

## MINUTES The Blue Mountains Council Meeting



**MEETING DATE:** March 30, 2016  
**MEETING TIME:** 6:30 p.m. Closed Session  
7:00 p.m. Council Meeting  
**LOCATION:** Town Hall, Council Chambers  
**PREPARED BY:** Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

### A. Call to Order

Mayor McKean called the meeting to order with all members in attendance.

Also in attendance were CAO Troy Speck, Director of Community Services Shawn Everitt, Director of Planning and Development Services Michael Benner, Director of Finance & IT Services Ruth Prince, and Manager of Human Resources Jennifer Moreau.

- **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by: Joe Halos                                      Seconded by: Michael Seguin

THAT the Agenda of March 30, 2016 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda, being the addition of two deputations, at Agenda item I.3.1 Roland Gosselin and I.3.2 Katarina Bostrom, Carried.

- **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof**

Deputy Mayor Ardiel declared a pecuniary interest regarding Agenda item B.6.1 Award of Tender 10<sup>th</sup> Line and 33<sup>rd</sup> Sideroad as contained in the March 14, 2016 Committee of the Whole package.

### B. Closed Session (6:30 p.m.)

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

THAT, with regard to subsection 239 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, this Council does now move into closed session in order to address matters pertaining to litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board

AND with regard to an OMB matter, Carried.

Council moved into closed session at 6:33 pm.  
Council moved into public session at 7:04 pm.

### C. Call to Order (7:00 p.m.)

- Council then paused for a Moment of Reflection.

- **Adoption of Consent Agenda**

With the adoption of the Consent Agenda, all Recommendations found within previous Committee Reports or Minutes are then approved or received by Council, as noted. These Committee meetings are open to the public. The Consent Agenda content is available to the public when the Agenda is finalized but is not subject to discussion from the floor at this time, however, representations may be made at subsequent meetings on matters of interest.

Moved by: Michael Seguin

Seconded by: Gail Ardiel

THAT the Consent Agenda of March 30, 2016 be adopted as circulated, less any items requested for separate review and discussion, being Agenda Item B.10.1 Ultramar Signage, Carried

Deputy Mayor Ardiel declared a pecuniary interest regarding Agenda item B.6.1 Award of Tender 33<sup>rd</sup> Sideroad, as contained in the March 14, 2016 Committee of the Whole package and did not participate in related voting or discussion.

▪ **Previous Minutes**

Moved by: John McGee

Seconded by: R.J. Gamble

THAT the Council minutes of March 7, 2016 and Special Meeting of Council minutes of March 14, 2016 be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made, Carried.

**D. Deputations / Presentations / Public Meeting**

Mayor McKean noted that under the authority of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and in accordance with Ontario's *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (MFIPPA), The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains wishes to inform the public that all information including opinions, presentations, reports and documentation provided for or at a Public Meeting, Public Consultation, or other Public Process are considered part of the public record. This information may be posted on the Town's website and or/ made available to the public upon request.

**D.1 Public Meeting: Regarding Amendments to By-law 2008-113 for the Imposition and Collection of Fees and Charges for Certain Municipal Services and Activities**

Mayor McKean read the Notice of Public Meeting, and noted that Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains will hold a public meeting pursuant to the Municipal Act to receive and consider comments regarding a proposed By-law to amend By-law 2008-113, as amended, being a By-law regarding the "Imposition and Collection of Fees and Charges for Certain Municipal Services and Activities." The proposed By-law amendment will establish a tariff of fees for certain Community Services and Activities, as authorized under the Municipal Act.

Mayor McKean noted that it is proposed that Council will consider enactment of this By-law amendment at its regularly scheduled Council Meeting on Monday, May 9, 2016.

Mayor McKean noted that Council is required under the Provision of Notice and Manner of Giving Notice to the Public Policy, to hold at least one Public Meeting to allow the public the opportunity to review and provide comments on the proposed amendment to the proposed fees and charges.

The Clerk spoke noting that Notice of the Public Meeting was given in accordance with the Town's Notice Policy and that in response comments were received from Alex Maxwell and Tim King.

