



Agenda

The Blue Mountains, Council Meeting

Date: Monday, January 27, 2025
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual Meeting
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON
Prepared by: Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

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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 Approval of Agenda

Recommended (Move, Second)

THAT the Agenda of January 27, 2025, be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda.

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 Members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

A.4 Previous Minutes

Recommended (Move, Second)

THAT the Council minutes of December 16, 2024 and the Special Meeting of Council minutes of January 10, 2025 be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

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B. Deputation / Presentations

Under the authority of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and in accordance with Ontario's *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (MFIPPA), The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains wishes to inform the public that all information including opinions, presentations, reports and documentation provided for or at a Public Meeting, Public Consultation, or other Public Process are considered part of the public record. This information may be posted on the Town's website and/or made available to the public upon request.

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Re: Comments on the Draft 2025 Council Budget
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Re: Comments on the Draft 2025 Council Budget

C. Public Comment Period

NOTE: In accordance with the Town Procedural By-law 2023-62 any person may provide comments during the Public Comment Period at a Council Meeting, regarding Town matters. Each person providing comments during a Public Comment Period shall be limited to not more than three minutes. The Clerk or a countdown clock shall alert the speaker when they have one minute remaining to address Council. Each person shall provide their name and address, and is required to address their comments to the Chair. Comments shall not refer to personal, litigation or potential litigation matters, or be in response to matters that have been the subject of a Public Meeting, it being noted that the **verbal** commenting period has ended. Written correspondence may still be received in response to matters that have been the subject of a Public Meeting. If a person is unable to personally attend the meeting, or during any period where an emergency has been declared to exist in the municipality, they shall provide their Public Comments in writing to the Clerk in advance of the meeting for the Clerk to read on behalf of the author during the Public Comment Period.

D. Adoption of Consent Agenda

D.1 Correspondence

Recommended (Move, Second)

THAT Council receives the correspondence listed as Agenda items D.1.1 to D.1.9 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.

- D.1.1 **Tim Lanthier, Chief Administrative Officer, Grey Sauble Conservation Authority** 75
Re: Follow-up Correspondence in response to Council's Motion dated July 15, 2024 regarding Watershed Security (For Council Consideration)
- D.1.2 **Tyler Boswell, Planner, Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority** 78
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- D.1.3 **Tom Mrakas, Mayor, Town of Aurora** 84
Re: Resolution regarding Request of the redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding (For Council Consideration)

D.1.4	Jim Oliver, Chair, The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Re: Request for Council consideration for OPP Detachment Board Remuneration and the Ontario Association of Police Services Board (OAPSB) Remuneration Survey 2024 (For Council Consideration)	88
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D.2	Committee and Board Minutes (Received for Information)	
	Recommended (Move, Second)	
	THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the Committee and Board minutes included on the January 27, 2025, Council Agenda, for information, less any items pulled for separate discussion.	
D.2.1	The Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation Board Minutes dated August 15, 2024	109
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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.

Recommended (Move, Second)

THAT the recommendations found within the Committee Reports included on the January 27, 2025, Council Agenda are approved by Council, as recommended, less any items requested for separate review and discussion.

D.3.1	Committee of the Whole Report dated January 13, 2025	175
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E. Motions and Staff Reports

E.1	Municipal Accommodation Tax Revenue Sharing Agreement, SI.25.002	188
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Recommended (Move, Second)

THAT Council receive Staff Report SI.25.002, entitled “Municipal Accommodation Tax Revenue Sharing Agreement”;

AND THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute the revenue sharing agreements with the Blue Mountain Village Association serving at the Town’s Destination Marketing Organization and as the eligible tourism entity as defined in O. Reg. 435/17: Transient Accommodation Tax;

AND THAT Council acknowledges that through the execution of the revenue-sharing agreements, the Blue Mountain Village Association will receive a maximum of 50% of the total revenue, less Town administrative expenses, collected under the Municipal Accommodation Tax program enacted under By-law 2024-74 for the purposes of tourism promotion.

- E.2 **2025 Proposed Budget Follow up, CFS.25.006**
NOTE: This Report will be available on January 23, 2025
- E.3 **Municipal Election, Method of Voting, ADM.25.005**
NOTE: This Report will be available on January 23, 2025

F. By-laws

- F.1 **By-law to authorize temporary borrowing to meet the current expense of the municipality for the year ending December 31, 2025** 194
Recommended (Move, Second)
THAT By-law No. 2025-02, being a By-law to authorize temporary borrowing to meet the current expenses of the municipality for the year ending December 31, 2025, be hereby enacted as passed this 27th day of January, 2025.
- F.2 **By-law to Levy amounts on the assessment of property rateable for local municipality purposes** 196
Recommended (Move, Second)
THAT By-law No. 2025-03, being a By-law to levy amounts on the assessment of property rateable for local municipality purposes, and to further provide for percentage charge and interest charge in default of payment thereof, be hereby enacted as passed this 27th day of January, 2025.
- F.3 **By-Law to Appoint Acting Deputy Clerk** 198
Recommended (Move, Second)
THAT By-law No. 2025-04, being a By-law to Appoint an Acting Deputy Clerk is hereby enacted as passed this 27th day of January, 2025

G. New and Unfinished Business

- G.1 **Grey County Council Update (Mayor, Deputy Mayor)**
- G.2 **Notice of Motion (Council)**
 - G.2.1 **Councillor Maxwell Notice of Motion Re: Property Tax Relief and Incentive Programs**
NOTE: Councillor Maxwell provided the following Notice of Motion at the December 16, 2024 Council Meeting. In accordance with Procedural By-law 2023-62 the motion requires a mover and a seconder to be put before Council.

Recommended (Move, Second)
BE IT RESOLVED that Council direct staff to compile information on all property tax relief and rebate incentive programs available to residents, businesses and organizations within the Town of The Blue Mountains, including local, provincial and federal programs where applicable, and make this list accessible to the public.

G.2.2 Councillor Porter Notice of Motion Re: Reconsideration for Budget Pitch Day

Councillor Porter provided the following Notice of Motion at the January 17, 2025 Special Committee of the Whole Meeting. In accordance with Procedural By-law 2023-62 the motion requires a mover and seconder to be put before Council.

Recommended (Move, Second)

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains reconsiders the following June 24, 2024 Council resolution:

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.063, entitled "Recommendation for Budget Pitch Day";

AND THAT Council directs staff to proceed with scheduling a budget Pitch Day as part of the 2025 budget process.

G.3 Additions to Agenda

G.4 News and Celebrations

H. Closed Session

Recommended (Move, Second)

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, the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose and with regard to Ontario Land Tribunal matters (two matters);
- ii. litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board, the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose as it relates to correspondence received;
- iii. 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;
- iv. a position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board, and with regard to a Town project.

Council moved into closed session at ____ p.m.

Council moved into public session at ____ p.m.

H.1 Closed Session Reporting Out Statement

I. Notice of Meeting Dates

Committee of the Whole Meeting, Corporate, Financial and Strategic Initiatives,
February 3, 2025
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Committee of the Whole Meeting, Operations, Planning & Building and Community
Services, February 4, 2025 Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Council, Public Meeting, February 11, 2025
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Council, February 18, 2025
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

J. Confirmation By-law

Recommended (Move, Second)

THAT By-law No. 2025-05, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on January 27, 2025, be hereby enacted as passed this 27th day of January, 2025.

K. Adjournment

Recommended (Move, Second)

THAT this Council does now adjourn at (time) p.m. to meet again February 18, 2025
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual, or at the call of the Chair.



Minutes

The Blue Mountains, Council Meeting

Date: December 16, 2024
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 Paula Hope, Councillor Alex Maxwell, Councillor Shawn McKinlay, Councillor June Porter

Members Absent: Councillor Gail Ardiel

A. Call to Order

Mayor Matrosovs called the meeting to order with all members present, in person. Councillor Ardiel was absent.

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: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT the Agenda of December 16, 2024 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 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 Members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

Deputy Mayor Bordignon declared a conflict regarding Agenda item E.3 Update to Residential Parking Registration Process, CSOPS.24.093 as he has a fiscal interest with the vendor that previously printed the parking passes.

Councillor McKinlay declared a perceived conflict of interest regarding Agenda items B.8.2 and B.9.3 of D.3.2 regarding staff report "Recommendation Report: Request

for Municipal Concurrence Proposed Rogers Telecommunications Tower 495928 Grey Road 2, PDS.24.136 as the land owners are close family relatives.

A.4 Previous Minutes

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT the Special Meeting of Council Minutes of November 26, 2024; Council, Public Minutes of November 26, 2024; Council Minutes of December 2, 2024; and the Special Meeting of Council Minutes of December 6, 2024 be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

B. Deputation / Presentations

B.1 Betty Muise, Tree Trust TBM Re: Comments on the Alice Street Road Allowance and Request for Council to protect a section of the Beaver River Trail connection

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Betty Muise, Tree Trust TBM Re: Comments on the Alice Street Road Allowance and Request for Council to protect a section of the Beaver River Trail connection

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

B.2 Rick Tipping, Resident Re: Comments on the termination of the Campus of Care

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Rick Tipping, Resident Re: Comments on the termination of the Campus of Care

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

B.3 Steven Schofield, Thornbury Clarksburg Rotary Club Re: Update to Council on Rotary Club activities

Moved by: Councillor Maxwell
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Steven Schofield, Thornbury Clarksburg Rotary Club Re: Update to Council on Rotary Club activities

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

C. Public Comment Period

Sarah Waggott, Thornbury resident, spoke regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read public comments from Bill Abbotts, Thornbury resident, regarding building heights, and Staff Report PDS.24.154 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance

Don Clark, Thornbury resident, spoke regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

Debbie Crosskill, Clarksburg resident, spoke providing concern regarding the parking pass process

The Town Clerk read comments from Sophie Reid, (no address provided), regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

Margaret Yaraskavitch, Thornbury resident, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

Leah Jackson, Blue Mountains resident spoke regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154.

The Town Clerk read comments from Sally Leppard, Thornbury resident, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read comments from Maureen McDonnell, Thornbury resident, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read comments from Roberta Kennedy, Blue Mountains resident, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read comments from Debbie Buehler, Georgian Bay resident, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read comments from Lorraine Sutton, Clarksburg resident, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read comments from Murray and Debbie Cass, Thornbury residents, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read comments from Richard Griffith, Blue Mountains resident, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read comments from Heike Reck, Thornbury resident, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read comments from Norman Wingrove, Acting Secretary-Treasurer Blue Mountain Watershed Trust Foundation, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read comments from Paul Graham, Thornbury resident, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read comments from Sarah Waggott, Thornbury resident, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

The Town Clerk read comments from Curtis McDonnell, Thornbury resident, regarding Agenda item E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

D.1.1 Kimberley Stephenson, Resident Re: Comments on water service fees and request for fee reduction

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the correspondence of Kimberley Stephenson, Resident Re: Comments on water service fees and request for fee reduction.

The motion is Carried

D.1.2 Tim Lanthier, CAO, Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Re: Grey Sauble Conservation Authority 2025 Draft Operating and Capital Budget

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the correspondence of Tim Lanthier, CAO, Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Re: Grey Sauble Conservation Authority 2025 Draft Operating and Capital Budget

The motion is Carried

D.1.3 Sarah Beveridge, Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board Re: Notice to Council of recent Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board Member Appointments

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the correspondence of Sarah Beveridge, Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board Re: Notice to Council of recent Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board Member Appointments

The motion is Carried

D.1.4 The Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Re: Introduction of the proposed Municipal Accountability Act, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Porter
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the correspondence of The Honourable Paul Calandra, Minister, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Re: Introduction of the proposed Municipal Accountability Act, 2024.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

D.1.5 Catherine Sholtz and Michael Seguin, Residents Re: Comments on the deputation of the Georgian Bay Community Racquet Centre request for use of 130 King Street

Moved by: Councillor Porter
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Catherine Sholtz and Michael Seguin, Residents Re: Comments on the deputation of the Georgian Bay Community Racquet Centre request for use of 130 King Street.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

D.1.6 Betty Muise, Tree Trust TBM and Sally Leppard, Climate Action Now Network Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.141 Recommendation Report - Official Plan 5 Year Review

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Betty Muise, Tree Trust TBM and Sally Leppard, Climate Action Now Network Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.141 Recommendation Report - Official Plan 5 Year Review;

AND THAT Council refers the correspondence to the Official Plan Review Team, for information

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

D.1.7 Joanne Vivona, Resident Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.154 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the correspondence of Joanne Vivona, Resident Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.154 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance

The motion is Carried

D.1.8 Joanne de Visser, Resident Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.154 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the correspondence of Joanne de Visser, Resident Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.154 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance

The motion is Carried

D.2 Committee and Board Minutes

Moved by: Councillor Porter
Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the Committee and Board minutes included on the December 16, 2024 Council Agenda, for information, less any items pulled for separate discussion.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

D.2.1 Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board Minutes dated October 23, 2024

D.2.2 Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority Board Highlights dated November 2024

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 December 16, 2024 Council Agenda are approved by Council, as recommended, less any items requested for separate review and discussion.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

D.3.1 December 9, 2024 Committee of the Whole Report

B.1.1 Camilo Montoya-Guevara, Bannikin Re: Project Update for the Destination Development Plan and Tourism Marketing Strategy Project

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the deputation of Camilo Montoya-Guevara, Bannikin Re: Project Update for the Destination Development Plan and Tourism Marketing Strategy Project

The motion is Carried

B.1.2 Rick Tipping, Resident Re: Comments on Campus of Care Termination

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive the deputation materials of Rick Tipping regarding the termination of the Campus of Care project

The motion is Carried

B.1.3 Stephen Granger, Craigleith Community Working Group Re: Request to Council to extend the Craigleith Community Working Group to April 1, 2026

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the deputation of Stephen Granger, Craigleith Community Working Group Re: Request to Council to extend the Craigleith Community Working Group to April 1, 2026;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a staff report in response to the request for an extension of the Craigleith Community Working Group

The motion is Carried

B.1.4 Dan Skelton, Blue Mountain Resorts LP Re: Resort Parking Management and Signage Strategies

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Dan Skelton, Blue Mountain Resorts LP Re: Resort Parking Management and Signage Strategies

The motion is Carried

B.4.1 Resort Condominium Tax Classification, FAF.24.141

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.141, entitled “Resort Condominium Tax Classification”;

AND THAT Council direct staff to work with MTE and Grey County to complete a thorough review of the properties and the consequences to the Town/County and property owners.

The motion is Carried

B.4.2 Blue Mountain Resort Parking Sign Program, FAF.24.143

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.143, entitled “Blue Mountain Resort Parking Sign Program”;

AND THAT Council approves the Blue Mountain Resort Parking Signage program as presented based on the project being a partnership between Blue Mountain Resort and the Town to support the management of visitor parking at Blue Mountain Resort parking lots.

AND THAT Council directs staff to work with Blue Mountain Resort to bring a future staff report forward after the first year of implementation to review and report on the program’s effectiveness in managing visitor parking.

The motion is Carried

B.4.3 Establish a Municipal Accommodation Tax Reserve Fund, FAF.24.150

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.150, entitled “Establish a Municipal Accommodation Tax Reserve Fund”;

AND THAT Council approves the Municipal Accommodation Tax Reserve Fund By-law as attached and directs staff to bring the By-law forward to the December 16, 2024 Council meeting for enactment.

The motion is Carried

B.4.4 Capital Charges - Birch View Trail Wastewater Servicing, FAF.24.133

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.133, entitled "Capital Charges - Birch View Trail Wastewater Servicing";

AND THAT Council direct staff to schedule a Public Information Centre to provide additional information to the benefitting property owners, in advance of consideration of the enactment of a Bylaw to impose the capital charges for the use of the Town's Sanitary Sewage System

The motion is Carried

B.4.5 Capital Charges - Price's Development Wastewater Servicing, FAF.24.132

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.132, entitled "Capital Charges - Price's Development Wastewater Servicing";

AND THAT Council direct staff to schedule a Public Information Centre to provide additional information to the benefitting property owners, in advance of consideration of the enactment of a Bylaw to impose the capital charges for the use of the Town's Sanitary Sewage System

The motion is Carried

B.4.6 Capital Charges - Drake's Path Wastewater Servicing, FAF.24.131

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.131, entitled "Capital Charges for Drake's Path Wastewater Servicing";

AND THAT Council direct staff to schedule a Public Information Centre to provide additional information to the benefitting property owners, in advance of consideration of the enactment of a Bylaw to impose the capital charges for the use of the Town's Sanitary Sewage System

The motion is Carried

B.4.7 Review of Council Code of Conduct, FAF.24.148

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.148, entitled "Review of Council Code of Conduct";

AND THAT Council directs the Town Clerk to commence the review of the "Code of Conduct for Members of Council, Local Boards and Advisory Committees, Policy No. POL.COR.21.06" in coordination with the Town's Integrity Commissioner, Principles Integrity, and the Accountability and Transparency Committee;

AND THAT Council direct the Town Clerk to provide a report back to Council with a draft Code of Conduct for Council review in advance of the scheduling of the Public Meeting.

The motion is Carried

B.4.8 Update to Records Retention By-law 2023-80, FAF.24.112

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.112, entitled “Update to Records Retention By-law 2023-80”;

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 2023-80, on the December 16, 2024 Council Agenda, for Council consideration

The motion is Carried

B.6.1 Kevin Rostami and Tom Kern, Georgian Bay Community Racquet Centre Re: Four-Court Tennis Development Leveraging Existing Town Assets at 130 King Street West

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the deputation of Kevin Rostami and Tom Kern, Georgian Bay Community Racquet Centre Re: Four-Court Tennis Development Leveraging Existing Town Assets at 130 King Street West;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a staff report in response to the requests contained in the deputation of the Georgian Bay Community Racquet Centre, by the end of March, 2025

The motion is Carried

B.6.2 Kevin Whyte, Events For Life Re: Comments on staff report CSOPS.24.090 Events for Life Land Request Update

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the deputation of Kevin Whyte, Events For Life Re: Comments on staff report, CSOPS.24.090 Events For Life Land Request Update

The motion is Carried

B.8.1 Brigitte Kopas, Collingwood Resident Re: Support for deputation of Kevin Rostami and Tom Kern, Georgian Bay Community Racquet Centre

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the correspondence of Brigitte Kopas, Collingwood Resident Re: Support for deputation of Kevin Rostami and Tom Kern, Georgian Bay Community Racquet Centre

The motion is Carried

B.8.2 Catherine Sholtz, James Giffen, Jo-Ann Zoon, and Steve Seabrooke, Residents Re: Resident Concerns on the deputation of Kevin Rostami and Tom Kern, Georgian Bay Community Racquet Centre

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the correspondence of Catherine Sholtz, James Giffen, Jo-Ann Zoon and Steve Seabrooke, Residents Re: Resident Concerns for deputation of Kevin Rostami and Tom Kern, Georgian Bay Community Racquet Centre

The motion is Carried

B.9.1 Events for Life Land Request Update, CSOPS.24.090

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.24.090, entitled “Events for Life Land Request Update”;

AND THAT Council direct staff to draft a Memorandum of Understanding with Events for Life as described in this report to the satisfaction of the Town’s legal representation, Treasurer and the Director of Community Services;

AND THAT Council direct staff to bring a draft memorandum of understanding to the January 13, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting, for final consideration by Council at the January 27, 2025 Council Meeting.

The motion is Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT, with respect to Staff Report CSOPS.24.090, entitled “Events for Life Land Request Update”, Council direct staff to approach Grey County to discuss the contribution that it would like to make towards the Events for Life project

The motion is Carried

B.9.2 Annual Report on Abandoned Orchards for 2024, CSOPS.24.091

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.24.091 entitled “Annual Report on Abandoned Orchards for 2024”, for information;

AND THAT Council directs staff to provide further information to the Agricultural Advisory Committee, including management plans, for information;

AND THAT Council direct the Agricultural Advisory Committee to explore the range of agricultural organizations through which the Abandoned Orchard Bylaw could be shared with landowners

The motion is Carried

B.9.3 Amendment to By-law 2018-67, being a By-law to Appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers, CSOPS.24.084

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.24.084, entitled “Amendment to By-law 2018-67, being a By-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers”;

AND THAT Council enact an amendment to By-law No. 2018-67, as amended, being a By-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers, that would update the list of persons appointed as Municipal Law Enforcement Officers for the purposes of enforcing specific parking-related by-laws of the municipality on specific lands.

The motion is Carried

C.1.1 Grants and Donations Advisory Committee Report dated November 21, 2024

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Grants and Donations Advisory Committee dated November 21, 2024:

THAT the Grants and Donations Committee requests Council to direct Staff to proceed to a call out for subsidy requests and funds based on the Grants and Donations reserves with a maximum of \$500 in funds, per application

AND THAT Council directs Staff to proceed to a call out for subsidy requests and funds based on the Grants and Donations reserves with a maximum of \$500 in funds, per application

The motion is Carried

C.1.2 Accountability and Transparency Committee Report dated November 25, 2024

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated November 25, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests a copy of the Staff Report regarding the current and expiring Strategic Plan, be provided to this Committee, when available.

AND THAT Council directs staff to provide a copy of the Staff Report regarding the current and expiring Strategic Plan, to the Accountability and Transparency Committee, when available.

The motion is Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated November 25, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests Council to review the suggested reporting format provided by Councillor Ardiel and Chair Porter provided at the October 31, 2024, Strategic Task Force meeting for updating the current and expiring Strategic Plan.

AND THAT Council directs staff to review the suggested reporting format provided by Councillor Ardiel and Chair Porter provided at the October 31, 2024, Strategic Task Force meeting for updating the current and expiring Strategic Plan.

The motion is Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated November 25, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests that Council direct staff to publish the training video from the Lobbyist Registrar's training being held on November 26, 2024, in the Lobbyist Registry's section on the website.

AND THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee request Council to direct staff to examine additional means of communication for educating the public and promoting the Lobbyist Registry including the potential for the creation of a tutorial video.

AND THAT Council direct staff to examine additional means of communication for educating the public and promoting the Lobbyist Registry including the potential for the creation of a tutorial video.

The motion is Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee November 25, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee strongly encourage Council to direct staff to review and update the Council Staff Relationship Protocol Policy in conjunction with the Council Code of Conduct, and the Staff Code of Conduct to foster and create a safe and constructive environment

THAT Council direct staff to review and update the Council Staff Relationship Protocol Policy in conjunction with the Council Code of Conduct, and the Staff Code of Conduct to foster and create a safe and constructive environment

The motion is Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated November 25, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee recommends that elected members and staff proactively seek out more opportunities to communicate to residents and stakeholders the Town's commitment to transparency and accountability by, for example and not limited to:

- A) consistently and strategically using the quarterly Town News to educate residents on the Town's big issues and strategic priorities (housing, infrastructure, etc.). The monthly online newsletter also offers a platform for elected officials including the mayor and for appropriate senior staffers to inform and educate the public;
- B) creating a dedicated website section on Accountability and Transparency, featuring the Codes of Conduct for staff and council; the Lobbyist Registry section; the Accountability and Transparency of Town Actions to the Public Policy; and the Freedom of Information page

THAT Council recommends that staff consider proactively seeking out more opportunities to communicate to residents and stakeholders the Town's commitment to transparency and accountability by, for example and not limited to:

- A) consistently and strategically using the quarterly Town News to educate residents on the Town's big issues and strategic priorities (housing, infrastructure, etc.). The monthly online newsletter also offers a platform for elected officials including the mayor and for appropriate senior staffers to inform and educate the public;
- B) creating a dedicated website section on Accountability and Transparency, featuring the Codes of Conduct for staff and council; the Lobbyist Registry section; the Accountability and Transparency of Town Actions to the Public Policy; and the Freedom of Information page

The motion is Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated November 25, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee cannot effectively discharge its responsibilities to provide recommendations unless its input takes place prior to Council consideration and decision making i.e. voting. Given that this Committee consists of 3 elected Members this would place the committee in the position of advising on matters its 3 elected members, absent the independent public members, had already discussed or voted on.

THEREFORE the Accountability and Transparency Committee recommends that where Council and staff seek its views through the lens of transparency and accountability that these matters be brought to it in a timely fashion, i.e. early in the process so that Council and staff can consider, i.e. accept or reject, its recommendations

AND THAT Council directs staff to seek the views of the Accountability and Transparency Committee through its lens of accountability and transparency on matters included in the Terms of Reference, such as a survey or communication material in a timely fashion, ie. early in a process, in order that Council and staff can consider, accept or reject their recommendations

The motion is Carried

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated November 25, 2024:

THAT The Accountability and Transparency Committee requests Council to direct staff to modify the Town's current website page on Freedom of Information to include annual FOI reporting data. This data is currently available on the website of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario.

AND THAT Council directs staff to modify the Town's current website page on Freedom of Information to include annual FOI reporting data. This data is currently available on the website of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario.

The motion is Carried

D.3.2 December 10, 2024 Committee of the Whole Report

B.4.1 Biodiversity and Urban Forestry Strategy, CSOPS.24.032

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.24.032, entitled "Biodiversity and Urban Forestry Strategy";

AND THAT Council direct staff to develop a Terms of Reference for a Tree Task Force for initiation in 2025 to focus on the development of a tree protection and compensation policy for Town lead projects and Town owned property;

AND THAT Council allocates \$150,000 for the development of a Biodiversity and Urban Forestry Strategy as an addition to the 2026 Draft Budget.

The motion is Carried

B.8.1 Sally Leppard, Climate Action Now Network Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.141 Recommendation Report Official Plan 5 Year Review

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the correspondence of Sally Leppard, CANN Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.141 Recommendation Report Official Plan 5 Year Review

The motion is Carried

B.8.2 Chennette de Gannes, Rogers Re: Notice of withdrawal of application for telecommunication tower and comments on staff report PDS.24.136 Recommendation Report: Request for Municipal Concurrence Proposed Rogers Telecommunications Tower 495928 Grey Road 2 (495928 Grey Road 2)

Councillor McKinlay vacated the Council Chamber having declared a conflict

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the correspondence of Chennette de Gannes, Rogers Re: Notice of withdrawal of application for telecommunication tower and comments on staff report PDS.24.136 Recommendation Report: Request for Municipal Concurrence Proposed Rogers Telecommunications Tower 495928 Grey Road 2 (495928 Grey Road 2)

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

Conflict (1): Councillor McKinlay

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

B.9.1 Assumption Report – Lora Bay Phase 4, PDS.24.137

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.24.137, entitled Assumption Report – Lora Bay Phase 4;

AND THAT Council enact a By-law to approve full acceptance and assumption of the public works constructed and installed within Registered Plan of Subdivision 16M-83; Including Blocks 40, 41;

AND THAT Council enact a By-law to assume the streets of Registered Plan 16M-83 for public use, namely West Ridge Drive and Sladden Court.

The motion is Carried

B.9.2 Cloudpermit Software Implementation by Building Services, PDS.24.138

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.24.138, entitled “Cloudpermit Software Implementation by Building Services” for information purposes only;

AND THAT Council accept this staff report for information purposes only.

The motion is Carried

B.9.3 Recommendation Report: Request for Municipal Concurrence Proposed Rogers Telecommunications Tower 495928 Grey Rd 2, PDS.24.136

Councillor McKinlay vacated the Council Chamber having declared a conflict

Moved by: Councillor Porter
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.24.136, entitled “Recommendation Report: Request for Municipal Concurrence Proposed Rogers Telecommunications Tower 495928 Grey Rd 2”.

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

Conflict (1): Councillor McKinlay

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

B.9.4 Recommendation Report – Official Plan 5 Year Review, PDS.24.141

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.24.141, entitled “Recommendation Report – Official Plan 5 Year Review”

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT, with respect to Staff Report PDS.24.141, entitled “Recommendation Report – Official Plan 5 Year Review”, Council directs staff to include the Master Drainage Plan within the Official Plan Amendment No. 5, when available;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a further staff report, for Council consideration that will include:

1. Options for building heights and densities
2. Parkland dedication

3. Time and budget invested in the Official Plan Review, to date
4. Further linkages to the 2023 Housing Needs Assessment regarding Attainable and Affordable housing
5. Substitute the words ‘encourage appropriate’ to ‘justify’ access points in residential developments with specific reference to the Georgian Trail
6. Tree protection

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

E. Motions and Staff Reports

E.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance, PDS.24.154

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.24.154, entitled “Municipal Land Use Agreement for Alice Street Unopened Road Allowance”;

AND THAT Council **does not** support the execution of a Municipal Land Use Agreement for the upgrade of Alice Street East to municipal standards in order to provide lot frontage and access to a proposed lot through Consent Application B09-2024.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

E.2 Appointment of Board Members to the Thornbury BIA Board for the balance of the 2022 to 2026 Term of Council (verbal)

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains hereby appoints:

1. Doug Smith
2. Joe Halos

to the Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board for the balance of the 2022-2026 Term of Council.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

E.3 Update to Residential Parking Registration Process, CSOPS.24.093

Deputy Mayor vacated having earlier declared a conflict and vacated the Council Chamber.

Moved by: Councillor Porter

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.24.093, entitled "Update to Residential Parking Registration Process";

AND THAT Council direct staff to proceed with the digital residential parking pass program and no physical parking passes be considered for 2025 and moving forward;

AND THAT Council direct staff to implement that all veteran and accessible parking permits/passes park for free at any paid parking area in the Town;

AND THAT Council direct staff to implement an option that residents can register family and friends for a parking permit to be set at \$5.00 per day up to a maximum of 14 days in a calendar year;

AND THAT Council direct staff to explore options of reconciliation of a licence registration which result in a ticket and also for out of hours registration.

Yay (3): Councillor Hope, Councillor McKinlay, and Councillor Porter

Nay (2): Mayor Matrosov, and Councillor Maxwell

Conflict (1): Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (3 to 2)

E.4 Provision of Notice during Canada Post Strike, FAF.24.158

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.158, entitled "Provision of Notice during Canada Post Strike;"

AND THAT because of the current Canada Post strike, Council acknowledges and provides notice to the public that all statutory notice requirements for the provision of notice regarding *Planning Act* matters and any other legislated processes will be provided to the Public as noted below, and that normal notice practices will resume when the Canada Post strike has ended:

1. Posting all Notice of Public Meetings on the Town of The Blue Mountains, Meeting Agenda Calendar on the Town of The Blue Mountains website, in accordance with the timelines set out in the *Planning Act*, and the "Provision and Manner of Providing Notice to the Public Policy, POL.COR.24.04";
2. Posting the Notice of Public Meeting on the subject property, in accordance with the timelines set out in the *Planning Act*, and the "Provision and Manner of Providing Notice to the Public Policy, POL.COR.24.04";
3. Providing Notice of Public Meetings by general eblast to those subscribed to the Town eblast, in accordance with timelines set out in the *Planning Act*, and the "Provision and Manner of Providing Notice to the Public Policy POL.COR.24.04"; and

AND THAT, Council acknowledges that the “Notice of Provision and Manner of Providing Notice to the Public Policy, POL.COR.24.04”, provides that planning and development projects within the municipality must meet the minimum requirements of the *Planning Act* and other applicable legislation.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

F. By-laws

F.1 By-law to amend By-law 2023-62 being a By-law for governing the calling, place and proceedings of Council

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT By-law No. 2024-79, being a By-law to amend By-law 2023-62 being a By-law for governing the calling, place and proceedings of meetings of the Municipal Council for the Town of The Blue Mountains by repealing and replacing Section 3.2 and 14.1 of the By-law, be hereby enacted as passed this 16th day of December, 2024.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

F.2 By-law to amend By-law 2018-67, being a By-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers

Moved by: Councillor Hope

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT By-law No. 2024-80, being a By-law to amend By-law No. 2018-67, as amended, being a By-law to appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Officers, to amend Schedule A, be hereby enacted as passed this 16th day of December, 2024.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

F.3 By-law to Establish a Municipal Accommodation Tax Reserve Fund

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT By-law No. 2024-81, being a By-law to Establish a Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) Reserve Fund be hereby enacted as passed this 16th day of December, 2024.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

F.4 By-Law to Provide a Schedule of Retention Periods for the Records of the Town of The Blue Mountains

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT By-law No. 2024-82, being a By-law to Provide a Schedule of Retention Periods for the Records of The Corporation of The Town of The Blue Mountains be hereby enacted as passed this 16th day of December, 2024.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

F.5 By-law to amend Zoning By-law 2018-65 to change zoning symbols for 24 Alfred Street

Moved by: Councillor Porter
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT By-law 2024-83, being a By-law to amend Zoning By-law 2018-65 by changing the zoning symbols for the lands legally described as Town Plot Park, Part of Lots 5 & 6, N/E Alfred St, Plan 107; Part of Lots 5 & 6 RP 16R10171; Parts 2 to 4, (roll number 424200001815700); and Part 1, Plan 107 (roll number 424200001821300), Part of Lot 6, Registered Plan 16R10171, Part of Lot 33, Concession 10 (Geographic Township of Collingwood) Town of Blue Mountains, County of Grey, from Residential (R1-1) Zone to Residential (R1-1-h50) Zone, Residential (R1-1-150-h50) Zone, Residential (R1-1-151-h50) Zone, Residential (R1-1-152-h50) Zone, and Open Space (OS-h50) Zone as shown on the attached Schedule 'A-1' to the By-law, be hereby enacted as passed this 16th day of December, 2024.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

F.6 By-law to accept and assume public works in Lora Bay Phase 4

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT By-law 2024-84, being a By-law to accept and assume public works in Lora Bay Phase 4, Registered Plan 16M-83, be hereby enacted as passed this 16th day of December, 2024.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

G. New and Unfinished Business

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

Deputy Mayor Bordignon provided the Grey County update to Council, noting they had three meetings since December 2, 2024 including the Inaugural Meeting of the Warden where Mayor Matrosovs was acclaimed and supported by all 9 member municipalities as the new Grey County Warden for the 2025 year. Deputy Mayor Bordignon noted Mayor Matrosovs chaired over her first County Council Meeting on December 3, 2024.

