



Minutes

The Blue Mountains, Committee of the Whole

Meeting Date: August 22, 2016
Meeting Time: 1:30 p.m.
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 Infrastructure & Public Works Reg Russwurm, Director of Community Services Shawn Everitt, Director of Planning and Development Services Michael Benner, Director of Finance & IT Services Ruth Prince, Manager of Water & Wastewater Services John Caswell, Communications & Economic Development Coordinator Elizabeth Cornish, Manager of Human Resources Jennifer Moreau, and Chief Librarian Terri Pope.

Committee then paused for a Moment of Reflection.

▪ Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Michael Martin Seconded by: John McGee

THAT the Agenda of August 22, 2016 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda, being an addition at Agenda item D.2.1 Summary of Ministry Discussions at 2016 AMO Conference, Carried.

▪ Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

Mayor McKean declared a pecuniary interest regarding Agenda items C.1.1 Public Meeting Re: Application for Consent for New Lot, Gyles/Gooderham and C.1.2 Public Meeting Re: Zoning By-Law Amendment, Mark Hallink and the proximity of these properties to his home.

▪ Previous Minutes

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

THAT the Committee of the Whole minutes of June 27, 2016, be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made, Carried.

▪ Adoption of Consent Agenda

With the adoption of the Consent Agenda, all Recommendations found within the staff reports at Agenda items B.3, B.7 and B.11 as listed:

- **B.3.1 Monthly Financial Report – June 2016, FAF.16.53**
- **B.3.2 Update re: Senior Staff Leadership Development, FAF.16.83**
- **B.7.1 August 2016 Construction Status Report, CSPW.16.026**
- **B.7.2 Transit Update, CSPW.16.108**
- **B.11.1 Planning Applications – June, 2016, PDS.16.95**
- **B.11.2 Planning Applications – July, 2016, PDS.16.100**

are then approved or received by the Committee of the Whole, as noted. 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: Gail Ardiel Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT the Consent Agenda of August 22, 2016 be adopted as circulated, less any items requested for separate review and discussion, being Agenda items B.3.1 Monthly Financial Report – June 20, 2016 FAF.16.53 and B.7.2 Transit Update, CSPW.16.108, Carried.

B. Staff Reports, Deputations, Correspondence

Finance, Administration and Fire Reports To be chaired by Councillor Michael Seguin

B.1 Deputations, if any

None

B.2 Staff Reports

B.2.1 Purchasing Policy Update 2016, FAF.16.80

Moved by: John McGee Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.16.80, entitled “Purchasing Policy Update 2016”; and

THAT Council approve the policy direction for the new Purchasing Policy and directs staff to bring forward a modified Purchasing Policy for discussion and approval at a future Council Meeting, Carried.

B.2.2 Fuel Contract Extension – Wayne Bird Fuels, FAF.16.81

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

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.16.81, entitled “Fuel Contract Extension – Wayne Bird Fuels”; and

THAT Council authorize the extension of the contract for the Supply and Delivery of the Town’s Fuel to Wayne Bird Fuels at a price of \$0.0300/litre above the Daily Rack Price for Furnace Oil and \$0.0135/litre above the Daily Rack Price for various fuel products, excluding Federal Excise Tax (FET), Provincial Fuel Tax (PFT) and HST, for a contract period of one year commencing August 1, 2016; and,

FURTHER THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to execute the appropriate contract agreement as approved by the Town’s Solicitor, Carried.

B.2.3 Local Improvement – Slalom Gate Shop Limited, FAF.16.76

Moved by: Michael Martin Seconded by: John McKean

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.16.76, entitled “Local Improvement – Slalom Gate Shop Limited”; and

THAT Council uphold By-Law 2016-30 and charge three equivalent units to Slalom Gate Shop Limited for the wastewater servicing done on Wensley Drive and Peaks Road, Carried.

B.3 Finance, Administration and Fire “Information Reports” and correspondence to be considered in the adoption of the Consent Agenda

B.3.1 Monthly Financial Report – June 2016, FAF.16.53

Moved by: Joe Halos Seconded by: John McGee

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.16.53, entitled “Monthly Financial Report – June 2016” for information purposes, Carried.