Director of Finance and IT Ruth Prince spoke noting that the fees and charges relate to the Community Services Department. Ruth noted that the Tomahawk green fee is now increased to \$7 per round, the seasonal mooring at the Harbour is increased by \$2 per foot and the ice rental subsidy has increased to 45% from the current 35%.

Councillor Halos questioned if youth are free to golf at Tomahawk, Ruth replying yes.

Bruce Wilson, 103 Hoggard Court, Thornbury, spoke on behalf of the Beaver Valley Curling Club group. Mr. Wilson noted that the Curling Club group presented a proposal to Council and requested a subsidy for the use of the Beaver Valley Community Centre for a curling program. Mr. Wilson noted that this proposal was turned down because of a financial shortfall. Mr. Wilson noted that the Beaver Valley Community Centre should be used as much as possible, further noting that youth and seniors can both enjoy curling. Mr. Wilson noted that the Beaver Valley Community Centre should reserve a block of time that could be used for curling. Mr. Wilson noted that Town staff have worked with the Curling Club group, further noting that he still believes that curling at the Beaver Valley Community Centre will happen. Director of Community Services Shawn Everitt spoke noting a follow-up staff report is being included on the April 4 Committee of the Whole Agenda. Shawn confirmed that the Curling Club proposal was for six hours of curling, two days per week, further noting that this is not feasible at this time.

As no one further wished to speak, Mayor McKean declared the public meeting to be closed.

**D.2 Deputation: Georgian Shores Novice Rep Hockey Team  
Re: Thanks for Support!**

It was Council's pleasure to welcome the Georgian Shores Novice Rep Hockey Team and congratulated the team on winning the Silver medal at the International Silver Stick Tournament in Michigan. John Mead, Manager for the team thanked Council for their support to assist with the costs to travel to the tournament.

**D.3 Deputation: Rosemary Gosselin Re: Request by Ultramar (Weston Consulting) for Variance to The Blue Mountains Sign By-Law: Community Response**

Rosemary Gosselin spoke regarding the request by Ultramar for variances to The Blue Mountains Sign By-Law. Rosemary noted that open and timely communication with the public is important. Rosemary applauded Councillor McGee and Ryan Guetter of Weston Consulting for requesting community feedback on the Ultramar sign.

Rosemary noted that the public is weary of planning by exemption, further noting that the community expects Council and staff to enforce the by-laws. Rosemary expressed concern that variances can set precedents, and that the Sign By-law has the same strength as a zoning by-law.

Rosemary commended Council and Weston Consulting for toning the Ultramar sign down further, and noted she supports a reduced height. Rosemary noted that she believes that the Ultramar signage is still excessive, further noting that residents just need to see the price of gas.

Rosemary noted that Banff, Alberta has a population similar to The Blue Mountains and have reduced signage, then questioned why this is not possible here.

Rosemary thanked Council for hearing her deputation.



- E.5 Grey Highlands Re: Request for Investigation Potential Health Effects of Wind Turbines For Council information

Moved by: Gail Ardiel Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains acknowledges receipt of the March 18, 2016 correspondence from the Municipality of Grey Highlands addressed to Dr. Hazel Lynn enclosing the resolution of the Municipality of Grey Highlands directing staff to initiate discussions with the Grey Bruce Health Unit and/or appropriate body to lobby that body to investigate the health related concerns of residents regarding the potential health effects of wind turbines in order to commence health related research and studies;

AND THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains refers this correspondence to the Planning Department for report to Council on the potential health effects of wind turbines, Carried.

- E.6 Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority Re: NVCA 2016 Municipal Levy For Council information

- E.7 Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Re: Summer Job Service Program Cuts For Council information

- E.8 Grey County Re: Request Support from Federal and Provincial Governments to control and eradicate Phragmites For Council information

- E.9 Premier of Ontario Re: Thanks for correspondence expressing concern regarding the Waukesha water diversion application For Council information

## **F. Motions and Staff Reports**

None

## **G. Consent Agenda**

### **Accounts**

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

### **Reports List (Adopt)**

- G.3 Committee of the Whole Report, dated March 14, 2016

### **B.10.1 Ultramar Signage, PDS.16.29**

Moved by: John McGee

Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.16.29 "Ultramar Signage";

AND THAT Council approve the King and Brookeast Sign Bylaw variance request PRSV2015-878, noting the February 22, 2016 revised ground design with a height of 3.5 metres, as follows:

To permit the proposed ground sign setback from the property line of 1.5 metres, contrary to the property line setback of 3.0 metres as required by Section 4.04(2)(a) of Sign By-law No. 2001-57, as amended;

AND to permit one additional canopy graphic on the Victoria Street frontage of the existing canopy as per Section 3.09(5) of Sign By-law No. 2001-57, as amended, Carried.

