TOWN OF THE BLUE MOUNTAINS

POLICY & PROCEDURES

Delegation by Council of Powers and Duties

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Subject Title:

Corporate Policy (Approved by Council)

Policy Ref. No.:

POL.COR.07.04

By-law No.:

Schedule "A" to

As noted in

Policy

Department Policy: (Approved by Mgr.)

Administrative Policy (Approved by CAO)

Name of Dept.:

Administration

Date Approved: January 28, 2008

Staff Report:

A.07.35

Policy Statement

Policy direction for Council procedure in the delegation of its powers and duties as described section 23.1 of the Municipal Act, 2001.

Purpose

Compliance with Section 270 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001.

Application

This Policy applies to the actions or decisions to be undertaken or made by the municipality, its Council, its Senior Management Team and Local Boards as defined in subsection 269.1 of the Municipal Act, 2001, all collectively called the "municipality", for the purpose of providing accountability and transparency in the municipal decision-making process and its actions.

Council will endeavour in its actions to ensure accountability for its decisions and the manner in which decisions are made will be transparent to the public.

The Municipal Act, 2001 requires a municipality to adopt a Policy with respect to the delegation and the carrying out of delegated powers and duties of Council as described in the Municipal Act, 2001, the Planning Act, the Building Code Act and any other Act so as to increase the accountability and transparency of the municipal decision-making process.

In order to ensure the efficient management of the municipality and an ability to respond to issues in a timely manner, Council has the ability to delegate certain powers and duties to municipal officers, employees or agents, while maintaining accountability through this Policy document.

The powers and duties delegated by Council are not considered to be legislative or quasi-judicial and are considered to be administrative or minor in nature and may be subject to such conditions and limits as Council considers appropriate.

The persons to whom Council may delegate certain powers and duties shall be officers, employees or agents of the municipality.

All delegation of powers and duties by Council shall be confirmed by By-law and may be revoked by Council at any time.

Town Staff shall prepare regular reports for Council providing detail on any delegated approvals granted.

Council, at their sole discretion, retains the right to hear any appeal made by a person or body of a delegated approval decision and to determine the process by which an appeal hearing shall proceed. Council may delegate the right to hear any appeal in a manner to be determined by Council.

Definitions

Delegation: shall mean the transfer of approval authority of certain powers and duties from Council to designated Town officer, employee or agent positions under certain terms and conditions as identified by Policy and confirmed by Bylaw.

Procedures

The delegations previously delegated are hereby continued to be delegated by Council to the appointed Town Officer, Employee or Agent positions. Delegations are as noted on the attached Schedule "A".

Exclusions

Unless specifically delegated in this or any subsequent Policy, all the powers and duties of Council as described in the *Municipal Act, 2001* shall remain with Council.

The following powers and duties cannot be delegated by Council:

- a) The power to appoint or remove from office an officer of the municipality whose appointment is required by the *Municipal Act, 2001.*
- b) The power to pass By-laws for municipal taxation or tax collection.

- c) The power to incorporate corporations.
- d) The power to adopt an Official Plan or Official Plan Amendment or pass a Zoning By-law under the *Planning Act.*
- e) The power to pass a By-law for the establishment of a counselling service to small businesses operating in the municipality or for the provision of municipal capital facilities.
- f) The power to adopt a Community Improvement Plan.
- g) The power to adopt or amend the budget of the municipality.
- h) Any other power or duty that may be prescribed.

References and Related Policies

By-Laws referenced on Schedule "A"

Consequences of Non-Compliance

Non-compliance with the *Municipal Act, 2001* is subject to the remedies prescribed therein.

Review Cycle

This policy will be reviewed each term of Council by the Senior Management Team for report to Council in open session.

1.1 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Authority to review and comment on "red-line" (i.e. minor changes that would not require another public meeting) revisions to Draft Plan of Subdivision/Condominium to the County of Grey.

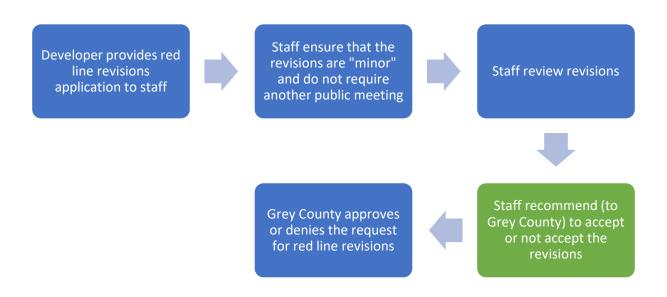
Delegated To

Director of Planning and Development Services, or designate

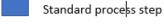
Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-10 and *Planning Act* Section 51 (Plans of Subdivision)

Approval Process



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1.2 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Perform Minor Site Plan approvals that would otherwise be in compliance with the applicable Zoning By-law and would not generate extensive site works and where staff would not ordinarily recommend a Site Plan Agreement as being required.

