

Ronald then spoke regarding the Archaeology of the Petun noting the Town has a world class opportunity.

Ronald then reviewed the history of the Petun and noted that as long as it has been possible to inhabit the southern Ontario landscape, First Nations have lived here.

Ronald noted that the few sites that have been subject to larger scale excavations and suggest the exploitation of caribou, arctic fox and perhaps mastodon.

Ronald noted, circa 7000 B.C. – A.D. 500 that there was a gradual adoption of the agricultural way of life, and noted Ancestral Huron and Petun people lived along the north shore of Lake Ontario and in Simcoe and Grey Counties. Ronald noted that 65% of the diet was corn.

Ronald then identified the location of various First Nations in early 17th century, circa 1600-1651.

Ronald then identified the locations of the Huron-Wendat site, Petun site and the Plater-Martin and Plater-Fleming sites, noting that the Plater-Martin and Plater-Fleming sites should be protected.

Ronald then spoke regarding artifacts from the Plater-Martin site.

Ronald noted the Town has an opportunity to protect the site and noted it is essential that the sites come into public hands to be protected in full consultation with the Huron-Wendat people.

Ronald then noted that Charles Garrad is the first archaeologist to receive the Order of Ontario.

Mayor Anderson then thanked Mr. Williamson for his presentation.

Councillor Halos then spoke questioning if there is an opportunity for the lands to come into public hands, Director of Planning and Building David Finbow then spoke noting with development comes opportunity, further noting the Town is in discussions with developers for the highest and best use. David referenced the Town's Strategic Plan and Official Plan and noted the Town ensures the development community is aware of its interest in protecting these sites.

Deputy Mayor McKinlay then spoke noting the first priority is the preservation of the lands, further noting an interpretive centre could follow, Mr. Williamson concurred with Duncan noting if the land is in public hands, that an interpretive centre could follow.

Councillor McKean then spoke questioning the location of St. Barthelemy site, Mr. Garrad replying the site is east of the Pretty River Parklands in Simcoe County, further noting the top six Petun sites are in The Blue Mountains.

Mayor Anderson then spoke noting the Town looks forward to opportunities to get the lands into public hands, and thanked Mr. Williamson again for his presentation.

**B.2 James Farmilo, President Blue Mountain Chamber of Commerce
Report on Chamber of Commerce Annual Business Recognition
Awards and President's Address**

Mayor Anderson welcomed James Farmilo on behalf of the Blue Mountain Chamber of Commerce.

James then spoke thanking Council for their support on behalf of the Blue Mountain Chamber of Commerce.

James noted the successes of the Town should be celebrated, and noted the Chamber does this through its business recognition awards.

James then provided Council with the list of businesses winning awards at the Blue Mountain Chamber of Commerce 2012 Annual Business Recognition Awards.

James noted the Chamber encourages its members to participate in events promoted by others in ways that are appropriate for their businesses.

James noted the Chamber will focus on member benefits to drive the economic development goals, act on behalf of small business, provide input to Council on achievements and will encourage its members to become involved with other groups to work together.

James noted his door is always open for Council, further noting that communication between the Chamber and Council is key.

James thanked Council for hearing his deputation this evening.

Councillor Ardiel then spoke congratulating James Farmilo in his new role as President of the Blue Mountains Chamber of Commerce. Gail noted she is the Council representative appointed to The Blue Mountains Chamber of Commerce and noted the Chamber does not want to see any business fail and noted she believes the Chamber works well as a team. Mayor Anderson then thanked Councillor Ardiel for her attendance on the Blue Mountains Chamber of Commerce.

Councillor Gamble then spoke noting there are many small groups in the area and that he is hopeful that the Chamber will work cooperatively with these groups.

Deputy Mayor McKinlay then spoke noting he represented Council at the recent Blue Mountains Chamber of Commerce 2012 Annual Business Recognition Awards and noted it was a very positive experience and noted he is hopeful that the Town and the Chamber can work cooperatively.

Mayor Anderson then thanked Mr. Farmilo for his presentation to Council this evening.

C. Correspondence as previously circulated

Author

Recommendation / Action

C.1 Town of Penetanguishene
Re: Request for support of motion
for payment in lieu of taxes for
heads and beds

For Council Direction

Moved by: D. R. McKinlay

Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT the request for support of the Town of Penetanguishene regarding payment in lieu of taxes for heads in beds be referred to Financial Services for further comment, Carried.