Deputy Mayor Bordignon noted that at the December 12, 2024 Council Meeting they accepted the previous Council Meeting minutes; received a Long Term Redevelopment Task Force Minutes; and received an update from Dr. Arra about the Board of Health, who noted a recent award received by their SOS program, that they had been a local measles outbreak. Deputy Mayor Bordignon noted that at the Committee of the Whole Meeting, Council received a delegation from Hugh Simpson, University of Guelph, regarding private water wells and aquifers; passed annual appointments to Committees and Boards and voted to amend the Terms of Reference to the Budget and Finance Committee to allow for up to 6 members instead of 4 members of Council to participate and this passed; some members of Council put their name forward for unfilled positions; and completed their 2025 Budget Meeting and that the County was working with a \$303 million dollar budget. Deputy Mayor Bordignon noted it was worth noting they got through that Budget process in a single meeting and a testament to the Council and staff. Deputy Mayor Bordignon noted that they would ratify those decisions on January 9, 2025 at Council.

G.2 Notice of Motion (Council)

G.2.1 Councillor Maxwell Notice of Motion Property Tax Relief and Incentive Programs

Councillor Maxwell provided the following Notice of Motion at the December 16, 2024 Council Meeting. This Notice of Motion will be included on the January 27, 2025 Council Agenda, for Council consideration.

Be it resolved that Council direct staff to compile information on all property tax relief and rebate incentive programs available to residents, businesses and organizations within the Town of The Blue Mountains, including local, provincial and federal programs where applicable, and make this list accessible to the public.

G.3 Additions to Agenda

None

G.4 News and Celebrations

Council shared news and celebrations.

H. Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor Hope

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

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. a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, and with regard to two land disposition matters;
- ii. labour relations or employee negotiations, and with regard to two labour relations matters;
- iii. litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board, and with respect to correspondence received;
- iv. advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purposes and litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board, and with respect to an Ontario Land Tribunal matter;

Council moved into closed session at 1:00 p.m.

Council moved into public session at 3:51 p.m.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

H.1 Closed Session Reporting Out Statement

Mayor Matrosovs reported out of closed session noting that Council received solicitor client advice and provided direction to staff, received information regarding two labour relations matters and provided direction to staff, received information regarding a potential litigation matter. Mayor Matrosovs noted that the two acquisition or disposition of land matters will be considered at a future Agenda. Mayor Matrosovs noted that the Ontario Land Tribunal matter was not discussed, and will be included on a future Closed Session Agenda.

I. Notice of Meeting Dates

Committee of the Whole Meeting, January 13, 2025
Finance, Administration, Fire Services, Community Services
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Committee of the Whole Meeting, January 14, 2024
Operations, Planning and Development Services
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Council Meeting, January 27, 2025
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Council, Public Meeting, January 28, 2025
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

J. Confirmation By-law

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT By-law No. 2024-85, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on December 16, 2024 be hereby enacted as passed this 16th day of December, 2024.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

K. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT this Council does now adjourn at 4:10 p.m. to meet again January 27, 2025 Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual, or at the call of the Chair.

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

Absent (1): Councillor Ardiel

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

Andrea Matrosovs, Mayor

Corrina Giles, Town Clerk



Minutes

The Blue Mountains, Special Meeting of Council

Date: January 10, 2025
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: Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Councillor Gail Ardiel, Councillor Paula Hope, Councillor Alex Maxwell, Councillor Shawn McKinlay, Councillor June Porter

Members Absent: Mayor Andrea Matrosovs

Staff Present: Acting CAO & Director of Planning and Development Services Adam Smith, Manager of Human Resources Sarah Traynor

A. Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Bordignon called the meeting to order with all members present in person, save Mayor Matrosovs who was absent due to attendance at the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus. Deputy Mayor Bordignon attended the meeting virtually.

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 Porter

THAT the Agenda of January 10, 2025 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda.

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

Absent (1): Mayor Matrosovs

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

A.3 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

None

B. Public Comment Period

None

C. Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel
Seconded by: Councillor Hope

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. personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, labour relations or employee negotiations and with regard to staffing; and
- 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 (three matters)

Council moved into closed session at 9:34 a.m.
Council moved into public session at 12:47 p.m.

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

Absent (1): Mayor Matrosovs

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

C.1 Closed Session Reporting Out Statement

Deputy Mayor Bordignon reported out of closed session noting that:

1. Council received information regarding an identifiable individual and provided direction to staff
2. Councillor Ardiel vacated the meeting at 10:16 am, and rejoined the meeting at 12:05 pm
3. Council received information regarding three land acquisition or disposition matters, and provided direction to staff

D. Notice of Meeting Dates

Special Committee of the Whole Meetings, (Budget Review) January 14, 2025,
January 17, 2025, and January 22, 2025
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Council Meeting, January 27, 2025
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Committee of the Whole Meeting, Administration, Corporate & Financial Services,
Strategic Initiatives, and Community Services, January 13, 2025
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Committee of the Whole Meeting, Operations, and Planning & Building Services,
January 13, 2025
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Council, Public Meeting, February 11, 2025
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

E. Confirmation By-law

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT By-law No. 2025-01, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on January 10, 2025 be hereby enacted as passed this 10th day of January, 2025

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

Absent (1): Mayor Matrosovs

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

F. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT this Special Meeting of Council does now adjourn at 12:54 p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.

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

Absent (1): Mayor Matrosovs

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

Peter Bordignon, Deputy Mayor

Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

TBM 2025 DRAFT Budget

January, 2024

Rob Sampson

2025 DRAFT Budget High Level Commentary

- In 2023, I provided staff and Council with a 22-page list of comments and questions, but received no reply from Council! Not even acknowledgement of my letter from Council members!
- 2025 Draft Budget is still void of Fiscal restraint that was evident in 2023 and 2024. TBM has a spending problem not a new revenue tools problem!
- Start with Council seat reduction to 5 as a starter and symbol of Council's interest in finding savings! Propose a By-law that cuts Council member salaries by 10X any proposed levy increase.
- No evidence of the use of zero-based budgeting tools. Most departments use 2024 budget line as the starting point and ignore 2024 actuals. Also, little effort to set meaningful and measurable performance targets for departments.
- The executive summary speaks to core services but that immediately translates that into a core budget perspective. Services may be core, **but the budget attached to these services is not!!** Once labeled core, Council seems to assume that service delivery modifications to deliver at a lower cost are off the table. They fall within the definition of "committed expenses".
- Inappropriate and unsustainable use of the reserve funds to avoid any staff reductions in market sensitive businesses – Planning, Engineering and Building Departments.

2025 DRAFT Budget High Level Commentary

- Major contributors to the increase is the salaries and benefits increase of 9.4% or \$1.98M. Largest contributor is COLA at \$667 K and Grid update to 60% percentile - \$641 k. Grid update is blamed on the need to attract staff, but this action will only perpetuate a never-ending cycle of adjustments to base costs - We go to 60% - others follow and then we are back to 50% or less and on it goes. Endless constant increases with no performance pay options.
- There is a new “Strategic Initiative“ Department at \$229K? What is that and what is their job?
- New “Urban Forest “ Department on the section “request above the Base” - \$518K!! Why is this a department as opposed to a culture change for all departments to follow?
- No reference to Supplementary Assessment revenue or assessment base at all!!! How can you have a “levy walk” without any discussion of assessment and assessment adjustments? From my calculations, TBM did a good job finding missing assessments – generated approx. \$1M additional tax revenue (already included in total revenue.) Need to highlight the additional revenue this also generated for the County (approx. 50% of the County total Supplementary).

Fiscal Restraint?

- Bank of Canada is using monetary levers (interest rate increases) to dampen economic demand. But why should that demand dampening only be felt in the private sector???
- Governments of all levels now represent over 60+% of GDP, so their control of spending is critical to controlling overall demand and inflation in the economy.
- Why is TBM not showing some fiscal restraint to match the restraint being imposed on taxpayers?
- Setting tax increases to just below a high inflation trend is not showing restraint!

Zero-Based Budgeting

- **Totally abandoned the use of zero-based budgeting – Departments build 2025 Budget on the Approved 2024 Budget with little reference to 2024 actuals and worse, no reference to meaningful and measurable performance measures past or present**
- **What is a proper zero-based budget process:**
 - **IGNORE PRIOR BUDGET!!! START WITH A CLEAN SHEET OF PAPER**
 - Begin by identifying service levels to be provided by departments. Some may be core or mandated but the service level is mandated not the cost to deliver:
 - Requires:
 - detailed listing of service levels and the setting of priorities for each Department,
 - Setting performance standards,
 - Setting of performance monitoring procedures
 - This exercise DOES NOT REQUIRE THE ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANTS!!!!
 - Assess various methods to deliver those set service levels:
 - think outside the box,
 - Consider partnering with other municipalities and or the private sector
 - Cost the service delivery model and determine affordability
 - Return to first step if affordability not achieved

Development Engineering Budgeting

- Missed Windfall Phase 6 on the list of projects or files. Generally, TBM do a poor job properly administering all components of a Development Agreement. No one appears to have responsible for active management of these agreements outside of the engineering components. Management of the file is by complaint only it seems at best
- 2024 YTD revenue \$325,948 vs 2024 Budget of \$2,104,944. 2023 actual was \$800,515. So what is supporting the 2025 budget of \$2,048,593? I realize revenue is bumpy but are this budget is not reading the marketplace very well. There is no reference to the fact that this Budget will draw in the Building department reserves to fund this cycle.
- Salaries 2024 YTD \$415,133 so what supports the 2025 budget of \$815,382? Double of salary costs in a stagnant building market??

Staffing Budgeting

- Major contributors to the overall increase is the salaries and benefits increase of 9.4% or \$1.98 million.
- Largest contributor is COLA at \$667 K and Grid update to 60% percentile - \$641 k.
- The grid update is blamed on a need to attract staff, but this is not sustainable. We go to 60%, then others follow and then we are back to 50% or less and on it goes. Endless constant increases with no performance pay options. Performance pay is not even discussed any more!

Consulting Services Budgeting

- Consulting growing from actual 2023 of \$132,902 to YTD \$327,086 (\$1,128,950 budget) to 2025 budget of \$2,457,470!
- These are funded primarily from reserves so while not a drain on the current levy, it is indirectly so because of transfers to fund these reserves past and present. Where did that money come from? It came from a base levy that is now permanent!
- Why are these tasks not internalized? Stop the transition of staff from task performers to task supervisors.

Capital

- Capital soft costs are out of control:
 - Capital Project Management is \$41,565,016 or 38% of the total capital budget. This hides additional soft costs (primarily consulting costs) buried in the other capital costs or prior budgets.
 - Have previous soft costs (engineering) been added to the total capital cost line – are they included or excluded from the “Spend To Date” column on page 118? If not, then the true cost of projects are not properly reported. (see “Thornbury Water Treatment Plant Upgrades – Engineering” on page 118. Will that line be added to the eventual project cost when identified for budgeting?)
- Project timelines/cost to complete:
 - There is no reporting of whether projects are on time and budget
 - What is the cost to complete risk if any, especially for projects that so not yet have shovels in the ground?
- Remember that capital reserves were an in-year budget item in prior budgets (transfers to capital reserves) and tends to “hard wire” base budget costs. Soft cost escalation needs to stop and the trend reversed.

From: Stephen Granger, CCWG.
Craigleith, The Town of the Blue Mountains

To: Peter Bordignon, Chair of 2025 Administration, Corporate & Financial Services and Members of Council

CC: Adam Smith, Acting CAO
Corrina Giles, Town Clerk
Al Pacheco, Director of Operations
Ryan Gibbons, Director of Community Services

Re: CCWG Submission Re: 2025 draft budget approval and special Department projects considerations, Jan/27/2024 letter and Feb/18th public comment delegation.

CCWG has delivered 2 previous delegations to Council, one in March/12/2024 and most recent being September 30th which received your support along with our working group extension with appreciation.

Our outstanding items were directed for staff review and requested to come forward in the current 2025 draft budget for your consideration. To-date only (2) items are identified with appreciation reflecting a \$25,000 cost budget impact. There are however many of the CCWG key project items not identified that we request Council's 2025 budget and staff consideration which is why we have our submission before as these were identified by the community as important priorities since 2023.

Our submissions below recap what CCWG has been advocating openly throughout our budget delegations to Council for minimal financial assistance and Staff Administrative special project support. The costs have minimal overall budget impact in comparison to many other Community Services and Roads budget items. They will provide direct cost benefits to the Craigleith residents and many visitors living standards and recreational well-being/safety. These priorities meet the Town's goals and vision in many of its master plans. CCWG would like to know if there are issues what is getting in the way of our requests moving forward this year and can address these issues/concerns respectfully and openly so that these key actions items get done or planned in the current 2025 draft budget to happen with staff support.

With a fiscal prudence focus and in lieu of the financial challenges being experienced in our DC and other reserves, is it possible to review any fiscal budget allocations that have been past approved yet after a long term are still incomplete projects? Maybe through possible reconsideration Council may be able to repurpose some of these unfinished project moneys to allow other key projects as CCWG has summarized to happen? It is our hope in this consideration by Council to allow an interim financial solution and at the same time have zero (0) budget line impact to other current TBM projects that are currently needed in 2025.

Summary List of CCWG previous Sept/30th outstanding items presented to Council:

Requested for Approval consideration in the current 2025 Budget:

Category: 2025 Roads & Drainage Operations /Capital Consideration:

Kandahar Lane:

- 1) **Sidewalk completion:** To reach Grey RD 19 for pedestrian safety connectivity. Does not exist. Enhances safety and connectivity to another main trail leading directly to Blue Mountain Village.
 - a. **Requires staff estimate on capital work**
- 2) **Installation of streetlights:.(Shows in current 2025 Draft budget @ \$15,000)**
- 3) **Pedestrian Crosswalk :** Same area . Helps pedestrians safely cross Grey Road 19 to connect with trail leading to Blue Mountain Village. adjacent to the current Firehall location.
 - a. **Requires staff cost estimate: \$10,000 (Same cost as Jozo Weider Crosswalk shown in current 2025 draft budget.)**
- 4) **Jozo Weider Road Cross Walk trail connection leading to Village:**
 - Installation of crosswalk on Jozo Weider (2025 Draft budget shows as \$10,000)

New ITEM*2025 draft budget request under Special Project Roads & Operations:

Note: As result of our recent Town CCWG Crosswinds/Jozo Blvd walking Tour on Jan/6/2025 (See: New 2025 draft budget requests below items number 1-3)

Under Roads & Drainage Special projects : Items below indicated on 2025 Jan/6th Walking Tour.

Jozo Weider Blvd Road section requires enhanced street lighting.

- 1) **Poor lighting condition requires upgrading:** Current old light standards with low light capabilities. Area is very dark and needs to be upgraded to LED level standard lighting. This is an area of high pedestrian walking & visibility safety is key to this road section from the intersection leading to Crosswinds (Ruts, potholes and unsmooth surface for vulnerable pedestrians).
 - **Requires Staff cost estimate (Kandahar listed \$15,000)**
 - **Request staff budget estimate to consider light retrofit using current light posts location with LED lighting possibilities for minimal budget impact.**
- 2) **Request Installation of safe road shoulders along this pedestrian section of Jozo Weider Blvd:**
 - Vulnerable pedestrians currently walking on poorly grade material shoulders with potholes and unsafe ruts. Pedestrian safety enhancement required
 - **Staff Cost Estimate for 2025 Budget requested as Special Project:**
 - i. **Need Cost consideration by Council for a quality aggregate or asphalt shoulder enhancement solution for both items #1 and #2 above. This Road section has been mentioned on earlier delegations to Council by CCWG as a pedestrian/visitor walking safety issue on a very busy stretch of road. (This was also identified by our recent CCWG Walking Tour group on the morning of Jan 6 2025)**

New ITEM: Special 2025 Project Request Roads & Drainage: (From Crosswinds/Jozo Blvd Jan/6th Walking Tour)

3) Crosswinds Traffic Flow and residential traffic calming analysis

- **Cost: Staff time in project preparation report.**
- **Reason:** This main traffic flow road will open soon impacting the residential community.
CCWG requests: Council support in 2025 budget for staff Department time to prepare a 2025 special project to prepare a cost assessment and report addressing the public safety concerns , traffic flow and calming analysis requirements before this road is opened

REPEATED ITEM : For 2025 pre-budget Community Services – Parks & Trails : (Both item #1 and item#2 are from an older walking Tour done with Council in 2023 & noted in CCWG Mar/2024 budget delegation)

1) Pedestrian trail connection under Grey 19 Re: Trail tunnel incline winter Hazard:

- This is a main resident pedestrian trail used from Second Nature and Snow Bridge area leading to Blue Mountain village. Though plowed currently there is a steep slope incline with winter ice slip hazards to vulnerable pedestrian use.

CCWG Request: Handrail and anti-slip pad leading down towards the tunnel crossing of this main Village public trail.

2025 Budget Cost: Minimal \$ but require Community Services to provide. (Previous walking Tour item in 2024 identified needing maintenance attention for winter trail safety.)

2) Requested Alberg Trail Connection needs to be completed:

Key trail connection in Zone 4 – This is an old trail completion identified by CCWG where Alberg trail as a key community connector trail. Was requested as part of the 2024 budget process and costing for 2025 budget approval.

- **Cost 2025 budget:** Minimal estimate under Parks & trails as an action item. Was identified but not completed as a required community connector trail.
- **Cost Estimate: Required for 2025 request to happen.**

REPEATED ITEM: For 2025 Community Services Funding and By-Law Special Project Request:

CCWG Requests : TBM Parking By-Law & Residential Parking Program Review: (Was listed in both March and Sept/30th CCWG delegations)

This was part of CCWG previous Council delegations of a key resident issue /concern.

To-date CCWG has had a meeting with the Director of Community Services and this item requires Special Project Support.

Request: Council support this New 2025 special project as this is a priority item identified by CCWG for a parking by-law review with the goal to enhance and streamline important changes to the parking By-

Law for TBM residents and visitors. CCWG has identified key concerns in this area prompting community needs for an effective Parking By-Law incorporating new best practices for well-being of residents and all visitors to TBM.

2025 budget Cost: Staff Time Re: project planning and public process requirements and with CCWG to collaborate with Community Services and By-Law in this process for 2025 as its mandate terms of reference indicates.

Respectfully,
Stephen Granger , CCWG

From: Stephen Granger, CCWG

The Town of the Blue Mountains

Request for delegation to Council September 30th,2024

Re: CCWG list of outstanding priority items as identified in 2024 budget presentation Mar/12/2024

To: Mayor Matrosovs and Members of Council

CC: Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

Shawn Everitt, CEO The Town of the Blue Mountains

We stood before you in March of this year to present our 2024 budget requests raise awareness of our Craigleith community priorities for Council consideration and appreciated Council support in this regard. As a refresher I have included our committee's material that was presented to Council and used as our action priority list with our CEO and staff.

Our focus today, is to ask Council to have our committee's outstanding items listed in today's agenda be placed in the 2025 budget for potential preapproval consideration under the appropriate Town services department as required. This preapproval is needed as no definitive action has occurred to-date and these have been discussed and noted as being important safety concerns to the Craigleith community and recreational well-being. With Council support on our request this will allow the appropriate attention required for these listed action priorities to happen as staff time is key to having these positioned in our 2025 Town budget accordingly.

Previous CCWG list of outstanding items summary presented to Council:

Operations:

1) Kandahar Lane:

- Sidewalk completion/connectivity
- Installation of street lights
- Crossing of Grey Road 19

2) Jozo Weider:

- Installation of crosswalk on Jozo Weider
 - installation of enhanced street lighting from crosswalk location to Crosswinds
 - Installation of safe shoulders to account for potholes and unsafe pedestrian walking conditions on Jozo Weider.
 - Pedestrian tunnel access trail to village (leads to key cross walk requested)
- Noted: Handrail required & anti-slip installed to address winter ice hazard

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- 3) Grey Road 19 & 21 Road Widening: (Continue CCWG with Town CEO & staff to continue collaborative active transportation engagement with Grey County on Grey 19 re-construction next steps)

Note: Crosswinds/Jozo Weider walking tour is next steps for sub-committee requested to and facilitated through TBM CEO and staff support.

Community Services and By Law

Parking By-Law & Residential Parking Program:

- Preapproval for the 2025 budget a Parking & Resident parking program review to address Craigleith and TBM unique resident parking needs. A fulsome process review of the parking by-law focused on the current needs of our permanent residents and the need for temporary parking allowances is requested .

Trails Connectivity:

- Zone 4 – Trail completion is required for Alberg trail as a key community connector trail identified. This was requested as part of the 2024 budget process and will require pre-approval to proceed with staff as an action item to happen.
- Staff time to continue mapping of all key zone trails in Craigleith with required priority listing to best meet and support community TMP for walkability, safety and recreation vulnerable pedestrians needs.

Respectfully,

Stephen Granger

CCWG

CCWG 2024 Budget Requests for TBM Council Consideration: (Mar/12th budget presentation)

On behalf of the Craigeith Community Working Group (CCWG), I'd like to provide further detail on our 2024 budget requests and action priorities.

Our ongoing focus remains on improving pedestrian safety and addressing key community needs. These priorities are critical to aligning our community's development with the vision of a complete community, ensuring access to essential services and infrastructure for all residents.

To achieve these goals, we are requesting specific budget and time allocations from Council and staff. These funds will enable us to implement targeted initiatives that address pedestrian safety concerns and enhance community infrastructure.

With Council's support, we are confident that we can begin addressing these needs in a timely and effective manner.

1. Pedestrian Safety

We are facing urgent safety concerns in our community due to the lack of adequate street lighting on Kandahar Lane and Jozo Weider Blvd., as well as the absence of safe shoulders and pedestrian crossings. These issues pose significant risks to both drivers and pedestrians, particularly during poor weather conditions and evening hours.

In light of these safety challenges, we request that Council direct staff to investigate and report on potential funding sources or means to address the following critical needs:

- **Installation of street lighting on Kandahar Lane and Jozo Weider Blvd. to enhance visibility and safety for all road users.**
- **Installation of safe shoulders and a pedestrian crossing from the main walkways on Jozo Weider Blvd. to protect pedestrians and improve traffic flow.**

CCWG estimates that funding would be approx. \$75,000 for the above projects.

2. Wayfinding Signage

To enhance safety and improve trail connectivity in our community, we are seeking the installation of additional wayfinding signage. This signage is crucial for enhancing safety, guiding residents and visitors, and improving connectivity between trails and key locations in our community.

Therefore, we request that Council direct staff to work with CCWG to identify the deficiencies in signage and incorporate it into a suitable work plan.

Additionally, we seek Council's endorsement to utilize CCWG as an advisory body to the regional wayfinding strategy included in the town's current draft budget. The CCWG has a vested interest in ensuring that the wayfinding strategy meets the needs of our community and can provide valuable insights and recommendations to enhance its effectiveness.

CCWG estimates that funding would be approximately \$15,000 for the above project.

3. Resident Parking

Permanent residents face unique challenges and requirements regarding parking in the area, and it is essential that the bylaw reflects these needs appropriately.

We request that Council direct staff to initiate the review process for the parking bylaw, with a focus on addressing the needs of permanent residents. This review will ensure that the bylaw is fair, effective, and reflective of the needs of all members of our community.

4. Trail Connectivity

The completion of several unfinished trails in our community, many of which are part of development agreements, is crucial for achieving complete trail connectivity. These trails are essential for enhancing accessibility and promoting active transportation in our community.

To facilitate this, we request that Council direct staff to conduct a thorough review of incomplete trails. This review will involve ongoing interaction between staff and the Craigleith Community Working Group (CCWG) to identify priority connections and provide transparency regarding the timelines for completion.

5. Beach Improvements

Enhancing Northwinds Beach to make it more attractive, safer, and useful for residents and visitors is a priority. This includes investigating new licensing strategies to assist in funding maintenance and addressing the need for safer, up-to-date playground equipment on the east side beach.

Therefore, we request that Council direct staff to explore new licensing strategies, review and update maintenance schedules, and assess the playground equipment on the east side beach.

6. Road Reconstruction

The CCWG seeks Council's endorsement to serve as an advisory body for upcoming road reconstruction projects, focusing on Grey Rd. 19 and Hwy 26, which are vital arteries in our community.

Our involvement in road design, signal selection, pedestrian/cyclist access, and safety discussions is essential for ensuring these projects align with our community's needs. We can contribute valuable insights to research, ongoing discussions, and planning.

To demonstrate our commitment, we are organizing a shuttle tour with County and Town officials to discuss the projects and exchange ideas. This tour will ensure that resident input is considered in the planning process.**(Done)**

7. Sidewalk Snow Removal

Residents in the Craigleith community are eagerly seeking transparency on the next steps of the sidewalk snow removal planning, particularly regarding budget planning and equipment purchases. Initial phases of the snow removal plan have already been announced, prompting interest in understanding the timeline and details of the upcoming phases.

To address this need, we request that Council direct staff to provide clear communication on the budget planning process, including any anticipated costs and funding sources.

8. Trail Protection

Preserving and enhancing our trail network is crucial for maintaining connectivity and accommodating future utility needs. To achieve this, we propose mandating that any surplus land that includes or is near trails reserves at least a 3m corridor in the Town's name/title for trails, connectors, or utility connections.

To support this goal, we request that Council direct staff to:

- Investigate and recommend strategies for protecting and preserving these corridors, which may include developing a policy, implementing conservation easements, or other mechanisms.
- Ensure that any recommended strategies are incorporated into future surplus land disposal processes and agreements.

9. Increased Transit Hours

Increasing service hours is vital to enhancing the quality of life for residents and supporting the local labor supply. A collaborative effort between the Town and its partners would aim to improve transit services, benefiting both residents and employers.

A pilot project would provide the necessary data to determine future funding needs and provide residents with greater access to essential services, employment opportunities, and recreational activities, ultimately improving their quality of life. Additionally, it will support local labor supply

by providing more reliable and accessible transportation options for workers, leading to increased workforce participation and productivity, benefiting the local economy.

Therefore, we request that Council direct staff to work with existing transit partners to create a pilot project that aims to increase service hours and secure co-funding for the project.

10. Craigleith Master Plan

A comprehensive plan is essential for ensuring that Craigleith has a clear identity and vision for the future. This plan should encompass all aspects of community life, including residential, commercial, recreational, and environmental considerations.

In addition to the Master Plan, we also request that Council and Town staff work on a Parks and Recreation Plan that includes an interregional facility with Collingwood, the proposed regional park, and connects other local parks, amenities, and trail systems for the residents of Craigleith. This plan should ensure that our community has access to high-quality recreational facilities and green spaces.

To facilitate this process, we anticipate setting up a working session with the Director of Planning. We seek Council's endorsement of this time commitment from staff to ensure that the comprehensive plan and the Parks and Recreation Plan are developed in a timely and effective manner.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the Craigleith Community Working Group (CCWG) is dedicated to addressing the critical needs of our community and enhancing the quality of life for all residents.

We respectfully request that Council receive the above outlined requests and initiatives and direct staff to allocate the necessary resources and funding to implement these projects. With Council's endorsement, we are confident that we can begin addressing these needs in a timely and effective manner, ultimately improving the overall well-being of our community.

Thank you for considering our requests, and we look forward to working collaboratively with Council and staff to achieve our shared goals for Craigleith.

Jennifer Murdison
March 8, 2024

CC: Craigleith Community Working Group

Presented Mar/12/2024 - TBM Council Budget

Appendix - 2024 CCWG Budget Matrix					
Zone Information	Summary Item	2024 Budget - Ask	Budget	Council Action - Request Next Steps in 2024	CCWG Action - Proposed Phase 2 2024
Zone 1	1	CCWG Input on Arrowhead Rd Re-Alignment	Staff Time	Zone 1: Requesting That Staff Work W/ CCWG for Input	
Zone 1	2	CCWG Input With Province/MTO On Hwy 26 Re-Construction	Staff Time	Zone 1: Requesting That Staff Work W/ CCWG for Input	
Zone 1	3	CCWG Input On Parks, Trails and Roads Completion - Alta Ph 2	Staff Time	Zone 1: Requesting That Staff Work W/ CCWG for Input	
Zone 2	4	Improved Wayfinding Signage	\$5,000	Zone 2 Budget request : CCWG to endorse improvement of wayfinding signage and overall wayfinding strategy .This is over 3 zone areas as noted. Action next step is 2024 budget period	Establish a sub-committee for input
Zone 3	5	Plan 529 Beach Access - Follow Up / Resolution	Staff Time	Litigious in nature. CCWG is advised to monitor this priority.	
Zone 3	6	CCWG Input With County/Town On Grey Rd 19 Re-Construction	Staff Time	Action: CCWG to establish a sub-committee to collaboratively address as per mandate. Request Participation in a Staff Driving Tour.	Establish a sub-committee to coordinate with TBM/Grey County to address traffic flow issues, and consider active transportation options and safety.
Zone 3	7	CCWG Input With Province/MTO On Hwy 26 Re-Construction	Staff Time	Zone 3: Requesting That Staff Work W/ CCWG for Input	CCWG to establish a special task force work group to collaboratively address as per mandate
Zone 3	8	Increased Summer Staff - Garbage, Maintenance, and Washrooms	Staff Time	Request that staff update as to the summer maintenance scheduling to address resident concerns for excess garbage & clean washrooms at very busy Northwinds beach site . Staff to also update the TBM Website accordingly.	Staff to confirm updates w/ CCWG
Zone 4	9	Trail Installation	Staff Time	Trail connectivity required. Council Request: Direct staff to confirm development timeline on all priority incomplete trails w/ CCWG	
Zone 4	10	Improved Wayfinding Signage	\$5,000	See #7 above and CCWG establish a committee to address wayfinding design required with a strategy for local and possible Regional use.	
Zone 4	11	CCWG Input With County/Town On Grey Rd 19 Re-Construction	Staff Time	Same as zone 3: CCWG to establish a special task force working within CCWG to address concerns.	
Zone 4	12	Asset Management - Increase Street Lighting	\$20,000	Special 2024 Budget request for Kandahar along with by-law review item # 17	CCGW to report on recommended needs for council consideration in 2024
Zone 4	13	Surplus Land - Pedestrian Walkway	Staff Time	Special CCWG request for select surplus land consideration by Council to maintain active pedestrian path linking Zone 4 community to BMR. Maintain trail, sell residual. Put \$\$ back into Craighleith.	CCWG to review surplus lands for input.
Zone 4	14	Parking Bylaw Revision - Permanent Residents	Staff Time	Council Request: Direct staff to open by-law for review to accomodate resident concerns in Zone 4.	
Zone 5	15	Immediate Safety Solution - Crosswalk/ safe interim Shoulder	\$8,000	Budget 2024 package ask- Jozo Weider as key safety/accessibility concern.	CCGW to report on recommended needs for council consideration in 2024
Zone 5	16	Asset Management - Increase Street Lighting	\$20,000	Budget 2024 package ask- Jozo Weider as key safety/accessibility concern.	
Zone 5	17	Public Consultation / Engineering Design Status - Road Reconsuction	Staff Time	Council Request: Direct staff to provide CCWG with engineering status and community input on design.	
Zone 5	18	Road Reconstruction	Staff Time	Council Request: Direct staff to include the reconstruction in the 24/25 budget.	
Zone 5	19	Trail Completion - Status Update	Staff Time	Council Request: Direct staff to monitor the completion, inform CCWG of the timelines, and expedite the assumption.	CCWG has sourced updates independant of TBM - construction underway.
Zone 5	20	Improved Wayfinding Signage	\$5,000	2024 Budget ask as part of above wayfinding signage required and replacement on key trails. This is part of the overall Wayfinding signage strategy with Regional considerations. Action plan required 2024 with CCWG under Community Services and Communications current budgeting. Staff time required.	
Zone 5	21	Tunnel Access Repair - Hand Rail / Anti-Slip	\$3,000	County staff time required with CCWG as next best steps. Direct staff to install hand rail & anti-slip material.	CAO with Community Services to examine request to assess scope of safety concern to be addressed and appropriate action required.
Zone 6	22	Traffic Calming Study	Staff Time	Special CCWG Request forTBM Roads & Drainage staff time to set up traffic counters in key areas so as to collect data in process of addressing zone area traffic calming needs (Note: Key part of overall Grey 19 road reconstruction in these key multi zone areas)	Sub-Committee to Identify key locations. Staff to report key findings to CCWG and incorporate feedback into Grey County collaborations (Grey Rd.19 Sub- Committee)
Zone 7	23	Public Transit Increase - Pilot Project - 12 Months	Staff Time	Council Request: Direct staff to work with CCWG to initiate the pilot project including scheduling and promotion.	
Zone 7	24	Park Plan	Staff Time	Council Request: Direct staff to work with CCWG to create a comprehensive Park Plan of all zone areas of Craighleith.	Focus on sequencing along with Wayfinding, trail connectivity
All Zones	25	Regional Park Planning	Staff Time	Council Request: Direct staff to work with CCWG on the Regional Park planning.	Review/Endorse Regional Park Plan
All Zones	26	Winter Sidewalk Snow Removal - BMR Contract Extension	\$10,000	Council Request: Direct staff to expand current contract with BMR to include Crosswind's Blvd and Springside Cres.	CCWG to determine BMR's capacity for Crosswinds/Springside Cres.
All Zones	27	Phased Approach - Sidewalk Snow Removal	Staff Time	Council Request: Direct staff to update the Sidewalk Snow Removal strategy/revised phased in approach	Staff to provide action plan to CCWG
All Zones	28	Complete - Criageith Master Plan	Staff Time	Council Request: Direct staff to work with CCWG to begin development of a Complete Community Development Master Plan incorporating OPR and committee mandate objectives	
All Zones	29	Friendship Agreement & Insurance Provisions	Staff Time	CAO - framework to be provided.	2024 CCWG to explore Friendship agreements that could benefit the Community and TBM goals for economic sustainability.