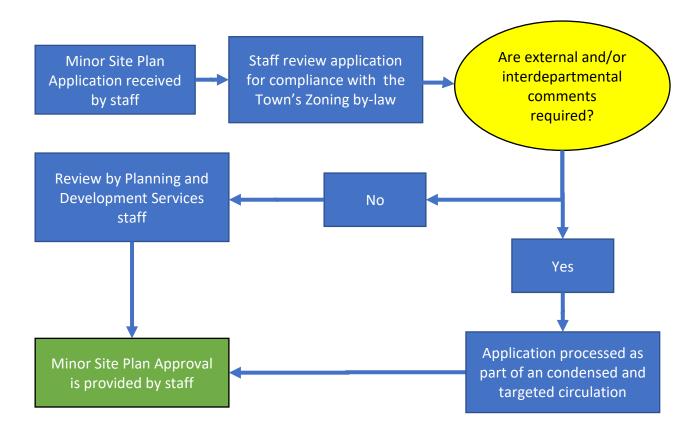
Delegated To

Director of Planning and Development Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-10 and *Planning Act* Section 41 (Site Plans)

Approval Process



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1.3 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Authority to review and comment on Niagara Escarpment Development Permit Applications that would otherwise be in compliance with zoning regulations were they in effect. Any application that would not be in compliance shall be reviewed by Council.

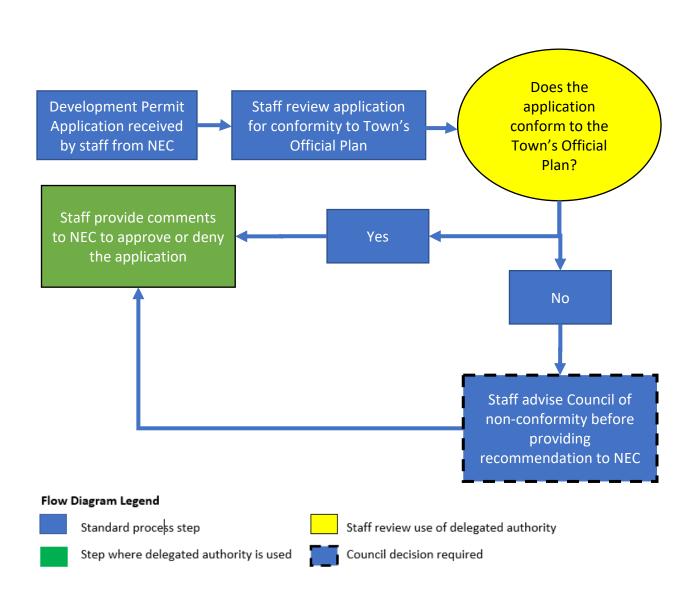
Delegated To

Director of Planning and Development Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-10

Approval Process



1.4 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Execution of Model Home and/or Temporary Sales Office Agreements required for sales and display where permitted by zoning regulations and contemplated by development agreement.

Delegated To

Director of Planning and Development Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-10 and related to Zoning By-law Section 4.20 (Model Homes and Temporary Sales Office); Site Plan issued under <u>Planning Act</u> Section 41 (Site Plans)

Approval Process



Flow Diagram Legend





1.5 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Execution of Tree Preservation Agreements, in a form approved by the Director of Legal Services, required by a Subdivision Agreement and Tree Preservation By-law as approved by the Town.

Delegated To

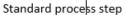
Director of Planning and Development Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2009-85; related to Bylaw 2010-68 (Town Tree By-law)

Approval Process

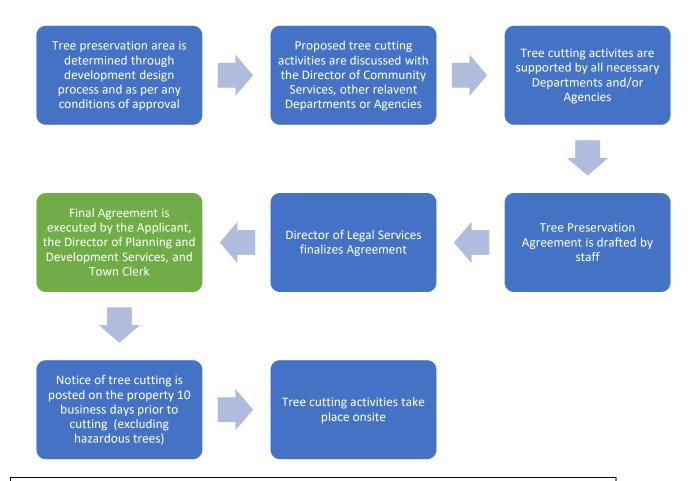








Step where delegated authority is used



1.6 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Municipal Clearances to the County of Grey with respect to Draft Plan Approval to facilitate registration upon fulfillment of conditions and supported by appropriate documentation.

