



# Minutes

## The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board

**Date:** October 22, 2025  
**Time:** 8:30 a.m.  
**Location:** Town Hall, Council Chambers - Virtual Meeting  
32 Mill Street, Thornbury ON

**Prepared By:** Carrie Fairley, Acting Recording Secretary/Acting Deputy Clerk

**Members Present:** Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, Jim Oliver  
**Members Absent:** Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs  
**Staff Present:** Chief Administrative Officer, Adam Smith and Manager of Customer Service and Communications, Allan Gibbons

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### A. Call to Order

Chair Oliver called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with all members of the Board present save and except for Members Matrosovs and Ardiel, who sent their regrets.

Town staff present were Chief Administrative Officer Adam Smith, Manager of Customer Service and Communications, Allan Gibbons and Acting Deputy Clerk and Acting Recording Secretary Carrie Fairley.

OPP Detachment Staff present were Detachment Commander Loris Licharson, Town of The Blue Mountains Staff Sergeant Kevin Cornell and Operations Manager Mark Stadig

#### A.1 Traditional Territory Acknowledgement

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 Approval of Agenda**

Moved by: Lynn Church

Seconded by: Donna Wilson

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Agenda of October 22, 2025, be approved as circulated, including any additions to the Agenda.

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

## **A.3 Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

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

None

## **A.4 Previous Minutes**

Moved by: Lynn Church

Seconded by: Donna Wilson

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board minutes of July 16, 2025, be approved as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

## **A.5 Chair's Remarks**

Chair Oliver welcomed everyone to the meeting noting this Board does not meet that often and emphasised the importance of these Board meetings.

Chair Oliver advised the Board that Member Lynn Church will be resigning effective December 31, 2025. The Chair, on behalf of the Board, thanked Member Church for her work on the Board over the years. Lynn thanked the Board and noted that she appreciated the time she spent and any input that she provided to help.

Chair Oliver spoke regarding the Community Survey and noted that over 200 responses were received. Chair Oliver noted his pleasure with the number of responses and thanked everyone involved for their work on the survey.

Chair Oliver spoke regarding recent media coverage with respect to the federal and provincial governments commitment to hiring more officers, whether RCMP, Border Staff or Provincial Police. Chair Oliver noted that this initiative is long overdue and hopes our OPP will benefit from this initiative.

Moved by: Jim Oliver

Seconded by: Donna Wilson

THAT the Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board expresses their appreciation to Lynn Church for her work over the years on this Board

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

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

None

## **C. Correspondence, if any**

### **C.1 Ryan Teschner, Inspector General, Re: Memorandum 7 Risk Based Compliance Framework (Receive For Information)**

Moved by: Donna Wilson

Seconded by: Lynn Church

THAT the Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information the September 25, 2025, correspondence from Ryan Teschner, Inspector General regarding Memorandum 7 Risk Based Compliance Framework

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

### **C.2 Ryan Teschner, Inspector General, Re: Advisory Bulletin 2.1 regarding Board and Committee Meetings (Receive For Information)**

Moved by: Lynn Church

Seconded by: Donna Wilson

THAT the Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information the September 25, 2025, correspondence from Ryan Teschner, Inspector General regarding

Advisory Bulletin 2.1 regarding Board and Committee Meetings

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

**C.3 OAPSB Quarterly Newsletter**

**(Receive For Information)**

Moved by: Lynn Church

Seconded by: Donna Wilson

THAT the Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information the OASPB Quarterly Newsletter

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

**D. Staff Reports**

**D.1 Detachment Commander's Report Q3 Report, 2025**

Staff Sergeant Kevin Cornell provided an overview of the first portion of the Detachment Commander's report. Detachment Commander Licharson completed the overview of the report.

Moved by: Donna Wilson

Seconded by: Lynn Church

THAT the Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information the Detachment Commander's Q3 Report, 2025

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

**E. Closed Session**

Moved by: Lynn Church

Seconded by: Donna Wilson

THAT, with regard to section 44(1) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board does now move into closed session to discuss matters involving public security and with regard to:

- i. personal matters about an identifiable individual, including members of the police service or any other employees of the board or the public with regard to The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Survey; and
- ii. labour relations or employee negotiations with regard to OPP operations

Board moved into closed session at 10:03 a.m.

Board moved into public session at 10:44 a.m.

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

#### **E.1 Closed Session Reporting Out Statement**

The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board met in closed session under Section 44(1) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act* with regard to the community survey and OPP operations related to response times.

### **F. New & Unfinished Business**

#### **F.1 Review of Results of The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Community Policing Survey**

Moved by: Lynn Church

Seconded by: Donna Wilson

THAT the Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information the non-confidential Results of the Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board's Survey

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

#### **F.2 2026 Board Meeting Schedule**

Moved by: Donna Wilson

Seconded by: Lynn Church

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board approve the 2026 Board Meeting Schedule;

AND THAT the Board directs the Recording Secretary to post the schedule to the Board's webpage on the Town website and circulate the schedule to The Town of Collingwood OPP Detachment Board for information.

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

**F.3 Previous Minutes (verbal)**

The Acting Recording Secretary updated the Board regarding the possibility of amending the Board's Procedural By-law with respect to the Board's remuneration and noted the amendment has been deemed unnecessary.

Moved by: Lynn Church

Seconded by: Donna Wilson

THAT the Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information the verbal update from the Recording Secretary regarding the Previous Minutes and regarding the Procedural By-law

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

**G. Additions to the Agenda**

Moved by: Donna Wilson

Seconded by: Lynn Church

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board extends the length of the meeting beyond the two-hour time limit to 11:00 am

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**

**H. Notice of Meeting Dates**

The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board, January 21, 2026  
Town Hall, Council Chambers

The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board, April 15, 2026  
Town Hall, Council Chambers

## **I. Adjournment**

Moved by: Donna Wilson

Seconded by: Lynn Church

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Meeting does now adjourn at 10:52 a.m. to meet again January 21, 2026, or at the call of the Chair.

Yay (3): Lynn Church, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (3 to 0)**