



Task Force Report

Community Recovery Task Force

Meeting Date: January 20, 2021
Meeting Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Town Hall, Council Chambers
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON

Grants and Donations Committee Recommendations

NOTE: The following are recommendations from the Community Recovery Task Force to be considered for adoption by Council

****Included for ease of reference are the DRAFT January 20, 2021 Community Recovery Task Force (small group) Minutes**

C.1 Matters arising from Small Recovery Task Force meeting (if any)

A)

Recommended (Move, second)

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the January 20, 2021 Community Recovery Task Force recommendation as follows:

THAT the Community Recovery Task Force requests Council to direct staff to develop a report that provides management tools necessary for a safe re-opening of the area for Spring and Summer 2021, including consideration of speed control on Highway 26 during the busy summer season;

AND THAT the Community Recovery Task Force requests Council to direct staff to consider potential impacts and modifications to traditional annual events which may be necessary due to COVID-19, CARRIED.

AND THAT, in accordance with the recommendation provided, Council directs staff as follows:

- To develop a staff report that provides management tools necessary for a safe re-opening of the area for Spring and Summer 2021, including consideration of speed control on Highway 26 during the busy summer season;
- To consider potential impacts and modifications to traditional annual events which may be necessary due to COVID-19.

B)

Recommended (Move, second)

THAT, in accordance with the January 20, 2021 Community Recovery Task Force recommendation, Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains provides a reserve of \$50,000 for the purposes of supporting the activities identified by the Recovery Task Force with respect to management tools necessary for a safe re-opening and to be funded by working capital pending future grant applications.



Minutes

Community Recovery Task Force

Meeting Date: January 20, 2021
Meeting Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Microsoft Teams Meeting
Prepared by Sarah Merrifield, Executive Assistant Committees of Council

A. Call to Order

NOTE: This meeting began prior to 10:00 a.m. as all confirmed attendees were present in advance of the meeting start time.

Mayor Alar Soever called the meeting to order at 9:39 a.m. with Councillor Peter Bordignon and Councillor Rob Sampson present.

Town staff present were Chief Administrative Officer Shawn Everitt, Director of Finance and IT Services Ruth Prince, Director of Community Services Ryan Gibbons, Manager of Communications and Economic Development Tim Hendry, and Communications and Economic Development Coordinator Carling Fee.

Regrets were sent by Director of Operations Shawn Carey.

- **Task Force Member Attendance**
- **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by: Rob Sampson

Seconded by: Peter Bordignon

THAT the Agenda of January 21, 2021 be approved as circulated, including any additions to the Agenda, Carried.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

NOTE: In accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* and the Town Procedural By-law 2019-56, Community Recovery Task Force members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

None

▪ **Previous Minutes (January 6, 2021)**

Moved by: Peter Bordignon

Seconded by: Rob Sampson

THAT the Community Recovery Task Force Minutes of January 6, 2021 (large and small group) be approved as circulated, including any revisions to be made, Carried.

B. Matters for Discussion

B.1 Matters arising from January 20, 2021 Large Task Force (if needed)

A) Annualized Events Enhancement

- The Recovery Task Force discussed potential enhancement of existing annualized events, and potential for new events being introduced for mid to late 2021, with the understanding that COVID-19 will need to be considered in the planning of any possible events
- Noted there may be considerations for management tools needed for safe and phased re-opening of the area in Spring and Summer 2021

Moved by: Rob Sampson

Seconded by: Peter Bordignon

THAT the Community Recovery Task Force requests Council to direct staff to develop a report that provides management tools necessary for a safe re-opening of the area for Spring and Summer 2021, including consideration of speed control on Highway 26 during the busy summer season;

AND THAT the Community Recovery Task Force requests Council to direct staff to consider potential impacts and modifications to traditional annual events which may be necessary due to COVID-19, Carried.

B) Shop Local

- Manager of Communications and Economic Development Tim Hendry identified potential options for a “Shop Local Education” program to emphasize the importance for residents to shop local

Moved by: Rob Sampson

Seconded by: Peter Bordignon

THAT the Community Recovery Task Force requests Council to provide a reserve of \$50,000 for the purposes of supporting the activities identified by the Recovery Task Force with respect to management tools necessary for a safe re-opening and to be funded by working capital pending future grant applications, Carried.

C. Correspondence

None

D. New and Unfinished Business

D.1 Additions to the Agenda

D.2 Items Identified for Discussion at Next Meeting

- Discussion of next steps with respect to potential management tools necessary for a safe re-opening of the area

E. Upcoming Meeting Dates

February 3, 2021

F. Adjournment

Moved by: Rob Sampson

Seconded by: Peter Bordignon

THAT the Community Recovery Task Force does adjourn at 10:34 p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair, Carried.

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