Delegated To

Director of Planning and Development Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2009-85; related to *Planning Act* Section 51 (Plans of Subdivision)

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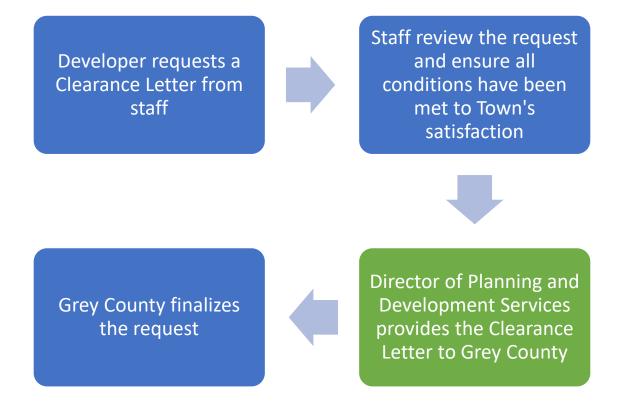


Staff review use of delegated authority



Step where delegated authority is used





1.7 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Provision of consent to the County of Grey with respect to a Draft Plan extension provided:

- a) Municipal services continue to be available
- b) New legislation, regulations, policies and/or by-laws would not preclude the proposed development; and
- c) The request for Draft Plan extension does not apply to a Draft Plan where approval has been granted for more than 10 years.

Delegated To

Director of Planning and Development Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2009-85 and *Planning Act* Section 51 (Plans of Subdivision)

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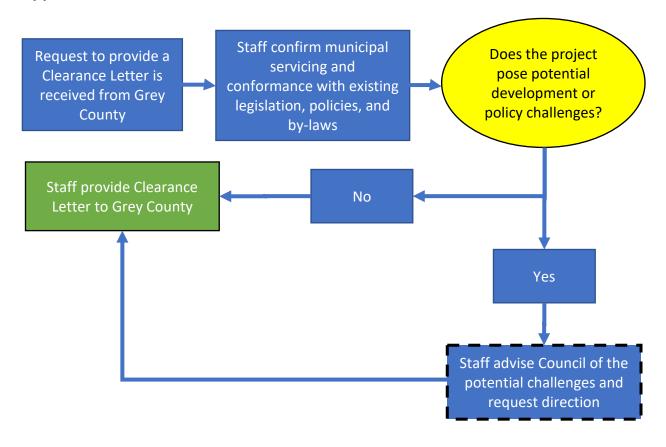
Staff review use of delegated authority



Step where delegated authority is used



Approval Process



1.8 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Site Plan Approval, pursuant to Section 41 of the *Planning Act*, with such delegation limited to those developments that are in conformity with the applicable Zoning By-law. Where an owner or designated agent does not agree with the terms and/or conditions of a delegated Approval, the owner and/or agent may request that Council review and/or modify such terms and/or conditions of the Approval.

Delegated To

Director of Planning and Development Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2012-76 and Planning Act Section 41 (Site Plans)

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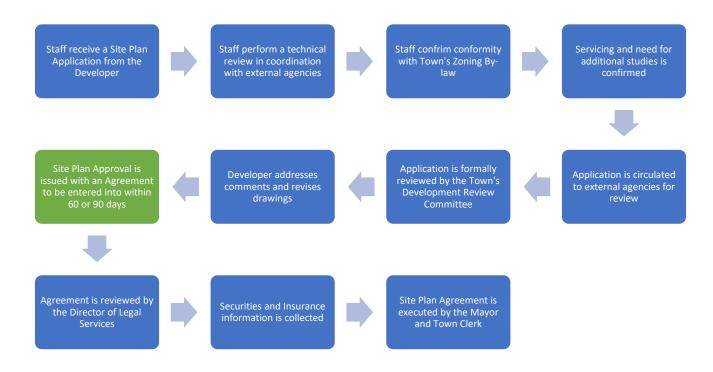
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Staff review use of delegated authority

Step where delegated authority is used



Approval Process



1.9 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Execution of agreements with Contract Code Consultants and Registered Code Agencies to perform specified functions with regard to the *Building Code Act*, S.O. 1992

Delegated To

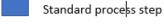
Chief Building Official, or designate (Deputy Chief Building Official in consultation with the Director of Planning and Development Services)

Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-10 and Building Code Act

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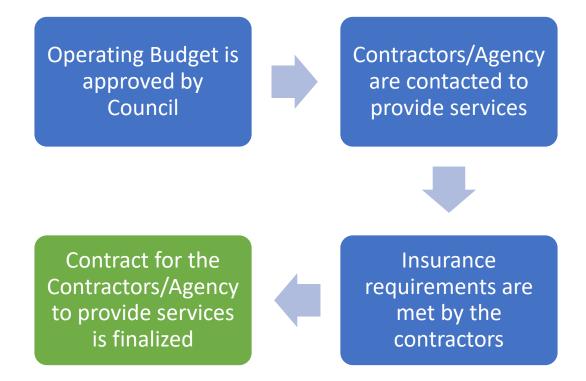






Staff review use of delegated authority





1.10 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Execution of Conditional Building Permit Agreements made under the Building Code Act, S.O. 1992

Delegated To

Chief Building Official (CBO), or designate (Deputy Chief Building Official in consultation with the Director of Planning and Development Services)

Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-10 and Building Code Act Section 8

Approval Process

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Standard process step



Staff review use of delegated authority



Step where delegated authority is used







Standard process step







1.11 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Execution of Delayed Demolition Agreements, in a form approved by the Director of Legal Services.

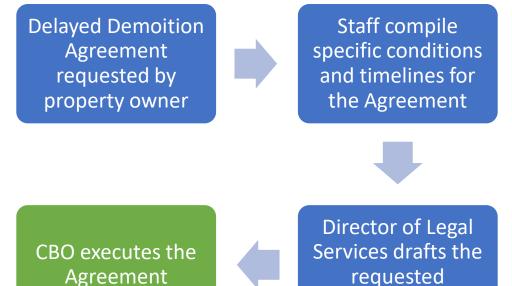
Delegated To

Chief Building Official (CBO), or designate (Deputy Chief Building Official in consultation with the Director of Planning and Development Services)

Authority Provided By

By-law 2009-85

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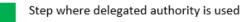


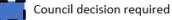
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Agreement





1.12 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Execution of Alteration of Grade/Fill Permits and associated Agreements, in a form approved by the Director of Legal Services, required under the Town's Alteration of Grade/Fill By-law.

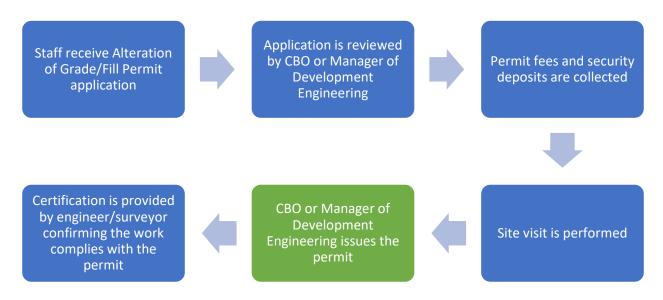
Delegated To

Chief Building Official for building related permits and Manager of Development Engineering for development related permits and/or Agreements

Authority Provided By

By-law 2009-85

Approval Process



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Standard process step



Staff review use of delegated authority

Step where delegated authority is used



1.13 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Execution of Holding Tank Agreements.

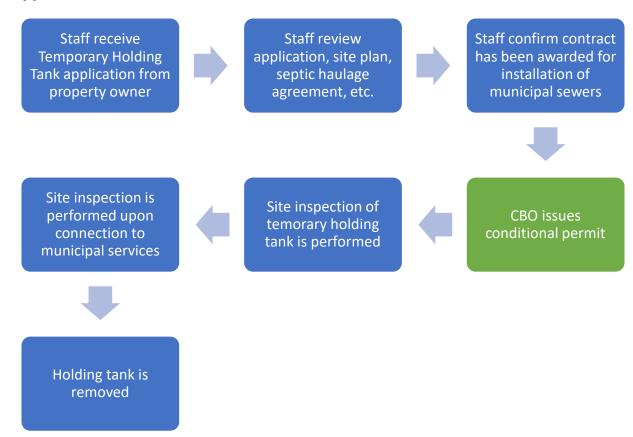
Delegated To

Chief Building Official (CBO), or designate (Deputy Chief Building Official in consultation with the Director of Planning and Development Services)

Authority Provided By

By-law 2014-18 and Building Code Act Section 8

Approval Process



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Step where delegated authority is used



1.14 Planning and Development Services

Delegated Authority

Authority for determining and notifying if the information and material required to accompany complete Official Plan, Zoning By-law Amendment, or Consent applications made under the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, C.P.13 has, or has not been provided and in accordance with the Town of The Blue Mountains Official Plan Complete Application Requirements policies.