B.3.2 Update re: Senior Staff Leadership Development, FAF.16.83

THAT Council receive report FAF.16.83 entitled “Update re: Senior Staff Leadership Development” for information, Carried.

B.4 Correspondence, if any

B.4.1 The Royal Canadian Legion Re: Request for Financial Support

Moved by: John McKean Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT Council acknowledge receipt of correspondence from The Royal Canadian Legion, Beaver Valley (Ont. No. 281) Branch dated August 8, 2016 requesting financial assistance with the cost to purchase a used portable sound system to be dedicated for use at the annual Remembrance Day services held in Thornbury/Clarksburg and Ravenna;

AND THAT Council provide the Legion with \$1000 toward the cost of the purchase of a used portable sound system, Carried.

**Community Services and Infrastructure & Public Works Reports
To be chaired by Councillor Michael Martin**

B.5 Deputations, if any

B.5.1 Jeff Neely

Re: Propose Shared Cost Re-internment

Jeff Neely spoke noting that he is here before Council on behalf of his uncle Don Neely. Jeff noted that his Uncle Don had requested to be interred in the Neely family plot at the Thornbury-Clarksburg Union Cemetery, but because his Uncle Don was estranged from the family, and the cemetery plot information could not be located, his Uncle Don was not interred in the family plot.

Moved by: Joe Halos Seconded by: John McGee

THAT Council acknowledge receipt of the deputation from Jeff Neely on behalf of his Uncle Donald McFaul Neely;

AND THAT Council support the request of Mr. Neely to share in the cost to disinter Donald Neely and inter him in the Neely family plot in the Thornbury-Clarksburg Union Cemetery, and that the Town will provide \$750 toward the costs, Carried.

B.6 Staff Reports

B.6.1 2015 Year End Water & Wastewater Capacity Assessment Report, CSPW.16.014

Moved by: John McKean Seconded by: Gail Ardiel

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSPW.16.014 entitled, "2015 Year End Water & Wastewater Capacity Assessment Report";

AND THAT Council approve forwarding the 2015 Year End Water & Wastewater Capacity Assessment Report to the Grey County Planning Department, Carried.

B.6.2 Grey County Sand Dome Shared Use Agreement, CSPW.16.076

Moved by: John McGee Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT Council receive Staff Report.16.076 entitled, "Grey County Sand Dome Shared Use Agreement";

AND THAT Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Grey County Sand Dome Shared Use Agreement upon the recommendation of the Director of Infrastructure and Public Works and the Town's solicitor;

AND THAT Council delegate authority to execute extensions of the Grey County Sand Dome Shared Use Agreement to the Director of Infrastructure and Public Works, Carried.

B.6.3 Clearing Snow from Cul-da-Sacs, CSPW.16.117

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

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSPW.16.117 entitled "Clearing Snow from Cul-da-Sacs";

AND THAT Council directs Staff continue with the current level of service provided within cul-da-sacs and to monitor snow accumulation for operational efficiencies and to load and haul snow as warranted, Carried.

B.7 Community Services and Infrastructure & Public Works Reports "Information Reports" and correspondence to be considered in the adoption of the Consent Agenda:

B.7.1 August 2016 Construction Status Report, CSPW.16.026

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSPW.16.026 entitled "August 2016 Construction Status Report" for their information, Carried.

B.7.2 Transit Update, CSPW.16.108

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

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSPW.16.108 entitled “Transit Update” for information purposes, Carried.

B.8 Correspondence, if any

B.8.1 Barbara Edwards Re: Request to consider 4 Way Stop Sign

Moved by: Michael Seguin Seconded by: John McGee

THAT Council refers the correspondence from Barbara Edwards dated July 18, 2016 requesting that a stop sign be placed at the intersection of Elma Street North and Huron Street West to the Infrastructure and Public Works Department for report back to Council, Carried.

