

Minutes - The Blue Mountains Council Meeting



MEETING DATE: January 9, 2012
LOCATION: Town Hall, Council Chamber
PREPARED BY: Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

A. Call to Order

- Deputy Mayor McKinlay called the meeting to order with all members in attendance save Mayor Anderson, absent due to illness and Councillor Ardiel, absent due to a previous commitment

Also in attendance CAO Troy Speck, Director of Engineering and Public Works Reg Russwurm, Director of Finance and IT Services Rob Cummings, Communications and Economic Development Coordinator Lisa Kidd, Chief Librarian Carol Cooley, Manager of Water and Wastewater Services John Caswell, Director of Planning and Building David Finbow and Senior Policy Planner Cindy Welsh

- Council then paused for a moment of Personal Prayer or Reflection.
- Approval of Agenda:

Moved by: R.J. Gamble Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT the Agenda of January 9, 2012 be approved as circulated, including, any items added to the Agenda, Carried.

- No member declared a pecuniary interest with any matter as listed on the Agenda save Councillor McKean with respect to Agenda Item F.1 and F.2 Accounts and Invoices and his place of employment.
- Adoption of Consent Agenda

Moved by: R.J. Gamble Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT the Consent Agenda of January 9, 2012 be adopted as circulated, less any items requested for separate review and discussion, being F.3 Infrastructure and Recreation Committee Report dated December 13, 2011 and F.4 Finance & Administration Committee Report dated December 20, 2011, Carried.

NOTE: Councillor McKean earlier declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Agenda Item F.1 and F.2 Invoices and did not participate in related discussion or voting.

- Previous Minutes

Moved by: R.J. Gamble Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT the Council minutes of December 12, 2011, Special Meeting of Council minutes of December 16, 2011 and December 21, 2011, be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made, Carried.

There was no business arising from the Minutes at that time.

B. Deputations

B.1 Windfall Community Design Guidelines

David Wood, General Manager, Envision Tatham

Director of Planning and Building David Finbow spoke regarding the Windfall development, recognizing Brian Nykolation, Rob Anderson, David Wood, Colin Travis and Larry Hogarth present.

David noted the deputation scheduled is with respect to the Windfall Development and identified the location of the development. David confirmed Windfall has received draft approval from Grey County.

David Wood, General Manager of Envision Tatham, then spoke noting he is speaking on behalf of Georgian International and Windfall. David spoke regarding the Windfall development initiatives and noted this development is a pedestrian based, eco-considerate community, with accessible green space, a community amenity facility with a pool, community forest park, stormwater management pond, amphibian pond, wetland and landscape buffers.

David spoke regarding trail connectivity with The Blue Mountains trail network and future connectivity into Collingwood. David spoke regarding The Blue Mountains Design Guidelines and asked that Council adopt this document to allow Windfall to be the prototype for the Design Guidelines document. David noted Windfall will follow the Town's engineering standards document currently in place.

David spoke regarding the streetscape character and noted Street "A" will have a proposed rural character, being 20 metre width. David spoke regarding the proposed approach noting it will have a vast 26 metre right of way, and it is proposed that trees be planted in the right of way and that the shoulders be paved for on-road cycling, with flexibility for lighting of pathways. David noted the proposed entrance has a 32 metre entrance.

David then spoke regarding the streetscape character, stormwater management pond and habitat diversity noting the proposal is to meet NVCA guidelines approval.

David then reviewed the midblock walkway treatments and public-private boundaries noting the proposed approach would leave the public/private land unfenced.

David expressed concern with the 911 numbering system that may lead to visual clutter and noted Windfall representatives will meet with emergency management personnel to come to an agreement in this regard.

David then noted the Windfall development should commence Phase 1 this year, and noted the developer is seeking flexibility in engineering standards.

Deputy Mayor McKinlay thanked Mr. Wood for his presentation.

Councillor McKean then spoke referencing Street 'B' noting he is concerned with the proposal to plant trees in the boulevard and the effect trees will have on snow storage. David replying that the boulevards are generous in size, being over 2 metres in width with trees planted $\frac{3}{4}$ metre from the road. David confirmed trees will be selected that can withstand the conditions of the area and confirmed this approach is common and successful in other communities. Duncan then spoke noting the need for catch-basins when the snow melts.

David Finbow then spoke noting next steps include discussing road cross sections with the Director of Engineering and Public Works and the consultant.

Councillor Gamble then spoke expressing concern with the placement of trees on the boulevard, concern with deciduous trees as it is difficult to see when traffic is oncoming and the cleanup of leaves. Bob referenced the front verandas on the houses and noted he would like to see larger front yards.

Bob then spoke regarding stormwater management ponds and expressed concern for the safety of children if the ponds are not fenced. David spoke in response noting the trees will be planted closer to the houses and would not impede the view of the street when backing out of driveways, further noting it is important to have shade during the hot summer months, and the streetscape is improved with tree planting. David noted the stormwater management pond is designed with safety in mind with gentle slopes.

Councillor Halos then spoke noting flexibility is important and questioned if the ratepayers association will own the common areas, David replying yes.

Joe then noted he would like to see no fencing around the stormwater management ponds.

Duncan then spoke questioning if there would be buffering between public and private areas, David replying yes and noted the developers are working with the existing forest lands in the development to maintain the trees or will replant to provide buffers.