Minutes

The Blue Mountains, Council Meeting

Date: September 30, 2024
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

A. Call to Order

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

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 Hope

THAT the Agenda of September 30, 2024 be approved as circulated, including the following revisions to the Agenda:

1. the closed sessions matters have been pulled from the Agenda;
2. Add: Housing Enabling Fund Grant at Addition G.3.1 to be heard prior to G.2.1

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

None

A.4 Previous Minutes

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT the Council minutes of September 9, 2024, Council Public Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2024, and the Special Meeting of Council minutes of September 11, 2024 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

Under the authority of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and in accordance with Ontario's *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (MFIPPA), The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains wishes to inform the public that all information including opinions, presentations, reports and documentation provided for or at a Public Meeting, Public Consultation, or other Public Process are considered part of the public record. This information may be posted on the Town's website and/or made available to the public upon request.

B.1 Thomas Moore, Blue Mountain Resorts LP Re: Request for Council to declare the "Frozen Rail Jam" being held at the Smart Alec Ski Run at the Blue Mountain Resort on Saturday January 18, 2025 from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., a Municipally Significant Event

Moved by: Councillor Porter

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Thomas Moore, Blue Mountains Resorts LP, Re: Request for Council to declare the "Frozen Rail Jam" being held at the Smart Alec Ski Run at the Blue Mountain Resort on Saturday January 18, 2025 from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., a Municipally Significant Event;

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains declares the "Frozen Rail Jam" being held at the Smart Alec Ski Run at the Blue Mountain Resort on Saturday January 18, 2025 from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., a Municipally Significant Event in accordance with the Alcohol and Gaming Commission, Special Occasion Permit requirements;

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains requests that the sponsors be informed by Blue Mountain Resort that any reference to location of the event made during the event state 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)

B.2 Thomas Moore, Blue Mountain Resorts LP Re: Request for Council to declare the "Big Air Show" being held at the Smart Alec Ski Run at the Blue Mountain Resort from Monday March 10, 2025 to Thursday March 13, 2025 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily, a Municipally Significant Event

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel

Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the deputation of Thomas Moore, Blue Mountain Resorts LP, Re: Request for Council to declare the "Big Air Show" being held at the Smart Alec Ski Run at the Blue Mountain Resort from Monday March 10, 2025 to Thursday March 13, 2025 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily, a Municipally Significant Event;

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains declares the "Big Air Show" being held at the Smart Alec Ski Run at the Blue Mountain Resort from Monday

March 10, 2025 to Thursday March 13, 2025 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily, a Municipally Significant Event in accordance with the Alcohol and Gaming Commission, Special Occasion Permit requirements;

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains requests that the sponsors be informed by Blue Mountain Resort that any reference to location of the event made during the event state 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)

B.3 Thomas Moore, Blue Mountain Resorts LP Re: Request for Council to declare the "Retro Pond Skim" being held at the Smart Alec Ski Run at the Blue Mountain Resort on Saturday March 29, 2025 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., a Municipally Significant Event

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the deputation of Thomas Moore, Blue Mountain Resorts LP, Re: Request for Council to declare the "Retro Pond Skim" being held at the Smart Alec Ski Run at the Blue Mountain Resort on Saturday March 29, 2025 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., a Municipally Significant Event;

AND THAT Council declares the "Retro Pond Skim" being held at the Smart Alec Ski Run at the Blue Mountain Resort on Saturday March 29, 2025 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., a Municipally Significant Event in accordance with the Alcohol and Gaming Commission, Special Occasion Permit requirements;

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains requests that the sponsors be informed by Blue Mountain Resort that any reference to location of the event made during the event state 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)

B.4 Brian Harkness, Blue Mountain Ratepayers Association Re: Comments on road congestion and proposed Thornbury/Clarksburg By-pass

Moved by: Councillor Hope

Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the deputation of Brian Harkness, Blue Mountain Ratepayers Association Re: Comments on road congestion and proposed Thornbury/Clarksburg By-pass;

AND THAT Council directs staff to provide a staff report that outlines all conversations held with the Ministry of Transportation, and other senior bodies of government regarding a bypass and other transportation matters

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 Robert Johnston, Director and Brian Harkness, Director, North East Grey Health Clinic Re: Impact of family physician shortage on the Town and recommendations to Council

Moved by: Councillor Porter
Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Robert Johnston, Director and Brian Harkness, Director, North East Grey Health Clinic Re: Impact of family physician shortage on the Town and recommendations to Council;

AND THAT Council endorse the establishment of a Working Group for the purpose of making recommendations to Council regarding physician recruitment and retention and direct staff to initiate bringing a staff report outlining the process including a draft Terms of Reference and a series of meetings;

AND THAT Council requests the Finance Department to include an allocation of \$100,000 to the 2025 budget for consideration of Council for physician recruitment and retention.

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.6 Betty Muise, Tree Trust TBM Re: Preservation of the Beaver River Trail

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Betty Muise, Tree Trust TBM Re: Preservation of the Beaver River Trail;

AND THAT Council directs staff to provide a staff report to consider the process of a Council review to protect trees on Town-owned property

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 Stephen Granger, Craigleith Community Working Group Re: Follow-up Comments on 2024 Budget and requests for inclusion in the 2025 Budget

Moved by: Councillor Porter
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Stephen Granger, Craigleith Community Working Group, Re: Follow-up Comments on 2024 Budget and requests for inclusion in the 2025 Budget;

AND THAT Council directs staff to include the requests of Mr. Granger on behalf of the Craigleith Community Working Group, in the 2025 draft budget, for Council consideration

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.8 Bruce Taylor, Resident Re: Support for Tree Trust TBM Deputation and tree preservation in the Town

Moved by: Councillor Maxwell

Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the deputation of Bruce Taylor, Resident Re: Support for Tree Trust TBM Deputation and tree preservation in the Town

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.9 Cim Nunn, Resident Re: Comments regarding Councillor Hope's Notice of Motion Re: Bay Street East Alternate Reconstruction Route

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Cim Nunn, Resident Re: Comments regarding Councillor Hope's Notice of Motion Re: Bay Street East Alternate Reconstruction Route

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.10 Katy Leighton, Resident Re: Comments regarding Councillor Hope's Notice of Motion Re: Reconsideration of Bay Street East Report

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Ted Squires, on behalf of Katy Leighton, Resident Re: Comments regarding Councillor Hope's Notice of Motion Re: Reconsideration of Bay Street East 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)

B.11 Ted Squires, Resident Re: Comments regarding Councillor Hope's Notice of Motion Re: Reconsideration of Bay Street East Report

Moved by: Councillor Hope

Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Ted Squires, Resident Re: Comments regarding Councillor Hope's Notice of Motion Re: Reconsideration of Bay Street East 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)

B.12 Jane Menard, Resident Re: Comments regarding Councillor Hope's Notice of Motion Re: Reconsideration of Bay Street East Report

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Jane Menard, Resident Re: Comments regarding Councillor Hope's Notice of Motion Re: Reconsideration of Bay Street East 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)

B.13 Terry Kellar, Chair, Short Term Accommodation Committee, Blue Mountain Ratepayers Association Re: Comments on the Administrative Monetary Penalties and Licensing By-law

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Terry Kellar, Chair, Short Term Accommodation Committee, Blue Mountain Ratepayers Association Re: Comments on the Administrative Monetary Penalties and Licensing 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)

B.14 Kenneth Hale, Georgian Triangle Development Institute Re: Comments regarding the Allocation Policy By-law

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the deputation of Kenneth Hale, Georgian Triangle Development Institute Re: Comments regarding the Allocation Policy 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)

B.15 Kathleen Schofield, Great Gulf Re: Comments regarding the Allocation Policy By-law

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Kenneth Hale, Vice-President on behalf of Kathleen Schofield, President Low Rise Residential, Great Gulf Re: Comments regarding the Allocation Policy 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)

B.16 Paul Mondell, Grey Road 19 Housing Development Applicant Re: Comments regarding staff report PDS.24.087 Deputation of Paul Mondell Re Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development

Moved by: Councillor Porter
Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Paul Mondell, Grey Road 19 Housing Development Applicant, Re: Comments regarding staff report PDS.24.087 Deputation of Paul Mondell Re Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development;

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

Nay (1): Councillor Maxwell

The motion is Carried (6 to 1)

C. Public Comment Period

Sarah Waggot, Wickens Lane resident, provided public comments regarding B.6 Betty Muise, Tree Trust TBM deputation.

D. Adoption of Consent Agenda

D.1 Correspondence

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council receives the correspondence listed as Agenda items D.1.1 to D.1.3, 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 Committee of Adjustment Re: Notice of Decision and Right to Appeal Application No. A34-2024 (Receive For Information)

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of the Committee of Adjustment Re: Notice of Decision and Right to Appeal Application No. A34-2024

The motion is Carried

D.1.2 Sarah Goldrup, Deputy Clerk, County of Grey Re: Grey County Report PDR-CW-52-24 Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery (For Council Consideration)

Moved by: Councillor Porter
Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Sarah Goldrup, Deputy Clerk, Grey County Re: Grey County Report PDR-CW-52-24 Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery;

AND THAT Council direct staff to bring forward Grey County Staff Report PDR-CW-52-24 on the revised Committee of the Whole Agenda on October 8th 2024, outlining whether more time can be provided by Grey County, concerns raised to date, and discussion in advance of the feedback by Grey Council imposed deadline of October 18, 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)

Moved by: Councillor Hope
Seconded by: Councillor Porter

THAT, in response to the September 16, 2024 correspondence of Sarah Goldrup, Deputy Clerk, Grey County Re: Grey County Report PDR-CW-52-24 Investigating a Model for Planning Efficiencies and Shared Service Delivery, Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains expresses its concern and reservation on the proposed planning plan, put forward by Grey County Council

Yay (4): Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, and Councillor Porter

Nay (3): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, and Councillor McKinlay

The motion is Carried (4 to 3)

D.1.3 Betty Schiwkow Wallace, Resident Re: Comments regarding the Administrative Monetary Penalties and Licensing By-law (Receive For Information)

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Betty Shiwkow Wallace, Resident Re: Comments regarding the Administrative Monetary Penalties and Licensing By-law

The motion is Carried

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

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the Committee and Board minutes included on the September 30, 2024 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 May 1, 2024

D.2.2 Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board Annual General Meeting Minutes dated June 5, 2024

D.2.3 Accountability and Transparency Committee Minutes dated June 13, 2024

D.2.4 Committee of Adjustment Minutes dated August 21, 2024

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT, Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the Committee of Adjustment minutes dated August 21, 2024, 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.2.5 Special Committee of Adjustment Minutes dated September 13, 2024

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: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT the recommendations found within the Committee Reports included on the September 30, 2024 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 September 16, 2024

B.1.1 Rick Tipping, Resident Re: Request for Council to revoke Resort Condominium Tax Class By-law

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel

Seconded by: Councillor Maxwell

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Rick Tipping, Resident Re: Request for Council to revoke Resort Condominium Tax Class By-law;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a staff report to investigate the process to revoke the Resort Condominium Tax Class Bylaw No. 2005-69 in line with the next census, and that the staff report will include the amount of lost revenue for 2025.

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.1.2 Patti Kendall, President, Blue Mountain Village Association Re: Comments on the Resort Condominium Tax Class

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Patti Kendall, President, Blue Mountain Village Association Re: Comments on the Resort Condominium Tax Class, and forward the information and comments to staff for inclusion in the staff report to investigate the revocation of the Resort Condominium Tax Class.

The motion is Carried

B.3.1 David Finbow, The Blue Mountains Short Term Accommodation Owners Association Re: Comments on the proposed revisions to By-law 2021-70 to regulate and Licence Businesses in the Town and By-law 2021-71 Administrative Monetary Penalties

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of David Finbow, The Blue Mountains Short Term Accommodation Owners Association Re: Comments on the proposed revisions to By-law 2021-70 to regulate and Licence Businesses in the Town and By-law 2021-71 Administrative Monetary Penalties

The motion is Carried

B.3.2 David Finbow, The Blue Mountains Short Term Accommodation Owners Association Re: Comments on staff report FAF.24.095 Follow Up to the Municipal Licensing By-law and Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law Public Meeting

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of David Finbow, The Blue Mountains Short Term Accommodation Owners Association Re: Comments on staff report FAF.24.095 Follow Up to the Municipal Licensing By-law and Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law Public Meeting

The motion is Carried

B.4.1 Emergency Repairs to Ladder Truck 261, FAF.24.101

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.101, entitled "Emergency Repairs to Ladder Truck 261";

AND THAT Council approve the emergency repair costs of \$40,953.71 for the Ladder Truck 261.

AND That Council direct staff to fund this emergency repair from the Fire Asset Replacement Fund.

The motion is Carried

B.4.2 Follow Up to 171 King Street Public Meeting, FAF.24.104

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.104, entitled “Follow up to 171 King Street Public Meeting”;

AND THAT Council declare 171 King Street surplus to the needs of the municipality for the purposes of selling the lands in the future;

AND THAT Council direct staff to initiate a formal Request for Proposal process for the purposes of receiving proposals that can be considered by Council that specifically outline the intention of the proposed use of the land if purchased by the selected proponent;

AND THAT Council direct staff to initiate the completion of a third-party professional appraisal of 171 King Street to inform the Request for Proposal process and be compliant with Town Policy;

AND THAT Council provide staff clear direction at a future public workshop that includes fulsome community engagement regarding land uses that would not be considered and/or accepted through the Request for Proposal process;

AND THAT Council provide staff clear direction at a future public workshop that includes fulsome community engagement regarding what, if any, proposed land uses are preferred so these can be incorporated into the Request for Proposal specifications to assist in establishing the evaluation criteria.

The motion is Carried

B.4.3 Follow up to the Municipal Licensing By-law and Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law Public Meeting, FAF.24.095

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

THAT with respect to Staff Report FAF.24.095, entitled “Follow up to the Municipal Licensing By-law and Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law Public Meeting”, Council directs staff to formalize a bi-annual working group, consisting of industry leaders and other members to be brought forward by the CAO to review and report on the Municipal Licensing By-law and Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law for consideration of Committee of the Whole/Council bi-annually.

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)

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon
Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.095 "Follow up to the Municipal Licensing By-law and Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law Public Meeting" for information;

AND THAT Council direct staff to meet with the same members of the Short Term Accommodation Working Group that met previously with staff in 2024 to discuss the final draft of the Municipal Licensing By-law and Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law prior to further Council consideration;

AND THAT Council endorse in principle the proposed Draft Municipal Licensing By-law as supported at the September 30, 2024 meeting of Council and direct staff to bring a final draft of the Municipal Licensing By-law directly to Council on November 12, 2024 for Council consideration and enactment;

AND THAT Council endorse in principle the proposed Draft Administrative Monetary Penalties By-law as supported on September 30, 2024 and direct staff to bring a final draft of the Municipal Licensing By-law directly to Council on November 12, 2024 for Council consideration and enactment.

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.4.4 Tourism Strategy Project Introduction, FAF.24.105

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.105, entitled "Tourism Strategy Project Introduction" for information purposes.

The motion is Carried

B.4.5 2023 Annual Accessibility Progress Report, FAF.24.100

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.100, entitled "2023 Annual Accessibility Progress Report" for information purposes.

The motion is Carried

B.6.1 Kimberly Edwards, Thornbury Community Gardens Re: Future Land Use at the Beaver Valley Community Centre

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Kimberly Edwards, Thornbury Community Gardens Re: Future Land Use at the Beaver Valley Community Centre;

AND THAT Council direct staff to continue discussions with the Beaver Valley Outreach Thornbury Community Gardens program in the discussion regarding their future with respect to the Events For Life use of the land.

The motion is Carried

D.3.2 Committee of the Whole Report dated September 17, 2024

B.1.1 Ted Squires, Resident Re: Concerns relating to the Bay Street East Forcemain and sewer upgrades

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Ted Squires, Resident Re: Concerns relating to the Bay Street East Forcemain and sewer upgrades

The motion is Carried

B.1.2 Tina and John Edwards, Residents Re: Comments on the Bay Street East Forcemain and construction

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Tina and John Edwards, Residents Re: Comments on the Bay Street East Forcemain and construction

The motion is Carried

B.1.3 Cim Nunn and Lynn Keays, Residents Re: Comments on the Bay Street East Forcemain and construction

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Cim Nunn and Lynn Keays, Residents Re: Comments on the Bay Street East Forcemain and construction

The motion is Carried

B.1.4 Jane Menard, Resident Re Comments on the Bay Street East Forcemain and construction

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Jane Menard Resident Re: Comments on the Bay Street East Forcemain and construction

The motion is Carried

B.1.5 Lynne Richardson, Resident Re: Comments on the Bay Street East Foremain and construction

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Lynne Richardson, Resident Re: Comments on the Bay Street East Foremain and construction

The motion is Carried

B.3.1 Helmut Hock and Catherine Howell, Residents Re: Comments on the Bay Street East Foremain and construction

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Helmut Hock and Catherine Howell, Residents Re: Comments on the Bay Street East Foremain and construction

The motion is Carried

B.4.1 Arrowhead and Camperdown BPS Engineering Scope Change and Budget Increase, CSOPS.24.058

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.24.058, entitled "Arrowhead and Camperdown BPS Engineering Scope Change and Budget Increase revised";

AND THAT Council approve increasing the contract value with Arcadis Professional Services (Canada) Inc. related to the Engineering Services for Arrowhead and Camperdown Booster Pumping Station Upgrades, from \$732,013.88 to \$883,403.64 to cover the additional works outlined in this report;

AND THAT Council approve increasing the engineering budget for the Arrowhead Booster Pumping Station Upgrades from \$275,000.00 to a total budget of \$305,000.00, to be funded from the Water Asset Replacement Reserve Fund.

The motion is Carried

B.6.1 Paul Mondell, Applicant and Krystin Rennie, Georgian Planning Solutions Re: Comments in support of recommendation in staff report PDS.24.087 Deputation of Paul Mondell re Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Paul Mondell, Applicant and Krystin Rennie, Georgian Planning Solutions Re: Comments in support of recommendation in staff report PDS.24.087 Deputation of Paul Mondell re Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development

The motion is Carried

B.6.2 Ken Hale, Georgian Triangle Development Institute Re: Comments on the Proposed Town Allocation Policy

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Ken Hale, Georgian Triangle Development Institute Re: Comments on the Proposed Town Allocation Policy

The motion is Carried

B.8.1 Brian Nelson, Resident Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.087 Deputation of Paul Mondell re Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Brian Nelson, Resident Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.087 Deputation of Paul Mondell re Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development

The motion is Carried

B.8.2 Paul Reale, Resident Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.087 Deputation of Paul Mondell re: Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Paul Reale, Resident Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.087 Deputation of Paul Mondell re Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development

The motion is Carried

B.8.3 Katherine Holmes, Friends of the Silver Creek Wetlands (Collingwood) Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.087 Deputation of Paul Mondell re: Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence of Katherine Holmes, Friends of the Silver Creek Wetlands (Collingwood) Re: Comments on staff report PDS.24.087 Deputation of Paul Mondell re Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development

The motion is Carried

B.9.1 Deputation of Paul Mondell re: Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development, PDS.24.087

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council extends the length of the meeting to 5:00 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)

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.24.087, entitled "Deputation of Paul Mondell Re: Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development";

AND THAT In support of the recent declaration of a housing crisis and recognizing the need to recognize Provincial housing priorities and supporting action to construct housing enabling infrastructure in order facilitate the building of a range of housing opportunities;

AND THAT Council further direct staff to continue to work closely with the proponent to further consider all available efficiencies and expedited timelines within the planning process based on the scope and benefits of the project and report back on all available opportunities including the potential of consideration of Council supporting the application through the tools that have been provided by the Provincial Housing Accelerator Process and revised Ministerial Zoning Order (MZO) process.

Yay (3): Mayor Matrosovs, Deputy Mayor Bordignon, and Councillor McKinlay

Nay (4): Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Hope, Councillor Maxwell, and Councillor Porter

The motion is Lost (3 to 4)

Moved by: Councillor Hope

Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.24.087, entitled "Deputation of Paul Mondell re: Preliminary Design Concept for Grey Road 19 Housing Development".

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.9.2 Follow up Report for the Allocation Policy, PDS.24.122

Moved by: Councillor Porter

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT, Council receives Staff Report PDS.24.122 entitled "Follow up Report for the Allocation Policy" and defers consideration of the Water and Wastewater Allocation Bylaw until Council has received a legal opinion on the September 25, 2024 correspondence from Goodmans, Barrister and Solicitor, received at the September 30, 2024 Council Meeting in the deputation from Kathleen Schofield, President Low Rise Residential, Great Gulf.

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.9.3 Single Source Thornbury Interim Solutions Analysis, PDS.24.126

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.24.126 Single Source Thornbury Interim Solutions Analysis”;

AND THAT Council approve the single source procurement of JLR Richards for an assessment of interim solutions to alleviate capacity constraints at the Mill Street Pumping Station and assess the ability of these options to facilitate allocation to new development sites

The motion is Carried

E. Motions and Staff Reports

E.1 Attendance of Council at Poppy Campaign Launch on October 25, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel

Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT, it is acknowledged that Mayor Matrosovs, and Councillors Ardiel, McKinlay and Porter of the Town of The Blue Mountains will be attending the Poppy Campaign Launch on October 25, 2024 at the Jack Acres Park Cenotaph;

AND THAT, in accordance with Procedural By-law 2023-62, it is not intended that a meeting of Council shall automatically occur because a quorum of the members of Council are present at the event, and Council confirms that while attending the Poppy Campaign Launch Council will not deal with any matter that materially advances the business or decision making 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)

F. By-laws

F.1 By-law to Manage the Allocation of Municipal Water Supply and Sewage Capacity

This By-law was removed from the Agenda.

G. New and Unfinished Business

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

None

G.2 Notice of Motion (Council)

G.2.1 Councillor Hope Notice of Motion Re: Reconsideration of Bay Street East Staff Report

Note: Councillor Hope provided the following Notice of Motion at the September 17, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting. In accordance with Procedural By-law 2023-62 the motion requires a mover and seconder to be put before Council.

The following Notice of Motion will be included on the October 21, 2024 Council Agenda, for Council consideration.

WHEREAS substantial public disquiet exists about the Bay Street Reconstruction project, Council reconsiders the following resolution which was passed at the July 15, 2024 Council meeting:

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.24.031, entitled “Bay Street East Reconstruction PIC 1 Follow-up”;

AND THAT Council receive the “Bay Street East Reconstruction PIC 1 Follow-up Presentation included as Attachment 1 and Follow-up Summary included as Attachment 2;

AND THAT Council direct Staff to proceed with the design of Bay Street East including sanitary forcemain, sanitary sewer, storm sewer and watermain by undertaking a preliminary design of a one-way street cross section with an alignment which minimizes the impact to the existing streetscape while not compromising safety or the needed infrastructure. The preliminary design is to include:

1. Stormwater bike safe grates/basins within the asphalt and/or semi-mountable curb
2. No sidewalks, multi-use trail, or drainage ditches

AND that Council direct staff to proceed with the design of Grey Street beginning south from Bay Street East to Highway 26 in a complimentary manner to Bay Street East cross-section from Highway 26 to the Wastewater Treatment Plant with restoration to the Town standard local urban 20m ROW with no parking cross-section with 7.5 metre asphalt width and 2.7 metre multi-use trail including the installation of the outfall sanitary forcemain, stormsewer and watermain

G.2.2 Councillor Hope Notice of Motion Re: Bay Street East Alternate Reconstruction Route

Note: Councillor Hope provided the following Notice of Motion at the September 17, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting. In accordance with Procedural By-law 2023-62 the motion requires a mover and seconder to be put before Council.

The following Notice of Motion will be included on the October 21, 2024 Council Agenda, for Council consideration.

WHEREAS significant concern has been raised over the recommended alignment for the new sewer line on Bay Street East, the Town requests the Engineering department to report back to the next Council meeting on the potential to implement the sewer upgrades based on the route attached to the deputation of Ted Squires, Resident Re: Concerns relating to Bay Street East Forcemain and sewer upgrades dated September 17, 2024

G.2.3 Councillor Hope Notice of Motion Re: Engineering Standards Review and Budget for 2025

Note: Councillor Hope provided the following Notice of Motion at the September 17, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting. In accordance with Procedural By-law 2023-62 the motion requires a mover and seconder to be put before Council.

The following Notice of Motion will be included on the October 21, 2024 Council Agenda, for Council consideration.

WHEREAS in regard to the road reconstruction aspects of the Bay Street East Forcemain project caused by implementation by the sewer upgrades and noting that the application of Town-wide engineering standards are not appropriate to all local and site specific conditions and considerations, the Town requests that the Engineering department report back on revised and site context specific engineering standards that provide flexibility for reconstruction to adapt to the local context, minimize impacts to trees and other existing features and ensure that the existing character of the roads are maintained to the extent possible. Preparation of cost estimates for these actions are requested for the purposes of submitting 2025 budget material on this item.

G.3 Additions to Agenda

G.3.1 Housing Enabling Fund Grant

This Addition to the Agenda will be included on the October 21, 2024 Council Agenda.

G.4 News and Celebrations

None

H. Closed Session

None

I. Notice of Meeting Dates

Council, Public Meeting, October 1, 2024
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Committee of the Whole Meeting, October 7, 2024
Finance, Administration, Fire Services, Community Services
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Committee of the Whole Meeting, October 8, 2024
Operations, Planning and Development Services
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

Council Meeting, October 21, 2024
Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual

J. Confirmation By-law

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Bordignon

THAT By-law No. 2024-66, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on September 30, 2024 be hereby enacted as passed this 30th day of September, 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)

K. Adjournment

Moved by: Councillor Ardiel
Seconded by: Councillor Hope

THAT this Council does now adjourn at 4:57 p.m. to meet again October 21, 2024 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

January 10, 2025

via email

Mayor and Council
Town of the Blue Mountains
32 Mill Street
Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

Re: Draft Charter for Watershed Security

Dear Mayor and Council,

It is the understanding of the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (GSCA) that Council received correspondence from a local resident regarding a “Draft Municipal Charter for Watershed Security”, and further that Council has referred this correspondence to the GSCA for review and comment.

We have reviewed the provided correspondence, as well as an attached Council motion from July 15, 2024, regarding a proposed “Watershed Summit” and offer the following discussion items.

Background:

1. Ontario’s Conservation authorities are established by legislation on a watershed basis.
2. The boundaries of the Town of the Blue Mountains are fully within the jurisdiction of the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (84%), and the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (16%).
3. These two conservation authorities have been in existence since 1957 and 1960, respectively.
4. Integrated watershed planning is a role that is already being fulfilled by both conservation authorities, and conservation authorities remain the most appropriate agency to carry out this role.
5. Some of the services that GSCA provides within this context are:
 - a. Managing, monitoring, and communicating the risk of natural hazards related to flood and erosion. This includes GSCA’s plan review and permitting roles that works to keep development away from natural hazards. As well as flood forecasting and warning activities and the operation and maintenance of flood and erosion control infrastructure.
 - b. Monitoring and reporting on stream and watershed health.
 - c. Undertaking forestry and stewardship activities, to improve habitats and reduce or reverse the ecological impacts of human uses of the landscape.
 - d. Protection of municipal sources of drinking water through risk management plans for well-head protection zones and intake protection zones.
 - e. Effectively managing natural areas for public recreation, biodiversity, natural flood attenuation and drought resistance.

Member Municipalities

Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, Town of the Blue Mountains, Township of Chatsworth, Township of Georgian Bluffs, Municipality of Grey Highlands, Municipality of Meaford, City of Owen Sound, Town of South Bruce Peninsula

- f. Educational programming to increase environmental awareness and responsibility, provide opportunities to connect with nature, and encourage conservation action.
6. Prior to the implementation of Bill 23, local conservation authorities also provided natural heritage (woodland, wetland, ANSI, etc) review for municipal planning applications under service agreements. This review was conducted with a watershed lens. It is our understanding that the County of Grey is sufficiently resourced to undertake this review on behalf of the municipality for Planning Act applications.

Although conservation authorities are no longer legislatively permitted to conduct this review for Planning Act applications, we can still participate and assist municipalities in undertaking general watershed and/or sub-watershed plans that could provide a framework and an understanding of the watershed for the municipality to incorporate into future municipal plan documents.

Moving Forward:

1. We agree that using the watershed as the scale for land use planning is the most meaningful approach, because water and waterways are essential to both our communities and ecosystems, and they cross over municipal boundaries.
2. We agree that undertaking watershed and sub-watershed planning exercises would position the Town, and your adjacent municipal partners, to make more responsible and informed decisions regarding land-use planning.
3. It is our opinion that undertaking wholistic watershed and sub-watershed planning will prepare the Town to be more development ready, allowing for smoother and more timely development application processes. This is because all parties will have a clear understanding of what is developable and what is not based on the goals and objectives of the Town and the community.
4. We agree that involving the citizens within the community to engage on the development of these plans is vital to success.
5. It is our opinion that this type of work should be led by the municipality(ies) in conjunction with your local conservation authorities to ensure an unbiased, consistent and comprehensive approach that benefits from decades of integrated watershed management experience.
6. Regarding the specific recommended elements from the correspondence provided, these are all valuable considerations for the Town to include in land-use decisions. Some of these could be incorporated into existing municipal planning documents (eg: Official Plans), and some could be built into guidance documents (eg: Standard Terms of Reference or requirements for Environmental Impact Studies).
7. Some considerations for the Town in moving forward:
 - a. Have you had dialogue with the other municipalities that you share your watershed with to determine a coordinated approach?
 - b. Is the Town prepared to partner with neighbouring municipalities and relevant conservation authorities to ensure success?

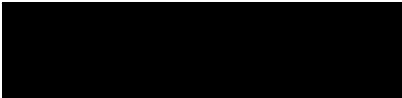
- c. For elements that require monitoring of development, does the Town have the capacity to undertake this. If not, does the Town have the tools to require this of developers? If issues are identified, what mechanisms does the Town have to rectify the issue(s)?
 - d. To what degree do the Charter elements align with the strategic directions of the Town?
 - e. Has the Town set aside funds or is the Town planning to set aside funds to accomplish these goals/elements?
8. Regarding the Watershed Summit, it is our understanding that this event will be used as a learning opportunity to gather groups together with a common interest in watershed health. It is highly recommended that conservation authorities (CA) be involved so they can showcase successes, challenges, projects and initiatives. This may open opportunities for collaboration and allow participants to learn about where there are gaps in the work of the CAs and identify focus areas.

Summary:

Overall, GSCA is supportive of using the watershed as the meaningful scale for land-use planning. Generally, the elements suggested in the Watershed Charter are positive and would promote watershed health. It is our opinion that positive results can be achieved through ongoing partnerships between relevant municipal and conservation authority partners. Further, we believe that comprehensively engaging all sectors of the community would help to develop the most robust and effective plan.

We would be happy to discuss this further with Council and/or Staff of the Town.