**Planning & Development Services Reports
To be chaired by Deputy Mayor Gail Ardiel**

B.9 Deputations, if any

None

B.10 Staff Reports

B.10.1 Official Plan Five Year Review Update, PDS.16.105

Moved by: Joe Halos Seconded by: John McGee

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.16.105, “Official Plan Five Year Review Update”; and

THAT Council direct Staff to explore possible settlement opportunities with the County and the Appellants, Carried,

B.10.2 Shoreline Hazard Zoning By-law Amendments Update, PDS.16.106

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

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.16.106 Shoreline Hazards Zoning By-laws Amendment Update, and

THAT Council approve the zoning amendments to the Town of Thornbury Zoning By-law 10-77 and the Township of Collingwood Zoning By-law 83-40 dealing with Shoreline Hazard Setback, Carried.

B.10.3 Pilsen Way Applications for Consent, PDS.16.103

Moved by: John McGee Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT Council receive staff report PDS.16.103 “Pilsen Way Applications for Consent;

AND THAT Council refuse the request to reinstate application for Consent B03-2009, B04-2009, B05-2009 and B06-2009;

AND THAT Council direct staff to notify the proponent to apply for a new consent application, Carried.

B.11 Planning & Development Services Information Reports and correspondence to be considered in the adoption of the Consent Agenda:

B.11.1 Planning Applications – June, 2016, PDS.16.95

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.16.95, “Planning Applications – June, 2016” for information purposes, Carried.

B.11.2 Planning Applications – July, 2016, PDS.16.100

THAT Council receive Staff Report PDS.16.100, “Planning Applications – July, 2016” for information purposes, Carried.

B.12 Correspondence, if any

B.12.1 Grey Condominium Corporation No. 11 Re: Bay Street – Unopened Road Allowance

Moved by: John McGee Seconded by: Michael Seguin

THAT Council acknowledges receipt of the correspondence dated August 4, 2016 from Grey Condominium Corporation No. 11 regarding the Bay Street – Unopened Road Allowance and refers the same to the Planning and Development Services Department, Carried.

C. 5:00 PM Public Meetings / Deputations

Mayor McKean declared a pecuniary interest regarding Agenda items C.1.1 and C.1.2 and vacated the meeting for these items. Deputy Mayor Ardiel chaired this portion of the meeting.

Deputy Mayor Ardiel noted 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.

C.1 Statutory Public Meetings

C.1.1 Public Meeting: Application for Consent for New Lot, Gyles/Gooderham

Deputy Mayor Gail Ardiel read the Notice of Application for Consent for a New Lot. Gail noted the owner is Gyles and Gooderham.

Gail noted the property location is 555259 6th Line (Concession 6, Part of Lot 5 and Lot 6).

Gail noted the applicant would like to sever lot from their property. The proposed severed lot would be 40.5 hectares (100 acres), with 698 metres (2290 feet) of frontage on 6th Sideroad and would be vacant. The proposed retained lot would then be 59.3 hectares (146.5 acres), maintain its 111 metres (364 feet) of frontage on 6th Line and contain the house, barn and a shed. The property is in an area with no municipal water or sewer services.

Gail noted the lands are designated Rural, Wetland and Hazard in the Town of The Blue Mountains Official Plan.

Gail noted the public meeting is your chance to hear more about the proposal and make your views about it known. Gail noted you may also speak at the meeting or submit written comments. Gail noted information from the public will help Council in their decision-making process, so make sure to have your say.

Gail noted any person or agency may attend the Public Meeting and/or make verbal or written comments either in support or in opposition to the proposed amendment.

Gail noted if a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of Town of The Blue Mountains in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to Town of The Blue Mountains before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

The Clerk spoke noting that notice of the Public Meeting was given in accordance with the Planning Act, and that in response, comments were received from Grey County Planning and Development, Grey Sauble Conservation Authority, Historic Saugeen Metis Lands, Resources and Consultation Department and Bell Canada.

Planner Denise Whaley spoke noting that the proposal is on two former whole lots, being two 100 acre parcels. Denise noted that the parcels have merged as they were held in the same ownership. Denise identified the location of the buildings, treed and cleared areas, and natural habitats.

Denise noted that we are at the public meeting stage, and that it has not yet been determined if a zoning by-law amendment or Environmental Impact Study is required to be undertaken.