C.2 Township of Havelock-Belmont-
Methune Re: Request for support of
Motion regarding Ontario Wildlife Damage
Compensation Program

For Council Direction

Moved by: D. R. McKinlay

Seconded by: John McKean

THAT the request for support of the Township of Havelock-Belmont-Methune regarding the Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program be received for Council information, Carried.

C.3 Collingwood General & Marine
Hospital Foundation Re: Request for
endorsement of fundraising
communication initiative

For Council Direction

Moved by: Joe Halos

Seconded by: D.R. McKinlay

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains does hereby receive the request of the Collingwood General & Marine Hospital Foundation to construct temporary bill board signs on the following private lands for the purposes of raising awareness of its \$10 million capital fundraising campaign:

1. Highway 26 (south side of the Georgian Trail crossing) on property owned by the Landmark Group; and
2. North side of Grey Road 19 just west of the stoplights at Grey Road 21 on property owned by Georgian International Land Corp.;

AND THAT Council approves the replacement of the current gateway signage on private property in the area of Grey Road 2 and the Town of The Blue Mountains and Grey Highlands Townline, with temporary Collingwood General & Marine Hospital Foundation signage until December 31, 2012 or until the fundraising goal is met, following which new gateway signage will be erected as per the Town's plan for replacement gateway signage;

AND THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and Town Clerk to execute any necessary agreements, as approved by the Town Solicitor, required to erect such signage, Carried.

Councillor Halos then spoke thanking the Hospital for their work.

C.4 Town of Halton Hills
Re: Request for support of motion
to exempt all Legion Halls in Ontario
from Property Tax Rolls within the
Province of Ontario

For Council Direction

Moved by: D. R. McKinlay

Seconded by: John McKean

THAT the request for support of the Town of Halton Hills to exempt all Legion Halls in Ontario from Property Tax Rolls within the Province of Ontario be referred to Financial Services for further comment, Carried.

C.5 Municipality of Clarington
Re: Request for support of motion
to request an immediate moratorium of one
year on construction of industrial wind turbines
within the Province of Ontario until
concerns that more jobs are being lost than
created

For Council Direction

Moved by: John McKean

Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains supports the request for support of the Municipality of Clarington requesting the Premier to invoke an immediate moratorium of one year, with yearly extensions as required, on the construction of Industrial Wind Turbines within the Province of Ontario until the concerns regarding more jobs being lost than created are properly studied and addressed, Carried.

C.6 Township of Bonnechere Valley

Re: Request for support of motion to request the Province of Ontario reinstate a modest level of local planning control over energy projects

For Council Direction

Moved by: Joe Halos

Seconded by: John McKean

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains supports the request for support of the Township of Bonnechere requesting the Province of Ontario to reinstate a modest level of local planning control over energy projects within communities

In speaking to the Motion, Councillor Gamble noted there is a move in the current budget that the Province is seeking more discussion on Green Energy Projects, Councillor McKean spoke in response noting the Province will look more favourably to communities who are in favour of Green Energy Projects, but noted those communities who are not in favour have no control.

Council then voted on the Motion, unanimously Carried.

C.7 Minister Responsible for Seniors

Re: Request for participation in the 2012 Senior of the Year Award

Referred to Communications & Economic Development

C.8 Georgian Triangle Hospice

Re: Thank you for grant of \$1000

Received for information

C.9 Travis & Associates

Re: Status of Site Plan Amendment Application, Millpond Homes

Referred to Planning & Received for Information

C.10 Grey Sauble Conservation Authority

Re: Forestry Program

Received for Information

Moved by: D.R. McKinlay

Seconded by: R.J. Gamble

THAT this Council does hereby receive the Correspondence of March 26, 2012 and further does support the Staff Recommendation made with regard to the Correspondence items, including any additional direction given to Staff through discussion, with an appropriate Staff action or response awaited for report back to Committee or Council where indicated, unanimously Carried.

D. Motions and Staff Reports

D.1 Award of Tender for the Supply and Delivery of One (1) New 2012/2013 Pumper/Tanker Apparatus and Related Accessory Equipment #2011-35-T-FIR, FD.12.1

Deputy Fire Chief A.J. Lake spoke to the Report noting the Fire Department's need for an additional tanker truck at the Craighleith Fire Hall.

A.J. noted the next step will be to apply for Superior Tanker Truck Accreditation, further noting the current tanker trucks are 23 and 24 years old.

