



Minutes

The Blue Mountains

Grants and Donations Advisory Committee

Date: May 21, 2025
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Virtual Meeting, Teams
Prepared By:
Carrie Fairley, Acting Deputy Clerk

Members Present: Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Michael Caron, Brandon Lapstra, Jackie Stewart, Marc Anthony Venere, Shawn McKinlay

Staff Present: Director of Corporate and Financial Services, Monica Quinlan, Director of Community Services, Ryan Gibbons, Financial Services Administrative Assistant, Tracy Nowak, Community Services Administrative Assistant, Katie Love

A. Call to Order

A.1 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement and Moment of Reflection

We would like to begin our meeting by recognizing the First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples of Canada as traditional stewards of the land. The municipality is located within the boundary of Treaty 18 region of 1818 which is the traditional land of the Anishnaabek, Haudenosaunee and Wendat-Wyandot-Wyandotte peoples.

A.2 Committee Member Attendance

Deputy Mayor Bordignon called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Acting Deputy Clerk Carrie Fairley noted that Grants and Donations Members were present, virtually, save and except for Members Caron and Venere.

Member Caron joined the meeting at 9:44 a.m.

Member Venere joined the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

A.3 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Shawn McKinlay
Seconded by: Brandon Lapstra

THAT the Agenda of May 21, 2025 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda.

Yay (5): Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Michael Caron, Brandon Lapstra, Jackie Stewart, and Shawn McKinlay

Absent (1): Marc Anthony Venere

The motion is Carried (5 to 0)

A.4 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

NOTE: In accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* and the Town Procedural By-law 2023-62, Council or Committee Members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

None

A.5 Previous Minutes

Moved by: Shawn McKinlay
Seconded by: Jackie Stewart

THAT the Grants and Donations Advisory Committee minutes of March 26, 2025 be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (4): Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Brandon Lapstra, Jackie Stewart, and Shawn McKinlay

Absent (2): Michael Caron, and Marc Anthony Venere

The motion is Carried (4 to 0)

B. Staff Reports and Deputations

B.1 2025 Grants and Donations Applications, CFS.25.028

Moved by: Michael Caron

Seconded by: Jackie Stewart

THAT the Grants and Donations Committee receive Staff Report CFS.25.028, entitled “2025 Grants and Donations Applications”;

AND THAT the Grants and Donations Committee make recommendations to Council to authorize the funding of the 2025 Cash Grant portion of the applications as follows:

- Breaking Down Barriers - \$500
- Climate Action Now Network - \$500
- Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Inc. - \$500
- Elora Environment Centre (Tree Trust) - \$500
- Escarpment Corridor Alliance - \$500
- Events for Life Centre Inc. - \$500
- Georgian Triangle Anglers Association - \$500
- Grey Sauble CA/Beaver River Watershed Initiative - \$500
- Hanley Institute - \$500
- Home Horizon Georgian Triangle Residential Services - \$500
- Hope Haven Therapeutic Riding Centre - \$500
- Magic of Children in the Arts - \$500
- Ontario Track 3 Adaptive Sports Association - \$500
- Pollinate The Blue Mountains - \$500
- Royal Canadian Legion Br 281 - \$500
- Southern Georgian Bay Jewish Community - \$500
- St. George’s Cares Meal Program c/o St. George’s Anglican Church - \$500
- Theatre Collingwood Association Inc. - \$500
- Thornbury / Beaver Valley Lions Club - \$500
- United Way Simcoe Muskoka - \$500 **CARRIED**

Yay (6): Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Michael Caron, Brandon Lapstra, Jackie Stewart, Marc Anthony Venere, and Shawn McKinlay

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

Moved by: Shawn McKinlay
Seconded by: Marc Anthony Venere

THAT with respect to Staff Report CFS.25.028, entitled “2025 Grants and Donations Applications” the Grants and Donations Committee makes the following recommendation to Council to authorize the funding of the 2025 Subsidy Grant portion of the applications as follows:

- Beaver Valley Agricultural Society - \$9,375
- Blue Mountains Curling Centre - \$1,310
- Living Better with Parkinson’s - \$500
- Meaford Thornbury Special Olympics - \$6,400
- Rotary Club of Thornbury Clarksburg - \$3,500
- Seniors Network – Blue Mountains - \$740
- Touch of Taryn Foundation - \$780
- Beaver Valley Outreach \$11,635
- Hospice Georgian Triangle Foundation \$500
- Music in the Park - \$2,375
- My Friend’s House - \$500 **CARRIED**

Yay (6): Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Michael Caron, Brandon Lapstra, Jackie Stewart, Marc Anthony Venere, and Shawn McKinlay

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)

C. Public Comment Period

None

D. Matters for Discussion

None

E. Correspondence

None.

F. New and Unfinished Business

F.1 Additions to Agenda

None

F.2 Items Identified for Discussion at the Next Meeting

- Fundraising Opportunities
- Collaboration and partnership with the Blue Mountain Legacy Fund

G. Notice of Meeting Dates

Next Grants and Donations Advisory Committee Meeting to be held virtually at the call of the Chair.

H. Adjournment

Moved by: Michael Caron

Seconded by: Marc Anthony Venere

THAT this Grants and Donations Advisory Committee Meeting does now adjourn at 10:10 a.m. to meet again virtually at the call of the Chair.

Yay (6): Deputy Mayor Peter Bordignon, Michael Caron, Brandon Lapstra, Jackie Stewart, Marc Anthony Venere, and Shawn McKinlay

The motion is Carried (6 to 0)