Regards,



Tim Lanthier
Chief Administrative Officer
Grey Sauble Conservation Authority

Cc via email:

GSCA Board of Directors
Ms. Sheryl Flannagan, Interim CAO, NVCA

From: Tyler Boswell <tboswell@nvca.on.ca>

Sent: Monday, December 9, 2024 2:55 PM

To: Kyra Dunlop <kdunlop@thebluemountains.ca>

Cc: Sheryl Flannagan <sflannagan@nvca.on.ca>; Doug Hevenor <dhevenor@nvca.on.ca>; Corrina Giles <cgiles@thebluemountains.ca>; Chris Hibberd <c.hibberd@nvca.on.ca>; 'MacLean Plewes' <m.plewes@greysauble.on.ca>

Subject: RE: Town of The Blue Mountains Council Resolution Re Watershed Security

Good afternoon Kyra,

Thank you for circulating us on the Council Resolution regarding a Municipal Charter on Watershed Security. As the Nottawasaga Watershed continues to experience rapid growth, it is important to ensure compatible land-use planning to protect the long-term health and safety of the watershed, including its properties and people.

We fully support efforts to raise awareness about the impacts on watershed health and are willing to consider participating in these initiatives.

Best,

Tyler Boswell, M.A. (he/him)

Planner

Supporting the Town of Blue Mountains, Bradford West Gwillimbury, Grey Highlands, and Wasaga Beach

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Sent: November 26, 2024 2:39 PM
To: Sheryl Flannagan <sflannagan@nvca.on.ca>; Doug Hevenor <dhevenor@nvca.on.ca>
Cc: Corrina Giles <cgiles@thebluemountains.ca>
Subject: Town of The Blue Mountains Council Resolution Re Watershed Security

Hello,

At their October 29, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting, Council received the attached correspondence from Paul Reale, Resident. At their November 25, 2024 Special Meeting of Council, Council passed the following resolution:

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the Paul Reale, Chair, Watershed Summit & Andrew McCammon, Executive Director, Ontario Headwaters Institute Re: Request for Feedback on Draft Municipal Charter for Watershed Security, and refers the correspondence to the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority and Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority for comment, Carried.

Thank you,



Kyra Dunlop

Deputy Clerk, BA (Hons)

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Town of The Blue Mountains
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Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

Correspondence for Planning and Development Services

Committee of the Whole, October 29th, 2024

RE: Feedback Request on Draft Municipal Charter for Watershed Security

Dear Madame Chair and Committee Members,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your unanimous support for the idea of a Watershed Summit during the July 15th Council meeting. The resolution passed in Council has been instrumental in advancing this important initiative, and we are pleased to provide you with an update.

The Steering Committee has made excellent progress since our initial meeting, establishing positive relationships through productive discussions. As a result, we are targeting June 2025 for the Summit. In line with the goals of the Summit, we have adopted the **Municipal Charter for Watershed Security** as a key framework. We believe this Charter will enable Summit participants to move expeditiously to identify common concerns and prioritize actions for watershed protection.

The **Municipal Charter for Watershed Security**, created by the Ontario Headwaters Institute (OHI), is currently in draft form. The OHI has circulated the Charter to various organizations and stakeholders across the province for their input, and is collecting feedback through social media, meetings, and a [public survey](#), which will remain open until the end of October. The final version will be released in early November.

We are now seeking your valuable feedback on the draft Charter. At this time, we invite feedback from Councillors and Town Staff, either through the survey or via any discussions you suggest. We also hope that early awareness of the Charter will prove beneficial as the Town continues its efforts in watershed security.

We plan to present the finalized Charter to Town Council on November 12th, and any advice or comments from this Committee on the Charter will be welcome and help us deliver a constructive and impactful Summit in June 2025.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to hearing your thoughts to ensure the success of the Summit and the protection of our local watersheds.

Warm regards,

Paul Reale, Chair, Watershed Summit

Andrew McCammon, Executive Director, Ontario Headwaters Institute

A Municipal Charter for Watershed Security in Ontario

As Ontario municipalities deliver core services that impact the health of our waters, including those related to land use planning, drinking water, storm water, and sanitary sewage, and as Ontario’s population and development pressures grow at a time when the climate and biodiversity crises require strategic direction, it is more important than ever that municipalities integrate land use and watershed planning.

A constructive step along this path would be for municipalities to develop a Charter for Watershed Security - the protection of our aquatic resources to safeguard regional ecological integrity, social wellbeing, and economic vitality.

Indeed, such a Charter might be the best way to ensure that municipalities meet their obligations under the Provincial Planning Statement to use the watershed as the ecologically meaningful scale for planning as well as to protect, improve or restore the quality and quantity of water.

The Charter could have the following elements:

- A commitment to integrate land use and watershed planning;
- Embracing a whole watershed approach to ensure that normal flows of clean water enter the municipality from upstream communities, as well as to assure the same for communities downstream;
- Undertaking a water resource inventory as well as an ecological land classification study and using the information to create both a natural heritage system strategy and a biodiversity strategy to identify and protect key ecological features and functions for local watershed health.
- Early direction to key municipal departments, such as economic development, permitting, transportation, and works, to integrate their land use planning responsibilities with watershed planning, including consideration of the impacts of climate change on local watersheds;
- Establishing watershed and/or sub-watershed targets, including restoration targets where necessary, for areas in natural heritage, wetlands, streamside vegetation, and urban canopies and greenspace;
- Ensuring before and after terrestrial and aquatic monitoring of the immediate impacts of specific development, including infrastructure, as described by a municipal protocol;
- Performing cumulative monitoring on a regular basis and implementing adaptive management to redress unacceptable conditions, and,
- Encouraging sound stewardship practices for all land in the municipality.

Comments and suggestions on this draft Charter are welcome through the end of October.



**The Town of The Blue Mountains
Council Meeting**

Title: Councillor Maxwell Notice of Motion Re: Watershed Summit
Date: Monday, July 15, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Maxwell

Seconded by: Councillor Porter

WHEREAS a watershed is an area that catches rain and snow, allowing water to seep into marshes, streams, rivers, lakes, and underground aquifers, effectively making everyone a resident within a watershed;
AND WHEREAS the Town of The Blue Mountains is blessed with several watersheds, many of which contain rivers, streams, lakes, springs, and aquifers that transcend municipal boundaries, connecting us through our shared reliance on Georgian Bay as part of the Great Lakes;

AND WHEREAS our rapidly growing municipality faces increased pressure on its natural environment, which is vital for the community's well-being and is a primary reason many residents choose to live here;

AND WHEREAS there is a critical need for a municipal water management plan that emphasizes collaboration with neighboring municipalities, agencies, and citizen groups to protect our watersheds, given our shared reliance on these resources;
AND WHEREAS human actions, such as ecosystem and landscape changes, sedimentation, pollution, and climate change, significantly impact our natural water resources;
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council supports, in principle, the organization of a summit focusing on the protection and management of our watersheds, bringing together community members, organizations, agencies, and other stakeholders to contribute their expertise and perspectives;
AND THAT Council is open to encouraging and supporting external organizations in taking the lead to develop and facilitate this summit, using their knowledge and resources to aid in the creation of a robust municipal water management plan.

YES: 6

NO: 0

CONFLICT: 0

ABSENT: 1

The motion is Carried

YES: 6

Mayor Matrosovs
Councillor McKinlay

Councillor Ardiel
Councillor Porter

Councillor Hope

Councillor Maxwell

NO: 0

CONFLICT: 0

From: De Bartolo, Betty <BDeBartolo@aurora.ca> on behalf of Mrakas, Tom <TMrakas@aurora.ca>
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2024 6:26:10 PM
To: Mrakas, Tom <TMrakas@aurora.ca>
Subject: Follow-Up: Join Over 50 Municipalities Supporting Sustainable Funding for Our Communities

Dear Elected Official,

I'm reaching out again regarding the motion calling on the province to redistribute part of the Land Transfer Tax and the federal government to share a portion of the GST on new home sales. This initiative is critical to securing predictable and sustainable funding for our municipalities, enabling us to address infrastructure needs without over-reliance on property taxes.

I'm pleased to share that over 50 municipalities have already passed this motion, demonstrating widespread support for this important cause. As a result, you may soon notice resolutions related to this initiative appearing on your agenda from other municipalities.

If your Council has not yet adopted this motion, I strongly encourage you to introduce it for consideration. Standing together as municipalities across the province will amplify our message to the Provincial and Federal Governments and show them the urgency and unity behind this request.

Thank you again to those who have already passed the motion. Your leadership is helping pave the way for meaningful change. For those still considering, I have attached a copy of the motion. If you have any question, I would be happy to answer any questions to assist you.

Together, we can ensure a stronger financial future for all our municipalities.

Regards,

Tom Mrakas

Mayor Town of Aurora

416-543-1624



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Town of Aurora

Member Motion

Mayor's Office

Re: Request the Redistribution of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to Municipalities for Sustainable Infrastructure Funding

To: Members of Council

From: Mayor Tom Mrakas

Date: November 5, 2024

Whereas municipalities face growing infrastructure needs, including roads, bridges, public transit, water systems, and other critical services, which are essential to community well-being and economic development; and

Whereas the current sources of municipal revenue, including property taxes and user fees, are insufficient to meet these increasing demands for infrastructure investment; and

Whereas the Province of Ontario currently collects the Land Transfer Tax (LTT) on property transactions in municipalities across the province, generating significant revenue that is not directly shared with municipalities; and

Whereas the Federal Government collects the Goods and Services Tax (GST) on property transactions, a portion of which could be directed to municipalities to address local infrastructure needs; and

Whereas redistributing a portion of the Provincial Land Transfer Tax and GST to municipalities would provide a predictable and sustainable source of funding for local infrastructure projects without creating a new tax burden on residents or homebuyers; and

Whereas a redistribution of a portion of the existing Land Transfer Tax and GST would allow municipalities to better plan and invest in long-term infrastructure initiatives, supporting local economic growth and improving the quality of life for residents;

1. Now Therefore Be It Hereby Resolved That Aurora Town Council formally requests the Provincial Government to consider redistributing a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities; and

2. Be It Further Resolved That Aurora Town Council calls on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities; and
3. Be It Further Resolved That this redistribution of the Land Transfer Tax and GST should be structured to provide predictable and sustainable funding to municipalities, allowing for better long-term planning and investment in infrastructure projects that benefit local communities, thus ensuring that local governments receive a fair share of the revenue to address critical infrastructure needs; and
4. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Premier Doug Ford, the Ontario Minister of Finance, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, local Members of Parliament (MPs) and Members of Provincial Parliament (MPPs); and
5. Be It Further Resolved That copies of this resolution be forwarded to all 444 Municipalities in Ontario, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) for their endorsement and advocacy.

From: Jim Oliver [REDACTED]
Sent: January 15, 2025 3:18 PM
To: Corrina Giles <cgiles@thebluemountains.ca>
Cc: Kyra Dunlop <kdunlop@thebluemountains.ca>; Carrie Fairley <cfairley@thebluemountains.ca>
Subject: TBM 2025 Budget Discussions - OPP Detachment Board "Public" Member Remuneration

Madame Clerk,

The TBM Opp Detachment Board met today (Jan 15) for our regularly scheduled meeting.

The OAPSB survey of PSB/OPP Detachment Bd member remuneration was discussed as part of our agenda. This survey and its results were provided to TBM Council last Fall as an FYI item.

Following discussion, our board passed the following motion:

*“THAT the TBM OPP detachment board receive for information the OAPSB Remuneration Survey;
AND THAT the Board requests Town Council to give consideration for an appropriate level of remuneration for the public and provincial appointee board members for 2025 and beyond, as part of Council’s budget discussions.”*

Our board realizes that it is Council’s decision as to what level of remuneration should be provided to recognize the time and effort required by the volunteer community board members under the new Community Safety and policing Act.

I have been advised by staff that the next scheduled 2025 budget consideration meeting will take place this Friday, and I would ask that this letter be provided to Council members and appropriate staff at your upcoming budget meeting.

Sincerely,

Jim Oliver,

Chair, TBMOPPDB

OAPSB OPP Detachment Board Remuneration Survey Report

The Ontario Association of Police Service Boards (OAPSB) conducted a survey among its members who are forming the new OPP Detachment Boards under the new Community Safety and Policing Act. The objective was to gather insights and details regarding the past and current practices of board member remuneration. This survey aimed to assist the new boards in determining appropriate remuneration practices by reflecting on historical data and current perspectives from various communities.

Findings Summary

The survey results showed the following trends. For the detailed information, please scroll down to the Survey Results section.

Remuneration for board members in the overall survey revealed that most communities in the past did remunerate all board members regardless of their position. Some boards chose to pay more for a board secretary and chair because of their expanded responsibilities.

The survey also shows that a majority of boards had paid more than \$1000 per board member per year. The majority of respondents showed that remuneration was a combination of a rate and expense reimbursement and the criteria for remuneration was a flat rate per board meeting regardless of the amount of time required for preparation or duration of the meeting and that committee work was not always covered as a “meeting”.

Survey Results

The below information is a summary of the raw data and feedback directly from the survey.

Participation

There were 37 participants all from different communities who responded. Those 37 participating communities represented 29 new OPP Detachment Boards.

Current Size of Board

The responses ranged indicating that all of the participants did not understand the question the same way. Some of the responses may have indicated the number of seats their current community has sitting on a new OPP Detachment Board, while others may have indicated how many seats on the OPP Detachment Board were already filled and still others may have just counted the number of seats required on the OPP Detachment Board per O. Reg. 135/24.

The responses included the following

Current Size Number of Responses

1	2
3	1
4	2
5	12
6	3

7	6
9	5
10	3
15	3

Remuneration

The OAPSB did want to gather as much detail as possible when it came to previous and current activities with respect to remuneration. There was a lot of thought put into the questions in this section to produce some detail with respect to the topic of *total remuneration*.

In the following parts of this section of the survey, we will summarize not only the total number of responses but the detail inside of those responses to provide some clarity.

The first section had to do with any past practices that allowed different levels of remuneration depending on the responsibilities of elected, committee work or administrative functions for board members.

1. Did your board have different remuneration amounts depending on your position on the board (chair, vice chair, secretary/treasurer, etc.)?

The total responses split into three areas:

Yes = 14 No = 22 Unanswered = 1

Of the Yes responses, participants were asked what the difference in amounts for different positions on the board was. The interpretation in the summary included a lot of variation that the OAPSB may decide to further explore at another time. In some cases the feedback was a per meeting /per position amount and at others it was the total budget amount.

The answers varied in their responses and are summarized below.

Remuneration per position on the Board
Secretary 300\$ per meeting
Board members are paid a monthly honorarium plus authorized per diem plus expenses for approved special projects in accordance with the Board's remuneration and expense policy. Board Exec. Asst. is paid a salary, plus per diem and expenses per the policy and an hourly rate for approved special projects.
Chair -\$100/year
Chair \$112.50 per meeting and vice chair \$93.75 Secretary hourly rate
Chair - \$2,000
Chair's salary higher than two other members
Annual wage plus expense reimbursement plus per diem for professional development events

Community & provincial members receive an annual stipend of \$4000; Chair receives an additional \$1200
Chair was \$2000
Chair \$5300/year Secretary \$4200 Vice same as members
150/per meeting for members and 300/ per meeting for secretary
Remuneration for Chair (\$150/mtg) and Provincial Appointee (\$100/mtg)
chair \$1060. Member \$765. Sec-Treas \$1060.

2. Similarly, the summary of those who answered that in the past their board members did receive remuneration, were asked to split it into a financial category for the ease of understanding the total board member remuneration. Of those boards who participated in the survey (37) only 32 boards answered the question. The table below shows the results.

\$0 per year	\$100 or less per year	\$101 - \$300 per year	\$301 - \$500 per year	\$501 - \$1000 per year	\$1000 + per year
5	2	3	3	7	13

Provincial Appointees

3. Knowing that the CSPA has been somewhat prescriptive by legislation, stating the Provincial Appointees will be remunerated, the OAPSB thought it important to ask about specific remuneration for Provincial Appointees in the past, and whether there was any difference based on the remuneration for existing Board members. The following table shows the results, and it is important to note that of the 37 boards participating, 6 boards did not answer this question

\$0 per year	\$100 or less per year	\$101 - \$300 per year	\$301 - \$500 per year	\$501 - \$1000 per year	\$1000 + per year
8	4	1	1	7	11

Type of Remuneration

Again, with the aim to understand the nuances in how board members may be remunerated, the OAPSB felt it important to understand the complexity in situations that may determine how Board Members are remunerated. The following number of questions identifies the different situations that may determine the remuneration for board members.

4. Types of Remuneration:

Remuneration plus expenses	24
Remuneration only	9
Expenses only	1

5. Criteria for Remuneration

Flat rate per hour regardless of task (prep time, meetings, committee work, training, conferences) no cap	Flat rate per hour for specific tasks only	Flat rate per meeting only	Flat rate per hour per meeting only	Flat rate per month regardless of task or time committed	Different rates for meeting prep, meeting attendance, training and conferences	Expense reimbursement only	No payment or reimbursement	Assumed as part of compensation for municipal council work
3	0	15	0	8	3	5	2	1

6. How much do they receive?

\$0
\$3,000 per year paid quarterly less deductions
300\$ per annum
Members - \$1,500
In 2024, Chair - \$3,560/year, Members & Secretary - \$2,946/year. Expenses reimbursed, and \$200/day per diem for conference/seminar attendance.
1850
Community & provincial members receive an annual stipend of \$4000; Chair receives an additional \$1200. No additional remuneration for Council appointments.
Chair salary - \$3,144 + reimbursement of expenses. Other members salary - \$2,350 + reimbursement of expenses.
Council appointee & community appointee meeting under 3 hours 88.09, meeting over 3 hours 146.85, meeting over 5 hours 278.36
2060
\$150 per meeting
765
\$50 per meeting

Board members receive an honorarium of approximately \$5,220.00 per annum plus \$100.00 per diem plus expenses for approved work and the Board Exec. Asst. is paid an annual salary of \$15,000, plus per diem of \$100.00 and expenses per the policy and an hourly rate of \$70.00 for approved special projects.
member \$150/mtg, chair \$175/mtg
\$4000.00 annually
0
\$75.40 per meeting to a maximum of \$754.00 per year.
Payment was based on a per diem (\$83.23 in 2023).
\$100.00 per year was paid to the provincial appointee only
All PSB members could claim mileage for meetings. Only the provincial rep received \$100.00 per year as per the PSA. Council rep was assumed as part of duties and community rep was volunteer.
\$3,333/ yr
\$1800 Annually
\$100 per year remuneration for all members, plus travel expenses plus an out of town meeting per diem for travel outside of our municipality
Travel expenses + \$150/day for per diem.
\$4200 per year
2000.00
150\$ per meeting + expenses when going to a conference
meeting remuneration and any travel expense for conferences or out of town meeting

New OPP Detachment Boards

The OAPSB suspected that some boards may already have moved ahead with determining remuneration so felt it was important to include any remuneration decisions that have already been made by new boards in the survey.

7. Will your board have different remuneration amounts depending on your position on the board (chair, vice chair, secretary/treasurer, etc.)?

Yes	12
No	14
No resp	11

8. If so, what will new Detachment Board position amounts be?

Not sure if there will be different amounts since we have not been reconstituted as a board. This needs to be discussed because the Chair does WAY more than anyone else on the board.
has not been determined
Chair - \$2,000

Wage plus expense reimbursement plus daily per diem for professional development attendance (conference, etc.)
The Chair receives an additional \$1200.
Chair's salary higher than two other members
\$50/mtg and \$75/mtg for Chair
Chair \$1060. Member \$765. Sec-Treas \$1060.=
See question 10 above for specific remuneration amounts
TBD
Paid by municipality
We are only paying the Provincial rep. as it is mandated by the Province that we do so. We will not be paying remuneration to the Council and community member for meetings attended, however, we will pay them a meeting per diem along with travel expenses for any time attending meetings out of town.
same as before but tied to cost of living
Same as above
Secretary et maybe the chair
undecided we would like guidance

9. Has remuneration been decided for current OPP Detachment Board?

Yes	15
No	22
No Answer	0

10. If so, what type of remuneration will be covered?

Remuneration plus expenses	20
Remuneration only	3
Expenses only	0

11. For your new board, what will be the criteria for remuneration?

Flat rate per hour regardless of task (prep time, meetings, committee work, training, conferences) no cap	Flat rate per hour for specific tasks only	Flat rate per meeting only	Flat rate per hour per meeting only	Flat rate per month regardless of task or time committed	Different rates for meeting prep, meeting attendance, training and conferences	Expense reimbursement only	No payment or reimbursement	Assumed as part of compensation for municipal council work
2	0	14	0	7	3	4	0	3

12. What is the expected amount of remuneration?

Not determined at this point. it will be a combination of expense reimbursement and an annual amount.
Members - \$1,000
Chair - \$3,651/year. Members, Admin Support and Municipal Liaisons (CAOs) - \$2,947/year. Expenses are reimbursed, and \$220/day per diem for professional development such as conferences, etc.
not sure
Haldimand County community & provincial members receive an annual stipend of \$4000; Chair receives an additional \$1200. No additional remuneration for Haldimand County Council appointments.
Regular and special meetings: Chair - \$400 per meeting, all other members - \$250 per meeting. Zone meeting - 2 members allowed at \$250 per meeting, Conference attendance \$100 per day. Expenses reimbursed according to travel expenses policy adopted by detachment board.
nothing decided yet, as meetings changing towns
above - \$50/mtg and \$75/mtg for Chair
\$150 per meeting plus mileage
765
To be determined see question 13
\$2000.00 annually
\$3,333/ yr
3,500.00
\$75 per meeting for the Provincial rep only
The Provincial Appointee and the Community Appointees will receive \$2,000 per annum for attendance at meetings, online training (as required), meeting preparation and follow-up. Out of pocket expenses, previously approved by the Board, will be eligible for reimbursement.
has not changed from previous Board
75.00 per meetings for members, chair 112.50, vicechair 93.75
2000.00
150\$ per meeting
unsure

Summary of final thoughts of the participants are included below.

- Do not know what, if any remuneration was/is paid to provincial appointee member of the board

- With a flat remuneration it does not provide adequate compensation to those members who are doing more- whether additional meetings, attending OAPSB conference or zone meetings- there is no incentive to do any more than the person getting the same as you- and while none of us are doing this for the money there should be some recognition of those who do go above and beyond- attend all the meetings, get engaged and advocate. Also- the expense reimbursement policies seem to follow those of the municipality in that something very small has to be approved by the board first- there needs to be some policies around what is eligible for board members to submit (eg mileage, meal expenses for meetings, etc). The municipality is the one that decides what the remuneration will be with zero input from the board itself. This culture has to change!
- We currently receive an annual amount (300\$) plus reimbursement for expenses. There is no difference in remuneration per board member type. I suspect that we will consider average number of hours per year at a fair rate.
- In CSPA regulation, the two boards for the Essex County OPP do not have different names. We are using "North" for the board covering Tecumseh, Lakeshore and Town of Essex but it is not 'official' in the regulation.
- This is based on past practice and relates to Haldimand County appointments. We understand that it may need to be adjusted. It is our understanding that Mississauga's of the Credit First Nation will be responsible for the remuneration of their members.
- Question 16 - information provided is as per budget approved by detachment board but not yet approved by all municipality in catchment area.
- Not sure how you can ask the questions regarding the new board as boards are unable to meet and make decisions due to no insurance.
- Remuneration has not been set for this Board. Initial talks include Flat rate for meetings. (Time dependent ie. half day or full day) Expense reimbursement for mileage, meals, accommodations. Training and conference attendance. (Time dependent i.e. half day or full day)
- New Board make up not finalized yet and will be in Cochrane instead of Smooth Rock Falls with new board
- Members of Municipal councils should be paid by the local council.
- If answer is blank, I do not know at the moment of this survey Thank you
- The Executive Assistant of the Board will forward our special remuneration policy to Lisa Darling to provide more detail.
- The compensation is a flat rate annually as decided by City Council. Any conferences attended are reimbursed.
- The Chair was our Mayor, so remuneration was covered under Mayor remuneration. Secretary is staff, so no additional remuneration. Expenses for conferences was paid per member.
- Remuneration for the current Board is still to be determined therefore previous questions could not be answered.
- Remuneration, once decided, ought to be consistent across the participating municipalities and first nation communities
- Unsure at this time for remuneration for the Board, TBD when board can meet.
- My first month on the Board, so not certain of exact remuneration... haven't asked for details.
- The new detachment board has not yet met so we not able to give proper details for this survey.

- We are paying the Provincial rep. only as it is mandated by the Province. All other members of the OPP Detachment Board are only receiving a meeting per diem and reimbursement for travel expenses for meetings that take place outside of each member's municipality. Our Council members already receive annual remuneration from their respective municipalities for their time and work spent on various boards and committees.
- Council Appointees will not receive any remuneration for serving on the Detachment Board, as it's assumed to be covered by their Council remuneration.
- The Superior East Detachment Board has not met at this time and no decision has been made on any remuneration. This will be discussed at its first meeting.
- We are fortunate that our Board has not changed except in name only. Compensation will remain the same.
- Members don't get paid for attending zone 4 meetings or conferences only expenses for mileage, meals, parking. No remuneration paid only for open public meetings
- When appointed to Police Services Board Pembroke by Province we were paid \$4000. Per year. I considered it my duty to attend quarterly Neighborhood Watch meetings, special BIA meetings, Kids & Cops Fishing Derby and meeting with Detachment Commander as required. I maintain my connections and work with our Service Clubs e.g. Rotary, Kiwanis & Royal Canadian Legion.
- We would like guidance on other board rates.

Conclusion

In summary, the survey conducted by the Ontario Association of Police Service Boards provides a comprehensive overview of the remuneration practices for OPP Detachment Board members, both past and present. The insights gathered will serve as valuable guidance for new boards as they establish fair and effective remuneration policies. By reflecting on the diverse practices and opinions shared by the participating communities, the new OPP Detachment Boards can make informed decisions that uphold the principles of transparency, fairness, and accountability in their governance.

Ministry of Infrastructure

Office of the Minister

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December 16, 2024

Her Worship Andrea Matrosovs
Mayor
The Town of Blue Mountains
amatrosovs@thebluemountains.ca

Dear Mayor Andrea Matrosovs:

On behalf of the Ministry of Infrastructure, I would like to thank you for attending the 2024 Association of Municipalities of Ontario Conference. It was a pleasure to meet with you and your delegation.

I understand the pressure the town is facing. That is why, through the 2023 Fall Economic Statement (FES), the province introduced the Housing-Enabling Water Systems Fund (HEWSF) to assist municipalities in developing, repairing, rehabilitating, and expanding drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure to support new housing development. It has been informed by data, consultations and complements other housing-related initiatives like the Building Faster Fund. Since the announcement of the program, Ontario has significantly increased its investment, bringing the fund total to \$1.2 billion.

On behalf of the ministry, I would like to congratulate the Town of Blue Mountains on their successful HEWSF application for upgrades and rehabilitation of your wastewater system. I look forward to working with you on this project in the coming months.

In addition, the 2024 Ontario Budget introduced the Municipal Housing Infrastructure Program (MHIP), a \$1 billion initiative aimed at supporting core municipal infrastructure projects to help unlock more homes and promote growth in communities. This program focuses on the construction, repair, rehabilitation, and expansion of essential infrastructure such as roads, bridges, and water systems to sustain housing needs. Increases to HEWSF was the first step in delivering on this investment. Under this program, Ontario is investing \$400 million to launch the Housing-Enabling Core Servicing (HECS) Stream that aims to build, maintain, and repair core assets such as municipal roads, bridges and culverts that will enable new housing opportunities and ensure communities have reliable roads and bridge assets. For any additional questions or concerns, you may contact the ministry by emailing MHIP@ontario.ca.

The remaining funding under MHIP will help municipalities target other key infrastructure priorities, including maintaining the health and safety of local water and wastewater systems. More information about this funding, including eligibility and application intake details, will be announced next year.

Together the MHIP and the HEWSF will provide municipalities with over \$1.9 billion in provincial funding for housing and community-enabling infrastructure. We understand the importance of investing in critical core infrastructure to support growth, as well as the

importance of supporting all municipalities, especially small, rural and northern municipalities.

Thank you again for meeting with the Ministry of Infrastructure.

Sincerely,



The Honourable Kinga Surma
Minister of Infrastructure



December 20, 2024

The Town of the Blue Mountains
Corrina Giles, Clerk
32 Mill Street P.O. Box 310
Thornbury, Ontario
N0H 2P0

Dear Ms. Giles:

RE: NVCA BOARD MEMBER'S PER DIEM AND EXPENSES

I have been asked to supply municipalities with remuneration expenses paid to our NVCA Board members over the 2024 year in accordance with the Municipal Act, Section 284(3).

Your council's appointee for the 2024 term to the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority was June Porter.

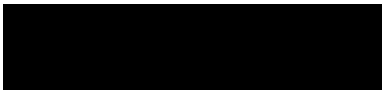
The Authority held 9 Board of Directors meetings from January 1 to December 31, 2024.

The total number attended by your member was 9, plus 1 other business Authority meetings.

The total mileage expense paid was \$507.50 and the total per diem paid was \$820.30.

If you have any questions relating to the above, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at 705-424-1479 ext.228.

Sincerely,



Sheryl Flannagan
Interim Chief Administrative Officer &
Director, Corporate Services

Cc: Monica Quinlan



Notice of Decision and Right to Appeal

This is a notice about the decisions from the December 18, 2024, Committee of Adjustment Meeting.

A certified copy of the Committee of Adjustment's decision is attached to this notice.

If you disagree with this decision, you may file an appeal with the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT). An appeal must include the required Appellant Form and the required Fees made out to the Minister of Finance. The Appellant Form must also set out the objection to the decision and the reasons in support of the objection. Please note, only the applicant, public bodies with an interest in the matter, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, and 'specified persons', as defined by the Planning Act, are permitted to appeal decisions related to minor variance applications. These are recent changes that have been made to the Planning Act by the province.

The Appellant Form and fees must be delivered in person or by registered mail to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee of Adjustment:

Secretary-Treasurer
Committee of Adjustment
Town of The Blue Mountains
32 Mill Street, P.O. Box 310
Thornbury, ON, N0H 2P0

The last date for filing an appeal for a minor variance decision is January 7, 2025, by 4:30 pm.

More information about how to file an appeal, including the forms and fees, is available on the Ontario Land Tribunal website at <https://olt.gov.on.ca/>.

If there is an appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal, except where all appeals are withdrawn, a hearing will be held and notice will be given to the Applicant, the Appellant, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee, and to anyone else as determined by the Ontario Land Tribunal.

If no appeal on this decision is received within twenty days of the decision, the decision of the Committee is final and binding. The Secretary-Treasurer will notify the Applicant and file a certified copy of the decision with the Clerk of the Town of The Blue Mountains.



Town of The Blue Mountains
Committee of Adjustment
Decision

In the matter of application for File No. **A40-2024** to consider a variance to the Town of The Blue Mountains Comprehensive Zoning By-law 2018-65, as amended.

Date of Hearing: December 18, 2024
Property Location: 140 Venture Boulevard
Owner/ Applicant: Clerici

Purpose of Application:

The purpose of this application is to request a minor variance from Table 6.2.1

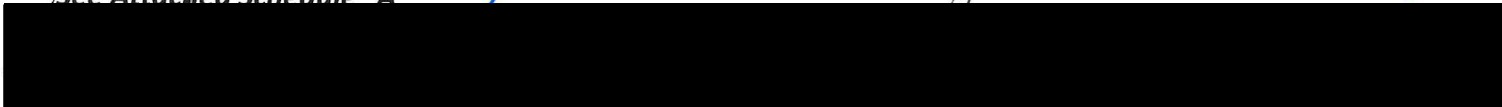
- 1. To increase the maximum lot coverage from 30% to 33.9%

DECISION:

THAT the Committee of Adjustment GRANT Application **A40-2024** to permit the construction of 14.9 square metre accessory structure.

Conditions and Reasons For Decision:

See Attached Schedule "A"



Robert B. Walnd ✓ Chairman Jim Oliver Vice Chairman Michael Martin Jan Pratt Duncan McKinlay

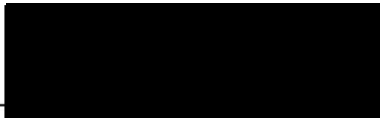
Date of Decision: December 18, 2024

The last date for filing an appeal to the decision is January 7, 2025

CERTIFICATION

Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P13, Sec 45(10)

I, Carrie Fairley, Secretary-Treasurer of the Town of The Blue Mountains Committee of Adjustment, certify that the above is a true copy of the decision of the committee with respect to the application recorded therein.



Carrie Fairley, Secretary-Treasurer

Town of The Blue Mountains Committee of Adjustment
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, Ont., N0H 2P0

Dated: December 18, 2024



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Committee of Adjustment
Town of The Blue Mountains
32 Mill Street, P.O. Box 310
Thornbury, ON, N0H 2P0

The last date for filing an appeal for a consent decision is

February 4, 2025, by 4:30 pm.

