



# Notice of Public Meeting

## With regard to Proposed Revisions to the Council Procedural By-law 2022-76

**April 18, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. Hybrid Format  
In-Person AND Virtual/Online**

**Town Hall, Council Chambers  
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0**

### What is being proposed?

Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains will be holding a Public Meeting to receive comments on the proposed changes to the Council Procedural By-law 2022-76. Additional information regarding the proposed changes can be accessed via the March 13, 2023, staff report [FAF.23.015 Procedural Bylaw Review](#).

At the March 27, 2023 Council Meeting, Council also requested review of the following sections of the Procedural Bylaw:

#### Housekeeping Items

- Remove reference to 2022 regular election (paragraph 3.1);
- Investigate closed session recordings (paragraph 4.10);

#### Electronic Participation

- Limit the number of meetings attended virtually to 20 per year (Council, Committee of the Whole, Council Public Meeting);
- Limit the number of concurrent meetings a member may participate in to three Council meetings per year;

#### Public Comment

- Remove the requirement for the Clerk to read the Comments on behalf of the author; (paragraph 13.6)
- Limit the length of the Public Comment to 400 words, if Public Comments are to be ready by the Clerk's office

#### Election

- No Council meetings after the election, before new Council has been sworn in

#### Minutes

- Document attendance of Council members in Minutes and on Council attendance summary, that members attended virtual, in person, or if an absence is due to a Council Function;

#### Agenda

- Remove the roll call at the beginning of each meeting, with attendance being recorded in the Minutes.

### When will a decision be made?

It is important to note that a decision on the proposed changes has NOT been made at this point and will NOT be made at this Public Meeting. After considering the comments received from the public, Staff will bring its recommendations to a future Committee of the Whole Meeting.

### How can I make my views known about this proposal?

Any person or agency may provide comments on this matter in writing or verbally at the Public Meeting.

Comments at the Public Meeting assist the Town and Council in their decision-making process, so be sure to have your say!

### How do I submit my comments?

Written Comments – You are encouraged to provide your comments or questions in writing using email or regular letter mail to the Town Clerk. Written comments received by **1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 14, 2023**, will be read by the Town Clerk at the Public Meeting for the benefit of everyone in attendance and will be included in the record of the Public Meeting.

Comments can be faxed to 519-599-7723, or emailed [townclerk@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:townclerk@thebluemountains.ca).

Any submitted comments become part of the **public record**, including names and addresses.

Verbal Comments – This Public Meeting is a hybrid meeting, allowing the public to attend the meeting in person or virtually. Those that wish to make verbal comments virtually are required to pre-register with the Town Clerk, no later than five business days in advance of the Public Meeting, by **4:30 p.m. April 11, 2023**.

Anyone wishing to provide their verbal comments in person at the Public Meeting, can attend the Town Hall, Council Chamber.

### Want to be notified of a decision?

You must make a request in writing to the Town Clerk if you would like to be notified of a decision on this proposal to:

Corrina Giles, Town Clerk  
Town Hall, 32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON  
Fax: 519-599-7723  
[townclerk@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:townclerk@thebluemountains.ca)

### Questions? Want more information? Ask a Staff Member!

**Corrina Giles, Town Clerk; Phone:** (519) 599-3131 ext. 232; **Email:** [townclerk@thebluemountains.ca](mailto:townclerk@thebluemountains.ca)

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