project partners being, Town of The Blue Mountains, Grey County, Municipality of Grey Highlands, and Regional Tourism Organization 7: BruceGreySimcoe develop a formal memorandum of understanding that outlines partner commitment to achieving the goals and allocating and/or securing resources to achieve desired outcomes of the strategy;

AND THAT Council directs that any financial commitments associated with the memorandum of understanding or strategy be included annually in the Town’s budget process for Council consideration.

The motion is Carried

B.4.2 2024 ROMA Conference Delegation Requests, FAF.23.174

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.23.174, entitled “2024 ROMA Conference Delegation Requests”;

AND THAT Council direct staff to make applications to the following Ministries:

1. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Re: Campus of Care Project
2. Ministry of Long Term Care Re: Campus of Care Project
3. Ministry of Infrastructure Re: Regional Utility Discussion

for Delegation Requests that are offered at the annual ROMA Conference being held in Toronto between January 21 through to January 23, 2024;

AND that Council direct the Mayor and CAO to work with the regional municipalities of the South Georgian Bay Mayor and CAO's Forum and offer to take a lead role in the regional delegation process

The motion is Carried

B.4.3 Consideration of Declaring Municipally Owned Lands Surplus for the Purpose of Disposition, FAF.23.173

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.23.173, entitled "Consideration of Declaring Municipally Owned Lands Surplus for the Purpose of Disposition";

AND THAT Council direct staff to initiate the Public Notification process for the purposes of declaring lands surplus to the municipality's needs as outlined in this report and to schedule a Public Meeting for each of the properties identified in this report to provide the public with an opportunity to provide comment.

The motion is Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT, with respect to Staff Report FAF.23.173, entitled "Consideration of Declaring Municipally Owned Lands Surplus for the Purpose of Disposition", Council direct staff to develop a staff report through the 2024 Budget process, that includes options for the allocation of any resulting funds, if any

The motion is Carried

B.4.4 Open Fields Follow Up Report, FAF.23.162

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.23.162, entitled "Open Fields Follow Up Report" for information.

The motion is Carried

B.4.5 Update to Records Retention By-law 2022-18, FAF.23.134

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.23.134, entitled "Update to Records Retention By-law 2022-18;"

AND THAT Council direct staff to include the attached draft "By-law to Provide a Schedule of Retention Periods for the Records of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains", being a By-law to repeal and replace the current Records Retention By-law 2022-18, on the November 20, 2023 Council Agenda, for Council consideration.

The motion is Carried

B.9.1 Cemetery Master Plan, CSOPS.23.045

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.23.045, entitled “Cemetery Master Plan”;

AND THAT Council approve the Cemetery Master Plan as presented, with any elements requiring funding to be considered through future budgets;

AND THAT Council approves Concept B (Arc Concept) as referenced in Staff Report CSOPS.23.045, and to prioritize green burial in the workplan

The motion is Carried

B.9.2 Follow-up Report to Georgian Hills Vineyard Noise By-law Relief Request 2023, FAF.23.164

Councillor Ardiel vacated the Council Chamber as she declared a conflict on this item as one of the owners is a close relative and

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.23.164, entitled “Follow-up Report to Georgian Hills Vineyard Noise By-law Relief Request 2023”;

AND THAT Council receives this report for information only.

The motion is Carried

C.1.1 Grants and Donations Committee Report dated October 19, 2023

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the following recommendations from the Grants and Donations Advisory Committee dated October 19, 2023:

THAT the Grants and Donations Committee receive Staff Report FAF.23.153, entitled “2023 Grants and Donations Applications;”

AND THAT the Grants and Donations Committee make recommendations to Council to authorize the funding of these applications. CARRIED.

