



# Committee Report

## The Blue Mountains

### Committee of the Whole Meeting

**Date:** Monday, October 7, 2024  
**Time:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Location:** Town Hall, Council Chambers and Virtual Meeting  
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON  
**Prepared by:** Kyra Dunlop, Deputy Clerk

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

**Members Absent:** Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon

**Staff Present:** CAO Shawn Everitt, Director of Community Services Ryan Gibbons, Director of Finance and IT Services Monica Quinlan

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## **B. Staff Reports, Deputations, Correspondence**

### **Finance, Administration, and Fire Services Reports - To be chaired by Deputy Mayor Bordignon**

#### **B.1 Deputations, if any**

##### **B.1.1 Pamela Spence, Toronto Ski Club Committee Member Re: 100th Anniversary of the Toronto Ski Club**

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Pamela Spence, Toronto Ski Club Committee Member Re: 100th Anniversary of the Toronto Ski Club, Carried

#### **B.3 Correspondence, if any**

None

#### **B.4 Staff Reports**

##### **B.4.1 Blue Mountains Attainable/Affordable Housing Advisory Committee Terms of Reference, FAF.24.089**

THAT, at the September 9, 2024 Council Meeting, Council provided the following direction to staff:

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.089, entitled "Blue Mountains Attainable/Affordable Housing Advisory Committee Terms of Reference", and directs the Town Clerk to include this staff report on the October 7, 2024 Committee of the Whole Agenda, in coordination with the Grey County September 12, 2024 Grey County staff report regarding housing

AND THAT, as the Grey County Staff Report regarding housing has not yet been included on a Grey County Council Agenda, Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains directs staff to include the Grey County Staff Report regarding housing (once available), and The Blue Mountains Staff Report FAF.24.089 “Blue Mountains Attainable/Affordable Housing Advisory Committee Terms of Reference” on the next available Council Agenda, for Council consideration, Carried.

**B.4.2 Financial Update Report for the eight months ended August 31, 2024, FAF.24.113**

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.113, entitled “Financial Update Report for the eight months ended August 31, 2024”, for information purposes, Carried.

**B.4.3 Follow Up to the Municipal Accommodation Tax By-law and Reserve Fund Public Meeting, FAF.24.115**

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.24.115, entitled “Follow Up to the Municipal Accommodation Tax By-law and Reserve Fund Public Meeting”;

AND THAT Council approve the Municipal Accommodation Tax By-law as presented and directs staff to bring the By-law forward to the October 21, 2024 Council meeting for final approval with the By-law scheduled for enactment on Monday, January 6, 2025, Carried.

**Community Services Reports - To be chaired by Councillor McKinlay**

**B.6 Deputations, if any**

**B.6.1 Mackenzie Fleming, President, Georgian Bay Applekings Re: Request for Council to designate dressing rooms at the Beaver Valley Community Centre and to declare the events taking place during the 2024 to 2025 Hockey Season, between October 26, 2024 to August 9, 2025, as Municipally Significant**

A) THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the deputation of Mackenzie Fleming, President, Georgian Bay Applekings, Re: Request for Council to designate dressing rooms at the Beaver Valley Community Centre and to declare the events taking place during the 2024 to 2025 Hockey Season, between October 26, 2024 to August 9, 2025, as Municipally Significant, Carried.

B) THAT respect to the deputation presented at the October 7, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting by the Georgian Bay Applekings, Council direct staff to consider a dressing room in the upcoming design work of the Beaver Valley Community Centre for a dressing room dedicated to the Georgian Bay Applekings, Carried.

C) THAT with respect to the deputation presented at the October 7, 2024 Committee of the Whole Meeting by the Georgian Bay Applekings, Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains declares the Georgian Bay Applekings hockey events for the 2024-2025 season taking place between October 26, 2024 to August 9, 2025, and being held at the Beaver Valley Community Centre a Municipally Significant Event in accordance with the Alcohol and Gaming Commission, Special Occasion Permit requirements, Carried.

**B.8 Correspondence, if any**

None

**B.9 Staff Reports**

**B.9.1 Response to Councillor Porter Notice of Motion for the Georgian Trail, CSOPS.24.034**

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.24.034, entitled “Response to Councillor Porter Notice of Motion for the Georgian Trail” for information purposes;

AND THAT Council direct staff before requesting a traffic impact study to bring forward to Council for any proposed roadway crossing, all other options that have been evaluated by a weighted decision matrix for consideration as any roadway crossing the Georgian Trail should be the last resort, Carried.

**B.9.2 Response to deputation from Ms. Crosskill regarding Bayview Park Playground Project, CSOPS.24.064**

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.24.064, entitled “Response to deputation of Ms. Crosskill regarding Bayview Park Playground Project”;

AND THAT Council direct staff to include this project in the 2025 budget with funding recommendations to include rubberized play surfacing, Carried.

**C. New and Unfinished Business**

**C.1 Committees of Council Reports**

**C.1.1 Accountability and Transparency Committee Report dated September 12, 2024**

A) THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated September 12, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Advisory Committee acknowledges that Council adopted the Accountability and Transparency Policy and received the update from the Town Clerk. CARRIED.

B) THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated September 12, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Advisory Committee acknowledges the update from the Town Clerk regarding the Lobbyist Registry.

AND THAT the Accountability and Transparency Advisory Committee requests Council to allow the Committee Chair to be active and involved in the Communication Plan for the Lobbyist Registry. CARRIED.

AND THAT Council direct staff to include Councillor Porter, and Chair of the Accountability and Transparency Committee in the Communication Plan for the Lobbyist Registry, Carried.

C) THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated September 12, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee reviewed the Terms of Reference, and no action was taken. CARRIED.

D) THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the following recommendation from the Accountability and Transparency Committee dated September 12, 2024:

THAT the Accountability and Transparency Committee ("Committee") considers a Strategic Plan to be key to good governance, transparency and accountability

AND THAT The Committee urges Council and Staff to take steps to expeditiously and with urgency support the work of the newly established Corporate Strategic Plan Task Force

AND THAT the Committee's mandate requires this Committee to support the development and implementation of the Strategic Plan and recommends the Strategic Plan Task Force support the development and implementation of a Strategic plan and to this end, the Committee would benefit from and be able to better contribute to good Strategic Planning by receiving monthly Strategic Plan progress updates, Carried.