

June 29, 2021

Committee of the Whole Deputation of Terry Kellar, Chair of Blue Mountains Ratepayers Short Term Accommodation Committee

Re: Staff Report Update to Licensing and Administrative Monetary Penalties By-laws  
FAF.21.129

Council & Staff:

I'm Terry Kellar, I live on Lucille Wheeler Cr and I chair the Blue Mountain Ratepayers STA committee.

I want to thank staff and for the support from councillors who helped bring the needed changes in the STA owner's Responsible Person and the Demerit Point processes. The staff has reaffirmed their February report confirming that noise calls to the OPP and Bylaw will be subject to Demerit points without the requirement of calling the RP first. The OPP are equipped and trained to handle late night problems, they provide a safe and secure environment for the neighbours and give an impartial factual report of a complaint back to the Town.

To obtain accountability we feel that the Demerit Point process is the cornerstone of the Licensing Bylaw. When enforced, the owners will face consequences for their guests misbehaving. They will have a choice of managing their business before their guests get out of hand or noncompliance could jeopardize their license.

With the passing of the proposed bylaw we expect to see a huge decrease with noise related complaints as the owners must take steps to mitigate disturbances. This process goes a long way in meeting the OMB instructions to the Town about compatibility and the results will align to the directions of the Town's Official Plan.

Thank you.