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains authorizes the funding of these applications as recommended by the Grants and Donations Committee, and as listed below:

Group/Organization	Cash Amount	Subsidy Amount
Beaver Valley Agricultural Society	\$900	\$4,640
Beaver Valley Outreach		\$11,820
Big Canoe Project	\$700	\$90
Blue Mountain Curling Centre		\$1,356
Blue Mountains Historical Society	\$1,000	
Breaking Down Barriers and Independent Living Centre	\$1,500	
Climate Action Now Network (TBM)	\$1,500	
Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce	\$500	
Elora Environment Centre – Tree Trust	\$2,000	
Escarpment Corridor Alliance	\$500	
Events for Life	\$5,000	
Georgian Bay Forever	\$500	
Georgian Triangle Anglers Association	\$500	
Golden Beavers		\$3,100
Grey Bruce Hospice	\$1,000	
Grey Sauble Conservation Authority/Beaver River Watershed Initiative	\$1,500	
Home Horizon Georgian Triangle Residential Services	\$1,500	
Hospice Georgian Triangle Foundation	\$2,000	
Living Better with Parkinsons	\$1,000	
Magic of Children in the Arts	\$600	
Marsh Street Centre	\$2,000	
Music in the Park	\$2,500	\$1,700
My Friends House	\$1,500	
Ontario Track 3 Adaptive Sports Association	\$2,500	

Pollinate TBM	\$500	
Rotary Club of Thornbury Clarksburg	\$4,000	
St. George’s The Parish of The Blue Mountains	\$2,500	
St. John Ambulance Grey Bruce	\$500	
Theatre Collingwood Association	\$500	
Total:	\$38,700	\$22,706

The motion is Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
 Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the following recommendation from the Grants and Donations Committee regarding amending the Terms of Reference:

THAT the Grants and Donations Committee requests Council to amend the Terms of Reference of the Grants and Donations to allow for up to two Council members on the Grants and Donations Committee, CARRIED.

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains directs Staff to amend the Terms of Reference to allow for up to two Council members on the Grants and Donations Committee.

The motion is Carried

D.3.2 Committee of the Whole Report dated November 7, 2023

B.4.1 Response to Tree Trust TBM Correspondence, CSOPS.23.059

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
 Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.23.059, entitled “Response to Tree Trust TBM Correspondence” for their information;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a staff report for developing a standardized process which would serve to operationalize trees and other natural assets as key priorities in all planning, construction and reconstruction projects. The staff report would include a process to implement, maintain, measure,

evaluate and report on the impact of this standardized process.

The motion is Carried

B.4.2 Water Operations Update – May 1, 2023 to August 31, 2023, CSOPS.23.055

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
 Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.23.055, entitled “Water Operations Update – May 1, 2023 to August 31, 2023” for their information.

The motion is Carried

B.4.3 Declaration of Town Land Surplus – Part 2, Plan 16R-11844, CSOPS.23.049

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.23.049, entitled “Declaration of Town Land Surplus – Part 2, Plan 16R-11844”;

AND THAT Council declare Part 2, Plan 16R-11844 surplus to the needs of the Corporation;

AND THAT Council waives the provisions of the “Sale and Other Disposition of Land Policy, POL.COR.07.02” as it relates to the requirement to provide notice to the public of the proposed sale of land by publication of the proposed transfer for two successive weeks in a local newspaper having general circulation in the area because of the recent closure of the Collingwood Connection newspaper;

AND THAT, in accordance with the provisions of the “Sale and Other Disposition of Land Policy, POL.COR.07.02”, Council acknowledges that notice of the proposed transfer of Part 2, Plan 16R-11844 shall be provided to the public by inclusion of the staff report on the November 7, 2023 Committee of the Whole Agenda, consideration of the Committee of the Whole recommendation at the November 20, 2023 Council Meeting, posting the staff report to the Town website and by email to those that have requested to receive Town notices;

AND THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute all documentation required to effect the transfer of Part 2, Plan 16R-11844 to the Foodland/LCBO property as noted in staff report CSOPS.23.049.

The motion is Carried

B.4.4 Settlers Way Parking Options Follow Up, CSOPS.23.061

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.23.061, entitled “Settler’s Way Parking Options Follow Up” for their information.

The motion is Carried

B.6.1 Paul Mondell, 2264164 Ontario Limited, Re: Preliminary Development Concept at Grey Road 19 (South Side)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Paul Mondell, 2264164 Ontario Limited, regarding preliminary development concept at Grey Road 19 (South Side).

The motion is Carried

B.9.1 Follow Up Report for Watershed Trust Correspondence, PDS.23.118

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive for information Staff Report PDS.23.118, entitled “Follow Up Report for Watershed Trust Correspondence”.