### **Minutes List (Receive)**

- G.4 Grey Sauble Conservation Authority, Annual General Meeting, January 13, 2016
- G.5 The Blue Mountains Agricultural Advisory Committee, February 3, 2016
- G.6 Grey Sauble Conservation Authority, February 10, 2016
- G.7 Committee of Adjustment, February 18, 2016
- G.8 NVCA Board of Directors Highlights, February 26, 2016
- G.9 Sign By-Law Review Committee, January 7, 2016

### **H. By-laws**

- H.1 Township of Collingwood, Zoning By-law Amendment, Concession 9, Part of Lot 25 (Ardiel)

Moved by: R.J. Gamble

Seconded by: John McGee

THAT By-law No. 2016 - 14 being a By-law to amend Township of Collingwood Zoning By-Law 83-40 by changing the zoning symbols on the property known as Concession 9, Part of Lot 25, from the General Rural (A1) and Hazard (H) to General Rural Exception (A1-268) and Rural Residential (RUR) and Hazard (H), and to add a new Exception 268 be passed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, Carried.

- H.2 Township of Collingwood, Zoning By-law Amendment, Lot 7 and Lot 8, Concession 1 (Osler Bluff Ski Club)

Moved by: Joe Halos

Seconded by: Michael Seguin

THAT By-law No. 2016 - 15 being a By-law to amend Township of Collingwood Zoning By-Law 83-40 by changing the zoning symbol on a portion of the property known as Part of Lot 7 and Lot 8, Concession 1, from Residential (R3-216) to Ski Facility (SF) be passed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, Carried.

H.3 Township of Collingwood, Zoning By-law Amendment, Lots 6 to 8, Plan 377, Parts 1 to 7, RP 16R-6499 (Meadows and Wessinger)

Moved by: John McGee

Seconded by: R.J. Gamble

THAT By-law No. 2016 - 16 being a By-law to amend Township of Collingwood Zoning By-Law 83-40 by rezoning the lands known as Lots 6 to 8, Plan 377; Parts 1 to 7, RP 16R-6499, from the Residential Third Density (R3) Zone and Private Open Space (OS2) Zone to Residential Third Density Exception 267 (R3-267) Zone and Private Open Space (OS2) Zone and to add a new Exception 267 be passed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, Carried.

H.4 By-Law to Prohibit Right Hand Turning Movements from Beaver Street South to Victoria Street South

Moved by: R.J. Gamble

Seconded by: Michael Seguin

THAT By-law No. 2016 - 17 being a By-law prohibit right hand turning movements from Beaver Street South to Victoria Street South, be passed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, Carried.

## **I. New and Unfinished Business**

### **I.1 Grey County Council Update**

JMcK, GA

Deputy Mayor Ardiel spoke noting the restructuring of the long term care homes in Grey County is being discussed at Grey County with the possibility of reducing the number of homes from three to two. Gail noted redeveloping the homes will cost approximately 25 million dollars. Gail noted there is discussion about expanding Grey Gables in Markdale at the cost of 12 million dollars. Gail noted that this matter will be before Grey County Council in the near future for Council consideration.

Gail confirmed that both she and Mayor McKean did not vote in support of the Grey County building expansion.

Mayor McKean spoke noting he participated in the strategic plan discussions at the County and noted the highest priority is high speed internet to aid the local economy.

Mayor McKean noted that Burnside Engineering provided a presentation to Grey County Council regarding intersection improvements at Highway 26 and County Roads 2 and 40. John noted that Burnside will be presenting to The Blue Mountains Council in the near future.