Delegated To

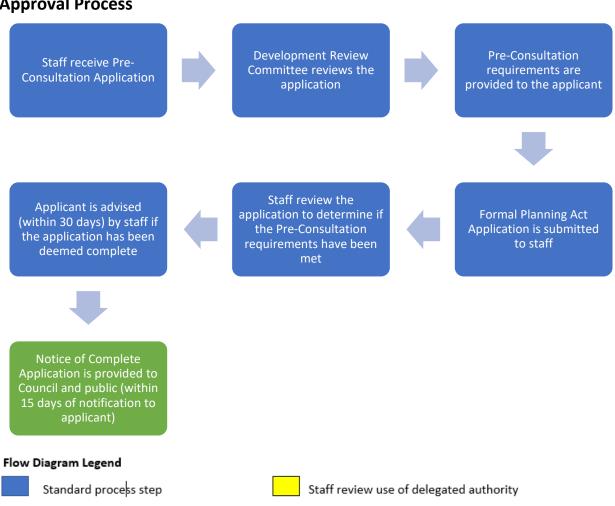
Director of Planning and Development Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2007-35 and *Planning Act* Section 22(5), 34(10.2), 53(3)

Step where delegated authority is used

Approval Process



2.1 Finance and IT Services

Delegated Authority

Authorization of reduction of Letters of Credit related to progress of development works subject to recommendations by Town Staff.

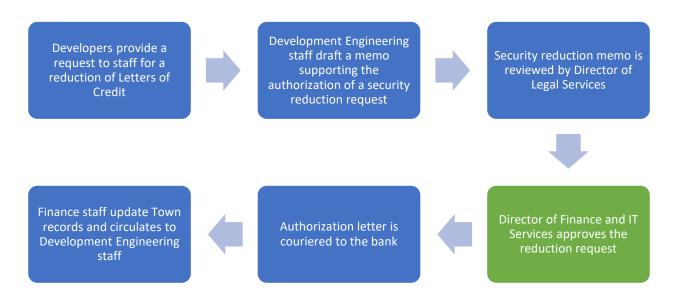
Delegated To

Town Treasurer or designate (Deputy Treasurer), Director of Legal Services, and Director of Planning and Development Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-10

Approval Process



Flow Diagram Legend



Standard process step



Step where delegated authority is used



Staff review use of delegated authority



2.2 Finance and IT Services

Delegated Authority

Authority to sign agreements to accept grants, or funding agreements where no municipal contribution is required or where the municipal contribution has been budgeted for and does not exceed the purchasing limits assigned to the Director of Finance.

Delegated To

Director of Finance or designate, being the Manager of Accounting and Budgets, AND Appropriate Department Director, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2015-63

Approval Process





Finance staff review the Agreement for conformity to the Town budget



Agreement is submitted and grant funding is received



Director of Finance and IT Services or appropriate Department Director signs the Agreement

Flow Diagram Legend



Standard process step



Staff review use of delegated authority





2.3 Finance and IT Services

Delegated Authority

Powers and Duties of the Municipality in respect of filing complaints with the Assessment Review Board.

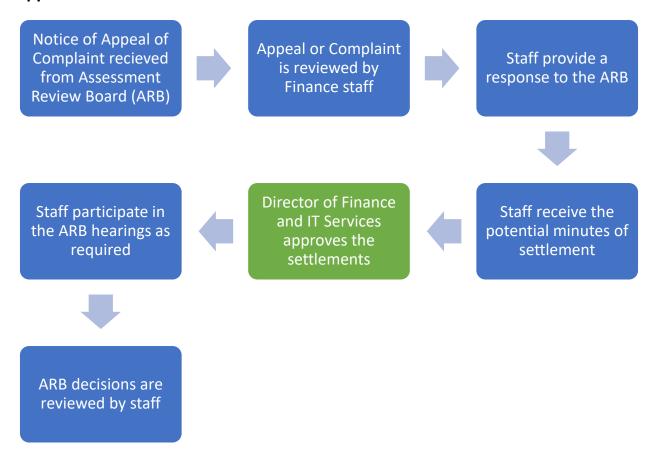
Delegated To

Treasurer, Town of The Blue Mountains, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2003-29 and 2004-35, and Assessment Act

Approval Process



Flow Diagram Legend







Staff review use of delegated authority



2.4 Finance and IT Services

Delegated Authority

Execution of all Information Technology, Confidentiality, Non-Disclosure and Data Security Agreements

Delegated To

Director of Finance and IT Services or designate (Manager of Accounting and Budgets)

Authority Provided By

By-law 2016-5

Approval Process

Staff provide
vendor/contractor
with the NonDisclosure Agreement



Director of Finance and IT Services signs the Agreement



Signed copies are provided to the vendor/contractor and filed as required

Flow Diagram Legend



Standard process step





Staff review use of delegated authority



3.1 Operations

Delegated Authority

Municipal Consents under Franchise Agreements addressing use of public highway allowances by public corporations and utility and service providers.