Moved by: John McKean

Seconded by:

Gail Ardiel

THAT Council receive Staff Report FD.12.1 "Award of Tender for the Supply and Delivery of One (1) New 2012/2013 Pumper/Tanker Apparatus and Related Accessory Equipment #2011-35-T-FIR"; and, THAT Council award the Tender to the lowest compliant bidder being Fort Garry Fire Trucks Ltd in the amount of \$319,586.00 plus HST, Carried.

D.2 Arrowhead Crescent Mud Slide

Presentation by Director of Engineering & Public Works, Reg Russwurm and District Chief / CEMC Steve Conn

Steve Conn provided Council with an overview of events of the recent mud slide in The Blue Mountains. Steve identified the area of the mud slide, the staff on site and the evacuation of residents in the area. Steve noted the OPP assumed the lead in communicating with the media.

Steve referenced meetings held with the Community Control Group to discuss the actions to be taken to protect the threatened properties, in accordance with the Emergency Response Plan.

Director of Engineering and Public Works Reg Russwurm spoke noting a contractor was called on March 15 to trench behind and around the homes to protect the properties at 130 and 132 Arrowhead.

Reg noted the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing were called to view the damage for the purposes of a possible Ontario Disaster Relief Application.

Reg noted the mud slide was monitored over the weekend and a geotechnical inspection on Saturday confirmed no immediate danger. Reg noted Alpine Ski Club mobilized a crew to reopen a drainage trench following a small 20 foot slide on Sunday and commenced an active water diversion in the upper slide on Monday.

Mayor Anderson thanked Reg and Steve and all staff for their hard work and dedication in protecting the property and safety of the residents in this area.

Councillor Ardiel spoke thanking staff for doing such a great job at the site of the mud slide.

Councillor Halos spoke noting he is proud of all staff who worked at the site and the great job performed. Joe then questioned if there is a means to recover some of the costs the Town incurred, CAO Troy Speck noting there is no compensation available through insurance, but noted the Community Control Group could potentially apply for Ontario Disaster Relief funding, though the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing have indicated we may not be successful. Troy then noted the Town has incurred just over \$8000 in expenses.

Councillor McKean then spoke questioning how far the slide moved in an hour, Steve replying he is unsure as when he received the initial call it was dark when he arrived on scene, but noted he could hear trees breaking from the weight of the slide. John then thanked staff and noted the area was dangerous because of the depth of the slide, and the difficulty in manoeuvring in and around the mud.

Councillor Gamble then spoke questioning where the slide started and if the area had been recently excavated, Steve replying that is unknown, but noted the area had been a ski trail for many years.

Mayor Anderson then again thanked Reg and Steve.

D.3 Demolition of the Former Town Hall, PL.12.39

Director of Planning and Building David Finbow spoke noting the Report is self-explanatory. Deputy Mayor McKinlay then questioned if the Request for Proposal documents were clear that the tipping fees would be responsibility of the contractor, David replying yes.

Moved by: D.R. McKinlay Seconded by: John McKean

THAT this Council hereby award Tender Number 2012-07-T-COR respecting the Demolition, Removal of Debris and Site Restoration of the Former Town Hall at 26 Bridge Street East, Thornbury, Ontario to McGowan Construction in the amount of \$49,662.37 with such award being subject to the execution of a Contract in a form satisfactory to the Town's solicitor.

In speaking to the Motion, Councillor Halos questioned if the contractor is aware that the Fire Department will be performing training exercises in the former Town Hall, David replying yes, further noting the exercises will be non-destructive.

Council then voted on the Motion, Carried.

D.4 2012 Tomahawk Operations, DOR.12.21

Director of Recreation Shawn Everitt spoke noting this is a follow up report to a previous proposal, then referenced a recent meeting with the partner responsible for the Integrated Pest Management at Tomahawk.

Shawn then spoke regarding proposal to charge a \$5 green fee, on an honour system, unstaffed, and to promote corporate sponsorship. Shawn then spoke regarding the past annual donations. Shawn noted video surveillance is proposed at a cost of \$1000.

Councillor Ardiel then spoke questioning what if golfers do not pay, Shawn replying that the addition of video surveillance will give a better idea of the number of users at Tomahawk and will encourage users to pay, and improved signage requesting a \$5 donation will assist in this regard.

Gail then questioned why the providers of the Integrated Pest Management are concerned with the addition of a commercial enterprise at Tomahawk, Shawn replying they are providing the Integrated Pest Management as a donation, and are using the Tomahawk for youth training.