The motion is Carried

B.9.2 Follow Up Report for Accessory Dwelling Units, PDS.23.117

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.23.117, entitled “Follow Up Report for Accessory Dwelling Units”;

AND THAT Council direct Planning Staff to initiate a Zoning By-law Amendment to the accessory apartment provisions to bring into compliance with Provincial requirements and to further encourage the construction of additional dwellings units on certain residential properties;

AND THAT Council direct Planning Staff to initiate a Zoning By-law Amendment to bring forward options to consider new Development ‘D’ Zone provisions.

The motion is Carried

B.9.3 Natural Asset Inventory-Natural Heritage Study Project Update, PDS.23.116

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.23.116, entitled “Natural Asset Inventory-Natural Heritage Study Project Update” for information;

AND THAT Council direct staff to investigate if the new Natural Asset Management Roadmap Program (Natural Asset Initiative and Intact Public Entities Program) would supplement the Natural Asset Management already in progress.

The motion is Carried

C.3.1 Management of Trees on Louisa Street

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the update from the Operations Department regarding the management of trees on Louisa Street.

The motion is Carried

E. Motions and Staff Reports

E.1 Drainage Tribunal – Notice of Settlement and By-Law, PDS.23.125

Moved by: Councillor Hope

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.23.125, entitled “Drainage Tribunal – Notice of Settlement and By-Law”;

AND THAT Council enact a By-Law to provide for the maintenance and extension of the Blue Mountain Outlet Diversion Drain and Ford Outlet Drain in the Town of the Blue Mountains.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

E.2 Appointment of Councillor to Grants and Donations Committee

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

THAT Councillor Shawn McKinlay is appointed as the second Council representative to the Grants and Donations Committee for the 2022-2026 term of Council.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

E.3 Response to Request from Council Regarding Delegate Attendance at COP28, FAF.23.179

Moved by: Councillor Hope

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.23.179, entitled “Response to Request from Council Regarding Delegate Attendance at the COP28”;

AND THAT Council consider this report and provide input to the Mayor no later than November 27, 2023;

AND THAT Council be advised that an additional Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) document will be provided to Council and the public at the November 20, 2023 Council Meeting directly related to this report.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

F. By-laws

F.1 By-law to provide for the maintenance and extension of Blue Mountain Outlet Diversion Drain and Ford Outlet Drain

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT By-law No. 2023-79, being a By-law to provide for the maintenance and extension of the Blue Mountain Outlet Diversion Drain and Ford Outlet Drain in the Town of The Blue Mountains and that the engineer's report by adopted, the costs of the extension of the Drainage Works as set forth in the engineer's report be borne entirely by the petitioners Parkbridge Lifestyle Communities Inc., McPherson Builders (Blue Mountains) Limited, and Eden Oak (Trailshead) Inc., and that the implementation of the works be secured through an agreement prepared by the Town's solicitor, be hereby enacted as passed this 20th day of November, 2023.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

F.2 By-law to provide a schedule of retention periods for the records of the Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT By-law No. 2023-80, being a By-law to provide for a schedule of retention periods for the records of the Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains as set out in Schedule A of the By-law and repealing 2022-18, be hereby enacted as passed this 20th day of November, 2023.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

G. New and Unfinished Business

G.1 Grey County Council Update (Mayor, Deputy Mayor)

Deputy Mayor Bordignon provided the Grey County update and provided details of the Grey County 2024 Draft Budget, which is being held in three mini budget sessions. The Deputy Mayor noted there is much work to be completed, with double-digit increases noting there has been good discussion with the nine member municipalities, on how to pare the budget increases down. Deputy Mayor Bordignon noted that the draft budget book will be received by County Councillors on December 1, 2023, and right now, they are reviewing percentages and dollar values. The Deputy Mayor further noted that because of our tax base assessment the Town pays the majority at the County level. The Deputy Mayor noted that Madam Mayor and himself sit as Regional Councillors, so they review the budget, in its totality, for the entire region. The Deputy Mayor noted this is the toughest budget. Mayor Matrosovs confirmed the entire budget book will be provided December 1, 2023, with a meeting on December 8 and December 15, 2023. Madam Mayor noted that there are more meetings than there have been in the past and there are hard decisions to make.

