



# Minutes

## The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board

**Date:** January 28, 2026  
**Time:** 8:30 a.m.  
**Location:** Town Hall, Council Chambers - Virtual Meeting  
32 Mill Street, Thornbury ON  
**Prepared By:** Carrie Fairley, Acting Deputy Clerk

**Members Present:** Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, Jim Oliver, Sarah Jessop

**Staff Present:** Chief Administrative Officer, Adam Smith, Acting Recording Secretary, Carrie Fairley

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### A. Call to Order

Acting Recording Secretary, Carrie Fairley called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Andrea Matrosovs, Jim Oliver, and Donna Wilson present in Council Chambers. Gail Ardiel attended the meeting virtually.

Town Staff present were Chief Administrative Officer Adam Smith and Acting Recording Secretary and Acting Deputy Clerk Carrie Fairley.

OPP Detachment Staff present were Detachment Commander Loris Licharson, Sgt. Kevin Cornell and Staff Sgt. 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: Gail Ardiel  
Seconded by: Jim Oliver

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Agenda of January 28, 2026, be approved as circulated, including any additions to the Agenda.

Yay (4): Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (4 to 0)**

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

NOTE: In accordance with the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* and The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Town Procedural By-law 2025-01, 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.

**A.4 Previous Minutes**

Moved by: Andrea Matrosovs  
Seconded by: Jim Oliver

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board minutes of October 22, 2025, be approved as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

Yay (4): Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (4 to 0)**

**A.5 Appointment of Chair for 2026**

**Note: In accordance with Section 36(1) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* and The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Procedural By-law, 2025-01, the Members of the Board shall appoint a Chair at the Board's first meeting each year. The Acting Recording Secretary will call for nominations for the Chair for the remainder of the 2022-2026 Term of Council.**

Moved by: Donna Wilson  
Seconded by: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* and The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Procedural By-law 2025-01, Jim Oliver is appointed as the Chair of The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board for the

remainder of the 2022-2026 Term of Council.

Yay (4): Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (4 to 0)**

**A.6 Appointment of Vice-Chair for 2026**

**Note: In accordance with Section 36(2) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* and The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Procedural By-law, 2025-01, the Members of the Board shall appoint a Vice-Chair at the Board's first meeting each year. The Acting Recording Secretary will call for nominations for the Vice-Chair for the remainder of the 2022-2026 Term of Council.**

Moved by: Andrea Matrosovs

Seconded by: Gail Ardiel

THAT, in accordance with Section 36(2) of the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* and The Town of The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Procedural By-law 2025-01, Donna Wilson is appointed as the Vice-Chair of The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board for the remainder of the 2022-2026 Term of Council.

Yay (4): Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, and Jim Oliver

**The motion is Carried (4 to 0)**

**A.7 Oath and Affirmation of Public Appointee**

**Note: Following the Resignation of Lynn Church on December 31, 2025, Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains appointed a New Public Appointee at the January 26, 2026 Council Meeting, to The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board for the remainder of the 2022-2026 Term of Council.**

Sarah Jessop, Public Appointee was duly sworn and executed the Oath of Office for the remainder of the 2022-2026 term of Council.

**A.8 Chair's Remarks**

Chair Oliver welcomed the new Board Member, Sarah Jessop to The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board.

Chair Oliver further noted this is the final year in this term of Council and noted the importance of this Board and thanked Council and the Town for the support that is provided to this Board.

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

None

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

### **C.1 Ontario Association of Police Service Boards (OAPSB) Training and Communications Team, Re: Important Notice outlining Legislative Changes (Receive For Information)**

Moved by: Donna Wilson

Seconded by: Gail Ardiel

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information the January 2, 2026, correspondence from the Ontario Association of Police Service Boards, (OAPSB) Training and Communications Team regarding Important Notice Outlining Legislative Changes

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, Jim Oliver, and Sarah Jessop

**The motion is Carried (5 to 0)**

### **C.2 Ontario Association of Police Service Boards (OAPSB), Re: Quarterly Newsletter - October - December 2025 (Receive For Information)**

Moved by: Andrea Matrosovs

Seconded by: Sarah Jessop

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information the Ontario Association of Police Service Boards (OASPB) Quarterly Newsletter - October - December 2025

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, Jim Oliver, and Sarah Jessop

**The motion is Carried (5 to 0)**

### **C.3 Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce, Re: Quarter 4 Coordinator's Report, October to December 2025 (Receive For Information)**

Moved by: Donna Wilson

Seconded by: Sarah Jessop

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information the correspondence from Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce regarding Quarter 4 Coordinator's

Report, October to December 2025.

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, Jim Oliver, and Sarah Jessop

**The motion is Carried (5 to 0)**

## **D. Staff Reports**

### **D.1 DRAFT 2026-2029 Town of The Blue Mountains and Town of Collingwood Action Plan**

Detachment Commander provided an overview of the Draft 2026-2029 Town of The Blue Mountains and Town of Collingwood Action Plan.

Moved by: Gail Ardiel

Seconded by: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment receives for information the DRAFT 2026-2029 Town of The Blue Mountains and Town of Collingwood Action Plan

AND THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board supports the DRAFT 2026-2029 Town of The Blue Mountains and Town of Collingwood Action Plan as presented

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, Jim Oliver, and Sarah Jessop

**The motion is Carried (5 to 0)**

### **D.2 Detachment Commander's Report - Quarter 4 - 2025**

Moved by: Gail Ardiel

Seconded by: Donna Wilson

Detachment Commander provided an overview of the Detachment Commander's Report – Quarter 4 2025.

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board receives for information the Detachment Commander's Report - Quarter 4 -2025

AND THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board requests CAO Smith to work with the Town's Communications Department to communicate and promote recruitment for members of the OPP Auxiliary Unit

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, Jim Oliver, and Sarah Jessop

**The motion is Carried (5 to 0)**

## **E. Closed Session**

None

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

### **F.1 Board Member Attendance at 2026 OAPSB Conference and Annual General Meeting**

Moved by: Andrea Matrosovs

Seconded by: Sarah Jessop

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board authorizes Donna Wilson and Jim Oliver to attend the 2026 OAPSB Annual General Meeting from May 31-June 2, 2026 in Niagara Falls, ON and directs the Acting Recording Secretary to register those Board Members for the conference including accommodations.

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, Jim Oliver, and Sarah Jessop

**The motion is Carried (5 to 0)**

## **G. Additions to the Agenda**

None

## **H. Notice of Meeting Dates**

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

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

## **I. Adjournment**

Moved by: Donna Wilson

Seconded by: Sarah Jessop

THAT The Blue Mountains OPP Detachment Board Meeting does now adjourn at 10:05 a.m. to meet again April 15, 2026, or at the call of the Chair.

Yay (5): Gail Ardiel, Andrea Matrosovs, Donna Wilson, Jim Oliver, and Sarah Jessop

**The motion is Carried (5 to 0)**