Councillor Gamble spoke noting it is important to emphasize to users that the Town has costs associated with operating Tomahawk and that it is unfair to put the onus on taxpayers to pay for Tomahawk. Bob noted the Town needs to collect revenue to assist with the cost to operate Tomahawk.

Moved by: R.J. Gamble

Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT Council receive Staff Report DOR.12.21 entitled "2012 Tomahawk Operations" for information purposes; and,

THAT staff proceed with administering a fee collection system, without Commercial Enterprise operations, and develop and implement a corporate sponsorship campaign that generates combined revenue equivalent to the amount projected as user fee revenue in the approved 2012 Budget

In speaking to the Motion, Councillor Halos questioning if the Town could count the number of golfers on a weekend through a proposal with a local group, i.e. Beaver Valley Outreach, who could have members sit at Tomahawk to count the number of people using Tomahawk. Shawn spoke in response noting there are golfers who use the site on a daily basis that could champion the course.

Shawn then spoke noting with the recent warm weather, there are people using Tomahawk, though it is closed, and noted this damages the greens. Shawn noted Tomahawk is posted no trespassing at this time.

Deputy Mayor McKinlay spoke noting staff do a good job at Tomahawk and noted there should be signage that indicates Tomahawk is for the benefit of the youth in the area, and noted he would like to quantify the number of users to see where Council is heading in charging fees.

Council then voted on the Motion, unanimously Carried.

D.5 Tender Award 2012-10-T-EPW – Road Winter Maintenance, Snowplowing, Sanding and Salting, EPW.12.022

Moved by: D.R. McKinlay

Seconded by: R.J. Gamble

THAT Council receive Staff Report EPW.12.022, "Tender Award 2012-10-T-EPW- Road Winter Maintenance, Snowplowing, Sanding and Salting";

AND THAT Tender 2012-10-T-EPW be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, being Arnott Construction Ltd., for the provision of three (3) snowplow trucks and a wheeled loader for the quoted hourly rate for an estimated cost of \$151,092, H.S.T. excluded, plus a non-refundable tax portion in the amount of \$2,659.22 for a grand total of \$153,751.22 per year for the 2012/2013, 2013/2014 and 2014/2015 winter seasons, it being noted the Tender contains a provision that the contract may be extended for up to an additional three years;

AND THAT Council authorize the negotiated purchase of a Tandem Drive Snowplow Truck from Lewis Motor Sales Inc. as earlier contemplated in Tender No. 2011-40-T-EPW in the amount of \$234,831.25 excluding HST,

AND THAT Council authorize a purchase contingency in the amount of \$10,000 for unforeseen requirements approved at the discretion of the Manager of Roads and Drainage.

In speaking to the Motion, Councillor McKean questioned if the Town plows the roads when our trucks are not busy, Manager of Roads and Drainage Jim McCannell replying yes.

John referenced recent discussions with Arnott Construction and noted Arnott Construction have three designated operators and three trucks with two spare operators that plow The Blue Mountains roads. Jim noting there are three routes and that Arnott Construction look after Collingwood as well.

John then noted that Arnott Construction will move toward tri-axle trucks to meet the new specifications and that he is not in support of the report as written.

Councillor Halos spoke noting this is a good report, but noted that assets have administrative costs and that an administrative cost should be added to the cost of purchasing a truck, Director of Finance and IT Robert Cummings noting that an administrative cost has been added to the cost.

Joe then noted he is not in support of purchasing a truck, further noting that contracting the service out insulates the Town from insurance claims and light winters. Director of Engineering and Public Works Reg Russwurm spoke noting when there is slack time, that staff are repairing equipment, ditching, cleaning the shop.

Councillor Gamble spoke questioning if the service is being contracted out, if the routes could be changed, Jim replying that routes are constantly adjusted and changing, further noting a fourth truck would maintain the lower routes from Clarksburg to Ravenna.

Councillor Ardiel spoke noting she is in support of Councillor McKean's comments and referenced damages made when plowing, Reg then spoke noting drivers are not intentionally causing damage, that drivers being unfamiliar with roads is when damage occurs. Jim then noted that there is a certain turnover in contract drivers and that getting contract drivers to do additional service in preparation for busy weekends has been a challenge.

Bob then noted if an additional truck is purchased if Council would be committing to a renovation to the Ravenna works yard, Jim replying that one truck sits outside for the winter and referenced other equipment sitting outside. Bob noted space could be rented to house equipment for the winter months.