Delegated To

Director of Operations, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-10

Approval Process

Agreement Submitted to staff by Utility Company



Agreement is reviewed by Director of Legal Services and Manager of **Purchasing and Risk** Management



Insurance requirements are monitored and renewed annually



Director of Operations signs the Agreement and issues Municipal Consent

Flow Diagram Legend



Standard process step



Staff review use of delegated authority



Step where delegated authority is used



3.2 Operations

Delegated Authority

Prepare, maintain, update and administer Town Engineering Standards. Modifications which will not result in a significant increase in liability or long term costs shall be endorsed by Senior Management Team. Modifications which may result in a significant increase in liability or long term costs shall be endorsed by Council. Each edition of the Engineering Standards shall be provided to Council as information.

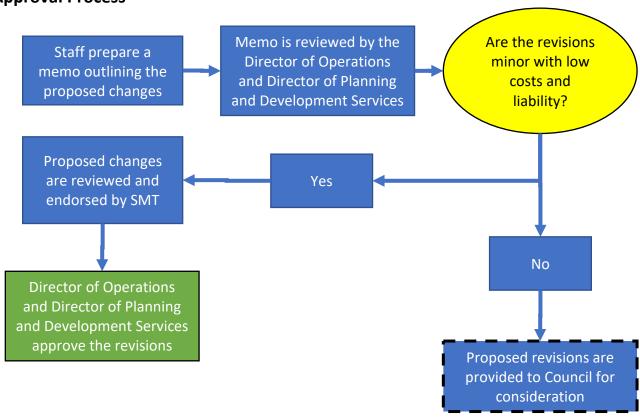
Delegated To

Director of Operations and Director of Planning and Development Services

Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-47

Approval Process



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3.3 Operations

Delegated Authority

Authority to temporarily close a Highway under the jurisdiction of the Town for any period of time during the construction, repairing or improvement of such Highway or any works under, over, along, across or upon such Highway.

Delegated To

Director of Operations, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2013-26, and Highway Traffic Act

Approval Process





Manager of Roads and Drainage authorizes the road closure



Interal tracking form completed and filed



Notice is posted on TBM website and 511 and faxed to EMS

Flow Diagram Legend



Standard process step



Staff review use of delegated authority



Step where delegated authority is used



3.4 Operations

Delegated Authority

Preparation and execution of Municipal Land Use Permits and Agreements. All permits, land use, access or otherwise, with the exception of Building Permits, which affect the Georgian Trail within the Town of The Blue Mountains jurisdiction, shall be issued and approved by Council.

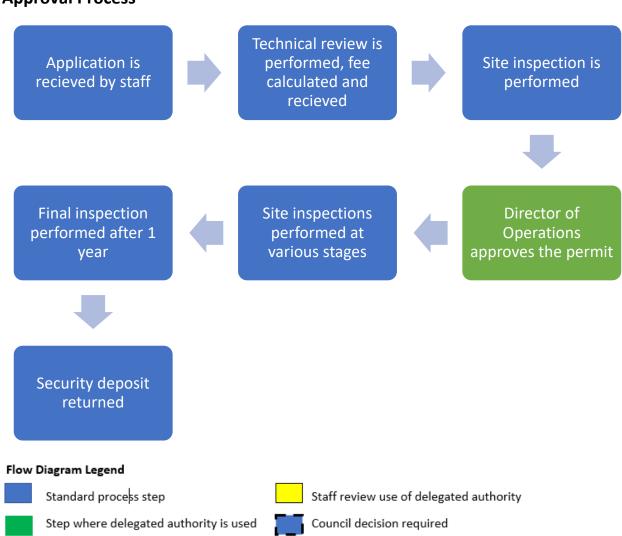
Delegated To

Director of Operations, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2014-65 and Confirmation By-law 2016-42

Approval Process



3.5 Operations

Delegated Authority

Designate certain dates on which a reduced load period shall start or end and the highway or portion thereof under Town jurisdiction to which the designation applies and to grant permits for use of the highway or portion thereof during any reduced load period where vehicles are in excess of dimensional limits.

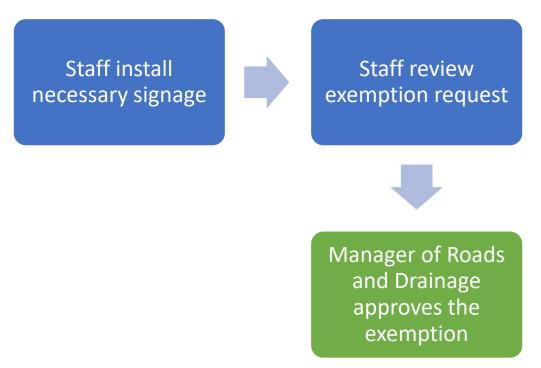
Delegated To

Manager of Roads and Drainage, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2010-54 and Highway Traffic Act

Approval Process



Flow Diagram Legend



Standard process step



Staff review use of delegated authority

Step where delegated authority is used



3.6 Operations

Delegated Authority

Execution of various governmental forms and applications related to proposed Works on Town lands as applicable (Permit to Take Water, Environmental Class Assessment CA, etc. application).

