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Subject: deputation regarding Georgian Hills Vineyards 2026 request for amendment to Noise Bylaw exemption

Sent: January 27, 2026 1:31 AM

To: Corrina Giles <cgiles@thebluemountains.ca>

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Dear Madam Clerk

Please provide to Council and read into the record at the public meeting the following comments in response to the deputation by Robert Ketchin/Georgian Hills Vineyard contained in item B.11 of the COW Agenda for the Feb 2/26 COW meeting.

Mr Ketchin seeks the removal of key provisions that were wisely required by Council as a condition of granting Mr Ketchin /GHV broad relief from the TBM Noise Bylaw which effectively provides them a multi-year exemption from that bylaw.

GHV is to be commended for effectively controlling and monitoring noise from its venue over the 2025 season. This has resulted in a lack of complaints since the 2025 exemption was granted.

However what they are now requesting is the complete removal of two of the key conditions which resulted in controlling the previous problem (ie limiting events to 90 participants and moving dancing indoors after 930pm).

The removal of these conditions would effectively render the previous exemption meaningless.

Before Council considers granting the requested relief it should:

(i) require GHV to provide convincing evidence that removing these requirements will not result in a return of the noise problem.

(ii) require GHV to explain why the complete elimination of these conditions is required rather than a modification of the restrictions (eg increasing the permitted number of participants to say 100 or 110 and changing the time for moving dancing inside to 10 or 1030pm) is not adequate.

Regards

Peter Franklyn

Debbie Young

From: Lindsay Squire [REDACTED]
Sent: March 12, 2026 10:18 AM
To: Bylaw Info
Subject: Noise By-law Exemption Request 496350 Grey Road 2 - Georgian Hills Vineyard

Dear Town of the Blue Mountains Enforcement Services,

In response to the above- mentioned request, we would first ask why this matter is being revisited?

We are the closest and most affected property to the vineyard and have been as accommodating and patient as we could: Robert assured us that the indoor dance floor and its times of use would be in effect for the 2026 season.

Now we are upset to find that assurance is false and that outdoor music will play until midnight throughout the summer.

Therefore we strongly object to the request.

Yours sincerely

Lindsay Squire and Meredith Scourfield -Thomas

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