

April 14, 2022

Mayor Alar Soever Town of Blue Mountains 32 Mill Street Box 310 Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

BY EMAIL ONLY

Your Worship:

Re: Town of Blue Mountains Notice of Motion of February 14, 2022 - SGB Regional Government

Please be advised that the Town of Wasaga Beach Coordinated Committee, during its April 14, 2022 meeting adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas the Council of the Town of Blue Mountains enacted a motion pertaining to the Town's displeasure of being part of Grey County due to reasons such as County Council composition, amount of tax dollars flowing to the County, and what the Town receives in return:

And Whereas the motion directed staff to:

Review previous studies on the matter of regional governance models as well as historical and projected budgets for the Town and Grey County and prepare a report back to Council before the end of its term to consider:

- 1. The net cash flows that historically have occurred between the Town of The Blue Mountain ratepayers and Grey County investments in, and other transfers to the Town of The Blue Mountains for infrastructure and other social service needs, and
- 2. The net impact on the Town of The Blue Mountains ratepayers, both in terms of finances and service delivery if the Town were to be part of a South Georgian Bay regional government consisting of Meaford, Grey Highlands, Collingwood, Clearview and Wasaga Beach, as opposed to continuing to be part of Grey County.

And Whereas there was no contact with the Town of Wasaga Beach before the motion was put forward:

Planning:

429-3847

Parks & Rec:

And Whereas there was no regard or consideration for Wasaga Beach, Collingwood or Clearview taxpayers on the implications to these taxpayers of becoming part of a regional government with the Town of Blue Mountains, with these taxpayers likely being asked to fund any funding shortfalls of this new governance model;

Be it resolved that the Council of the Town of Wasaga Beach advises the Town of Blue Mountain that Wasaga Beach enjoys being part of the County of Simcoe governance structure and has no desire to be part of the review;

And be it further resolved that the Council of the Town of Wasaga Beach indicate to the Town of the Blue Mountain that it will strongly oppose any regionalization efforts;

And be it further resolved that if the Town of Blue Mountains wishes to join the County of Simcoe that it be advised that it follow the proper process to do so;

And be it further resolved that this motion be circulated to the Towns' of Collingwood and Meaford and the Townships of Clearview and Grey Highlands requesting their support;

And be it further resolved that this motion be circulated to the Town of Blue Mountains and Grey County Council."

In summary, the Town of Wasaga Beach is not interested in being part of a South Georgian Bay Regional Government consisting of Meaford, Grey Highlands, Collingwood and Clearview. The Town of Wasaga Beach has the benefit of being part of the County of Simcoe and has no desire to be part of this review.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at <a href="mayor@wasagabeach.com">mayor@wasagabeach.com</a> or (705) 429-3844 Ext. 2225.

Sincerely,



Nina Bifolchi, Mayor Town of Wasaga Beach

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c. Wasaga Beach Town Council Members Mayor Brian Saunderson, Town of Collingwood Mayor Barb Clumpus, Municipality of Meaford Mayor Doug Measures, Township of Clearview Mayor Paul McQueen, Municipality of Grey Highlands Warden George Cornell, County of Simcoe