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The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains

Decision on Consent Application File No. B09-2024

Owners/Applicants: Elmes

Purpose / Effect: The purpose and effect of this application is to sever a portion of the lands in order to create a new residential lot.

Legal Description: Town Plot Lot 10 SW Louisa St NE Alice St RP 16R8525 Part 1

Severed Parcel: Frontage: 19.0 metres Depth: 52 metres (Irreg.) Area: 1726.5 sq metres

Retained Parcel: Frontage: 50.5 metres Depth: 152.9 metres Area: 7672.7 sq metres

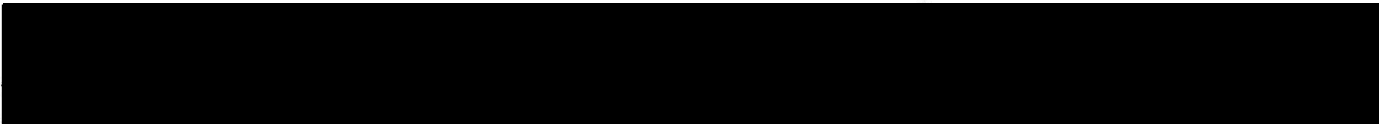
Road Access: To be provided by way of condition to this consent

Servicing: Future extension of Municipal Sanitary and Water

Decision: Refused

Date of Decision: January 15, 2025

In making the decision upon this application for Consent, the Committee of Adjustment of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains is not satisfied that the proposed Consent Application is appropriate for the subject lands



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Jim Oliver
Chairman

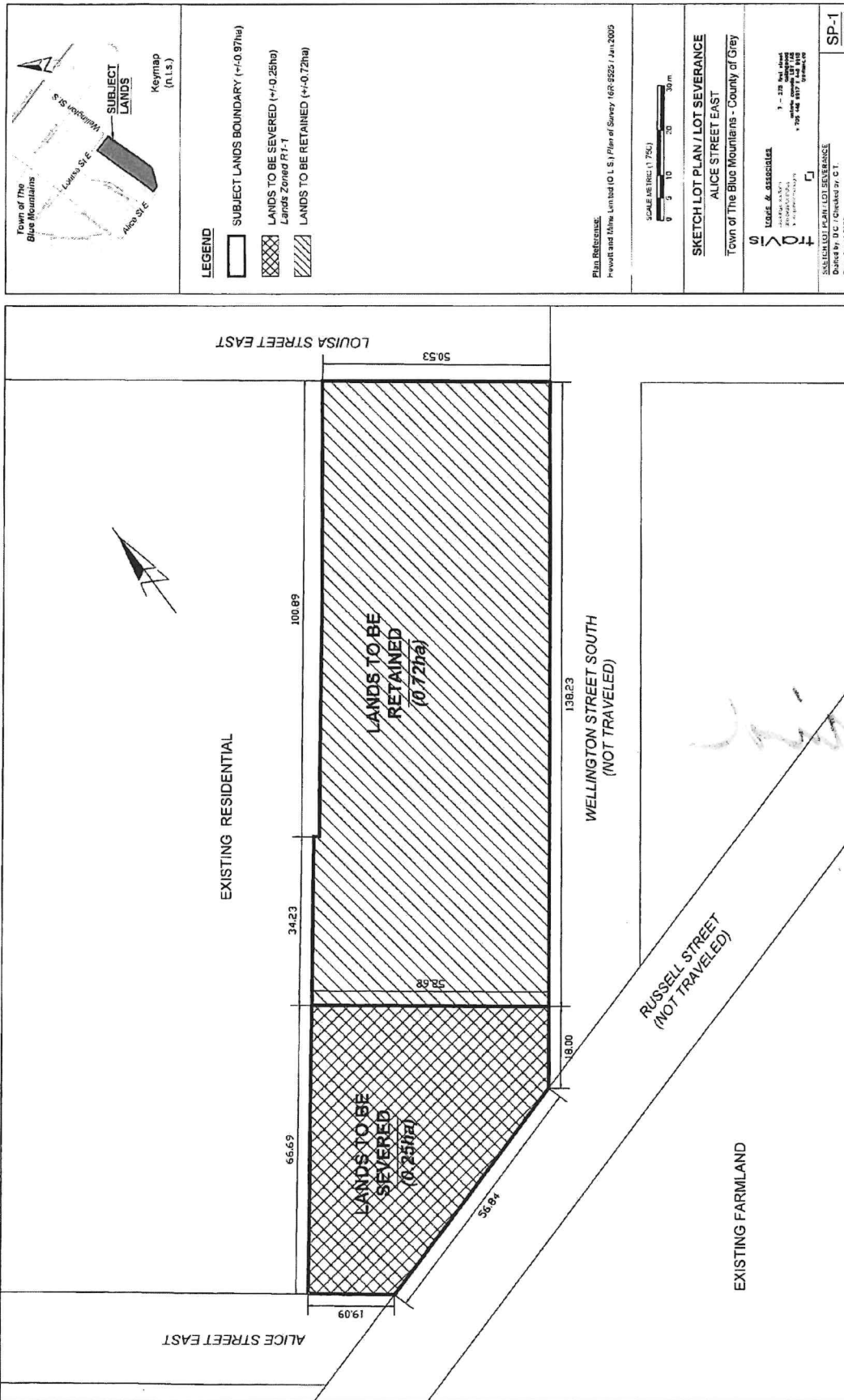
Michael Martin

Jan Pratt

Duncan McKinlay
Vice Chairman

Dated: January 15, 2025

Severance Sketch



Certification

Planning Act, R.S.O 1990, c. P.13, Sec 53(17) and 53(24), as amended

I, Carrie Fairley, Secretary-Treasurer to the Committee of Adjustment of the Town of The Blue Mountains, certify that the above is a true copy of the decision with respect to the application recorded therein.

[Redacted Signature]

Carrie Fairley, Secretary-Treasurer to the Committee of Adjustment
Town of The Blue Mountains

Dated: January 15, 2025



Notice of Decision and Right to Appeal

This is a notice regarding the decision made on December 20, 2024, by the Director of Planning & Development Services for an application for Consent.

A certified copy of the decision is attached to this notice.

You will be entitled to receive notice of any changes to the conditions of the provisional consent if you have made a written request to be notified of changes to the conditions of the provisional consent.

If you disagree with this decision, you may file an appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal. An appeal must include the required **Appellant Form** and **Applicable Fees** in a Certified Cheque or Money order, made out to the Minister of Finance. The Appellant Form must state the reasons for the appeal.

The Appellant Form and fees must be delivered in person or by registered mail to the Clerk of the Town of The Blue Mountains:

Town Clerk, Town of The Blue Mountains
PO Box 310, 32 Mill Street
Thornbury, Ontario N0H 2P0

The last date for filing an appeal is **Sunday, January 12, 2025, by 4:30 pm.**

More information about how to file an appeal, including the forms and fees, is available on the Ontario Land Tribunal website at <https://olt.gov.on.ca/>.



The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains

Decision on Consent Application File B18-2024

Owner/Applicant: McCullam and Bruce Trail Conservancy

Purpose / Effect: The purpose and effect of this application is to create a new lot for conservation purposes.

Legal Description: Concession 6 With Part Lot 22 RP 16R8902 Part 1

Severed Parcel: Frontage: 224 m Depth: 417.9 m Area: 121,000 sq.m

Retained Parcel: Frontage: 629.2 m Depth: 597.7 m Area: 395,000 sq.m

Road Access: 21st Sideroad (Municipal road)

Municipal Water: No **Municipal Sewer:** No

Decision: Grant Provisional Consent

Date of Decision: December 20, 2024

In making the decision upon this application for Consent, the Director of Planning & Development Services of the Town of The Blue Mountains is satisfied that the proposed Consent Application is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement, complies with the County of Grey Official Plan and the Town of The Blue Mountains Official Plan and represents good planning.

If provisional consent is given, then the following conditions must be met prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Official:

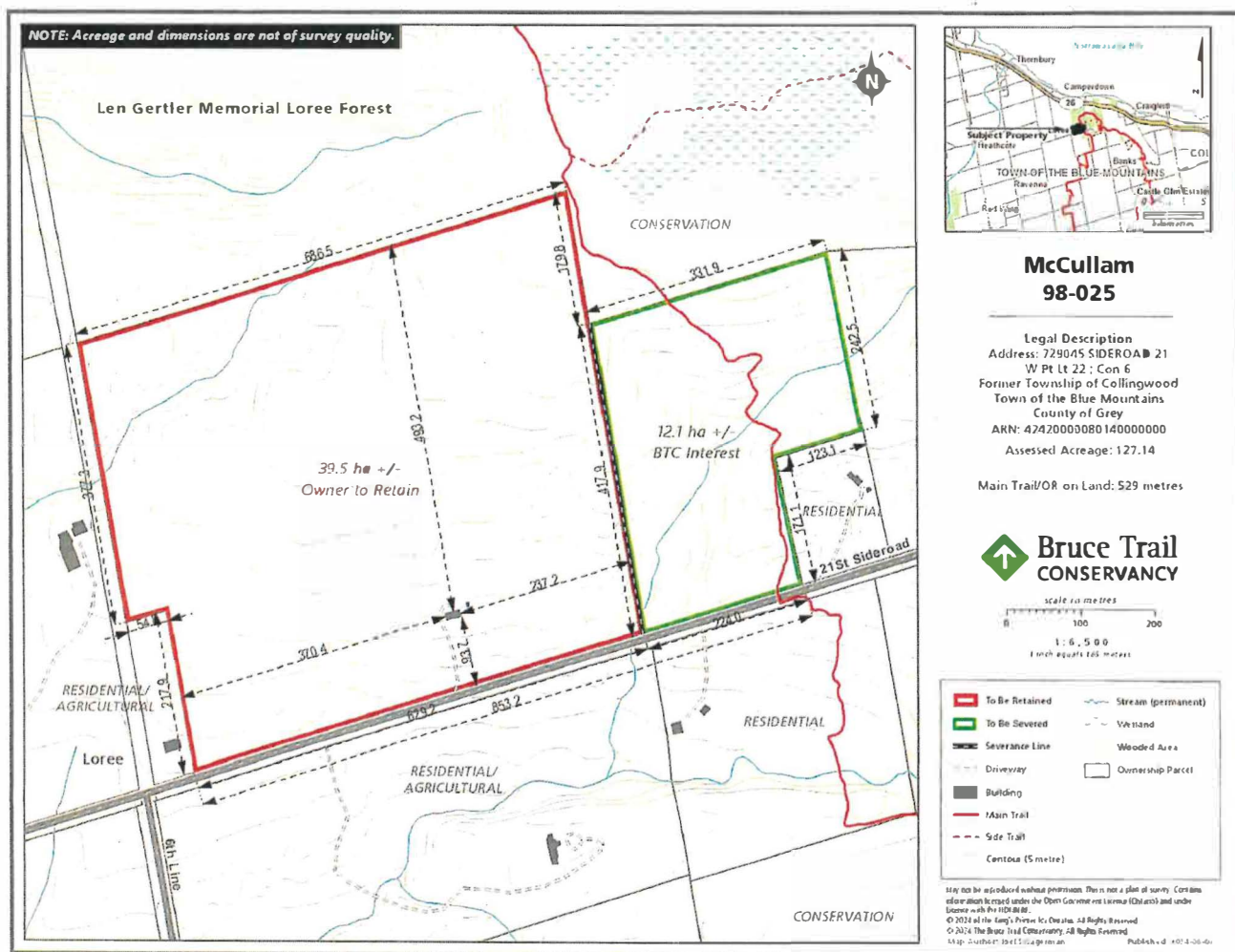
1. That the Owner meets all the requirements of the Town, financial or otherwise, for the Certificate of Consent to be issued;
2. That the Owner provides a description of the land which can be registered in the Land Registry Office;
3. That the severed parcel be deeded as a new lot to the Bruce Trail Conservancy;
4. That the owner provides proof of mortgage details for both the severed and retained lands;
5. That all above conditions be fulfilled within two years of the Notice of Decision so that the Town Clerk is authorized to issue the Certificate of Consent pursuant to Section 53(42) of the Planning Act.



Adam Smith, Director of Planning & Development Services
 Town of The Blue Mountains
 32 Mill Street, Box 310, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

Dated: December 20, 2024

Consent Sketch



Certification

Planning Act, R.S.O 1990, c. P.13, Sec 53(17) and 53(24), as amended

I, Adam Smith, Director of Planning and Development Services of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains, certify that the above is a true copy of the decision of with respect to the application recorded therein.

Adam Smith, Director of Planning & Development Services
 Town of The Blue Mountains
 32 Mill Street, Box 310, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

Dated: December 20, 2024

This document may be made available in other accessible formats as soon as practicable and upon request.



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Board Meeting

Meeting Date: Thursday August 15, 2024
Meeting Time: 9:30AM
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers
32 Mill Street, Thornbury ON, N0H 2P0
Prepared by Carrie Fairley, Secretary

A. Call to Order

A.1 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement

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 Anishinabek, Haudenosaunee, and Wendat-Wyandot-Wyandotte peoples.

A.2 Attendance

Chair Everitt called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. The Secretary noted that all members were present, in Council Chambers save and except for Members Dudley, Hinds and McKinlay, who sent their regrets. Member Morgan joined virtually.

A.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Nick Cloet Seconded by: Cat Cooper

THAT the Agenda of August 15, 2024, be adopted as circulated including any amendments.

Yay (7): Shawn Everitt, Carrie Fairley, Nicholas Cloet, Cat Cooper, Andrea Matrosovs, Morgan May, and Mylene McDermid

Absent: (3) Erica Dudley, Marco Hinds, and Shawn McKinlay

Carried.

A.4 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

In accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*, The Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation board members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Secretary for inclusion on the Registry.

None

A.5 Previous Minutes

Moved by: Mylene McDermid Seconded by: Cat Cooper

THAT the Board Meeting Minutes of July 16, 2024, be adopted as circulated including any revisions to be made.

Yay (8): Shawn Everitt, Carrie Fairley, Nicholas Cloet, Cat Cooper, Andrea Matrosovs Morgan May, and Mylene McDermid

Absent (3): Erica Dudley, Marco Hinds, and Shawn McKinlay

Carried.

B. Staff Reports, Deputations, and Presentations

B.1 Deputations/Presentations

None

B.2 Public Comment Period

B.3 Staff Reports

None

C. Matters for Discussion

C.1 DRAFT Terms of Reference for proposed Attainable Housing Advisory Committee of Council

The Board reviewed the suggested revisions to the Draft Terms of Reference for the Attainable/Affordable Housing Advisory Committee of Council that the Board will be requesting Council to consider formally forming.

Chair Everitt noted that as his role as the Chief Administrative Officer for the Town of The Blue Mountains he intends to bring forward a staff report to the Committee of the Whole on August 26, 2024, regarding the Boards request to formally form a Committee of Council, in an effort to continue the work of this Board. Chair Everitt noted that Council will ratify their decision at the September 9, 2024, Council meeting.

Moved by: Andrea Matrosovs Seconded by: Mylene McDermid

THAT the Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation Board approves the Terms of Reference as drafted and finalized at the August 15, 2024, Board Meeting.

AND THAT the Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation Board Requests Chair Everitt, in his capacity as Chief Administrative Officer for the Town of The Blue Mountains to provide the Draft Terms of Reference for the proposed Attainable/Affordable Housing Advisory Committee of Council, to Council of The Blue Mountains for consideration.

AND THAT the Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation Board requests that Council consider the creation of a formal Attainable/Affordable Housing Advisory Committee of Council to continue the work of this Board.

Yay (8): Shawn Everitt, Carrie Fairley, Nicholas Cloet, Cat Cooper, Andrea Matrosovs, Morgan May, and Mylene McDermid

Absent (3): Erica Dudley Marco Hinds, and Shawn McKinlay

Carried.

D. Correspondence

None

E. New and Unfinished Business

None

F. Notice of Meeting Dates

At the call of the Chair.

Chair Everitt noted his intention to call a Board meeting in September, following Council's decision regarding the proposed Committee of Council.

G. Adjournment

Moved by: Cat Cooper

Seconded by: Carrie Fairley

THAT The Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation does now adjourn at 9:43 a.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.

Yay (8): Shawn Everitt, Carrie Fairley, Nicholas Cloet, Cat Cooper, Andrea Matrosovs, Morgan May, and Mylene McDermid

Absent (3): Erica Dudley Marco Hinds and Shawn McKinlay

Carried.



Minutes

The Blue Mountains

Agricultural Advisory Committee

Date: October 2, 2024
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Virtual Meeting, Teams
Prepared By:
Carrie Fairley, Legislative Coordinator

Members Present: Gerbe Botden, Duncan McKinlay, Lynn Vail, Taylor Knott, Councillor Ardiel, Councillor Alex Maxwell

Staff Present: Jim McCannell, Manager of Roads and Drainage, Allan Gibbons, Economic Development and Communications Coordinator, Alan Pacheco, Director of Operations and Shawn Postma, Manager of Planning

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

Chair Ardiel called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Legislative Coordinator Carrie Fairley noted that all Committee Members were present virtual, save and except for Member Botden and Duncan McKinlay, who sent their regrets.

Duncan McKinlay joined the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Councillor Maxwell vacated the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

A.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Taylor Knott
Seconded by: Lynn Vail

THAT the Agenda of October 2, 2024, be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda.

Yay (4): Lynn Vail, Taylor Knott, Councillor Gail Ardiel, and Councillor Alex Maxwell

Absent (2): Gerbe Botden, and Duncan McKinlay

The motion is Carried (4 to 0)

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.

None

A.5 Previous Minutes

Moved by: Taylor Knott

Seconded by: Lynn Vail

THAT the Agricultural Advisory Committee minutes of June 19, 2024, be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (4): Lynn Vail, Taylor Knott, Councillor Gail Ardiel, and Councillor Alex Maxwell

Absent (2): Gerbe Botden, and Duncan McKinlay

The motion is Carried (4 to 0)

B. Staff Reports and Deputations

None

C. Public Comment Period

None

D. Matters for Discussion

D.1 Allan Gibbons, Communications and Economic Development Coordinator, Re: Open Fields Update (Verbal)

Allan provided an update of the upcoming event.

D.2 Allan Gibbons, Communications and Economic Development Coordinator, Re: Share the Road sign update and mapping review

Allan provided an update regarding the educational road signs that will be ordered.

D.3 Jim McCannell, Manager of Roads and Drainage, Re: Update Regarding Mapping for Broadband Fiber Optic in Rural Areas

Jim provided an update regarding the fiber optic installation in the Town.

D.4 Ecological Offsetting

Chair Ardiel requested the committee review the Grey County presentation on this topic.

D.5 Adam Smith, Director of Planning and Development and Shawn Postma, Manager of Planning, Re: Review of Agricultural Policy Recommendations for the Official Plan

Shawn Postma provided an update to the committee regarding the Official Plan.

E. Correspondence

None

F. New and Unfinished Business

F.1 Additions to Agenda

None

F.2 Items Identified for Discussion at the Next Meeting

To be canvassed by the Legislative Coordinator.

G. Notice of Meeting Dates

At the call of the Chair.

H. Adjournment

Moved by: Duncan McKinlay

Seconded by: Taylor Knott

THAT this Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting does now adjourn at 7:35 p.m. to meet again virtually, at the call of the Chair.

Yay (4): Duncan McKinlay, Lynn Vail, Taylor Knott, and Councillor Gail Ardiel

Absent (2): Gerbe Botden, and Councillor Alex Maxwell

The motion is Carried (4 to 0)



Minutes

The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board

Date: October 16, 2024
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers
32 Mill Street, PO Box 310
Prepared by: Kyra Dunlop, Recording Secretary

Members Present: Gail Ardiel, Lynn Church, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, Jim Oliver

Staff Present: CAO Shawn Everitt

A. Call to Order

A.1 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement

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 Board Member Attendance

Chair Oliver called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. with all members were in attendance in Council Chambers, with Member Matrosovs joining electronically.

Town staff present were Chief Administrative Officer Shawn Everitt.

OPP staff present were Detachment Commander Loris Licharson, Sgt. Kevin Cornell, Sgt. David Brown, and Sgt. Anthony Tomei

A.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Donna Wilson
Seconded by: Lynn Church

THAT the Agenda of October 16, 2024 be approved as circulated, including any additions to the Agenda, being Item E.5. Verbal Update on Staff Report Re: Improved Communications with Regional Partners on Inter-Municipal Recreational Events

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Lynn Church, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson and Jim Oliver

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

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, The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

None

A.5 Previous Minutes

Moved by: Lynn Church

Seconded by: Gail Ardiel

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board minutes of July 17, 2024 and the Special Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board minutes of September 11, 2024 be approved as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Lynn Church, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson and Jim Oliver

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

A.6 Chair's Remarks

Chair Oliver welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted they had gotten through the summer without any major issues that OPP staff had been dealing with.

Chair Oliver noted that he wanted to acknowledge that all of the Board Members are either finished or in the process of completing the second round of mandatory Ministry-issued training under the Community Safety and Policing Act. Chair Oliver noted that while it was not a simple process and took a number of hours to complete the training, it is worthwhile.

B. Public Meetings/Deputations/Presentations

None

C. Staff Reports

C.1 Detachment Commanders Report, Quarter 3 2024

Detachment Commander Licharson provided an overview of the Detachment Commander's Report and introduced OPP Staff.

Chair Oliver asked if with regard to the addition of an FTE staff person for the Domestic Abuse Issues Investigator (DAII) if that was a re-description of an existing position or a new addition. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that it was both, as they had filled a position in-house and then through discussions around service delivery models they added a new FTE to the detachment. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that that allowed the Detachment to fill the position to provide greater emphasis and oversight and will not effect the numbers of staff on the roads.

Chair Oliver asked if there is follow-up on noise complaints by officers when they are called to a home to investigate, because if the individuals are made aware of the noise complaint and that officers are coming to investigate those individuals may quiet down until officers leave. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that they have a record of follow-up calls, so if a home received multiple complaints in one evening they would have that data. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that once an officer arrives on scene things generally calm down, and very rarely do they have a situation where individuals or home-owners start playing those games. Councillor Ardiel asked if officers had data for the noise complaints that showed if the properties were licensed or unlicensed Short Term Accommodations or home-owners, as the Town is having difficulties with unlicensed Short Term Accommodations. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that this was not something officers would necessarily know to account for when receiving calls and investigating, and then when noise complaints come in to officers they will attend at the scene and then move on to the next call.

Chair Oliver asked what date had been selected for the Board's presentation to Council to provide an update on the Auxiliary Unit, and the Recording Secretary confirmed the date selected was October 28, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting. Chair Oliver noted any member of the Board wishing to attend who was not a member of Council, as those members would be there already, were welcome to do so.

Chair Oliver asked if any of the 36 occurrences under the Community Street Crime Unit in the geographic area of The Blue Mountains, and Detachment Commander Licharson noted he does not know the breakdown at this time. Chair Oliver noted if staff are able to provide that data would be appreciate, and as Board they should know if those occurrences were taking place in the Town.

Chair Oliver asked with regard to the Police Hospital Committees how that relates to the Roundtables, which were established to get all the various schoolboards, health units, hospitals, police and more to get together, and whether the Police Hospital Committee dovetails with the Roundtable meetings. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that the Situation Tables do exist in Grey County and while they are not members they have an ancillary membership there, and the Police Hospital Committee is separate and strictly pertains to the issue of supporting the hospital at a police service level, particularly the transfer of care or custody agreement. Member Lynn Church asked if hospitals have their own security to rely on for those cases or are they not adequately staffed. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that the hospitals do have their own security; Meaford has on-call security and Collingwood has their own security. Detachment Commander Licharson noted a lot of this boils down to legislation, as without the agreement and protocol officers are bound to stay until the person is admitted. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that it is the detachment's hope to go through the Memorandum of Understanding to look at the risk factors and come to a mutual decision to turn over an individual to security prior to an admission or form.

Chair Oliver asked what the geographic area of the Alzheimer's Society Chapter that is overseeing the Project Lifesaver in the community. Detachment Commander Licharson noted it was from the Barrie area but covers the detachment area including the Town.

Member Gail Ardiel noted that a number of Board Members attended the Bike Rodeo and that the kids had a blast, and it was so much fun to see the participation and provided her thanks to detachment staff for this event. Member Donna Wilson noted that her family members did participate in the event as well and that it was a great event, and that her granddaughter experienced the event very positively. Member Wilson noted that when officers can have those positive interactions with kids it is helpful for those who may be in difficult home-situations. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that these comments were great to hear and that it is a priority for the detachment for this youth engagement to continue, and that one thing they have learned over the years is to have a varied approach to youth engagement outside of just being at the schools. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that it is about going to where the kids are at, rather than the other way around. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that the Youth Engagement piece will be explored more fully by Sgt Brown during today's presentation. Member Andrea Matrosovs noted that something that stood out to her was the varied ages of the participants, and asked with regard to other engagement opportunities what kid of ages are we looking at for these outreach programs. Detachment Commander Licharson noted for the OPP Kid's Bike Rodeo it is generally directed to a Grade 6 level and generally the age range for other programs can

be from ages 12 to 19, but with some programs as young as daycare programming. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that they are trying hard to figure out ways to create positive interactions and contact with people of all ages.

Chair Oliver noted that the new format of presentation is very useful for members to compare year over year, and asked would the Provincial system allow for comparison between the Town or detachment to other similar detachments. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that he does not believe so, and he would advise caution when looking at comparative statistics as every detachment is different, and every community is different. Detachment Commander Licharson noted when you look at the number of visitors and tourism that the Town experiences, you would be hard-pressed to find another community in this Province that experiences that same level so it is easy to look at geographic areas or population base and compare, but it would not tell the same story. Detachment Commander Licharson noted that the needs for each community is different.

Member Church noted with regard to the growth in the community it is probably contributing to the increase of statistics as well, and Detachment Commander Licharson noted his agreement with the growth Collingwood and The Blue Mountains have seen, and with that additional calls for service for thefts is expected, especially when we consider the higher costs of construction materials now too.

Sgt. David Brown provided overview of Youth Engagement Program presentation.

Member Church noted it was her understanding that OPP staff were planning foot patrols at unplanned events such as the arena or baseball games, which is a great idea for staff to be able to stop by and say hello which can mean a lot to community members.

Member Ardiel noted that she was glad to hear Sgt. Brown mention preschools as she was in that business for decades and she always enjoyed when they would go with the kids to the police station as a way to build positive relationships. Member Ardiel noted that this kind of engagement programming helps instill positive relationships between youth and officers at an early age. Member Ardiel noted a community day at the other centres would be a good community event for officers to do. Member Ardiel noted she was not aware the Cadets Program was still running so building awareness around that would be good. Detachment Commander Licharson noted creating positive and proactive interactions was of paramount importance to detachment staff.

Chair Oliver noted he was really pleased with the information provided regarding the Youth Advisory Committee, and requested a bit more information about recruitment for the 7 young persons, whether this was word of mouth or was it recruitment from

existing youth organizations. Sgt. Brown noted they tried to create a balance of boys and girls and between the municipalities, and that they spoke with guidance counsellors from high schools and from that collaboration they narrowed down the group to 7 kids. Chair Oliver noted through a community fundraising event he had met some representatives of community group "Young Life" that operated in The Blue Mountains and in Collingwood, and asked if detachment staff worked with that group. Sgt. Brown noted he would be happy to talk more with Chair Oliver about that group as he had not heard of them.

Member Wilson noted her thanks to detachment staff for their work in increasing youth engagement and having a positive impact on youth and children and appreciate the partnership at Hope Chapel.

Moved by: Gail Ardiel

Seconded by: Lynn Church

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receive for information the Detachment Commander's Report, Quarter 3, 2024

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Lynn Church, Andrea Matrosovs, Jim Oliver, and Donna Wilson

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

D. Correspondence

D.1 Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Re: Letter to Police Partners and Boards Re Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce requesting funding support

This item was deferred to the January 15, 2025 Board Meeting.

D.2 Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Re: Quarter 2 Coordinator's Report April to June 2024

This item was deferred to the January 15, 2025 Board Meeting.

D.3 Selwyn J. Hicks, Chair, Hanover Police Service Board Re: Letter in support of Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce and motion passed in support of funding request

This item was deferred to the January 15, 2025 Board Meeting.

D.4 Ontario Association of Police Services Boards Re: All Chief's Memo 24-005 Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019 Mandatory Thematic Training

This item was deferred to the January 15, 2025 Board Meeting.

D.5 Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Re: Quarter 3 Coordinator's Report July to September 2024

This item was deferred to the January 15, 2025 Board Meeting.

E. Other Business

E.1 The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Insurance - Requirement of Abuse Policy

Recording Secretary Kyra Dunlop confirmed that the Board's insurance provider requires all OAPSB opt-in Boards to have an Abuse Policy in place. Ms. Dunlop confirmed that staff had provided a copy of POL.COR.21.006 Code of Conduct for Members of Council, Local Boards and Advisory Committee and POL.COR.18.04 Protocol Policy for Complaints Related to Council Members and Local Boards to the insurance provider who confirmed that those 2 policies would meet their criteria for an Abuse Policy if amended to include and apply to the Board. Ms. Dunlop confirmed that if the Board was satisfied with this recommendation, a motion of support could be entertained and provided to Council for consideration to approve the changes to the policies.

Chair Oliver noted that this was a relatively easy way to meet the insurance providers' requirements and something the Board would have wished to be subject to in any case.

Member Ardiel noted that the Accountability and Transparency Committee was working on some updates to these policies which is from 2021, and inquired if the new policy the Committee is working on oversee this change. Ms. Dunlop confirmed if there are updates proposed to any Corporate Policies, they are required to go through a Public Meeting process for comment and changes are ultimately approved by Council. Ms. Dunlop noted if the two policies being contemplated for the Board substantively change, staff would be touching base with the Board's insurance provider to ensure the policies still meet the requirements for an Abuse Policy.

Moved by: Donna Wilson

Seconded by: Lynn Church

THAT, effective September 27, 2024, The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board will be insured through the OAPSB Group Insurance Plan, and in order to satisfy the requirements of the OAPSB Group Insurance Plan, The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board is required to adopt policies regarding abuse;

AND THAT, through communications with the OAPSB Group Insurance Plan, and the Ontario Association of Police Service Boards, the Recording Secretary of The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board confirms that, if amended to include reference to "The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board", that the "Code of Conduct for Members

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of Council, Local Boards and Advisory Committees, Policy No. POL.COR.21.06” and the “Protocol Policy for Complaints Related to Council Members and Local Boards, Policy No. POL.COR.18.04” would satisfy the policies required by the OAPSB Group Insurance Plan;

NOW THEREFORE, The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board requests that Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains revise its corporate policies “POL.COR.21.06 Code of Conduct for Members of Council, Local Boards and Advisory Committees” and “POL.COR.18.04 Protocol Policy for Complaints Related to Council Members and Local Boards” to include reference to, and apply to “The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board”;

AND THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board directs the Recording Secretary to provide this motion to the next available Council Meeting, for Council consideration, due to its time sensitive nature.

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Lynn Church, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson and Jim Oliver

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

E.2 Draft Board Name Change By-law

Recording Secretary Kyra Dunlop noted that the Board had previously passed a motion to change the Board's name and after consultation with the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards it is advised the Board pass a By-law to approve the name change.

Moved by: Andrea Matrosovs

Seconded by: Donna Wilson

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board By-law Number 2024-01, being a By-law to change the name of the Board, be hereby enacted as passed this 16th day of October, 2024.

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Lynn Church, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson and Jim Oliver

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

E.3 2025 Board Meeting Schedule

The Board discussed their meeting schedule for 2025. Recording Secretary Kyra Dunlop noted that the Board had previously provided direction to prepare draft meeting options for bi-monthly meetings, and that staff were looking for direction on the Board's meeting schedule to set for 2025 and for inclusion in the Board's Procedural By-law.

Moved by: Lynn Church

Seconded by: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information Option 1 and Option 2 for the 2025 Board Meeting Schedule;

AND THAT the Board directs staff to proceed with Option 2 for scheduling 2025 Board Meetings;

AND THAT the Board directs staff to include Option 2, bi-weekly meetings commencing the month of January, in the draft Board Procedural By-law.

Nay (5): Gail Ardiel, Lynn Church, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson and Jim Oliver

The motion is Lost (0 to 5)

Moved by: Gail Ardiel

Seconded by: Lynn Church

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information Option 1 and Option 2 for the 2025 Board Meeting Schedule;

AND THAT the Board will continue to meet in 2025 status quo, being quarterly meetings commencing the third Wednesday of the month at 8:30 a.m.;

AND THAT the Board directs the Recording Secretary to prepare a schedule for 2025 and circulate the schedule to the Board and post to the Town's website.

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Lynn Church, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson and Jim Oliver

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

E.4 Draft Board Procedural By-law

This item was deferred to the January 15, 2025 Board Meeting.