Bryan Gooderham spoke noting that he and his sister own the lands, and that their goal is to divide the land back to the way it was when the property was purchased. Mr. Gooderham noted that the GSCA marks the trees when it is time to harvest.

Karen Leightell, property owner at 569123 6th Sideroad, spoke questioning if the intent is to parcel this land off to sell.

As no one further wished to speak Deputy Mayor Ardiel declared the public meeting to be closed.

C.1.2 Public Meeting: Zoning By-law Amendment, Mark Hallink

Deputy Mayor Gail Ardiel read the notice of Application for Zoning Amendment. Gail noted the owner is Mark Hallink.

Gail noted the property location is 595324 4th Line.

Gail noted the proposal is to add a new permitted use of a black powder blanks shooting range in and around an existing riding ring on a portion of the subject lands, so as to allow for Cowboy mounted shooting. Cowboy mounted shooting is a competitive equestrian sport involving the riding of a horse to negotiate a shooting pattern. Modern events use blank ammunition certified to break a target balloon with twenty feet instead of bullets.

Gail noted that this proposed use is also regulated federally through the *Firearms Act*, and the proponent has been consulting with the Chief Firearms Officer accordingly.

Gail noted the property affected by this application is known legally as Part Lot 6, Concession 5; Part 6, RP 16R-9021; Town of The Blue Mountains.

Gail noted the public meeting is your chance to hear more about the proposal and make your views about it known. You may also speak at the meeting or submit written comments. Information from the public will help Council in their decision-making process, so make sure to have your say.

Gail noted any person or agency may attend the Public Meeting and/or make verbal or written comments either in support or in opposition to the proposed amendment.

Gail noted if a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to Town of The Blue Mountains before the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of Council to the Ontario Municipal Board.

Gail noted if a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to Town of The Blue Mountains before the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

The Clerk spoke noting that notice of the public meeting was given in accordance with the Planning Act and that in response, comments were received from Grey County Planning and Development, Bluewater District School Board, Historic Saugeen Metis, John Marovino, David Sloan and Linda Vaivada, Kathleen and David Roth, Bill Zehr and Sally Brodrecht Zehr, Tim and Tracey Knight, Thomas Storey, Jean Marie Dalton and Frank Farfan. A petition was also received from area residents.

Bryan spoke noting the request is for Council to consider a zoning by-law amendment to establish a black powder shooting range so to allow cowboy mounted shooting on a large acreage. Bryan reviewed the chronology of events, confirming that the circulation was done and that today Council is receiving comments from the public. Bryan noted that Council will receive a further staff report summarizing the comments received. Bryan noted the deadline to receive comments is September 2, 2016.

Krystin Rennie spoke noting she is the Planning Consultant acting for Mr. Hallink. Kristyn noted that the Town's zoning by-law permits a cowboy shooting range on this property, but noted that the official plan does not permit it. Krystin noted that the property is rural, and that the permitted uses is resource based, and this includes day use and shooting clubs.

Krystin noted that the Township of Collingwood Rural Designation permits this use, further noting that the proposal is for cowboy mounted shooting use as a practice location for the property owner. Krystin confirmed that the use is not for commercial use, but for personal use only. Krystin noted a zoning by-law amendment is required and that the CFO (Chief Firearms Officer) must approve the request as well.

Krystin noted that Collingwood Township allows firearm discharging on a property, and that the Noise By-law allows the noise.

Krystin noted that there is no live ammunition, and that black powder blanks are used.

Councillor Seguin questioned if the use will be for the exclusive use of the property owner, Krystin replying yes, further noting that he will practice his sport on the property.

Councillor Seguin questioned if there are any other locations where the owner could practice, Krystin replying no. Krystin noted that the property owner has owned the property for some time, and that this is a new sport that he has joined. Krystin noted that the noise will be outside of the noise by-law requirements.

Councillor McGee spoke questioning the definition of firearms under the zoning and official plan, Director of Planning and Development Services Michael Benner spoke in response noting that the definition is the same in both zoning and planning. Councillor McGee questioned why a zoning by-law amendment is required, Michael Benner spoke in response noting the difference is when a target is utilized.

