

**MINUTES: The Blue Mountains Special Meeting of Council**



**MEETING DATE:** June 30, 2014  
**MEETING TIME:** 5:30 pm  
**LOCATION:** Town Hall, Council Chambers  
**PREPARED BY:** Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

**A. Call to Order**

▪ **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by: D.R. McKinlay      Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT the Agenda of June 30, 2014 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda, Carried.

- No member declared a pecuniary interest with any item on the Agenda

▪ **Adoption of Consent Agenda**

Moved by: Gail Ardiel      Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT the Consent Agenda of June 30, 2014 be adopted as circulated, less any items requested for separate review and discussion, being Agenda item B.1 Sign By-Law Review Committee Report dated June 23, 2014 and B.10.5 Short Term Accommodation Licensing Related By-law Amendments BL.14.23, Carried.

**B. Consent Agenda**

**Reports List (Adopt)**

B.1 Sign By-law Review Committee Report, dated June 23, 2014

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

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains acknowledges receipt of information from The Cheese Gallery requesting a sign variance for an overhanging sign at 11 Bruce Street South, Thornbury;

AND THAT Council grant the sign variance, as requested, Carried.

Moved by: Michael Martin      Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT Council recognize Casey Thomson to address Council regarding Agenda item B.1 Sign By-law Review Committee Report, Carried.

Casey then spoke regarding her Sign By-law Variance Application and noted the Sign By-law Committee recommended that the Cheese Gallery's application be refused. Casey noted there are ten overhanging signs in the Town of Thornbury. Casey noted that the Town is hard to deal with and feels that the Town is not open for business as a community. Casey noted that this process was difficult to manage and that the process should be changed, expressing concern that the Sign By-Law Review Committee does not meet, they provide their opinion by email. Casey noted that the Sign By-Law needs to be updated to show the Town is open for business.

## **June 30 Committee of the Whole Recommendations:**

### **B.10.5 Short Term Accommodation Licensing Related By-law Amendments, BL.14.23**

Moved by: D.R. McKinlay                      Seconded by: Gail Ardiel

THAT Council receive Staff Report BL.14.23 respecting “Short Term Accommodation Licensing Related By-law Amendments”;

THAT Council enact an amendment to By-law No. 2013-50, being a by-law to licence, regulate and govern short term accommodation uses, as recommended in Staff Report BL.14.23 and the draft by-law attached, to

1. Remove the occupant load provisions from the STA Licensing By-law and insert into the Property Standards By-law; and
2. Implement a phased Short Term Accommodation Licence Application process.

THAT Council enact an amendment to By-law No. 2002-18, as amended, being a by-law prescribing the standards for the maintenance and occupancy of certain property within the municipality as recommended in Staff Report BL.14.23 and the draft by-law attached, to:

1. Introduce occupancy load standards whereby the maximum number of occupants within a dwelling that is being operated as a short term accommodation shall not exceed a total number based upon two (2) persons per bedroom plus an additional two(2) persons; and
2. Apply the Property Standards By-law to all Short Term Accommodation units within the Town, Carried.

### **B.10.6 Short Term Accommodation Licensing Fees, BL.14.24**

The following recommendation was adopted through the Consent Agenda.

THAT Council receive Staff Report BL.14.24 entitled “Short Term Accommodation Licensing Fees”;

THAT Council repeal By-law No. 2014-17;

AND THAT Council enact an amending by-law to amend By-law No. 2008-113, being a by-law for the imposition and collection of fees and charges, so as to insert a new Schedule “M” to prescribe fees for certain municipal services and activities related to Short Term Accommodation Licensing, Carried.

## **C. By-laws**

### **C.1 By-law to Amend By-Law No. 2013-50, a By-law to licence, regulate and govern short term accommodation uses in the Town of The Blue Mountains**

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

THAT By-law No. 2014 - 45 being a By-law to Amend By-Law No. 2013-50, a By-law to licence, regulate and govern short term accommodation uses in the Town of The Blue Mountains be passed this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014, Carried.