Mayor Matrosovs noted that the Deputy CAO provided a report on Bill 134, the Affordable Homes, and Good Jobs Act, 2023. Mayor Matrosovs encouraged the report be read noting it was well laid out with perspective and implications on a multi tier

government, trying to provide the homes we need, while ensuring they are the ones that are needed.

Mayor Matrosovs noted that on-farm diversification was discussed, and how it relates to Grey County Official Plan. Noting that diversified use needs to be agricultural related, supporting the agricultural community as well as those farmers who needs an extra income given the challenges farming can pose when supporting a family.

Mayor Matrosovs further noted that Grey County will also be putting together a list of submissions for the ROMA Conference.

Deputy Mayor Bordignon noted that the region discussed economic development and transit, noting that this is a topic that needs to be viewed regionally including cost, what is being spent now and opportunities to save money while continuing the service as it does affect our residents.

G.2 Notice of Motion (Council)

G.2.1 Deputy Mayor Bordignon Notice of Motion regarding Tree Preservation By-law

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

WHEREAS Section 135 of Ontario's Municipal Act states a municipality may prohibit or regulate the destruction or injuring of trees. Individual or single tree bylaws are designed to mitigate future damage of privately owned trees due to private construction and excavation projects;

WHEREAS the Town of The Blue Mountains recognizes that its trees are vitally important to the social and economic wellbeing of the community and its people. Trees create an aesthetically pleasing environment, while instilling a sense of community stability and history;

WHEREAS provincial direction to increase density in existing neighbourhoods and create more affordable housing, such as second suites, within existing properties has raised the question of protection of individual trees on residential lots;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Town of The Blue Mountains develop a Tree Program – A program designed to enhance the appearance of the municipality and further the welfare of the residents by the planting, maintenance, protection and preservation of public trees, including the establishment and implementation of the master tree plan and the specifications;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of The Town of The Blue Mountains through its direction that Town employees continue to be responsible for the planting, maintenance and removal of trees located on Town streets and other municipally owned lands. The Council will preserve existing and established new trees on all suitable Town property and encourage the same type of management on privately and institutionally owned lands. These activities will be directed towards a goal of providing a permanent canopy of healthy trees throughout the Municipality;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council of The Town of The Blue Mountains direct staff to develop a report in regards to tree standards committee or task force that includes representatives from Town Staff and Council, the Land Development community, the Agricultural community, the Professional consulting community and the TBM Tree Trust to review and update tree protection standards, explore additional community partnerships and incentive programs, such as grants, and educational programs to plant more trees on private and public land

Yay (5): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, and Councillor McKinlay

Nay (2): Councillor Ardiel, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (5 to 2)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains, extends the length of the November 20, 2023 Council Meeting beyond the seven hour time limit, to 6:00 pm

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

G.2.2 Councillor Porter Notice of Motion regarding Clear Cutting By-law

Moved by: Councillor Porter

Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT, as part of the Official Plan Review Phase 2 Process, Council directs staff to create and embed policy language in the Official Plan for the purpose of managing the tree canopy and controlling clear cutting on vacant settlement land which can be developed for residential purposes. This language in the Official Plan will also be underpinned by an Ecological Offsetting Policy through a Clear-Cutting bylaw and/or with the Community Planning Permit System (CCPS);

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a staff report to address the clear cutting of trees on land zoned or zoning applications for development, Council also directs staff to require an Arborist Report, Tree Inventory, Tree Preservation Plan and Tree Compensation/Replacement Plan with all planning application submissions. Tree Compensation /Replacement Plans will be required in the planning application process until an Ecological Offset Policy is developed and implemented by means of a bylaw as stated above.

Yay (6): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

Nay (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 1)

G.2.3 Councillor Hope Notice of Motion regarding Licensing Appeals Committee

Moved by: Councillor Hope

Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

WHEREAS there is a Licensing Appeal Committee required by Town by-laws;

THEREFORE Council directs staff to develop a report on the options that Council may consider for the composition of this Committee

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

G.2.4 Councillor Ardiel Notice of Motion

Councillor Ardiel withdrew her Notice of Motion.