Councillor McGee questioned if the sport will be practiced in a riding ring in an enclosed building. Michael Benner spoke in response noting that no, an outside riding ring is used.

Councillor Halos questioned reference to federal fire arms, questioning if the rural zoning allows shooting, Krystin spoke in response noting that the zoning does not recognize the shooting range, it is allowed under the official plan, not under the zoning.

Councillor McGee questioned if the new Official Plan or the 2007 Official Plan is being used in this, Michael Benner, Director of Planning and Development Services spoke noting that the new Official Plan is similar to the 2007 Official Plan as it relates to this matter.

Councillor Martin spoke noting that if this zoning by-law amendment is permitted, and the owner agrees to use the site for his exclusive use, on the sale or transfer of land, the zoning would remain with the land.

Councillor McGee then questioned if there is any differentiation under the zoning if the use is for personal or commercial use. Michael Benner spoke in response noting that the language in the exception should be clear that the use is for personal use, and not for commercial use. Krystin Rennie then spoke noting that through the application approval to the CFO, conditions for the permit will be imposed for the permit as well, further noting that there will be site visits every six months.

Councillor Halos spoke questioning if there is a decibel level, Krystin Rennie spoke in response noting that the sound is similar to a gun.

Councillor McGee questioned if the CFO differentiates between personal use and commercial use, Krystin spoke in response noting that there is no classification under the CFO approvals.

Nicholas Clayton, resident at 569245 6th Sideroad, spoke and played a recording of the sound from the shooting at the subject property. Mr. Clayton noted that the sound is similar to a fireworks display. Mr. Clayton noted that the sound is disruptive to his family, including naptimes for his children, and has an effect on their quality of life. Mr. Clayton noted that they are surrounded by nature, and that this proposed zoning by-law amendment has no respect for the area residents and will affect the enjoyment of their properties. Mr. Clayton noted that if the zoning by-law amendment is passed, and the sport becomes more popular, he is concerned that the use being permitted for personal use, may then become a commercial use. Mr. Clayton noted that the permitted timeframe of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 pm is a large timeframe, further noting that if the use is permitted, he requests that the permitted timeframe be narrowed.

Karen Kelly, resident at 569239 6th Sideroad, spoke noting that she often hears blanks being fired that sounds like gun fire. Ms. Kelly noted that she can hear the Blue Ridge Sportmen's Club from her home as well. Ms. Kelly noted that if permitted, this proposal threatens the reasons why they live in Gibraltar, and will have a negative effect on their quiet enjoyment. Ms. Kelly notes that she does not support the request for a zoning by-law amendment. Ms. Kelly then provided a petition of those opposed to the zoning by-law amendment application. Ms. Kelly noted that residents have a right to peace and quiet and are fearful that the permitted shotgun blasts will have a negative effect on their lives.

Mark Farfan, resident at 569172 6th Sideroad, spoke noting that this application will destroy their peace and quiet. Mr. Farfan noted that the noise from the quarry and the existing Blue Ridge Sportmen's Club is enough noise. Mr. Farfan noted that the requested zoning by-law amendment benefits no one but Mr. Hallink. Mr. Farfan confirmed that he objects to the requested zoning by-law amendment.

Chuck and Annette Solly, residents at 595365 4th Line, spoke noting they live across from the gallery, and confirmed that all the comments are true, and that residents want peace and quiet.

Collin Cooligan, resident of Toronto, but owns 90 acres on the 4th Line, spoke noting the area is comprised of rural, agricultural, woodlots, and wetlands, and expressed that he has the same concerns as the earlier speakers, citing noise, impact to quality of life, concern for expansion to commercial uses and that it would be a detriment to neighbours.

Annette Solly, resident at 595365 4th Line, spoke again noting that she does not know the applicant, and notes that the zoning by-law amendment is for the benefit of one person, and that this has a disregard to the neighbours.

Lisa Rynda, resident at 592392 6th Line and 4th Line, spoke noting she is a weekender and she can often hear the shooting. Ms. Rynda questioned if shooting is permitted in a Hamlet. Ms. Rynda noted that this property is along a school route and questioned if the discharge of firearms is permitted along a school route.