Delegated To

Director of Operations, or the Manager of Water and Wastewater

Authority Provided By

By-law 2015-63 and Clean Water Act

Approval Process

Permit to Take Water
Environmental
Compliance Approval
application received by
staff



Staff review application for compliance with standards



Director of
Operations/Manager of
Water and Wastewater
approves application

Flow Diagram Legend



Standard process step





Staff review use of delegated authority



3.7 Operations

Delegated Authority

Execution of Form 1 - Record of Watermains Authorized as a Future Alteration

Delegated To

Director of Operations, or the Manager of Water and Wastewater

Authority Provided By

By-law 2015-63 and Safe Drinking Water Act

Approval Proces

Record of Watermains (Form 1) received by staff



Staff review record for compliance with standards and guidelines



Approved Form 1 sent to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks



Director of Operations/Manager of Water and Wastewater approves the Form 1

Flow Diagram Legend



Standard process step



Staff review use of delegated authority

Step where delegated authority is used



4.1 Legal Services

Delegated Authority

Certification of Title Applications noting no objection to land description for development land, subject to review and recommendation by Town Staff.

Delegated To

Director of Legal Services

Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-10

Approval Process





Application is reviewed by the Director of Legal Services



Director of Legal Serviecs provides approval of the application



Staff perform a title search and necessary research

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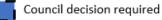
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Step where delegated authority is used



4.2 Administration

Delegated Authority

Execution of Site Plan Agreements, Subdivision/Condominium Agreements, Pre-Servicing Subdivision Agreements and Consent Agreements, subject to appropriate internal controls including receiving advice from the Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Planning and Development Services and other Town employees, officers and/or agents as are deemed necessary.

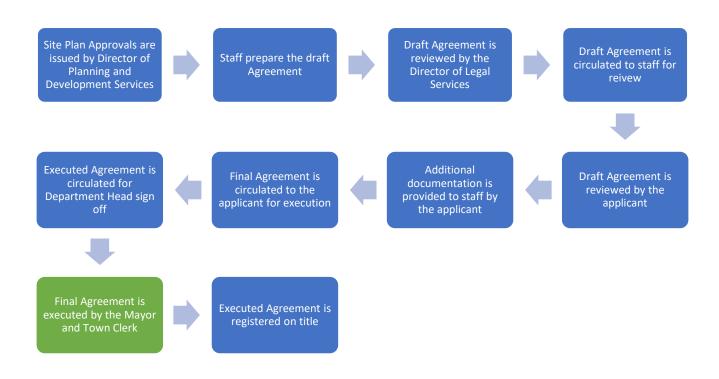
Delegated To

Mayor and Town Clerk

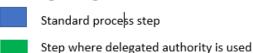
Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-10, By-law 2012-76 and By-law 2015-63 and Planning Act

Approval Process



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4.3 Administration

Delegated Authority

Review and comment on Ministry of Natural Resources Work on Shoreland Permit Applications. Such applications to be presented to Council for review and consideration where concerns with the Application are noted by Staff.

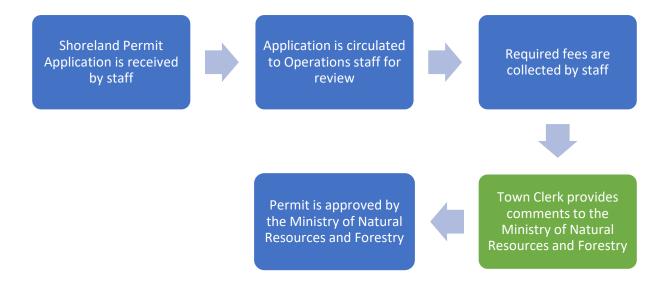
Delegated To

Town Clerk or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2008-124 and Public Lands Act

Approval Process



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Standard process step



Step where delegated authority is used



Staff review use of delegated authority



4.4 Administration

Delegated Authority

Execution of Expropriation Documents, with approval of Chief Administrative Officer and the Director of Legal Services.

Delegated To

Mayor and Town Clerk

Authority Provided By

By-law 2015-63

Approval Process

Staff notify Council of expropriation need and seek endorsement



Council endorsement is received



Expropriation documents are executed by the Mayor and Town Clerk

Flow Diagram Legend



Standard process step





Staff review use of delegated authority



4.5 Administration

Delegated Authority

During the time that regular Council meetings are suspended (summer vacation or any other reason) delegation to approve tenders, and requests for proposals, award contracts and execute contracts provided that the total costs are within the approved budget contained in the relevant departmental budget and that a report regarding these matters be brought to Council at its next regular meeting.