E.5 Verbal Update on Staff Report Re: Improved Communications with Regional Partners on Inter-Municipal Recreational Events

This item was deferred to the January 15, 2025 Board Meeting.

F. Closed Session

None

G. Notice of Meeting Dates

To be confirmed

H. Adjournment

Moved by: Lynn Church

Seconded by: Donna Wilson

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Meeting does now adjourn at 10:32 a.m. to meet again in 2025, or at the call of the Chair, and that the items included on the October 16, 2024 Board Agenda not dealt with will be deferred to the next meeting scheduled.

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Lynn Church, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson and Jim Oliver

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)



Minutes

Thornbury Business Improvement Area

Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 6, 2024
Meeting Time: 8:00 a.m.
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers
Prepared by: Niki Hilton, Thornbury BIA General Manager

A. Call to Order

A.1 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement

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 Board of Directors Attendance

Chair Beveridge called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m. In attendance were Renee Desrochers, Kelly Gale, Lesley Fisher, and Councillor Shawn McKinlay. Regrets were received by Mark McEwan and Marco Santaguida.

Town staff present were Ryan Gibbons, Director of Community Services and Allan Gibbons, Communications & Economic Development Coordinator.

A.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved: Kelly Gale Seconded: Lesley Fisher

THAT the Agenda of November 6, 2024, be approved as circulated, including any additions to the Agenda.

Yay (5): Renee Desrochers, Lesley Fisher, Kelly Gale, Councillor Shawn McKinlay, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (2): Mark McEwan and Marco Santaguida

The motion is Carried (5 to 0, 2 absent)

A.4 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

NOTE: In accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* Business Improvement Area Directors must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

None

A.5 Previous Minutes (October 2, 2024)

Moved: Lesley Fisher Seconded: Renee Desrochers

THAT the Minutes of October 2, 2024 be approved as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (5): Renee Desrochers, Lesley Fisher, Kelly Gale, Councillor Shawn McKinlay, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (2): Mark McEwan and Marco Santaguida

The Motion is Carried (5 to 0, 2 absent)

B. Deputations and Public Comment Period

B.1 Deputations, if any

None

B.2 Public Comment Period

Chair Beveridge welcomed Doug Smith from Thornbury Bakery and Joe Halos to the meeting.

C. Matters for Discussion

C.1 Council Update – Councillor Shawn McKinlay

Councillor McKinlay referred to Director Ryan Gibbons who had no updates at this time.

C.2 Sub-Committee Updates

1. Budget & Administration Sub-Committee: Chair Beveridge, Renee Desrochers

Chair Beveridge and Renee have plans to meet in November and review the 2025 budget. They would like to put forward recommendations at the next board meeting. She explained that she and Niki met with the Director of Corporate and Financial Services Monica Quinlan about the BIA actuals and receiving quarterly updates.

2. Marketing Sub-Committee: Kelly Gale, Councillor Shawn McKinley, Andrea Fernandes (Owner of Soma Leaf)

Niki explained she will be contacting Trevor at Halton Creative to add a banner to the website about Olde Fashioned Christmas. She has received good feedback from businesses about the BIA member newsletter. She continues to include a section with information from the Town.

3. Beautification Sub-Committee: Lesley Fisher, Chair Beveridge, Renee Desrochers

Chair Beveridge explained she's been working with Director Gibbons, the Lighthouse Group and the Town regarding the Winter Lights in Thornbury. All of the quotes have been approved. Lighthouse Group will begin installation in mid-November. Chair Beveridge has contacted Terry to keep communication open for the installation.

Riverside Greenhouses will be doing all of the bridge inserts, planters and spheres for the Christmas décor. Terry will coordinate the drop-off and delivery of the required items. Everything should be set up by December 1.

4. Events & Cultural Tourism Sub-Committee: Renee Desrochers, Kelly Gale, Councillor Shawn McKinlay

Niki provided a recap of Wag-o-ween and thanked the Town for their support in getting this event off the ground. The event was positively received in person and online. Nathan from the Parks and Trails team helped with the set-up. Kelly's suggestion of working with 99.3 Radio Station went well. Chair Beveridge congratulated Niki on a successful event.

Working toward Olde Fashioned Christmas. Niki said we are 90 per cent booked for activations. Niki recently reached out to Alexa Jackson Creative who will be joining again as the photographer. The save the date is out and circulating online and in the Blue Mountains Review. Our radio ad is in motion with 99.3.

Events sub-committee met yesterday to discuss the idea of the vendor market at Town Hall. The committee would like to invite BIA members who do not have a presence on Bruce Street North or South but would like to be a part of the event to have a complimentary table at the new marketplace. Friends around town like the Rotary Club or Events for Life would also be invited. Timing would be in the afternoon leading up to the tree lighting – suggest time 3 – 6 p.m. Complimentary hot chocolate provided by Councillor McKinlay. Live music or music through speakers. Allan Gibbons confirmed the Town can provide the required tables.

Chair Beveridge mentioned the deputation to council has been drafted about the road closure of Bruce Street North. This will be presented at COW on November 18. Director Gibbons said he does not foresee any challenges at this time.

Chair Beveridge highlighted the meet and greet at Thornbury Craft. Many who expressed interest in joining the board were at the event. She would like to continue with a meet and greet in the spring and with a member survey as soon as possible.

4.1 Approval of BIA vendor market at Olde Fashioned Christmas

Moved: Councillor Shawn McKinlay Seconded: Lesley Fisher

THAT the event of the BIA vendor market at Olde Fashioned Christmas at Town Hall on Saturday, December 14 from 3 – 6 p.m. be approved.

Yay (5): Renee Desrochers, Kelly Gale, Lesley Fisher, Councillor Shawn McKinlay, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (2): Mark McEwan and Marco Santaguida

The motion is Carried (5 to 0, 2 absent)

4.2 Approval of the BIA presenting to COW about the road closure of Bruce Street North

Moved: Lesley Fisher Seconded: Renee Desrochers

THAT the BIA go forward to COW to request support for the road closure of Bruce Street North during Olde Fashioned Christmas on Saturday, December 14 from 3 – 8:30 p.m. be approved.

Yay (5): Renee Desrochers, Kelly Gale, Lesley Fisher, Councillor Shawn McKinlay, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (2): Mark McEwan and Marco Santaguida

The motion is Carried (5 to 0, 2 absent)

C.3 Chair, Sarah Beveridge, Letter of Resignation

Chair Beveridge read her official letter of resignation and thanked everyone for their contributions and partnership. The letter will go to council on November 12.

C.4 Call for New Members on the Board of Directors

Chair Beveridge provided information about the nomination process and how the Chair position is elected. She plans to do this nomination process as of December 4.

D. Correspondence

None

E. New and Unfinished Business

E.1 Additions to the Agenda

Councillor McKinlay provided information about Remembrance Day ceremonies in the Town of the Blue Mountains. Kelly Gale noted the service at the cenotaph is extremely moving. Allan reminded everyone about the candlelight service at the cenotaph.

E.2 Items Identified for Discussion at the Next Meeting

Recommendations for 2025

F. Notice of Meeting Dates

Wednesday, December 4, 2024 – BIA Board Meeting
Town Hall, Council Chambers (in-person)

G. Adjournment

Moved: Councillor McKinlay Seconded: Kelly Gale

THAT this meeting does now adjourn at 8:45 a.m. to meet again on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. at Council Chambers, Town Hall or at the call of the Chair.

Yay (5): Renee Desrochers, Lesley Fisher, Kelly Gale, Councillor Shawn McKinlay, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (2): Mark McEwan and Marco Santaguida

The motion is Carried (5 to 0, 2 absent)



Minutes

Thornbury Business Improvement Area

Meeting Date: Wednesday, December 4, 2024
Meeting Time: 8:00 a.m.
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers
Prepared by: Carrie Fairley, Legislative Coordinator

A. Call to Order

A.1 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement

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 Board of Directors Attendance

Chair Beveridge advised that BIA Manager, Niki Hilton is ill but will be joining the meeting virtually. Chair Beveridge further noted that Legislative Coordinator Carrie Fairley will be facilitating the meeting in Niki's absence.

Renee Desrochers vacated the meeting at 9:33 a.m.

Moved: Renee Desrochers

Seconded: Lesley Fisher

THAT the Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board waives the provisions of the Thornbury Business Improvement Area Procedural By-Law 2013-1 Section 7 that prohibits electronic participation for Thornbury Business Improvement Area meetings unless the municipality is in a Declared State of Emergency to allow BIA Manager Niki Hilton to attend the meeting virtually solely for the December 4, 2024, Board meeting

Yay (4): Renee Desrochers, Lesley Fisher, Kelly Gale, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (2): Councillor Shawn McKinlay, and Marco Santaguida

The motion is Carried (4 to 0, 2 absent)

Chair Beveridge called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m. In attendance were Renee Desrochers, Kelly Gale, and Lesley Fisher. Regrets were received by Councillor McKinlay and Marco Santaguida.

Town staff present were Ryan Gibbons, Director Community Services, Tim Hendry, Director of Strategic Initiatives, Allan Gibbons, Communications and Economic Development Coordinator.

A.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved: Kelly Gale

Seconded: Lesley Fisher

THAT the Agenda of Wednesday, December 4, 2024, be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda, and that Items D.1 and D.2 be moved for discussion at item C.1 on the Agenda.

Yay (4): Renee Desrochers, Lesley Fisher, Kelly Gale, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (2): Councillor Shawn McKinlay, and Marco Santaguida

The motion is Carried (4 to 0, 2 absent)

A.4 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

NOTE: In accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* Business Improvement Area Directors must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

None

A.5 Previous Minutes (Wednesday, November 6, 2024)

Moved: Lesley Fisher

Seconded: Kelly Gale

THAT the Minutes of Wednesday, November 6, 2024 be approved as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (4): Renee Desrochers, Lesley Fisher, Kelly Gale, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (2): Councillor Shawn McKinlay, and Marco Santaguida

The motion is Carried (4 to 0, 2 absent)

B. Deputations and Public Comment Period

B.1 Deputations, if any

None

B.2 Public Comment Period (each speaker is allotted three minutes)

Joe Halos, business owner and resident spoke noting the sponsorships are a great initiative. Joe suggested leaving the lights up through March Break. Chair Beveridge noted the take down date is dependent on the weather. The Board discussed and agreed to leave them on through March Break.

Doug Smith, Thornbury Bakery spoke offering assistance for the Olde Fashioned Christmas if needed.

C. Matters for Discussion

C.1 Sub-Committee Updates

1. Budget & Administration Sub-Committee: Sarah, Renee

Chair Beveridge noted that an email to Monica will be sent to understand the actuals for 2024 before the end of the year. Chair Beveridge further noted that they are working to ensure companies helping with Olde Fashioned Christmas are paid.

2. Marketing Sub-Committee: Kelly, Shawn, Andrea

Chair Beveridge noted that conversations with Trevor regarding the website are happening and Niki has been working hard on the newsletter which is being highlighted on the website.

Niki noted that a meeting has been set on January 7, 2025, with Andrea to review the website and receive recommendations including outreach.

Chair Beveridge noted that Sarah is the owner of Soma Leaf and is interested in volunteering when she can and unfortunately, she is too busy to join the Board.

3. Beautification Sub-Committee: Lesley, Sarah, Renee

Chair Beveridge noted that all planters are out, and they look beautiful. Chair Beveridge further noted that all the lights are up, with the exception of the lights for Olde Fashioned Christmas which will be installed on December 14, 2024.

Chair Beveridge extended thanks to Town staff Terry and Nathan.

4. Events & Cultural Tourism Sub-Committee: Renee, Kelly, Shawn

Chair Beveridge spoke regarding Olde Fashioned Christmas and the road closure noting that Century 21 is excited to have the road closed this year, and further noted that they hand out hot chocolate during the event.

Chair Beveridge noted that New Orleans Pizza will be giving a free slice of cheese pizza that day and Pom Pom's will also be open. Chair Beveridge further noted that she personally advised all the neighbours on Bruce Street north, about the closure.

Niki spoke noting there are sponsorships for the winter lights this year and signage should be coming Thursday. Niki noted the title sponsors of the main Christmas tree are - Classical 102.9 FM, On the Bay Magazine, and Bay Watch. This is a trade sponsorship including Bay Watch ticket event listing, on-air In the Know event listing, 40x30 second radio spots, and On the Bay newsletter write-up and banner ad. Niki provided information regarding what will be promoted.

Niki spoke regarding this year's light sponsors noting the sponsorships were worth \$500 each and there are four sponsors this year, KW Collaborate Real Estate,

Georgian Bay Applekings Senior AA Hockey, Rrampt, and Zwart's Topsoil and Landscape Supplies.

Niki provided an update regarding the events happening at Olde Fashioned Christmas. The Board discussed the items that need to be completed for this event.

***C.2 Resignation of Board Member Mark McEwan**

Chair Beveridge noted that Mark provided his resignation to the Town Clerk and thanked him for his help on the Board as well as what he brings to the community of Thornbury.

C.3 Nominations to the Board of Directors for the remainder of the 2022-2026 Council Term

Chair Beveridge nominated Joe Halos to the Board of Directors. The nomination was seconded by Lesley. Joe accepted the nomination.

Member Renee nominated Doug Smith. The nomination was seconded by Member Kelly. Doug accepted the nomination.

Moved: Kelly Gale

Seconded: Renee Desrochers

THAT the Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board requests that Council appoint the following persons as Directors to the Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board for the remainder of the 2022-2026 Term of Council:

Doug Smith and Joe Halos

Yay (4): Renee Desrochers, Lesley Fisher, Kelly Gale, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (2): Councillor Shawn McKinlay, and Marco Santaguida

The motion is Carried (4 to 0, 2 absent)

C.4 Election of the Chair for the remainder of the 2022-2026 Council Term

Chair Beveridge questioned if anyone was interested in becoming the Chair for the remaining term. Doug offered to be Chair of the Board which the Board accepted.

Moved: Lesley Fisher

Seconded: Renee Desrochers

THAT the Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board of Directors requests that Council appoint Doug Smith as the Chair of the Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board for the remainder of the 2022-2026 Term of Council.

Yay (4): Renee Desrochers, Lesley Fisher, Kelly Gale, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (2): Councillor Shawn McKinlay, and Marco Santaguida

The motion is Carried (4 to 0, 2 absent)

C.5 BIA Recommendations 2025 – Sarah Beveridge

Chair Beveridge spoke regarding the Town implementation of MAT tax and Tim Hendry, Director of Strategic Initiatives provided background to the Board on MAT tax.

Chair Beveridge spoke regarding the BIA Manager position becoming a town employee position, with the ability to manage the BIA in this position and suggested that with the MAT tax implementation, the Town consider this role as a commitment through taxation and highlighted the benefits. Tim provided more information regarding the process to temper expectations noting that this will take a while to build before being able to speak to Council about the funds.

Chair Beveridge spoke regarding the lights noting that the Town footed most of the bill and noted that next year the Town will not be contributing to the cost and noted the importance of sponsorships to move this forward.

C.6 January Meeting Date

Chair Beveridge noted that the regularly scheduled BIA meeting is on a statutory holiday, January 1, 2025, and the Board discussed potential new dates before agreeing to January 6, 2025.

Moved: Kelly Gale

Seconded: Lesley Fisher

THAT the Thornbury Business Improvement Area Board moves the January 1, 2025, regularly scheduled meeting to January 6, 2025, due to the regularly scheduled meeting falling on a statutory holiday.

Yay (3):, Lesley Fisher, Kelly Gale, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (3): Councillor Shawn McKinlay, Marco Santaguida, and Renee Desrochers

The motion is Carried (3 to 0, 3 absent)

D. Correspondence

***D.1 Letter from Town of The Blue Mountains
Re: Snow Removal**

Chair Beveridge spoke regarding the letter from the Town that was received regarding removal of items on Town sidewalks. Chair Beveridge noted that this has never been asked of business owners in the past and sought clarification why this came to business owners this year.

Ryan Gibbons, Director of Community Services noted the Town has new equipment which requires the sidewalks to be clear of items in be able to properly clean the snow from the sidewalks.

The Board and staff discussed how to work together to address this issue moving forward while addressing the risks to the Town and business owners.

Chair Beveridge asked when the businesses can expect more information from the Town noting the business owners do not want to receive fines for non-compliance. Ryan noted that the Communications department will be bringing correspondence soon to the business owners and will reach out to the Board before it is sent to business owners.

D.2 Letter from Melissa Herod, AXED (verbal update)
Re: Olde Fashioned Christmas

Chair Beveridge read the email received from Melissa Herod, AXED and noted that Melissa wanted to share the letter with the Board to remind the Board the importance of supporting local businesses.

Niki, BIA Manager spoke regarding her conversation with Melissa noting that she made it clear that this was not an end to their working relationship and recognized AXED's role in Olde Fashioned Christmas. Niki noted that a table at Olde Fashioned Christmas and a space for AXED to operate on a pay-per-throw was offered to Melissa.

Niki suggested moving forward more structure be added to the plans for Olde Fashioned Christmas with the ability to rotate through different activities. Chair Beveridge agreed that the Sub-Committee could work on that moving forward.

E. New and Unfinished Business

E.1 Additions to the Agenda

None

E.2 Items Identified for Discussion at the Next Meeting

None

F. Notice of Meeting Dates

January 16, 2025 – BIA Board Meeting
Town Hall, Council Chambers (in-person)

G. Adjournment

Moved: Kelly Gale

Seconded: Lesley Fisher

THAT this meeting does now adjourn at 9:35a.m. to meet again on January 6, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. at Council Chambers, Town Hall or at the call of the Chair.

Yay (3):, Lesley Fisher, Kelly Gale, and Chair Beveridge

Absent (3): Councillor Shawn McKinlay, Marco Santaguida, and Renee Desrochers

The motion is Carried (3 to 0, 3 absent)



Minutes

The Blue Mountains, Committee of Adjustment

Date: November 20, 2024
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual Meeting
32 Mill Street, Thornbury ON
Prepared by: Carrie Fairley, Secretary-Treasurer

Members Present: Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Robert Waind, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt

Staff Present: Manager of Planning Shawn Postma, Chief Building Official Tim Murawsky, Senior Planner Adam Farr and Planner Manuel Riveria

A. Call to Order

A.1 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement

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A.2 Committee Member Attendance

Chair Waind called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. Secretary -Treasurer Carrie Fairley noted all members were present with Member Oliver attending virtually.

A.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Jan Pratt

Seconded by: Duncan McKinlay

THAT the Agenda of November 20, 2024, be approved as circulated, including any additions to the agenda.

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Robert Waind, Duncan McKinlay, and Jan Pratt

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

A.4 Declaration of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof

NOTE: In accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*, the Town Committee of Adjustment By-Law 2024-04, and the Town Procedural By-law 2023-62, Committee of Adjustment 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

Moved by: Duncan McKinlay

Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT the Minutes of October 16, 2024, be approved as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Robert Waind, Duncan McKinlay, and Jan Pratt

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

A.6 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

None

B. Public Meeting

Under the authority of the Municipal Act, 2001 and in accordance with Ontario's Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA). The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains wishes to inform the public that all information including opinions, presentations, reports and documentation provided for or at a Public Meeting, Public Consultation, or other Public Process are considered part of the public record. This information may be posted on the Town's website and/or made available to the public upon request.

B.1 Minor Variance Application No. A38-2024

Owner: Devin Gordon

Applicant/Agent: Abbey Scott, First Step Building Consultants

Municipal Address: 61 Lansdowne Street North

Legal Description: Plan 533 Lot 1

Chair Waind read aloud the Public Meeting Notice, and the Secretary-Treasurer confirmed that the Public Hearing Notice was circulated in accordance with the Planning Act by pre-paid first-class mail and was posted on-site on the subject lands. The Secretary/Treasurer provided a summary of all written comments received as a result of the Public Notice. Planning Staff then provided an overview of the review and recommendations contained in the Staff Recommendation Report.

Chair Waind spoke regarding the request from the Saugeen Ojibway Nation (SON) to add a condition to the minor variance requiring the landowner to complete an archaeological assessment and noted the lot is existing and questioned if staff had further information. Manuel, Planner noted that the request was received late in the day the day before this meeting and that it is at the Committee's discretion if they want to include that condition.

Abbey Scott, Agent for the Applicant spoke noting the proposal is for the building of a shop, behind the house. Abbey noted the relief being sought is for the height of the building. Abbey spoke regarding the proposed condition from the SON noting they spoke with the manager for SON, Kone, who advised them that the SON will give that response to any property along the waterfront, as of now. Abbey noted that there is some vegetation along the road and the homeowner plans to replace what is being removed.

Chair Waind spoke noting there is a municipal road between this property and the water and development on the north side of the municipal road and noted that this property does not front the water. Abbey noted that was her confusion as well and why she reached out to SON. Chair Waind asked Abbey what the response from SON was. Abbey noted that SON advised that any Committee of Adjustment application circulated to SON that is within 300 metres of the water will receive the recommendation to complete an archaeological assessment. Member Pratt questioned what the study involves. Abbey noted that she has experienced this with other files and has received costs back from three archaeological engineers and the layout of what is required is a three-step process. Abbey further noted that studies of the soil is completed, digs, mapping and noted it is a huge process and a huge cost.

Member Oliver spoke noting that for this application the request for an archaeological assessment is unnecessary.

Member McKinlay asked Abbey to be more specific on the range of work and cost for a required archaeological assessment. Abbey noted that the prices to complete this assessment they have received are between \$4000 and \$15,000 and further noted that these studies are not done through the winter, and therefore it is a short timeline for these studies to be completed. Abbey further noted they take up to six months to complete. Member McKinlay questioned if there is a phase one of this process that is a desktop exercise that searches historical documents to establish if there is a need to go onto the next phases, or do you have to do the whole study. Abbey noted there is a phase one step where research is conducted on historical documents and a mapping tool is created for the property and if they identify anything in the desk top study, they move onto the dig. Abbey further noted they dig in different areas up to four feet below grade and if they further identify something the next phase is studies are completed on what was found. Abbey noted that if an application does not require relief from the Committee of Adjustment on any new builds, additions or garages then there is never the requirement from the SON, whereas if the project requires relief from the Committee of Adjustment, then this condition will be requested by SON.

Chair Waind then opened the public portion of the hearing and asked if anyone in attendance wished to speak to the application.

As there was no one else in attendance to speak in favour of or in opposition to the proposal, Chair Waind closed the public meeting.

Moved by: Jan Pratt

Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT the Committee of Adjustment receive Staff Report PDS.24.133, entitled "Recommendation Report – Minor Variance A38-2024 / P3456 – 61 Lansdowne Street North (Gordon);"

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, and Robert Waind

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

The Committee discussed whether to add in the recommendation from SON. Shawn Postma, Manager of Planning noted that the comments were received yesterday, and Staff immediately followed up with the SON regarding what is expected in terms of the archaeological assessment and if there was further information to share. Shawn noted that is a new approach from SON in terms of this requirement and should a variance,

zoning by-law amendment or any other planning approval not be required, this particular property owner would be permitted to apply for a building permit if they meet building code and zoning and all the other requirements. Shawn further noted that the condition could be added to staff's recommendation and generally speaking the Town supports agencies that provide us with conditions that would need to be fulfilled. Shawn further noted that Staff have not had the chance to conduct a full and complete analysis or have further discussions with SON to determine the benefit in completing that condition. Shawn noted there are other measures and protections in place that should certain artifacts or features be found during excavation work that work is to be stopped and the Ministry of Culture and other appropriate agencies be notified about what has been found and archaeological work can be completed at that time as well.

Chair Waind noted if it was approved as presented, SON would have the opportunity to object and would force the applicant to decide whether or not they wanted to modify the building application and reduce the height of the building, to meet the requirements and could move forward. Chair Waind further noted that this condition would be more appropriate for a green field site, and this site has been developed, has been in place for 40-50 years and noted it seems like a double standard considering you can obtain a building permit if the height was adjusted.

The Committee and Staff discussed having further discussions with SON to find out more information and see if there are adjustments that can be made to their requests.

Member Oliver noted that the Applicant's Agent indicated that in their conversations with the SON they indicated it would be a standard comment on every application within 300 metres of the water front. Member Oliver further noted this maybe a standard red flag the Committee receives on all these kinds of applications. Member Oliver noted this is already a highly disturbed part of the shoreline of Georgian Bay and reminded the Committee the lot is nearly 1000 square metres, and the footprint of this building will only represent 10% of the lot that will be disturbed to put footings in. Member Oliver noted this proposal will require a small excavation down three or four feet in order to have sound footing for a foundation on a garage that represents approximately 10% of the lot and less than 25% of the existing disturbed area total. Member Oliver noted these requests will have to be evaluated on an as received bases going forward.

Member Martin noted putting the extra cost of this assessment on the homeowner is unnecessary when there is no evidence that it is necessary or if there is any value to it.

The Committee further discussed the merits of the application.

Moved by: Jim Oliver

Seconded by: Michael Martin

AND THAT the Committee of Adjustment GRANT a minor variance for A38-2024 subject to the following conditions:

1. That the site development be constructed in a manner substantially in accordance with the submitted site plan;
2. That this variance to the Zoning By-law is for the purpose of obtaining a building permit and is only valid for a period of two (2) years from the date of decision. Should a building permit not be issued within two years, the variance shall expire on November 20, 2026.

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, and Robert Waind

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

B.2 Minor Variance Application No. A39-2024

Owner: BMR GP Inc

Applicant/Agent: MHBC Planning

Municipal Address: Parts of Lots 6, 10, 15 and 15 and Part of Village Crescent

Chair Waind read aloud the Public Meeting Notice, and the Secretary-Treasurer confirmed that the Public Hearing Notice was circulated in accordance with the Planning Act by pre-paid first-class mail and was posted on-site on the subject lands. The Secretary/Treasurer provided a summary of all written comments received as a result of the Public Notice. Planning Staff then provided an overview of the review and recommendations contained in the Staff Recommendation Report.

Member Oliver spoke regarding Adam Farr, Senior Planner's comment regarding Staff's position that this application would be more appropriate for zoning by-law amendment and questioned how much more onerous it is for an applicant in this case, being a large commercial enterprise, and given the work they have completed for this minor variance application, how much more work would be entailed in to prepare a zoning by-law amendment application. Chair Waind noted that an application was received and has been deemed incomplete and further noted that this application appears to try to avoid going through the zoning by-law and Official Plan amendments. Adam corrected Chair Waind noting that the incomplete applications that have been received are for a different property, not the property subject to this application. Adam further noted the reason that staff are recommending this be dealt with through a zoning by-law amendment is because of the Official Plan issues that are provoked with this application,

the matters of the four tests that have been raised through the evaluation of this application, which are significant enough that it is Staff's opinion that it should not be dealt with through the Committee of Adjustment. Adam noted that a zoning by-law would be required as well as additional engagement with staff in advance of such an application. Adam further noted the application would then follow the normal course of public engagement and the provision of related supporting documents.

Member Oliver referred to the site plan and questioned if any of the footprint of the property is presently used for parking and if so, how many parking spaces. Adam noted that a portion of the property is used for parking and noted that no information was submitted with this application indicating the extent of the parking uses for the property. Adam further noted that staff will undertake an evaluation and that staff are aware of the Official Plan policy 3.10.9L which speaks to a requirement that where parking is going to be removed, the new development is required to assess whether or not that parking is required in the scope of a parking monitoring plan, which Adam noted is part of the Master Development Agreement and whether or not replacement parking should be provided to address the village needs.

Jamie Robinson, Partner and Planner with MHBC and Agent for the Applicant spoke to the zoning by-law and Official Plan amendment applications that were discussed by the Committee and noted they are not specific to site B, which is the subject of this application and noted those applications were specific to development on sites E and F. Jamie further noted that moving forward with sites E and F it would require opening the Master Development Agreement, an Official Plan and zoning amendment as well. Jamie further noted their opinion is the application before the Committee does meet the requirements and the intent of the Official Plan.

Jamie provided an overview of his presentation noting that although they are removing the parking spaces currently at the site, those parking spots will be moved to underground parking and therefore no parking is being lost. Jamie provided justification to the Committee regarding the relief being sought with this application.

Member McKinlay sought clarification regarding parking that will be lost with the configuration of the crescent and noted that the parking currently at the Village was created to address the requirements of some other phase of development. Member McKinlay questioned where those would be made up once they cease to exist. Jamie noted the parking identified as being displaced is currently on the site B property and that parking has been effectively used as day use parking for Blue Mountain Resort. Jamie further noted that the resort has been using the parking knowing full well that when this property is developed, that parking would cease to exist. Jamie noted his

understanding is that the resort has identified that they have sufficient parking from a day use perspective and confirmed they would lose these parking spaces but noted they are not the resort's parking to lose, they are the owner of site B's. Member McKinlay further noted that those parking spaces likely were considered for some other development of the village and wants to ensure there is not 15-20 spaces disappearing that are counted on as part of the spaces for some other phase of development. Jamie noted the existing businesses and resort do not rely on these specific spaces as part of their parking complement and calculated their own parking ratios using the land on their sites. Jamie further noted that the commercial parking spaces included as part of this development, underground, those spaces are for public access and although spaces are being lost outdoors, there is a gaining of spaces underground.

Member Pratt questioned how many spaces are in the lot and Jamie noted that he does not know the exact number. Member Pratt calculated the spaces to be roughly 80 spaces.

Member Oliver sought clarification on the number of parking spaces being proposed in this building and sought clarification on how many commercial/residential units. Member Oliver questioned if there are other site plans for other parts of the development for the Blue Mountain Village over the years that will have identified that as specific parking or is this informal parking in that area that has arisen over the last number of years. Jamie noted the formal site plans in place right now would be property specific and does not believe there is a site plan that applies currently to this site and therefore would be informal.

Shawn noted there is not a site plan agreement that exists right now for these particular lands. Shawn further noted that when previous phases of the village were being constructed it was always recognized that there would always be a building on site B and was pre-graded at that time as a flat area, in anticipation for future construction. Shawn noted that construction did not occur as quickly as it had originally started back in the early 2000's. Shawn further noted that as an interim measure, because this flat area was left over, it was temporarily and informally used as additional parking. Member McKinlay questioned if what he was speaking about includes the lands on the site plan that will be taken up by Village Crescent, that is not currently Village Crescent. Shawn spoke noting it is not and what parking he was referring to is only where the site B building footprint is proposed to be located and further noted that any changes to the main parking area would have to be reviewed through a site plan approval process parking monitoring and studies would be necessary, as mentioned in the staff report.

The Committee further discussed the merits of the application as it relates to parking.

Member Martin noted the Committee's principal function is to determine if applications before the Committee are minor or not. Member Martin further noted when there four issues in an application, they should be considered together as to what the result would be, even though others would argue that one issue should be dealt with at a time. Member Martin questioned if on a proportional bases, are these big problems and if they are, the Committee does not have jurisdiction, if they are not, the Committee has jurisdiction. Member Michael requested clarification on why this application is considered minor. Jamie noted they meet the minor requirement and cumulatively the proposed variances move the zoning for this site more closely aligned with the Master Development and Master Site Plan envisioned for this site. Jamie further noted the current zoning, allowing for 30% coverage and requirements are not consistent with the first plan and this application moves it closed to that, making it minor. Jamie further noted the other building massing that is allowed from a zoning perspective today, there is no relief being sought to height, or building width and noted for those reasons, if you are looking at the building from a massing perspective, the amendments being requested are minor in that sense, there is not a significant increase of massing for the building it is a minor massing increase being requested.

Jamie further noted that this proposal helps facilitate the public interest through providing a good urban street scape along village crescent, that reduced set back, there is a good flow through the building, enough space for public drop off to access the amenity space within the village and creates a nice village square.

The Committee further discussed the parking issues and the merits of the application.

Chair Waind noted that two people in Council Chambers helped with the creation of the Master Development Agreement (MDA) being himself and Colin Travis.

Chair Waind questioned Colin Travis, Agent for Blue Mountain Resort if he misunderstood his written comments that it meets the four tests or the general requirements of the concept plan. Colin noted that in isolation the four tests are met and further noted his comments referred to his concern over the MDA and the site plan and the need to ensure that is properly coordinated to guarantee a well coordinated overall plan, consistent with the MDA and address on-going operational and adjacent land questions that Blue Mountain Resort has.

Member McKinlay refers to the staff report noting the parking requirements and questioned what the rational for 30% surface parking is. Adam noted that is a zoning by-law provision which is an implementing extension of the Official Plan policies and some of the intent of the Master Development Agreement. Adam further noted that the Official Plan policies speak to parking and parking considered in the context of the

function of this property as a ski resort, with a focus on an outdoor amenity, as well as the varied commercial offerings of the village. Adam noted this provision is providing an element of parking that is viewed as being more accessible at surface level.