David then noted that the forest and stormwater pond would be released to the Town.

David Finbow then spoke noting there is much discussion on what will and will not be public land, further noting the roads and right-of-way will be owned by the municipality, common elements will be owned by the homeowners.

Duncan then thanked Mr. Wood for his presentation.

C. Correspondence as previously circulated

Author	Recommendation/Action
C.1 First Baptist Church Re: thank you	Received for information
C.2 Municipal Employer Pension Centre of Ontario, AMO Re: OMERS	Received for information
C.3 MPAC, Re: MPAC Assessment Products and Services Delivery Update	Received for information
C.4 AMO Re: Court Security and Prisoner Transportation Upload to Start in 2012	Received for information
C.5 Town of Meaford Re: Waste to Energy Information Session January 10, 2012	Received for information
C.6 Township of Carling Re: Request for Support of Ontario MPP Private Members Bill to Pave Highway Shoulders	For Council Direction
C.7 Town of Penetanguishene Re: Request for Support for	

Councillor Gamble spoke regarding Agenda Item C.5 noting this meeting is cancelled.

D.2 Heart & Stroke Foundation (correspondence C.8)

Moved by: R.J. Gamble Seconded by: Joe Halos

WHEREAS February is Heart Month in Canada, during which the Heart and Stroke Foundation Person-to-Person Campaign takes place, to support on-going heart disease and stroke research and programs;

AND WHEREAS the Town of The Blue Mountains applauds and commends the volunteers, staff and researchers of the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario for their dedication and commitment and wish them continued success;

NOW THEREFORE, Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains recognizes the month of February as "Heart Month" in the Town of The Blue Mountains, unanimously Carried.

E. By-laws

E.1 Interim Tax Levy By-Law

Moved by: Michael Martin Seconded by: R.J. Gamble

THAT By-law No. 2012 - 1, being a By-law to levy amounts on the assessment of property rateable for local municipality purposes, and to further provide for percentage charge and interest charge in default of payment thereof be hereby passed this ninth day of January, 2012, Carried.

E.2 Borrowing By-Law

Moved by: John McKean Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT By-law No. 2012 - 2, being a By-law to authorize temporary borrowing to meet the current expenditures of the municipality for the year ending December 31, 2012 be hereby passed this ninth day of January, 2012, unanimously Carried.

E.3 Zoning By-law Amendment, 1666427 Ontario Limited (Safrata)

Moved by: R.J. Gamble Seconded by: John McKean

THAT By-law No. 2012 - 3, being a By-law to rezone Part Lot 24, Concession 7 and Part Lot 25, Concession 7 from the General Rural 'A1' Zone and Hazard 'H' Zone to the General Rural 'A1' Zone, General Rural 'A1-h', General Rural 'A1-233' Zone and Hazard 'H' Zone be hereby passed this ninth day of January, 2012, Carried.

F. Consent Agenda

Accounts

- F.1 Accounts
- F.2 Invoices separated for pecuniary interest
(Miller Waste and Clarksburg Contractors)

Reports List (Adopt)

- F.3 Infrastructure & Recreation Committee Report, December 13, 2011

Councillor Gamble spoke regarding Agenda item F.3 Infrastructure and Recreation Committee Report dated December 13, 2011 noting that the appointment of the Committee members were reconfirmed at the December 13 Committee meeting.

Moved by: R.J. Gamble Seconded by: John McKean

THAT the Infrastructure & Recreation Committee Report dated December 13, 2011 be adopted together with the recommendations contained therein, Carried.

F.4 Finance & Administration Committee Report, December 20, 2011

Councillor Gamble spoke regarding Agenda item F.4 Finance and Administration Committee Report dated December 20, 2011 and referenced item C.1 Cash-in-lieu of Parkland Interim Policy and Financial Implications, PL.11.44 and a refund to be paid by the Town in the amount of \$33,750.

Bob then spoke regarding item C.2 Camperdown Developer Long Term Financial Obligations, FIT.11.44 and noted an agreement will be entered into to allow for the long term repayment of front-ended costs to service the Camperdown Service Area.

Bob then spoke regarding item C.3 Review of Grants and Donations Applications, CEDC.11.26 noting the Town contributed approximately \$22,000 in grants and donations funding.

Bob then spoke regarding item C.4 2010 Surplus/Deficit FIT.11.41 noting he does not have any concerns with this report.

Bob then spoke regarding item D. 2010 Audited Statements Management Letter and noting the unaudited financial statement will be available two to three months ahead of schedule.

Moved by: R.J. Gamble Seconded by: John McKean

THAT the Finance and Administration Committee Report dated December 20, 2011 be adopted together with the recommendations contained therein, unanimously Carried.

Minutes List (Receive)

F.5 Blue Mountains Public Library Board Minutes, November 16, 2011

G. New and Unfinished Business

G.1 Grey County Council Update

Deputy Mayor McKinlay spoke noting the County Budget was adopted at the January 3, 2012 County Council meeting and that the budget maintained essential services and came in at a 2.49% increase.

Duncan then spoke regarding the 5 year review of the Development Charges By-law noting it was adopted by the County with a suggested rate for residential and roads and no development charges to be charged against commercial development for a five year period.

Councillor Gamble then questioned the status of the Economic Development Committee, Duncan replying that a stakeholder session is scheduled in January with 70 stakeholders that have requested to be a part of the discussion.

