



# Committee Report

## The Blue Mountains

### Committee of the Whole Meeting

**Date:** Tuesday, October 28, 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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#### **B. Staff Reports, Deputations, Correspondence**

##### **Operations - To be chaired by Councillor McKinlay**

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

##### **B.1.1 Amy Taylor, Chief Executive Officer, Green Analytics Re: Natural Asset Inventory - Summary of Results**

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the Deputation of Amy Taylor, Chief Executive Officer, Green Analytics, regarding Natural Asset Inventory - Summary of Results **CARRIED**

##### **B.1.2 David Finbow, Tyrolean Village Resorts Re: Drainage Master Plan and 302 Grey Road 21**

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the Deputation of David Finbow, Tyrolean Village Resorts regarding Drainage Master Plan and 302 Grey Road 21 **CARRIED**

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

##### **B.3.1 Paul Reale, President, Blue Mountains Historical Society Re: Support for Notice of Intention to Designate, OPS.25.043 (152-Year-Old Sugar Maple, 10th Line and Georgian Trail) (Receive For Information)**

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the October 28, 2025 correspondence from Paul Reale, President, Blue Mountains Historical Society regarding Support for Notice of Intention to Designate, OPS.25.043 (152-Year-Old Sugar Maple, 10th Line and Georgian Trail) **CARRIED**

## **B.4 Staff Reports**

### **B.4.1 Natural Asset Inventory – State of the Infrastructure Report, OPS.25.046**

THAT Council receive Staff Report OPS.25.046, entitled “Natural Asset Inventory – State of the Infrastructure Report”;

AND THAT Council identifies natural assets—such as wetlands, forests, trees, and water bodies—as critical infrastructure that provide essential services such as stormwater management, flood control, and climate resilience;

AND THAT Council endorses an approach to proactive natural asset management beginning with street trees in the Town’s urban settlement areas, to be developed by staff in consultation with the Biodiversity and Urban Forest Strategy (BUFS) Task Force, with consideration for budget and staffing implications.

AND THAT Council direct staff to explore an Ecological Offset Policy, in coordination with Grey County **CARRIED**

### **B.4.2 Terms of Reference for Biodiversity and Urban Forest Strategy Task Force, OPS.25.042**

THAT Council receive Staff Report OPS.25.042, entitled “Terms of Reference for Biodiversity and Urban Forest Strategy Task Force”;

AND THAT Council direct staff to assemble a Biodiversity and Urban Forest Strategy Task Force (BUFS Task Force) as per the attached Terms of Reference;

AND THAT Council direct staff to initiate the workplan for a BUFS Task Force as per the attached Terms of Reference;

AND THAT Council direct staff to include \$12,000 in the 2026 Sustainability Operating Budget to support the Task Force activities and peer review of the Biodiversity and Urban Forest Strategy. **CARRIED**

### **B.4.3 Ontario Heritage Act Designation – 152 Year Old Sugar Maple, 10th Line and Georgian Trail, OPS.25.043**

THAT Council receive Staff Report OPS.25.043, entitled “Ontario Heritage Act Designation – 152 Year Old Sugar Maple, 10th Line and Georgian Trail”;

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains states a Notice of Intention to Designate the property municipally known as Roll Number 4242000015008450000, High Bluff Lane, Plan 16M14 Block 27, under Part IV, Section 29, of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18. **CARRIED**

### **B.4.4 Drainage Master Plan Notice of Completion and PIC 3, OPS.25.003**

THAT Council receive Staff Report OPS.25.003, entitled “Drainage Master Plan Notice of Completion and PIC 3” **CARRIED**

THAT, with respect to Staff Report OPS.25.003, entitled “Drainage Master Plan Notice of Completion and PIC 3”, Council requests additional information, including:

1. Overall Environmental Assessment process
2. Identified risks
3. Any other elements that could be helpful to Council
4. Historical context to enhance decision making of Council

to be provided to the November 10, 2025 Council Meeting in order to secure Council's confidence in approving the issuance of the “Notice of Completion” for the 30-day review for the Drainage Master Plan. **CARRIED**

**Planning and Building - To be chaired by Councillor Hope**

**B.6 Deputations, if any**

**B.6.1 Sarah Waggott, Beaver River Trail Working Group Re: A Response to Staff Report PBS.25.062**

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the Deputation of Sarah Waggott, Beaver River Trail Working Group regarding a Response to Staff Report PBS.25.062, "Report in Response to Deputation of Sarah Waggott of the Beaver River Trail Working Group, PBS.25.062". **CARRIED**