Member Oliver questioned if the 30% requirement for parking is for this site specifically or for the entire resort. Adam noted the requirement is 30% of the required parking be surface parking. Member Oliver questioned what the percentage of the existing parking on site is today, that is not surface parking. Adam noted the provision in the by-law is that 30% of the required parking associated with a new development application be surface parking and the totality of the parking for this proposal would be underground.

Member Pratt noted that this plan was created over 20 years ago and the plan needs tweaking because parking has become a bigger problem than was thought it would be and questioned if a parking lot identified that is close to the site could be used to address this problem.

Sheila Shears, Property Manager for Grey Standard Condominium Corporation Number 75 and a couple of the townhouse condominiums across from the village, provided comments regarding the application. Sheila noted on behalf of Grey Standard Condominium Corporation Number 75's Board of Directors, they share the concerns raised by the Blue Mountain Village Association as well as the information that was provided by planning staff, recognizing there is a lot of conversation that has taken place in the last couple of hours that would not have been provided in the information that was written, but that is what information she has to share on behalf of the Board. Sheila spoke on behalf of Grey Condo 29 and 27, noting they experience a lot of parking issues and is not limited to the winter season and is becoming more of a problem year round and is something that needs to be considered when more units and commercial space is being brought in.

Chair Waind then opened the public portion of the hearing and asked if anyone in attendance wished to speak to the application.

As there was no one else in attendance to speak in favour of or in opposition to the proposal, Chair Waind closed the public meeting.

Moved by: Michael Martin

Seconded by: Jan Pratt

THAT the Committee of Adjustment receive Staff Report PDS.24.134, entitled "Recommendation Report – Minor Variance A39-2024 – Freed Village Site B."

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, and Robert Waind

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: Jan Pratt

Seconded by: Duncan McKinlay

AND THAT the Committee of Adjustment REFUSE a minor variance to Town of Collingwood By-law 83-40 as amended, Section 5.8 (b)(i), Section 15.2 (c), (e) and Section 15.9 (e) to permit:

1. A development on a lot which fronts on a private road;
2. An increase of maximum lot coverage from 30% to 32%;
3. A reduction in the required minimum front yard setback from 15 metres to 7.5 metres;
4. A reduction in required minimum surface parking from 30% to 0% surface parking space.

Yay (3): Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, and Robert Waind

Nay (2): Michael Martin, and Jim Oliver

The motion is Carried (3 to 2)

C. Deferred Applications

C.1 Minor Variance Application A26-204

Owner: Matthew Grandmont

Applicant/Agent: Nicholas Sibbet, Tandum Studios Inc.

Municipal Address: 191 Summit View Crescent

Legal Description: Plan 1029 Lot 34

Chair Waind provided a recap of the application noting it was deferred at the July meeting with a request from the Committee for more information. Planning Staff then provided an overview of the review of the application and recommendations contained in the Staff Recommendation Report Addendum.

Nicholas Sibbet, Agent for the Applicant spoke providing more information to the Committee regarding the work that was undertaken as requested by Grey Sauble Conservation Authority.

Chair Waind then opened the public portion of the hearing and asked if anyone in attendance wished to speak to the application.

As there was no one else in attendance to speak in favour of or in opposition to the proposal, Chair Waind closed the public meeting.

Moved by: Jan Pratt

Seconded by: Duncan McKinlay

THAT the Committee of Adjustment receive Staff Report PDS.24.145, entitled “Recommendation Report – Minor Variance A26-2024 – 191 Summit View Crescent (Grandmont) ADDENDUM;”

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, and Robert Waind

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: Duncan McKinlay

Seconded by: Michael Martin

AND THAT the Committee of Adjustment GRANT a minor variance for A26-2024, subject to the following conditions:

1. That a permit is obtained from the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority;
2. That the site development be constructed in a manner substantially in accordance with the submitted site plan; and
3. That this variance to the Zoning By-law is for the purpose of obtaining a building permit and is only valid for a period of two (2) years from the date of decision. Should a building permit not be issued by the Town within two years, the variance shall expire on November 20, 2026.

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, and Robert Waind

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

C.2 Consent Application B09-2024

Owners: Joe and Lynda Elmes

Applicant/Agent: Colin Travis, Travis & Associates

Municipal Address: Town Plot Lot 10 SW Louisa St. NE Alice St. RP 16R-8525 Part 1

Chair Waind noted that Town Staff and the Applicant have been working together and requested that Staff provide an update regarding the further request for a deferral of this application. Shawn spoke noting the requirement for this application to come before the Committee due to the deferral decision of the Committee had set a timeframe for when this matter would be back before the Committee. Shawn further noted last week

the owner of the lands and the agent provided Town Staff with a detailed tree inventory and preservation plan and therefore there was not sufficient time to prepare an update report for this particular meeting. Shawn further noted that Staff will be reviewing the materials provided as well as the other items raised at the meeting in the summer and will provide all that information to the Committee in a report. Shawn noted that it is Staff's recommendation to defer this application one more meeting, to allow Staff to digest the information and bring a fulsome report back to this Committee for consideration. Chair Waind questioned if the deferral request was on consent and the Secretary-Treasurer confirmed on the record that Colin Travis, Agent, who was in attendance in Council Chambers confirmed the deferral request was on consent.

The Committee discussed whether to put a specific date for the application to come back to the Committee.

Moved by: Duncan McKinlay

Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT the Committee of Adjustment DEFERS Consent Application B09-2024 to the January 2025 Committee of Adjustment Meeting.

Yay (4): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, and Robert Waind

Nay (1): Jan Pratt

The motion is Carried (4 to 1)

D. Other Business

D.1 2025 Committee of Adjustment Schedule

Secretary-Treasurer Carrie Fairley provided an overview of the proposed meeting schedule for 2025.

Moved by: Duncan McKinlay

Seconded by: Jim Oliver

THAT the Committee of Adjustment receives and endorses the 2025 Meeting Schedule, as presented.

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, and Robert Waind

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

E. Committee Member Expenses

The Committee Members provided their travel expenses to the subject properties, to the Secretary-Treasurer.

F. Notice of Meeting Date

December 18, 2024

Town Hall, Council Chambers, and Virtual

January 15, 2025

Town Hall, Council Chambers, and Virtual

G. Adjournment

Moved by: Michael Martin

Seconded by: Duncan McKinlay

THAT the Committee of Adjustment does now adjourn at 4:08 p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, and Robert Waind

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)



Minutes

The Blue Mountains, Committee of Adjustment

Date: December 18, 2024
Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual Meeting
32 Mill Street, Thornbury ON
Prepared by: Carrie Fairley, Secretary-Treasurer

Members Present: Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, Robert Waind

Staff Present: Manager of Community Planning, Shawn Postma, Chief Building Official Tim Murawsky, Planner Manuel Riviera

A. Call to Order

A.1 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement

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

Chair Waind called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Secretary-Treasurer Carrie Fairley noted all members were present in Council Chambers.

A.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Michael Martin

Seconded by: Jim Oliver

THAT the Agenda of December 18, 2024, be approved as circulated, including any additions to the agenda.

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Robert Waind, Duncan McKinlay, and Jan Pratt

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

A.4 Declaration of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof

NOTE: In accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act*, the Town Committee of Adjustment By-Law 2024-04, and the Town Procedural By-law 2023-62, Committee of Adjustment Committee Members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

None

A.5 Previous Minutes

Moved by: Jan Pratt

Seconded by: Jim Oliver

THAT the Minutes of November 20, 2024, be approved as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Robert Waind, Duncan McKinlay, and Jan Pratt

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

A.6 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

A.6.1 Amendment to Application Due Date in 2025 Committee of Adjustment Schedule (Received For Information)

Secretary-Treasurer Carrie noted there was an error in the due date of the original schedule which had been fixed. Carrie further noted she was providing this as information to the Committee and the public.

B. Public Meeting

Under the authority of the Municipal Act, 2001 and in accordance with Ontario’s Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA). The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains wishes to inform the public that all information including opinions, presentations, reports and documentation provided for or at a Public Meeting, Public Consultation, or other Public Process are considered part of the public record. This information may be posted on the Town’s website and/or made available to the public upon request.

B.1 Minor Variance Application No. A40-2024

Owner: Gabriele Clerici

Applicant/Agent: Matthew Fratarcangeli, Tenhouse Building Workshop

Municipal Address: 140 Venture Blvd.

Legal Description: Plan 16M7 Lot 119

Chair Waind read aloud the Public Meeting Notice, and the Secretary-Treasurer confirmed that the Public Hearing Notice was circulated in accordance with the Planning Act by pre-paid first-class mail and was posted on-site on the subject lands. The Secretary/Treasurer provided a summary of all written comments received as a result of the Public Notice. Planning Staff then provided an overview of the review and recommendations contained in the Staff Recommendation Report.

Chair Waind questioned how the provisions of the Planning Act with respect to Notice were provide considering the Canada Post Strike. The Secretary-Treasurer noted that while the Canada Post Strike remains active, the Town can meet the minimum *Planning Act* requirements as per Subsection 4.1 of the *Planning Act*. The Secretary-Treasurer confirmed that Notice was published to the website in compliance with the timelines of the Planning Act, an eblast was sent to the Council/Committee subscribers and a courier provided a physical copy of the Notice to every landowner within 60 metres of the area to which the application applies.

Member McKinlay noted the house, and pergola is at 32% lot coverage, and questioned if there was a pervious application for the extra lot coverage. Planner Manuel noted that this property is located in the Orchard subdivision and there could have been other permissions aloud when that subdivision was created.

Member McKinlay sought clarification on a pergola, noting there is no roof, which Manuel confirmed is correct. Member McKinlay questioned if it is counted in the percentage of lot coverage and Manuel confirmed that in this case, it is considered an accessory structure.

Member Oliver questioned how this property has managed to have a 33.8% lot coverage. Tim Murawsky, Chief Building Official noted at the time this home was constructed, the Building Code requirements for a building permit is more than 8 square feet or 10 square metres. Tim further noted that quite often when accessory buildings are being constructed that do not require a building permit, property owners are not contacting the Town for zoning, they figure that no permits are required so I can put it wherever is wanted and Tim further noted that there is a good possibility that could have happened in this case. Tim noted that the Building Code further changed a couple of years ago and now a building permit is not required for accessory structures under 15 square metres. Tim spoke regarding this application noting the new accessory building is 14.9 square metres and a building permit is not required, and further noted that even though it is not required, the applicant did contact the Town to see if anything else is

required, such as zoning and that is why it was found out to not meet the zoning requirements. Tim noted that when the Building Department is considering a pergola, if it does not support a snow load or a rain load, snow and rain can filter through it, it is open, then it is not considered to be a building as it does not have a roof. Tim noted that if it does carry a roof load, then it would be considered a building.

The Committee and staff further discussed merits of the application and the difference between pergolas and gazebos.

Member Oliver spoke regarding the 10% lot coverage of accessory structures and questioned if the 10% is addition to the 30% lot coverage or is intended to be contained within the 30% lot coverage. Shawn Postma, Manager of Community Planning noted that all accessory buildings are capped at 10% and 30% lot coverage is the maximum for the house and all accessory buildings.

Member McKinlay questioned if this application is approved, would it bring this property into compliance with the zoning by-law. Shawn noted that if the committee grants the variance, it will recognize the increased lot coverage including both the proposed gazebo and the existing pergola structure bringing the property into compliance. Shawn further noted that a further variance would be required, whether a building permit is required or not, for any additional buildings or structures on this property.

Chair Waind then opened the public portion of the hearing and asked if anyone in attendance wished to speak to the application.

Matthew Fratarcangeli, Agent for the Application spoke regarding the four tests noting they feel they are minor in nature and not causing any undue impacts to the neighbours and is matching with the character, as well as meeting the intend of the Official Plan and zoning by-laws and is proposing an accessory building, which is a permitted use, and is consistent with the objectives in the resort area. Matthew noted that most by-laws are met for this accessory structure. Matthew noted that the lot coverage was calculated based on the survey they completed. Matthew confirmed that this structure will not be human habitation, as there will be no plumbing and is truly an accessory structure. Matthew noted the reason that the proposed gazebo is 14.9 square metres is because that is the standard size from the builder, and they produce these as a kit. Matthew spoke regarding condition number two noted in the draft decision and requested that part of the recommendation be amended to note "if a building permit is required" as this application does not require a building permit.

Member Martin noted this is a small amount and the way to resolve this is for this committee to approve the application.

As there was no one else in attendance to speak in favour of or in opposition to the proposal, Chair Waind closed the public meeting.

Moved by: Duncan McKinlay

Seconded by: Jan Pratt

THAT the Committee of Adjustment receive Staff Report PDS.24.150, entitled “Recommendation Report – Minor Variance A40-2024 – 140 Venture Blvd. (Clerici);”

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, and Robert Waind

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

Moved by: Duncan McKinlay

Seconded by: Jan Pratt

AND THAT the Committee of Adjustment GRANT a minor variance for A40-2024 subject to the following conditions:

1. That the site development be constructed in a manner substantially in accordance with the submitted site plan; and
2. That this variance to Zoning By-law is for the purpose of increasing the maximum lot coverage to not more than 33.9% and is valid for a period of two (2) years from the date of decision. If a building permit is required, it must be issued by the Town within two years. The variance shall expire on December 18, 2026.

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, and Robert Waind

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

C. Other Business

C.1 Municipal Land Use Agreement Staff Report PDS.24.154

Note: Council will consider staff report PDS.24.154 for adoption at the December 16, 2024, Council meeting and is being provided to this Committee for information only.

Manager of Community Planning, Shawn Postma provided an update to the Committee regarding this staff report and the motion that was passed by Council at the December 16, 2024, Council meeting.

D. Committee Member Expenses

The Committee Members provided their travel expenses to the subject properties, to the Secretary-Treasurer.

E. Notice of Meeting Date

January 15, 2025

Town Hall, Council Chambers, and Virtual

February 19, 2025

Town Hall, Council Chambers, and Virtual

F. Adjournment

Moved by: Duncan McKinlay

Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT the Committee of Adjustment does now adjourn at 1:38 p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.

Yay (5): Michael Martin, Jim Oliver, Duncan McKinlay, Jan Pratt, and Robert Waind

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

The Blue Mountains Public Library Board Meeting

Meeting Date: November 21, 2024
Meeting Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Library Boardroom
Posted to [YouTube](#)
Prepared By: Jennifer Murley, CEO/Secretary of the Board

In Attendance: Laurey Gillies (Chair) Julia Scott (Vice Chair)
Joanne de Visser Shawn McKinlay Marie Swift
Kristina Wichman Carol Sackville-Duyvelshoff

Absent: N/A
Regrets: N/A
Staff: Jennifer Murley, CEO
Franz Greenfield, Administrative Assistant

A. Call to Order

The Board meeting was called to order by the Chair at 1:00p.m.

Kristina Wichman joined the meeting via Microsoft Teams.

B. Agenda

B.1 Approval of the Agenda

The Closed Session portion of the agenda was moved to the top of the meeting.

BMPL-Resolution 2024-078

Moved by Carol Sackville-Duyvelshoff and seconded by Marie Swift, THAT the Agenda of November 21, 2024, be approved as amended, including any items added to the Agenda. CARRIED.

B.2 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof None.

C. Closed Session

C.1 Move Into Closed Session

BMPL-Resolution 2024-079

Moved by Joanne de Visser and seconded by Shawn McKinlay, THAT with regard to section 16.1(4) of the Public Libraries Act, THAT this Board move into Closed Session to conduct the CEO's annual evaluation. CARRIED.

The Board moved into Closed Session at 1:04pm.

C.2 Adjournment of Closed Session

The Board returned to Open Session at 1:40pm.

On behalf of the Board, the Chair commended the CEO on her achievements, her ability to hit the road running, and her significant relationship building skills.

D. Reports to be “Received as Information”

All reports to be received as information were received with additional discussion occurring as the items arose within the agenda.

BMPL-Resolution 2024-080

Moved by Joanne de Visser and seconded by Shawn McKinlay, THAT this Board receive as information:

1. ADM.24.35 entitled “Action Plan Update-November”;
 2. ADM.24.36 entitled “Policy Review”;
 3. ADM.24.37 entitled “Security Camera Policy”
 4. ADM.24.38 entitled “Museum Collections Policy – New & Deaccession Request”;
 5. ADM.24.39 entitled “2025 BMPL Holiday Schedule”;
 6. ADM.24.40 entitled “CEO Service Update-November”;
 7. GOV.24.11 entitled “Board Evaluation Report 2024”;
- CARRIED.

E. Minutes

E.1 Previous Minutes

BMPL-Resolution 2024-081

Moved by Shawn McKinlay and seconded by Marie Swift, THAT this Board approve the minutes of October 17, 2024, as circulated. CARRIED.

E.2 Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

F. Communications with the Board

The deadline for registration was Monday, November 18 at 2:00p.m.

F.1 Deputations

None.

F.2 Public Input on the Agenda

No members of the public were present.

F.3 Correspondence

1. Canadian Federation of Library Association’s Fall Newsletter
This correspondence was presented as information.

2. Canadian Rail Magazine – September-October 2024 Issue
This correspondence was presented as information.

G. Strategic Plan Updates & Action Items

G.1 Action Planning

1. **Report:** ADM.24.35 entitled “Action Plan Update-November”
CEO Murley gave an update on outstanding items for 2024, several of which will be rolled into 2025. Of specific note:
 - **OE3.1 – Finalize Charitable Status:** Once CEO Murley can gain access to the Library’s online CRA account the appropriate paperwork will be submitted to complete the process of obtaining charitable status. Due to the administrative delays in 2024, completion of this item is anticipated for 2025.
 - **CH1.2 – Audit of GLAM spaces for accessibility:** A report on accessibility issues at both facilities, with accompanying recommendations, is anticipated to be ready for the Board’s January meeting.

[Kristina Wichman left the meeting]

G.2 Strategic Plan Pillar: Community Hubs

1. **Verbal Report:** CEO Update on the Multi-Use Recreation Feasibility Assessment
Presentation of this study’s final report will occur (tentatively) on December 12, 2024. CEO Murley will notify the Board once the date is confirmed. CEO Murley noted that the project is still on schedule.

G.3 Strategic Plan Pillar: Organizational Excellence

1. **Report:** GOV.24.11 entitled “Board Evaluation Report 2024”
The survey tool used to complete this self-evaluation was completed by all members. The Board reviewed items that were rated lower on the survey’s rating scale. Overall, no significant concerns were noted, and the overall effectiveness of the Board was rated as “very good” (highest rating available in the survey).
2. **Report:** ADM.24.36 entitled “Policy Review”
The Board reviewed changes made to these policies, suggesting several edits.

BMPL-Resolution 2024-082

Moved by Joanne de Visser and seconded by Marie Swift, THAT this Board approve the following policies as amended:

- POL-PUB.2018.59 Cost Recovery Services;
- POL-ADM.2018.35 Vacation with Pay;
- POL-PUB.2018.65 Rights & Responsibilities of BMPL Users;
CARRIED.

3. **Report:** ADM.24.37 entitled “Video Surveillance Policy”
This policy was reviewed.

BMPL-Resolution 2024-083

Moved by Julia Scott and seconded by Carol Sackville-Duyvelshoff, THAT this Board adopt the Town of The Blue Mountains Video Surveillance Policy POL.ADM.21.01; AND THAT this Board direct the Library CEO to collaborate with the Manager of IT to update the policy incorporating specifics relevant to the Library. CARRIED.

4. **Report:** ADM.24.38 entitled “Museum Collections Policy – New & Deaccession Request”

Alessia Farris, Curator for the Museum at the Craigeith Heritage Depot (CHD), presented this policy and requested that the Board approve the deaccession (removal) of the following items from the CHD’s collection:

- Seven windows
- 1 door

These items were selected for removal for several reasons, including a question around their historical relevance, the fact that the items are a duplication of other artifacts and the lack of storage space available. In addition, the items have deteriorated to a point beyond repair and pose a safety risk to staff.

Disposal options include donating the items to another museum or taking them to the local dump. The Curator noted that the items would not be sold by the CHD for a variety of reasons, including the fact of it being inappropriate to sell items that were entrusted to the CHD.

BMPL-Resolution 2024-084

Moved by Carol Sackville-Duyvelshoff and seconded by Marie Swift, THAT this Board approve the Museum Collections Policy as presented/amended; AND THAT this Board approve the deaccession of seven (7) windows and one (1) door donated to the Museum by the Craigeith Heritage Committee. CARRIED.

5. **Report:** ADM.24.39 entitled “2025 BMPL Holiday Schedule”
This report was presented.

BMPL-Resolution 2024-085

Moved by Shawn McKinlay and seconded by Julia Scott, THAT this Board approve the 2025 BMPL Holiday Schedule as presented. CARRIED.

6. **Update & Discussion:** Ontario Library Service (OLA) Board Assembly Rep
[Shawn McKinlay left the meeting]

Marie Swift attended and provided highlights from the presentation, noting that recordings of OLA training sessions are available online. Future Board learning opportunities were also highlighted, which CEO Murley will email to the Board following the meeting.

Marie Swift was selected to be the rep at the 2025 OLA Board Assembly meetings.

BMPL-Resolution 2024-086

Moved by Julia Scott and seconded by Joanne de Visser, THAT this Board appoint Marie Swift as the 2025 OLA Board Assembly Rep. CARRIED.

7. **Verbal Update:** Staff Representation at the 2025 Ontario Library Conference
Several library personnel will be presenting at the 2025 conference:
 - CEO Murley will be working with the Collingwood library CEO and the directors of both the Collingwood and Blue Mountains municipalities, for a presentation on municipal/library collaboration, highlighting the Multi-Use Recreation Feasibility Assessment.
 - Ashley Prince, the library’s digital literacy coordinator, will lead a session based on her experiences providing patron tech help.
 - Chair Laurey Gillies, alongside former Blue Mountains Public Library CEO Sabrina Saunders, will present on the MOU between the library and Town of the Blue Mountains.
8. **Discussion:** 2025 Ontario Library Super Conference Delegates
The Board explored the option of sending several Board members, pending their interest and availability. CEO Murley will send out more information following the meeting.

G.4 Strategic Plan Pillar: Empowering Services

1. **Report:** ADM.24.40 entitled “CEO Service Update-November”
This report was reviewed.

H. Other Business

None noted.

I. Roundtable

I.1 Roundtable—General updates by the Board

- 1) Community Updates and News: None.
- 2) BMPL Events: A shortlist of special events occurring prior to the next meeting was provided.

J. Key Messages

The Key Messages were determined by the Board and approved for release.

BMPL-Resolution 2024-087

Moved by Julia Scott and seconded by Joanne de Visser, THAT this Board approve the release of the Key Messages Update-November 2024. CARRIED.

K. Notice of Meeting Dates

The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will be held on January 16, 2024, at 1:00pm.

All meetings and relevant agenda materials will be posted on the [Meeting and Agenda](#) page of Governance.

L. Election of Chair & Vice Chair

Chair Gillies relinquished the meeting to CEO Murley to conduct this annual election.

Chair Gillies had previously notified the Board of her intention to step down from the Chair role. Before proceeding, CEO Murley thanked Laurey Gillies, for her contributions as Chair, highlighting Laurey's integral role during CEO Murley's first year with the library.

Julia Scott was nominated as Chair, with no other nominations occurring.

BMPL-Resolution 2024-088

Moved by Maire Swift and seconded by Carol Sackville-Duyvelshoff, THAT this Board appoint Julia Scott as Chair of the Blue Mountains Public Library Board for a one-year term or until the next election. CARRIED.

Joanne de Visser was nominated as Vice-Chair, with no other nominations occurring.

BMPL-Resolution 2024-089

Moved by Carol Sackville-Duyvelshoff and seconded by Marie Swift, THAT this Board appoint Joanne de Visser as Vice-Chair of the Blue Mountains Public Library Board for a one-year term or until the next election. CARRIED.

M. Adjourned

BMPL-Resolution 2024-090

Moved by Marie Swift and seconded by Joanne de Visser, THAT this Board does now adjourn at 4:09p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair. CARRIED.

Julia Scott, Chair

Jennifer Murley, Board Secretary



Minutes

The Blue Mountains

Accountability and Transparency Committee

Date: Monday, November 25, 2024
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Virtual Meeting, Teams
Prepared By:
Carrie Fairley, Legislative Coordinator

Members Present: June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, Robert Turner

Staff Present: Town Clerk, Corrina Giles

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

Chair Porter called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. Legislative Coordinator Carrie Fairley noted that all Committee Members were present, virtually.

A.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved By: Robert Turner
Seconded By: Connie Craddock

THAT the Agenda of November 25, 2024, be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

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.

None

A.5 Previous Minutes

Moved By: Gail Ardiel

Seconded By: Robert Turner

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee minutes of October 10, 2024, be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

B. Staff Reports and Deputation

None

C. Public Comment Period

None

D. Matters for Discussion

D.1 Follow-up Direction from Council

None

D.2 Corporate Strategic Task Force Update

Moved By: Robert Turner

Seconded By: Connie Craddock

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests a copy of the Staff Report regarding the current and expiring Strategic Plan, be provided to this Committee, when available.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

Moved By: Gail Ardiel
Seconded By: June Porter

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests Council to review the suggested reporting format provided by Councillor Ardiel and Chair Porter provided at the October 31, 2024, Strategic Task Force meeting for updating the current and expiring Strategic Plan.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

D.3 Lobbyist Registry

Moved By: Connie Craddock
Seconded By: Gail Ardiel

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests that Council direct staff to publish the training video from the Lobbyist Registrar's training being held on November 26, 2024, in the Lobbyist Registry's section on the website.

AND THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee request Council to direct staff to exam additional means of communication for educating the public and promoting the Lobbyist Registry including the potential for the creation of a tutorial video.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

D.4 Corrina Giles, Town Clerk, Re: Update Regarding Timeline for Council Code of Conduct (Verbal)

Moved By: Paula Hope
Seconded By: Connie Craddock

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee strongly encourage Council to direct staff to review and update the Council Staff Relationship Protocol Policy in conjunction with the Council Code of Conduct, and the Staff Code of Conduct to foster and create a safe and constructive environment.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

D.5 Update on Policy References

None

D.6 2025 Draft Accountability and Transparency Meeting Schedule

The Committee identified a conflict in the Meeting Schedule presented. Legislative Coordinator Carrie Fairley will work with the Committee to identify a new meeting date.

D.7 Communicating Town Priorities Through the Lens of Accountability and Transparency, Re: Committee Mandate and Recommendations

Moved By: Connie Craddock

Seconded By: Robert Turner

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee recommends that elected members and staff proactively seek out more opportunities to communicate to residents and stakeholders the Town's commitment to transparency and accountability by, for example and not limited to:

- A) consistently and strategically using the quarterly Town News to educate residents on the Town's big issues and strategic priorities (housing, infrastructure, etc.). The monthly on line newsletter also offers a platform for elected officials including the mayor and for appropriate senior staffers to inform and educate the public;
- B) creating a dedicated website section on Accountability and Transparency, featuring the Codes of Conduct for staff and council; the Lobbyist Registry section; the Accountability and Transparency of Town Actions to the Public Policy; and the Freedom of Information page.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

Moved By: Connie Craddock

Seconded By: Robert Turner

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee cannot effectively discharge its responsibilities to provide recommendations unless its input takes place prior to Council consideration and decision making i.e. voting. Given that this Committee consists of 3 elected Members this would place the committee in the position of advising on matters its 3 elected members, absent the independent public members, had already discussed or voted on.

THEREFORE the Accountability and Transparency Committee recommends that where Council and staff seek its views through the lens of transparency and accountability that these matters be brought to it in a timely fashion, i.e. early in the process so that Council and staff can consider, i.e. accept or reject, its recommendations.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

E. Correspondence

None

F. Work Plan

The Committee was in agreement that Chair Porter will update the Work Plan.

G. On-going and Continuous Monitoring of Accountability and Transparency Trends and Issues

G.1 Freedom of Information (FOI), Re: The Town's FOI Information

Moved By: Connie Craddock

Seconded By: Robert Turner

THAT The Accountability and Transparency Committee requests Council to direct staff to modify the Town's current website page on Freedom of Information to include annual FOI reporting data. This data is currently available on the website of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

H. New and Unfinished Business

H.1 Additions to Agenda

None

H.2 Items Identified for Discussion at the Next Meeting

- Freedom of Information
- Attendance of Director of Operations Alan Pacheco
- Review and Comment on Staff Report FAF.24.136 Follow -up Report Draft Employee Code of Conduct
- Review and Comment on Staff Report FAF.24.137 Employee Whistleblower Policy
- Provincial Code of Conduct
- Procedural By-law

I. Notice of Meeting Dates

Accountability and Transparency Committee, December 20, 2024, 9:30 a.m., Virtual

J. Adjournment

Moved By: Gail Ardiel

Seconded By: Paula Hope

THAT this Accountability and Transparency Committee Meeting does now adjourn at 11:36 a.m. to meet again December 20, 2024, virtually, or at the call of the Chair.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)



Minutes

The Blue Mountains

Accountability and Transparency Committee

Date: Friday, December 20, 2024
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Virtual Meeting, Teams
Prepared By:
Carrie Fairley, Legislative Coordinator

Members Present: Councillor June Porter, Councillor Paula Hope, Councillor Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, Robert Turner

Staff Present: Town Clerk Corrina Giles, Manager of Human Resources, Sarah Traynor and Director of Operations Alan Pacheco

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

Chair Porter called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. Legislative Coordinator Carrie Fairley noted that all Committee members were present virtually.

A.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved By: Robert Turner
Seconded By: Gail Ardiel

THAT the Agenda of December 20, 2024, be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda being:

- Review of Accountability and Transparency Committee Report dated November 25, 2024

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

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.

None

A.5 Previous Minutes

Moved By: Connie Craddock

Seconded By: Robert Turner

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee minutes of November 25, 2024, be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

B. Staff Reports and Deputation

B.1 Paul Reale, Resident, re: Public Comment Meeting Policy and its Relationship with the Public Comment Period in the Procedural By-law

Moved By: Robert Turner

Seconded By: Connie Craddock

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee receives the deputation of Paul Reale, resident, regarding public comment meeting policy and its relationship with the public comment period in the Procedural By-law 2023-62.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

C. Public Comment Period

Paul Reale, resident, provided comments regarding decorum during public comment period at Council and Committee of the Whole meetings. Paul also provided comments regarding and the definition of the word “personal” when the public is providing comments.

D. Matters for Discussion

D.1 Attendance of Alan, Pacheco, Director of Operations

Director of Operations, Alan Pacheco and the Committee discussed challenges of the Operations department and the plans moving into 2025.

D.2 Follow-up Direction from Council

D.2.1 Employee Whistleblower Policy, FAF.24.137

Moved By: Robert Turner

Seconded By: Connie Craddock

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee acknowledges that they have provided comments to Sarah Traynor in response to the Employee Whistleblower Policy.

AND THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests Council to direct staff to pause work on the Employee Whistleblower Policy until the Staff Code of Conduct Policy has been approved.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

D.2.2 Follow up Report Draft Employee Code of Conduct, FAF.24.136

Moved By: Gail Ardiel

Seconded By: Paula Hope

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee receives staff report FAF.24.136 Draft Employee Code of Conduct Policy for information.

AND that the Accountability and Transparency Committee members provide their comments regarding this draft policy to the Legislative Coordinator who will compile all the comments received and bring forward to the January 16, 2025, committee meeting.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

D.2.3 Lobbyist Registry Update

Chair Porter provided an update regarding the Lobbyist Registry noting that Principals Integrity provided training to Council, the video of the training is published on the Town's website and Council supported this Committee's request for the Communications Department to complete a training video.

D.2.4 Town of The Blue Mountains Procedural By-law 2023-62, Re: Public Comment Meeting Policy and its Relationship with the Public Comment Period in the Procedural By-law

This item is deferred to the January 16, 2025, Committee meeting.

D.2.5 Freedom of Information (FOI)

Town Clerk, Corrina Giles provided an update to the Committee noting that the Communications Department has on their workplan to complete a new page on the website for Freedom of Information requests.

D.3 Provincial Code of Conduct

Moved By: Paula Hope

Seconded By: Gail Ardiel

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee January 16, 2025, agenda will contain the Provincial Code of Conduct and the committee will submit their comments regarding this policy no later than January 9, 2025.

AND THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests that Legislative Coordinator compile and circulate to the committee the comments in advance of the January 16, 2025 meeting.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

D.4 Accountability and Transparency Committee 2025 Meeting Schedule

Moved By: Connie Craddock

Seconded By: Robert Turner

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee receives and endorses the 2025 Meeting Schedule, as presented.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

E. Correspondence

None

F. On-going and Continuous Monitoring of Accountability and Transparency Trends and Issues

None

G. Work Plan

None

H. New and Unfinished Business

H.1 Additions to Agenda

H.1.1 Review of Accountability and Transparency Committee Report dated November 25, 2024

H.2 Items Identified for Discussion at the Next Meeting

- Town of The Blue Mountains Procedural By-law 2023-62, Re: Public Comment Meeting Policy and its Relationship with the Public Comment Period in the Procedural By-law
- Provincial Code of Conduct, review of comments from Committee
- Employee Code of Conduct, review of comments from Committee

I. Notice of Meeting Dates

Accountability and Transparency Committee, January 16, 2025, Virtual

Accountability and Transparency Committee, February 13, 2025, Virtual

J. Adjournment

Moved By: Gail Ardiel

Seconded By: Connie Craddock

THAT this Accountability and Transparency Committee Meeting does now adjourn at 11:45 a.m. to meet again January 16, 2025, Virtually, or at the call of the Chair.