G.2.5 Councillor Maxwell Notice of Motion regarding Enhancing Citizen Engagement and Inclusivity in the Town

Moved by: Councillor Maxwell

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

WHEREAS the municipality is an essential governmental structure within the Province of Ontario, purposefully established to represent its citizens;

AND WHEREAS meaningful engagement with municipal government and elected officials is paramount, yet the current formalized settings may unintentionally lead to the marginalization of some citizens and favor others, thereby creating barriers to full participation;

AND WHEREAS the Town of The Blue Mountains is a community of communities that possesses unique characteristics that distinguish it from other municipalities while also sharing commonalities.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT acknowledging the aforementioned issues and with a firm commitment to advancing the principles of inclusivity, transparency, accountability, trust, and democratic engagement, whereby the voices of the citizens are not only heard but actively considered;

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains directs staff to reinstitute regular meetings between residents and Council members in various parts of the community, like "Meet the Mayor" meetings held prior to Covid and not unlike similar councils are practicing in other municipalities . It is suggested that the attendance from Council can be at least two at each meeting allowing for an equal chance for the public and council members to participate;

AND THAT it is also suggested that, if appropriate and feasible, representation of the provincial government, upper-tier municipalities and conservation authorities also be invited to attend;

AND THAT staff are urged to seek collaborations with service clubs, not-for-profits organizations , individuals, and private enterprise to act as hosts and sponsors for these engagements, thereby fostering a regular and respectful dialogue throughout the year without undue financial burden on our constituents;

AND THAT such measures aim to ensure that all citizens are provided with equitable opportunities to engage with their municipal government, thereby enhancing the democratic process and nurturing a more inclusive community within the Town of The Blue Mountains

AND THEREFORE Council is encouraged to:

1. Direct pertinent municipal staff to conduct a comprehensive investigation into and subsequently develop strategies to promote informal settings for interaction between elected officials of the Town of The Blue Mountains, and where feasible, representatives of upper-tier municipalities and conservation authorities, with the citizens they serve.
2. Seek collaborations with service clubs, non-profit organizations, individuals, and private enterprises to act as hosts and sponsors for these engagements, thereby fostering a regular and respectful dialogue throughout the year without imposing an undue financial burden on our constituents.

Such measures aim to ensure that all citizens are provided with equitable opportunities to engage with their municipal government, thereby enhancing the democratic process and nurturing a more inclusive community within the Town of The Blue Mountains.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

G.2.6 Councillor Maxwell Notice of Motion regarding Louisa Street Trees

Councillor Maxwell withdrew this notice of motion from the Agenda

G.3 Additions to Agenda

None

G.4 News and Celebrations

Council shared news and celebrations.

H. Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT, with regard to subsection 239 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, this Council does now move into closed session in order to address matters pertaining to:

- i. litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board and with regard to a development matter;
- ii. a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, and with regard to the municipality's inventory of land; and
- iii. personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees and with regard to the CAO Performance Review.

Council moved into closed session at 5:25 p.m.

Council moved into public session at 6:31 p.m.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

H.1 Closed Session Reporting Out Statement

Mayor Matrosovs reported out of closed session noting that Council provided direction regarding a potential litigation matter, received information regarding a potential disposition or acquisition of land, extended the length of the meeting beyond the seven-hour time limit to 6:30 pm, and discussed the CAO performance review.

I. Notice of Meeting Dates

Council, Public Meeting, November 21, 2023

Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Committee of the Whole Meeting, November 27, 2023

Finance, Administration, Fire Services, Community Services

Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Committee of the Whole Meeting, November 28, 2023
Operations, Planning and Development Services
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Council Meeting, December 18, 2023 (Note: The December 11, 2023 Council Meeting was rescheduled to December 18, 2023 due to scheduled A/V upgrades in Council Chambers)
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Council, Public Meeting, December 19, 2023 (Note: The December 12, 2023 Council, Public Meeting was rescheduled to December 19, 2023 due to scheduled A/V upgrades in Council Chambers)
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

J. Confirmation By-law

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT By-law No. 2023-81, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on November 20, 2023 be hereby enacted as passed this 20th day of November, 2023.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

K. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT this Council does now adjourn at 6:39 p.m. to meet again December 18, 2023 Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual, or at the call of the Chair.

Yay (7): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Carried (7 to 0)

Andrea Matrosovs, Mayor

Corrina Giles, Town Clerk