Councillor Seguin spoke noting he read an article in the newspaper that Simcoe County will provide funding to homeowners to create secondary garden suites with up to \$25,000 in funding. Deputy Mayor Ardiel spoke noting she will bring this forward to Grey County.

Councillor Halos spoke noting The Blue Mountains has an Attainable Housing Committee, and noted that the new official plan allows secondary suites, though, further noting that the new official plan is not adopted yet.

Councillor McGee spoke noting he supports the inclusion of secondary suites as it keeps residents in their homes longer, and gives people an affordable place to live.

Councillor Gamble spoke questioning if Grey County Road 119 will be repaired this year, Mayor McKean spoke in response noting Grey County Road 119 road construction was deferred to 2017.

## **I.2 Notice of Motion**

Moved by: Michael Martin

Seconded by: Gail Ardiel

THAT Council suspend the provisions of the Procedural By-law as it relates to a Notice of Motion to appoint the Mayor to The Blue Mountains Public Library Board, Carried.

Moved by: Michael Martin

Seconded by: R. J. Gamble

THAT Council acknowledges receipt of the resignation of Olav Vanderzon from The Blue Mountains Public Library Board;

AND THAT Council appoints Mayor John McKean to The Blue Mountains Public Library Board for the balance of the 2014 to 2018 term of Council, Carried.

## **I.3 Additions to Agenda**

Staff

### **I.3.1 Deputation: Roland Gosselin Re: Library Restructuring**

Roland Gosselin, resident of Thornbury, spoke noting he is pleased to note that Council is taking the library issue seriously. Roland noted that a number of questions arose from the March 22 Special Library Board meeting, and provided Council with a list of questions.

Roland noted that the library is a model of what the community should be and should have. Roland noted the library offers programs for everyone from toddlers to seniors.

Roland noted that the staff terminations have heightened the awareness of the library, further noting that Council needs to be the driver for the library. Roland then spoke regarding the Strategic Plan and Sustainable Path documents that references people growing and working together, respect, honesty, fairness and accountability, and noted these documents should govern the Library Board activities. Roland noted that the public requires accountability and transparency, further noting that the restructuring plan does not meet this criterion. Roland noted that the library is a special place, and the library relationships are much closer and more extensive than the relationships of libraries in the city.

Roland noted that the community reaction to the library restructuring should not have been a surprise. Roland noted that the library offers good quality programs, but since the restructuring notice was released, the library workplace is now toxic. Roland questioned where the mentoring was in the restructuring and if the current staff were given an opportunity to gain the skills required for new positions.

Roland noted that he does not envy Council in this situation, and is sympathetic to Council. Roland noted that the community is resisting the restructuring and are disappointed and saddened by this.

### **I.3.2 Deputation: Katarina Bostrom Re: Library Restructuring**

Katarina Bostrom, resident of Thornbury, spoke thanking Mr. Gosselin for his presentation. Katarina noted that she is proud to live in The Blue Mountains, further noting that she has been a library patron for many years. Katarina noted that the legacy of LE Shore is magnificent and should be respected at all times. Katarina noted that there is a lack of transparency and accountability and that the restructuring should be halted until all details of the restructuring are understood.



Katarina asked that the library staff be reinstated, that the Library Board address what is equitable, referencing the corporate values, including growing and working together, open and clear commitment to the public, excellence, integrity, honesty and fairness, accountability stewardship, and respect for the past. Katarina asked that the Library Board answer the questions of the public.

#### **I.4 Staff Discussion**

None

#### **J. Notice of Meeting Dates**

Committee of the Whole, April 4, 2016  
Town Hall, Council Chamber

Special Meeting of Council, April 11, 2016  
Town Hall, Council Chamber

Council Meeting, April 18, 2016  
Town Hall, Council Chamber

#### **K. Confirmation By-law and Adjournment**

Moved by: Michael Martin                      Seconded by: John McGee

THAT By-law No. 2016 - 18, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on March 30, 2016, be hereby enacted as passed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, Carried.

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

THAT this Council does now adjourn at 8:13 p.m. to meet again April 18, 2016, 7:00 pm, Town Hall, Council Chamber, or at the call of the Chair, Carried.

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John McKean, Mayor

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Corrina Giles, Town Clerk