Yay (5): June Porter, Paula Hope, Gail Ardiel, Connie Craddock, and Robert Turner

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)



NVCA December 2024 Board Meeting Highlights

Next Meeting: 2025 Annual General Meeting scheduled on January 25, 2025 held in person at the Tiffin Centre for Conservation

For the full meeting agenda, including documents and reports, visit [NVCA's website](#).

Permits Approvals under the CA Act

NVCA Regulations staff provided a summary of the permits issued from July 24, 2024, to November 15, 2024.

Due to the enactment of Ontario Regulation 41/24 and sections of the CA Act on April 1, 2024, this report highlighted two different timelines.

Applications received before April 1, 2024, were reported under the previous Provincial timelines. Applications received after April 1, 2024, will be reported in accordance with the new timelines.

A total of 175 permits and clearances were approved by staff from July 24, 2024 to November 15, 2024.

For applications received before April 1, 2024, NVCA staff met prescribed timelines 97% of the time.

Since April 1, 2024, NVCA staff met timelines 99% of the time when issuing permits, and 98.5% when providing written notification status within prescribed timelines with only one applicant receiving a late notice.

2025 Fees for Planning and Permit Applications

Staff submitted a report to seek the Board's approval to increase the 2025 planning and permitting fees based on the cost of living allowance (3.1%), pending the expiration or

lifting of the fee freeze by the Minister of Natural Resources (MNR).

On December 12, 2024, NVCA received direction from the Minister of MNR that conservation authority planning and permitting fees will remain frozen from January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025. As a result, the staff report was withdrawn.

Conservation Authorities Act Deliverables Completed

Under Ontario Regulation 686/21: Mandatory Programs and Services, Conservation Authorities are required to complete six legislated deliverables for mandatory programs and services by December 31, 2024.

These include:

1. Conservation Areas Strategy
2. Land Inventory
3. Ice Management Plan
4. Natural Hazard Infrastructure Asset Management Plan
5. Natural Hazard Infrastructure Operational Management Plan
6. Watershed-Based Resource Management Strategy

NVCA has completed all of the legislated deliverables.

2025 Budget Approved

The Board of Directors approved NVCA's 2025 budget at \$5,129,673 compared to the 2024 approved budget of \$4,638,115. This includes a \$400,000 increase to the municipal levy

(shared among all 18 member municipalities), with the remainder coming from grants, fees for services, and other sources. Funds from municipal levy represent approximately 50% of NVCA's revenues.

Upcoming Events

Winter Camp Tiffin

Our staff have been excited to plan some winter camp activities for Winter Camp Tiffin, which will be full of outdoor adventures.

Led by NVCA's environmental educators, Camp Tiffin is an outdoor camp designed to enhance your child's knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the natural world and our amazing planet.

Dates: December 30, 2024, January 2 & 3, 2025

Location: Tiffin Centre for Conservation

Christmas Bird Count for Kids

Christmas Bird Count for Kids is a fun, family-friendly bird-watching event contributing to scientific bird count data.

Learn how to watch birds from our local nature enthusiasts, Nature Barrie. After their presentation inside, we will take to the trails on a guided hike to find and practice identifying the birds at Tiffin!

Hot chocolate is included. Please bring your own reusable mug.

Date: January 2, 2025

Location: Tiffin Centre for Conservation

Tiffin Nature School

At Tiffin Nature School, children aged 2.5 to 10 are invited to explore and connect with the natural world. We nurture their innate curiosity, offering immersive outdoor experiences that inspire discovery and growth.

Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays until May 29, 2025

Location: Tiffin Centre for Conservation



Committee Report

The Blue Mountains

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Date: Monday, January 13, 2025
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: Director of Planning and Development Services and Acting CAO Adam Smith, Director of Community Services Ryan Gibbons, Director of Operations Alan Pacheco, Manager of Human Resources Sarah Traynor, Director of Strategic Initiatives Tim Hendry

B. Staff Reports, Deputations, Correspondence

Administration, Corporate & Financial Services - To be chaired by Deputy Mayor Bordignon

B.1 Deputations, if any

B.1.1 Michelle Hunter and Dr. Geoff Moran, Rural Ontario Medical Program (ROMP) Re: Overview of Annual Docs on Ice Tournament and Request for Council support

Note: This deputation was withdrawn at the request of the presenters.

B.1.2 Paul Reale and John Milne, Residents Re: Comments on staff report ADM.25.002 Campus of Care Update

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of John Milne and Paul Reale, Residents Re: Comments on staff report ADM.25.002 Campus of Care Update;

AND THAT Council requests staff to prepare a written response to the deputation of Mr. Reale and answer all points clearly, and that the head of the Campus of Care project, Mayor Matrosovs, be a part of the process as Chair of the former Campus of Care Committee, Carried.

B.3 Correspondence, if any

None

B.4 Staff Reports

B.4.1 Campus of Care Update, ADM.25.002

THAT Council receive Staff Report ADM.25.002, entitled “Campus of Care Update”;

At the November 12, 2024, Council Meeting Staff Report FAF.24.144 on page 4 under Financial Impacts it stated 'Staff will outline in the 2025 Budget the financial allocations of funding spent to date and propose the appropriate funding sources since purchase of the land is no longer a consideration through a Campus of Care Project'. In the absence of this information not having been included in the current draft budget.

THAT Council direct staff to provide a full cost accounting outlining all expenses and funding sources and including those associated (i.e. SHS consulting, Peel Street South engineering, HEWs funding application. Legal, staff time etc.) with the Campus of Care project inclusive of those incurred by the previous Council (i.e. period of September 2021-January 13, 2025);

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide costs under category headings in a spreadsheet format for transparency as opposed to aggregated numbers;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a report outlining all lessons learned from the lack of public consultation and engagement throughout the entire process, Carried.

B.4.2 Interim Levy By-law Update, CFS.25.002

THAT Council receive Staff Report CFS.25.002, entitled “Interim Levy By-law Update”;

AND THAT Council approve the By-law to levy amounts on the assessment of property in the local municipality rateable for local municipality purposes as per the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, s. 317, Carried.

B.4.3 Borrowing By-law Update, CFS.25.003

THAT Council receive Staff Report CFS.25.003, entitled “Borrowing By-law Update”;

AND THAT Council approve the By-law to authorize temporary borrowing to meet the current expenses for the year ending December 31, 2025 at the January 27, 2025 Council Meeting, Carried.

B.4.4 2026 Municipal Election- Selection of Method of Voting, ADM.25.003

THAT Council receive Staff Report ADM.25.003, entitled “2026 Municipal Election - Selection of Method of Voting”;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a report to the January 27, 2025 Council Meeting regarding the additional cost of vote by mail, and/or providing a paper ballot option available in the Town Hall, Carried.

Strategic Initiatives - To be chaired by Councillor Porter

B.6 Deputations, if any

None

B.8 Correspondence, if any

None

B.9 Staff Reports

B.9.1 Extension of the Craigleith Community Working Group, SI.25.003

THAT Council receive Staff Report SI.25.003, entitled “Extension of the Craigleith Community Working Group”;

AND THAT Council approves an extension of the Craigleith Community Working Group up to and including April 1, 2026;

AND THAT Council acknowledges that the Craigleith Community Working Group will continue to work under the terms as outlined in the Phase 2 Terms of Reference as referenced in this staff report, Carried.

Community Services - To be chaired by Councillor Ardiel

B.11 Deputations, if any

None

B.13 Correspondence, if any

None

B.14 Staff Reports

B.14.1 Events for Life – Term Sheet, CS.25.002

THAT Council receive Staff Report CS.25.002, entitled “Events for Life – Term Sheet”;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a further staff report to answer the following questions:

1. Clarity regarding the "Grant" and "Loan" as referenced in the draft Term Sheet
2. More details regarding risk
3. Addition of Operating Reserve to the Term Sheet
4. Cost of soft furnishing as these are different from the hard construction costs
5. What other benefits to the community can be generated with the facility
6. What other community partners could be approached to provide community benefits

AND THAT Council direct Ryan Gibbons, Director of Community Services, to continue working with Events for Life for support and funding requests through all available sources, Carried.

B.14.2 Trail Etiquette Signs for Georgian Trail, CS.25.004

THAT Council receive Staff Report CS.25.004, entitled “Trail Etiquette Signs for Georgian Trail”;

AND THAT Council approve the design of the attached etiquette signs to be installed on sections of the Georgian Trail, Carried.

C. New and Unfinished Business

C.1 Committees of Council Reports

C.1.1 Accountability and Transparency Committee Report dated December 20, 2024

A) THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated December 20, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee receives the deputation of Paul Reale, resident, regarding public comment meeting policy and its relationship with the public comment period in the Procedural By-law 2023-62, Carried.

B) THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated December 20, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee acknowledges that they have provided comments to Sarah Traynor in response to the Employee Whistleblower Policy.

AND THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests Council to direct staff to pause work on the Employee Whistleblower Policy until the Staff Code of Conduct Policy has been approved, CARRIED

AND THAT Council direct staff to pause work on the Employee Whistleblower Policy until the Staff Code of Conduct Policy has been approved, Carried.

C) THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated December 20, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee receives staff report FAF.24.136 Draft Employee Code of Conduct Policy for information.

AND that the Accountability and Transparency Committee members provide their comments regarding this draft policy to the Legislative Coordinator who will compile all the comments received and bring forward to the January 16, 2025, committee meeting, Carried.

D) THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated December 20, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee January 16, 2025, agenda will contain the Provincial Code of Conduct and the committee will submit their comments regarding this policy no later than January 9, 2025.

AND THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee requests that Legislative Coordinator compile and circulate to the committee the comments in advance of the January 16, 2025 meeting, CARRIED

E) THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information and consideration, the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated December 20, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee receives and endorses the 2025 Meeting Schedule, as presented, CARRIED



Special Committee Report

The Blue Mountains

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Date: January 13, 2025
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual Meeting
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON
Prepared by: Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

B. Staff Reports, Deputations, Correspondence

Planning and Building Services - to be chaired by Councillor Hope

B.6 Deputations, if any

B.6.1 Jim Torrance, Blue Mountain Ratepayers' Association (BMRA), Re: Town of The Blue Mountains Housing Strategy and Affordable Housing

THAT Council of The Town of The Blue Mountains receive for information the deputation of Jim Torrance, Blue Mountain Ratepayers Association Re: Town of The Blue Mountains Housing Strategy and Affordable Housing. CARRIED

B.6.2 Kenneth Hale, Great Gulf, Re: Town of The Blue Mountain's Allocation Policy, PBS.25.007

THAT Council of The Town of The Blue Mountains receives as correspondence the deputation materials of Kenneth Hale, Great Gulf Re: Comments on the Town of The Blue Mountains Allocation Policy, PBS.25.007. CARRIED

B.9 Staff Reports

B.9.1 Follow-up Report Re FAF.24.089 and Grey County Housing Report PDR-CW-57-24, PBS.25.006

THAT Council receive for information Staff Report PBS.25.006, entitled "Follow-up Report Re FAF.24.089 and Grey County Housing Report PDR-CW-57-24";

In the recent Residential Satisfaction Survey Fall 2024, the cost of living in general, housing affordability and housing attainability was the most frequently mentioned issue;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a staff report back to Council to the February 4, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting, outlining the resources needed to navigate the complexities required to deliver affordable housing underlined by an action plan with measurable goals as outlined in the January 13, 2025 deputation by Jim Torrance, Blue Mountain Ratepayers' Association (BMRA) Re: The Blue Mountains Housing Strategy and Affordable Housing. CARRIED

B.9.2 Recommendation Report - Proposed OPA, ZBA, Draft Plan of Subdivision and Condominium 496857 Grey Road 2 (Hindsbrook), PBS.25.001

THAT Council receive Staff Report PBS.25.001, entitled "Information Report - Proposed Official Plan Amendment, Zoning By-Law Amendment, Draft Plan of

Subdivision and Draft Plan of Condominium – 496857 Grey Road 2 (Hindsbrook).
CARRIED



Committee Report

The Blue Mountains

Special Committee of the Whole Meeting

Date: January 14, 2025
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual Meeting
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON
Prepared by: Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

Administration, Corporate & Financial Services - To be chaired by Deputy Mayor Bordignon

B. Staff Reports and Public Comments

B.2 Staff Reports

B.2.1 2024 Resident Satisfaction Survey Results, SI.25.001

THAT Council receive Staff Report SI.25.001, entitled "2024 Resident Satisfaction Survey Results" for information. CARRIED

B.2.2 2025 Proposed Budget, CFS.25.001

THAT Council receive Staff Report CFS.25.001, entitled "2025 Proposed Budget";

AND THAT Council receive the 2025 Proposed Budget as attached;

AND THAT Council receive the 2025 Proposed Fees and Charges as attached.

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the 2025 Proposed Base Operating Budget, as presented, be revised as follows:

1. Reduction in Reserve Transfer of \$500,000
2. Delay Hiring of New Firefighters to Q4 2025
3. Delay Grants and Donations matching to 2026

for inclusion in the 2025 Draft Budget.

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be added to the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Urban Forestry (\$518,000), Year 2 and Year 3 costs of \$1.2M and \$1.7M

for consideration in the draft 2025 budget

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be REMOVED from the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Excess Soil Program (\$254,000)

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be REMOVED from the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Labourer and Technician (two staff) (Landfill Restructuring) (full year) - \$125,399

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be added to the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. One Seasonal Parks Labourer - \$41,000

for consideration in the draft 2025 budget

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be added to the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Three Seasonal Community Services Labourers - \$122,000

for consideration in the draft 2025 budget

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be REMOVED from the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Councillor Administrative Support - \$95,000

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be REMOVED from the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Facility Coordinator - \$56,000 (July 2025 Start date)

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be added to the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Physician Recruitment - \$100,000

for consideration in the draft 2025 Budget

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be added to the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Proposed Transit Agreement - \$75,000

for consideration in the draft 2025 budget

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be added to the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Community Planning Permit System (CPPS) - \$50,000, with an additional \$250,000 in 2026

for consideration in the draft 2025 budget

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be REMOVED from the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Two Customer Service Representatives - \$31,000

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be REMOVED from the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Special Events Coordinator - \$49,000 (July 2025 Start date)

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be added to the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. Site Specific Engineering Standards - \$10,000

for consideration in the draft 2025 budget

CARRIED



Committee Report

The Blue Mountains

Special Committee of the Whole Meeting

Date: January 17, 2025
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual Meeting
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON
Prepared by: Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

Administration, Corporate & Financial Services - To be chaired by Deputy Mayor Bordignon

B. Staff Reports and Public Comments

B.2 Staff Reports

B.2.1 2025 Proposed Budget, CFS.25.001

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be added to the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. IDEA Committee Training - \$21,714

for consideration in the draft 2025 budget

CARRIED

THAT Council direct that the following 2025 Proposed Request (Addition to the Budget) be added to the 2025 Draft Budget:

1. FOI Legal Services - \$15,250

for consideration in the draft 2025 budget

CARRIED

THAT Council receive verbal update 'Additions to the Budget from Staff Report CFS.25.001, entitled "2025 Proposed Budget";

AND THAT Council directs Senior Management Team to review the "2025 Budget Requests Above the Base" (page 11 of the proposed 2025 Budget) and bring any options for cost saving opportunities within those approved requests directly to the January 27, 2025 Council meeting.

CARRIED

That Council approve the proposed Fees and Charges for inclusion in the 2025 Draft Budget, with the following amendments:

1. Returned NSF Fee to be increased to \$50
2. Increase "Mattress" fee to \$30
3. Increase Screening No Show Fee to \$250
4. Increase Hearing No Show Fee to \$500
5. Increase Response to Homeowner False Security Alarm fee, first occurrence to \$300, second occurrence to \$400, third occurrence to \$600
6. Community Halls, Ravenna and Craigleith Community Centre - fee to be reviewed
7. Reduce Pickleball Subsidy, Beaver Valley Community Centre to 10%
8. Consider Full Day Pickleball Rental Rate
9. Consider Increase in Tomahawk Golf Round Fees, and provide options
10. Increase Standard Cemetery Lot fee to \$1120
11. Review Harbour fees, and increase to round figure amounts
12. Review Harbour Hydro Rate fees and increase in accordance with current Hydro rate increases of 8%

for consideration in the 2025 draft budget

CARRIED

C. New and Unfinished Business

C.2 Additions to the Agenda

C.2.1 Proposed 2025 Operating Studies and status of 2024 operating studies, page 112 of the 2025 draft budget book

Moved by: Councillor Porter

Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

THAT Council direct the Acting CAO, in coordination with the Senior Management Team and the Finance Department to review the Operating Studies included in the Proposed 2025 Budget, to prioritize and assess if there is staff capacity to initiate the studies, and to complete in 2025, and to report back to Council at the January 27, 2025 Council Meeting

CARRIED

C.2.2 Respective Increases in Consulting Fees Listed on Pages 15, 16 and 37 of the 2025 draft Budget Book

Moved by: Councillor Porter

Seconded by: Councillor McKinlay

THAT, Council direct staff to provide a breakdown of the Consulting Fees on pages 15, 16, and 17, as included in the draft 2025 Budget, by Department

CARRIED



Staff Report

Strategic Initiatives

Report To: Council Meeting
Meeting Date: January 27, 2025
Report Number: SI.25.002
Title: Municipal Accommodation Tax Revenue Sharing Agreement
Prepared by: Tim Hendry, Director of Strategic Initiatives

A. Recommendations

THAT Council receive Staff Report SI.25.002, entitled “Municipal Accommodation Tax Revenue Sharing Agreement”;

AND THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute the revenue sharing agreements with the Blue Mountain Village Association serving at the Town’s Destination Marketing Organization and as the eligible tourism entity as defined in O. Reg. 435/17: Transient Accommodation Tax.

AND THAT Council acknowledges that through the execution of the revenue-sharing agreements, the Blue Mountain Village Association will receive a maximum of 50% of the total revenue, less Town administrative expenses, collected under the Municipal Accommodation Tax program enacted under By-law 2024-74 for the purposes of tourism promotion.

B. Overview

The report seeks Council approval to enter into a revenue-sharing agreement with the Blue Mountain Village Association as related to the implementation of Municipal Accommodation Tax.

C. Background

The Ontario regulation governing Municipal Accommodation Tax (O. Reg. 435/17: Transient Accommodation Tax), requires that revenue collected through the tax must be shared with an *eligible tourism entity* as defined in the regulation.

The regulation outlines two revenue-sharing scenarios and formulas for municipalities to follow. Staff report [FAF.24.067](#), presented in July 2024, summarized the Town’s requirement to enter into a revenue-sharing agreement with the Blue Mountain Village Association as they are a non-profit entity that currently administers a destination marketing program through the collection of the two percent (2%) Village Amenity Fee that is charged on overnight transient accommodation.

Based on the above understanding, Council approved the following recommendation as part of the larger motion included within the staff report:

AND THAT Council approves the Blue Mountain Village Association as the Town's official Destination Marketing Organization and confirms that if Municipal Accommodation Tax is implemented, the Blue Mountain Village Association will be deemed as the eligible tourism entity that will receive a portion of the collected revenue based on a revenue sharing agreement between the Town and the Blue Mountain Village Association that will be brought forward to Council in a future staff report;

*Moved by: Councillor McKinlay
Seconded by: Councillor Porter
Carried (6 to 0)*

D. Analysis

Over the past year, the Town has been actively working with the Blue Mountain Village Association to develop and negotiate a revenue-sharing agreement.

The discussions have been extremely positive, with both organizations bringing innovative ideas and approaches forward related to tourism management, destination development and tourism promotion/marketing.

Through external legal counsel, two revenue-sharing agreements have been created:

- 1) Statutory Funds – Revenue Sharing Agreement**
- 2) Tourism Promotion Funds – Revenue Sharing Agreement**

The Statutory Funds Revenue Sharing Agreement is related to the amount that the Town is legally required to provide to the BMVA on an annual basis as required by Ontario Regulation. The agreement also includes an amount of additional funds that will be provided on an annual basis to reconcile payment based on performance. Under this agreement, the BMVA will be required to meet various financial accountability measures, including the presentation of an annual report.

The Tourism Promotion Funds Revenue Sharing Agreement is related to the amount that the Town will extend to the BMVA as the Town's Destination Marketing Organization. The Tourism Promotion Funds will equal an amount up to a maximum of fifty-percent (50%) of the overall funds collected through the MAT program, less costs that are deducted related to the Town's administration of the MAT program. These funds will be dedicated to tourism promotion activities supporting the entire Town of The Blue Mountains community. Under this agreement, the BMVA will be required to meet various financial accountability measures, including the presentation of an annual budget and work plan. The agreement also includes the requirement for the BMVA to form an industry-led tourism advisory committee comprised of tourism operators and accommodation providers.

For additional clarity, it's important to highlight that the agreement states that the total revenue shared with the BMVA shall never exceed the total amount of revenue from the MAT received by the Town.

At a high level, the [Economic Impact Assessment](#) completed in January 2024 by CBRE Tourism Consulting, as presented through report [FAF.24.004](#), indicated that implementing a 4% Municipal Accommodation Tax on available rooms would generate approximately \$4 Million in annual revenue. This estimate was based on historical market performance data provided by the CBRE Hotel Industry Database, short-term accommodation data provided through a third-party service provider, and data provided directly to CBRE by local accommodation providers.

Using the estimated Municipal Accommodation Tax revenue and based on the proposed 50/50 split through the revenue sharing agreements, the Town will retain \$2 Million and \$2 Million will be shared with the Blue Mountain Village Association, less administrative expenses. It's important to note that the actual Municipal Accommodation Tax revenue collected will vary and depend on tourism visitation levels and external market factors.

Staff would also like to highlight that the proposed term of the revenue sharing agreements is for a three (3) year term, at which point, the agreements will be reviewed and considered for renewal.

In addition to the revenue-sharing agreements, staff would like to take the opportunity of this report to provide Council and the public with an update on three key items related to the implementation of Municipal Accommodation Tax:

- 1. Preparation and Implementation of the Tax**
- 2. Update on the Tourism Strategy**
- 3. Update on the Town Use of MAT Funds Policy**

Preparation and Implementation of the Tax

Following the approval of the Municipal Accommodation Tax By-law by Council in late November 2024, staff provided written notice to accommodation providers regarding the implementation of the tax. Throughout December, staff offered one-on-one support to local accommodation providers to answer questions and concerns. Staff also worked with representatives from the Blue Mountain Short Term Accommodation Association and the Blue Mountain Village Association to ensure that the information reached accommodation providers within their respective networks. In addition, staff worked with representatives from Airbnb, Expedia and other online travel agency websites to inform them of the new tax and implementation date.

The Municipal Accommodation Tax By-law formally came into effect on Monday, January 6, 2025. Staff are continuing to work with accommodation providers to answer questions and to address concerns.

In addition, staff have also proceeded with the implementation of the Short Term Rental and Municipal Accommodation Tax software. It's expected that the software will be fully functional in early 2025.

Update on the Tourism Strategy

Work to complete the tourism and marketing strategy is progressing very well. The project is on schedule and within budget. A formal strategy update presentation was provided as a [deputation to Council](#) on Monday, December 9, 2024 by the lead consultant, Bannikin. The next phase of strategy development will include additional industry and public meetings to review and validate the draft recommendations. When ready, the strategy will be presented to Council for formal consideration.

Update on the Town Use of MAT Funds Policy

Following the approval of the [Town Use of MAT Funds Policy](#) by Council on Monday, November 18, 2024; staff are actively working to develop the evaluation criteria that will be used to support the policy. The evaluation criteria will be presented to Council in Q2 2025. As a reminder, the evaluation criteria/framework will be used to assess projects and opportunities against the funding principles as outlined within the approved policy.

E. Strategic Priorities

2. Organizational Excellence

We will continually seek out ways to improve the internal organization of Town Staff and the management of Town assets.

3. Community

We will protect and enhance the community feel and the character of the Town, while ensuring the responsible use of resources and restoration of nature.

4. Quality of Life

We will foster a high quality of life for full-time and part-time residents of all ages and stages, while welcoming visitors.

F. Environmental Impacts

No direct environmental impacts are anticipated as a result of this report.

G. Financial Impacts

The 4% Municipal Accommodation Tax is estimated to generate approximately \$4 Million in annual revenue. Based on the proposed 50/50 split through the revenue sharing agreements, the Town will retain \$2 Million and \$2 Million will be shared with the Blue Mountain Village Association, less administrative expenses.

Administrative expenses related to the Municipal Accommodation Tax program will be deducted from the gross revenue collected. As a result, the program does not have any direct impact on taxation.

For additional clarity, it's important to highlight that the agreement states that the total revenue shared with the BMVA shall never exceed the total amount of revenue from the MAT received by the Town.

It's important to note that the actual Municipal Accommodation Tax revenue collected will vary and depend on tourism visitation levels and external market factors.

All funds collected through the tax will be held in a reserve fund in accordance with the By-law. Financial reports will be brought forward to Council through the annual financial reporting and budget processes.

H. In Consultation With

Will Thomson, External Legal Counsel
Senior Management Team

I. Public Engagement

The topic of this Staff Report has not been the subject of a Public Meeting and/or a Public Information Centre as neither a Public Meeting nor a Public Information Centre are required. However, any comments regarding this report should be submitted to Tim Hendry, Director of Strategic Initiatives si@thebluemountains.ca.

J. Attached

None.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Hendry
Director of Strategic Initiatives

For more information, please contact:
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Report Approval Details

Document Title:	SI.25.002 Municipal Accommodation Tax Revenue Sharing Agreement.docx
Attachments:	
Final Approval Date:	Jan 16, 2025

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Tim Hendry - Jan 16, 2025 - 11:20 AM

The Corporation of The Town of The Blue Mountains

By-law Number 2025 –

Being a By-law to authorize temporary borrowing to meet the current expenses of the municipality for the year ending December 31, 2025

Whereas the provisions of the Municipal Act, 2001, S. O. 2001, c. 25, Section 407, permit a municipality to authorize temporary borrowing, until the taxes are collected and other revenues are received, of the amounts that the municipality considers necessary to meet the current expenses of the municipality for the year;

And whereas the total amount borrowed at any one time plus any outstanding amounts of principal borrowed and accrued interest, except with the approval of the Ontario Municipal Board, is limited;

Now therefore the Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains hereby enacts as follows:

1. At any time during a fiscal year, the Head of Council and the Treasurer may authorize temporary borrowing, until the taxes are collected and other revenues are received, of the amounts that the municipality considers necessary to meet the current expenses of the municipality for the year, and of the amounts, whether or not they are expenses for the year, that a municipality requires in the year for:
 - a) reserve, sinking and retirement funds;
 - b) principal and interest due on any debt of the municipality;
 - c) school purposes;
 - d) other purposes the municipality is required by law to provide for; and,
 - e) the amount of principal and interest payable by a person or municipality primarily liable for a debt, if the municipality has guaranteed the debt and the debt is in default.
2. Except with the approval of the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal, the total amount borrowed at any one time plus any outstanding amounts of principal borrowed and accrued interest shall not exceed:
 - a) from January 1 to September 30 in the year, 50 per cent of the total estimated revenues of the municipality as set out in the budget adopted for the year; and,
 - b) from October 1 to December 31 in the year, 25 per cent of the total estimated revenues of the municipality as set out in the budget adopted for the year.
3. Until the budget is adopted in a year, the limits upon borrowing under Section 2 shall temporarily be calculated using the estimated revenues of the municipality set out in the budget adopted for the previous year.
4. In Sections 2 and 3, estimated revenues do not include revenues derivable or derived from:
 - a) arrears of taxes, fees or charges; or,
 - b) a payment from a reserve fund of the municipality, whether or not the payment is for a capital purpose.
5. The lenders from whom amounts may be borrowed under authority of this By-law shall be TD Canada Trust and such other lender(s) as may be determined from time to time by resolution of Council.

6. The lender is not responsible for establishing the necessity of temporary borrowing or the manner in which the borrowing is used.

And further, that this By-law shall come into force and take effect upon the first day of January, 2025.

Enacted and passed this 27th day of January, 2025.

Andrea Matrosovs, Mayor

Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

The Corporation of The Town of The Blue Mountains

By-law Number 2025 –

Being a By-law to levy amounts on the assessment of property rateable for local municipality purposes, and to further provide for percentage charge and interest charge in default of payment thereof

Whereas Section 317 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended (the Act) authorizes a local municipality, before the adoption of the estimates for the year under Section 290, to pass a By-law levying amounts on the assessment of property in the local municipality rateable for local municipality purposes;

And Whereas the amount levied on a property shall not exceed the prescribed percentage, or 50 per cent if no percentage is prescribed, of the total amount of taxes for municipal and school purposes levied on the property for the previous year;

And Whereas the percentage established in the previous recital may be different for different property classes but shall be the same for all properties in a property class;

And Whereas for the purposes of calculating the total amount of taxes for the previous year, if any taxes for municipal and school purposes were levied on a property for only part of the previous year because assessment was added to the tax roll during the year, an amount shall be added equal to the additional taxes that would have been levied on the property if the taxes for municipal and school purposes had been levied for the entire year;

And Whereas Section 342 of the Act authorizes a municipality to provide for the payment of taxes in one amount or by instalments and the date or dates in the year for which the taxes are imposed on which the taxes or instalments are due;

And Whereas Section 342 of the Act authorizes a local municipality to provide for alternative instalments and due dates in the year for which the taxes are imposed other than those established under the previous recital to allow taxpayers to spread the payment of taxes more evenly over the year;

And Whereas Section 345 of the Act authorizes a local municipality to impose late payment charges for the non-payment of taxes or any instalment by the due date;

Now Therefore the Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains hereby enacts as follows:

- 1) That there shall be levied an amount on the assessment of all properties rateable for local municipality purposes an interim levy based on 50% of the total amount of taxes for municipal and school purposes levied on the property for 2024, as adjusted.
- 2) That the taxes imposed by this By-law shall be paid in two instalments upon the following dates:
 - One-half thereof on the 21 day of March 2025; and
 - One-half thereof on the 21 day of May 2025.
- 3) That an amount levied under this By-law on a property in a year shall be deducted from any subsequent amounts levied on the property for the year that are payable to the local municipality.
- 4) That alternative instalments and due dates in the year for which the taxes are imposed other than those established under clause 2 are:
 - One tenth of the total amount of taxes for municipal and school purposes levied on the property for the previous year due on the first business day of each of the months January through July inclusive; and

- The total amount of taxes finally levied for the current year less the total of all instalments paid from January to July, due in three equal instalments on the first business day of August to October.
- 5) That the Treasurer shall send a tax bill to every assessed property owner, at least 21 days before any taxes shown on the tax bill are due. The tax bill will be sent to the assessed property owner's residence or place of business or to the premises in respect of which the taxes are payable, unless the taxpayer directs the treasurer in writing to send the bill to another address, in which case it shall be sent to that address.
 - 6) That a penalty charge of 1.25 per cent of the amount of taxes due and unpaid shall be imposed for the non-payment of taxes on the first day of the month following the date the taxes were due.
 - 7) That interest charges in the amount of 1.25 per cent each month of the amount of taxes due and unpaid, shall be imposed on the amount of taxes due and unpaid on the first day of each and every month the default continues.
 - 8) That all taxes shall be paid into the Office of the Treasurer, Thornbury, Ontario, or through financial institutions to the credit of the Treasurer of the Town of The Blue Mountains.
 - 9) That if an article of this By-law is for any reason held to be invalid, the remaining articles shall remain in effect until repealed.

And further, that this By-law shall come into force and effect for the year commencing January 1, 2025.

Enacted and passed on this 27th day of January, 2025.

Andrea Matrosovs, Mayor

Corrina Giles, Clerk

The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains

By-Law Number 2025 –

Being a By-law to Appoint an Acting Deputy Clerk

Whereas subsection 228(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001*, chapter 25, requires the Council of a municipality to appoint a Clerk for the purposes of the municipality;

And Whereas it is deemed expedient by Council to appoint an Acting Deputy Clerk;

Now Therefore, Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains hereby enacts as follows:

1. That Carrie Fairley is hereby appointed as the Acting Deputy Clerk for The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains as per the previously approved terms of employment.

And further that this By-law shall come into force and take effect upon the enactment thereof.

Enacted and passed this 27th day of January, 2025

Andrea Matrosovs, Mayor

Corrina Giles, Town Clerk