Deputy Mayor McKinlay spoke noting he is concerned with the discussion and referenced the recent service delivery review discussions. Duncan noted there are costs associated with equipment sitting outside. Duncan then questioned if asset management includes replacement of the asset, Financial Accountant Renee Ouellette spoke noting the cost to purchase is divided by ten years, Capital Accountant Darcy Chapman noting historically the Town is fully writing off the asset at the end of the asset life, further noting the appreciation of the contract cost will go up as well.

Mayor Anderson then spoke noting she is concerned and referenced the service delivery discussions, and noted service levels could be reduced and the Town would lose the flexibility of having our own forces if the Town contracts the service out.

Mayor Anderson then called for the vote, Deputy Mayor McKinlay calling for a recorded vote:

Councillor Ardiel	Nay
Councillor Gamble	Yay
Councillor Halos	Nay
Councillor McKean	Nay
Deputy Mayor McKinlay	Yay
Mayor Anderson	Yay

The Motion is Lost.

D.7 2012 Council and Committee Meeting Vacation Schedule,
(verbal)

Moved by: Gail Ardiel Seconded by: John McKean

THAT the Council and Committee Meeting vacation schedule be revised to July 17, 2012 through to and including August 14, 2012, and August 28, 2012 through to and including September 4, 2012; and

THAT the Planning and Building Committee meeting scheduled for August 20, 2012 be rescheduled to Wednesday, August 15, 2012, Carried.

E. By-laws

E.1 By-Law for the Imposition and Collection of Fees and Charges for Certain Municipal Services and Activities, to Amend By-Law 2008-113

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

THAT By-law No. 2012 - 20 being a By-law to Amend By-Law 2008-113 as Amended, being a By-law for the Imposition and Collection of Fees and Charges for Certain Municipal Services and Activities be hereby passed this twenty-sixth day of March, 2012, Carried.

E.2 Stop Up and Close By-Law

Moved by: R.J. Gamble Seconded by: Gail Ardiel

THAT By-law No. 2012 - 21 being a By-law to permanently close a portion of a highway and authorize the transfer of the closed highway to the owner of the adjoining lands, in exchange for a transfer to the Town, free of all encumbrances, of part of Lot 25, Concession 7, Town of The Blue Mountains, described as Part 1, Plan 16R-10162, be hereby passed this twenty-sixth day of March, 2012, Carried.

F. Consent Agenda

Accounts

- F.1 Accounts
- F.2 Invoices separated for pecuniary interest (none)

Reports List (Adopt)

- F.3 Infrastructure & Recreation Committee Report, March 13, 2012
- F.4 Finance & Administration Committee Report, March 20, 2012

Councillor Gamble then requested Capital Accountant Darcy Chapman provide information regarding Agenda item C.7 of the Finance and Administration Committee Report being, Asset Management Plan – Fire Services and Emergency Management.

Darcy then spoke noting the asset management plan commenced with the PSAB. Darcy noted the Fire Department will be the first user and tax supported department to be incorporated into the Town's overall Asset Management Plan, with all other departments to be completed by the end of the year.

In speaking to the Motion, Councillor Ardiel noted some farmers apply year after year and noted a restriction should be imposed that application can be made just once to receive funding, Deputy Mayor McKinlay spoke in response noting some farmers are more focussed than others on environmental farm plans, and noted it would be an administrative encumbrance if it is limited.

Council then voted on the Motion, Carried.

G.3 Additions to Agenda

None

G.4 Staff Discussion

None

H. Notice of Meeting Dates

Council Meeting, Wednesday April 11, 2012, 7:00 p.m.
Town Hall, Council Chamber

Finance and Administration Committee, April 24, 2012, 2:00 pm
Town Hall, Council Chamber

Infrastructure and Recreation Committee, April 10, 2012, 7:00 pm
Town Hall, Council Chamber

Planning and Building Committee, April 2, 2012, 7:00 pm
Town Hall, Council Chamber

I. Confirmation By-law and Adjournment

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

THAT By-law No. 2012 - 22, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on March 26, 2012, be hereby enacted as passed this 26th day of March, 2012, Carried.

Moved by: D.R. McKinlay Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT this Council does now adjourn at 9:55 p.m. to meet again Wednesday, April 11, 2012, 7:00 pm, Town Hall, Council Chamber, or at the call of the Chair, Carried.

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Ellen Anderson, Mayor

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Corrina Giles, Town Clerk