**B.8 Correspondence, if any**

**B.8.1 Curtis McDonnell, Beaver River Trail Working Group Re: Response to Staff Report PBS.25.062 (For Council Consideration)**

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence from Curtis McDonnell, Beaver River Trail Working Group regarding Response to Staff Report PBS.25.062 **CARRIED**

**B.8.2 Betty Muise, Tree Trust Re: Staff Report PBS.25.062 (For Council Consideration)**

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the October 22, 2025, correspondence from Betty Muise regarding Staff Report PBS.25.062 **CARRIED**

**B.9 Staff Reports**

**B.9.1 Report in response of deputation of Sarah Waggott of the Beaver River Trail Working Group, PBS.25.062**

THAT Council receive Staff Report PBS.25.062, entitled “Report in response of deputation of Sarah Waggott of the Beaver River Trail Working Group”;

AND THAT Council direct Staff to proceed with both Option 2: Enact a Proclamation and Option 3: Stop Up and Close the Road Allowances and Convert to a Public Park;

AND THAT Council direct staff to proceed with Option 2 to receive a proclamation of Council to support the long term protection of the Trail as outlined below

WHEREAS the Beaver River Trail along Alice, Russell, and Arthur Streets provides an essential recreational and scenic resource for the residents and visitors of the Town of The Blue Mountains;

AND WHEREAS the trail's current location offers unique access to the natural beauty and biodiversity of the area and offers opportunities for community engagement with the natural environment;

AND WHEREAS the existing vegetation and mature trees on the road allowance adjacent to the trail play a critical role in maintaining a naturalized area, offering habitat for wildlife, and contributing to the aesthetic value and experience of the trail;

AND WHEREAS preserving the trail in its current location aligns with the Town's objectives to provide a corridor park, promote public access to recreation, and connect neighbourhoods, business and community services;

AND WHEREAS community feedback has consistently affirmed the value placed on this natural asset;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of The Blue Mountains Council formally recognizes the significance of the Beaver River Trail along Alice, Russell, and Arthur Streets as well as its surrounding natural features;

AND THAT the Town of The Blue Mountains is committed to protecting the trail in its current location, ensuring that development and land use planning activities do not adversely compromise the integrity of the trail and its adjacent mature trees;

AND THAT Council will continue to support initiatives that promote the ecological health of the Beaver River corridor and enhance the recreational experience of the trail for current and future generations;

AND THAT Council direct staff to commence the process required to Stop up and close the road allowances and convert to a Public Park and a natural corridor. **CARRIED**

### **B.9.3 Assumption Report – Tyrolean Village Phase 3, PBS.25.071**

THAT Council receive Staff Report PBS.25.071, entitled Assumption Report – Tyrolean Village Phase 3;

AND THAT Council enact a By-law to approve full acceptance and assumption of Public Works constructed and installed within Registered Plan of Subdivision 1107 including blocks 87.

AND THAT Council enact a By-law to assume the streets of Registered Plan 1107 for public use, namely Arlberg Crescent. **CARRIED**

**B.9.4 Assumption Report – Clarksbury Phase 1, PBS.25.069**

THAT Council receive Staff Report PBS.25.069, entitled Assumption Report – Clarksbury Phase 1;

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-74; Including Blocks 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43

AND THAT Council enact a By-law to assume the streets of Registered Plan 16M-74 for public use, namely Tekiah Rd. and Goldie Court. **CARRIED**

**B.9.5 Assumption Report – Clarksbury Phase 2, PBS.25.070**

THAT Council receive Staff Report PBS.25.070, entitled Assumption Report – Clarksbury Phase 2;

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-87; Including Blocks 61;

AND THAT Council enact a By-law to assume the streets of Registered Plan 16M-87 for public use, namely Goldie Court. **CARRIED**

**B.9.6 Assumption Report- Windfall Phase 2C, 4A, 4B, and 5, PBS.25.072**

THAT Council receive Staff Report PBS.25.072, entitled “Assumption Report - Windfall Phase 2C, 4A, 4B, and 5, PBS.25.072”;

AND THAT Council enacts a By-law to approve full acceptance and assumption of the Public Works constructed and installed within Registered Plans of Subdivision 16M-57, 16M-71, 16M-78 and 16M-86 as well as within Registered Plan 16M-42 Blocks 38, 42 and 67.

AND THAT Council enact a By-law to assume the streets of Registered Plans 16M-57, 16M-71, 16M-78 and 16M-86 as well as within Registered Plan 16M-42 Blocks 38, 42 and 67, for public use, namely Crosswinds Boulevard from Yellow Birch Crescent to Second Nature, Courtland Street, Sycamore Street and Black Willow Crescent **CARRIED**