Delegated To

Chief Administrative Officer, or designated Department Director

Authority Provided By

By-law 2015-63

Approval Process

Tender/RFP award report is generated by Department making the purchase



CAO reviews the report and confirms that the purchase is within the approved budget



Report is prepared and received at the next regular meeting of Council



CAO approves the purchase and executes the contract

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Standard process step



Staff review use of delegated authority

Step where delegated authority is used



4.6 Legal Services

Delegated Authority

Delegation as the head of the municipality for the purposes of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Delegated To

Director of Legal Services

Authority Provided By

By-law 2020-29 and Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Approval Process

Request for information is received by staff



Legal Services staff request documents from staff and IT



Director of Legal Services prepares the response for the requestor

Flow Diagram Legend



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4.7 Legal Services (New Delegated Authority)

Delegated Authority

Approval of requests for relief from the Town's current Noise By-law that occur between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 11:59 p.m.

Delegated To

Director of Legal Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

NEW BY-LAW REQUIRED

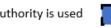
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5.1 Community Services

Delegated Authority

Designated authority to approve and revoke Special Events permits in accordance with the Special Events By-law.

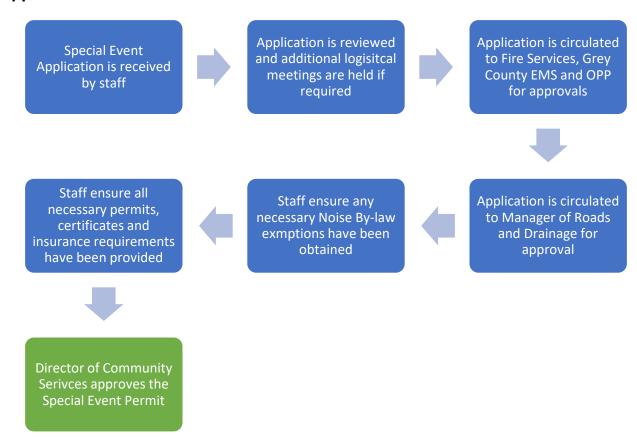
Delegated To

Director of Community Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2019-27

Approval Process



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Staff review use of delegated authority



Step where delegated authority is used



5.2 Community Services

Delegated Authority

Designated authority to temporarily close a park and authorize or restrict activities taking place within a park.

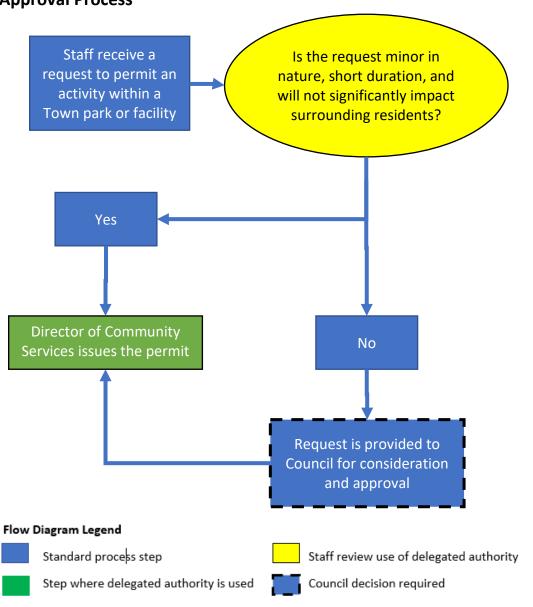
Delegated To

Director of Community Services, or designate

Authority Provided By

By-law 2015-10 and By-law 2015-43

Approval Process



5.3 Community Services

Delegated Authority

Preparation and execution of Municipal Land Use Permits and Agreements. All permits, land use, access or otherwise, with the exception of Building Permits, which affect the Georgian Trail within the Town of The Blue Mountains jurisdiction, shall be issued and approved by Council.

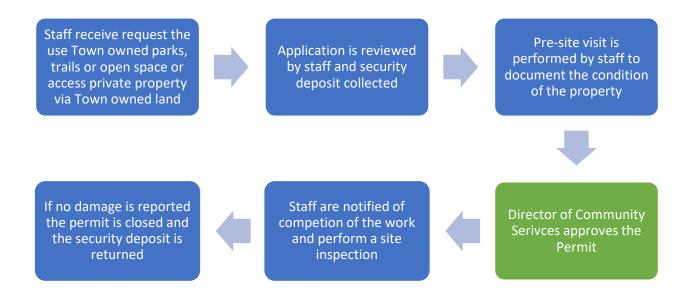
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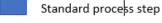
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By-law 2014-65 and Confirmation By-law 2016-42

Approval Process



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Staff review use of delegated authority