Planner Bryan Pearce spoke noting that firearms are federally regulated, and confirmed that By-law 2005-55 regulates the discharge of firearms between Lora Bay and Craighleith, further noting that the size of the parcel of land is a consideration in this by-law.

Neil Patrick and Lori Johnston, residents at 569251 6th Sideroad, spoke noting that the gunshot sound is extremely loud. Mr. Patrick noted that the sound has an effect on property owners, and questioned if the use would be for personal use only. Mr. Patrick noted that the peace and quiet of area residents will be affected if this use is permitted, further noting that this use will have an effect on school children becoming accustomed to the sound of gunshots, when they should be cautious of them.

Marg Fairly resident at 595265 6th Sideroad spoke noting events have been held at this property in the past, further noting that shooting and loud speakers can be heard. Ms. Fairly noted that she does not believe that the use will be for personal use only. Ms. Fairly noted that area residents also have livestock that will be effected, and noted that dogs will also be effected by the noise. Ms. Fairly noted that the events held at the site are loud and disruptive, and questioned if the applicant resides at the site. Krystin Rennie spoke noting that yes, the owner resides at this location, and that he is competing now and currently not home.

Bill Zehr, resident at 595398 4th Line, northwest of Gibraltar, spoke questioning reference to the barriers to muffle the noise. Mr. Zehr noted that he is surrounded by trees, but can still hear cows and neighbours, further noting it will be difficult to muffle the sound of gunshots. Planner Bryan Pearce spoke noting that the County recommends that barriers be placed to muffle the noise.

Paul, resident at 569306 6th Sideroad, spoke noting he has lived in this location for ten years, further noting that he moved to this area for the quiet. Paul noted that the quarry expansion and allowing the cowboy mounted shooting will have an impact on the hamlet of Gibraltar. Paul noted that this is not about one person's interests, it is about the community.

Sally Zehr, resident at 595398 4th Line, spoke referencing the topography of the area, with lots of rock, creates a lot of echoing. Sally expressed concern about the noise and the time the cowboy mounted shooting would be permitted. Sally noted that this use will impact her quality of life.

Ian Sinclair, resident at 615411 3rd Line spoke noting that the proposed use will have a negative impact on the community, further noting the Gibraltar area is growing and consists of good quality young people and older people. Mr. Sinclair noted that he opposes the proposed zoning by-law amendment.

Dave Sloan, resident at 595299 4th Line, spoke noting the noise is very loud, further noting that he does not support the rezoning.

Michelle Jackson, 59533 4th Line, spoke noting she is opposed to the rezoning for the same reasons noted by other area residents.

Karen Kelly spoke questioning what area residents can do as a community to address the noise, Director of Planning and Building Michael Benner spoke noting there is a noise by-law in place that allows the noise to occur between the hours of 7:00 am and 7:00 pm. Michael noted that residents can contact By-law Enforcement during the day, or can contact the OPP if they have concerns.

Bryan Pearce spoke noting that the Federal Government regulates firearms, and that anyone using a gun must have a gun licence to possess a fire arm.

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

C.2 Deputation

None

D. New and Unfinished Business

D.1 Notice of Motion (Council)

None

D.2 Additions to the Agenda

D.2.1 Summary of Ministry Discussions at 2016 AMO Conference

CAO Troy Speck spoke noting that he, Mayor McKean, Deputy Mayor Ardiel and Councillor Halos attended the 2016 AMO Conference. Troy noted that they met with representatives from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding the Town's exploration of attaining single-tier status, and met with the Minister of Finance regarding the Sharing Economy initiative regarding the Town's concerns that the Province's initiative may undermine efforts the Town has been making to regulate short term accommodation rental within the Town.

Mayor McKean noted that with respect to the single tier discussion, the Ministry representative advised that the Minister is not interested in restructuring at this time, but noted there is a mechanism available through the Province to assist municipalities. Mayor McKean noted that an agreement has just been reached between the City of Brantford and the County of Brant. Mayor McKean noted that the representative noted that mediation through the Province may assist the Town in working with the County.

Deputy Mayor Ardiel spoke regarding the Sharing Economy Act and noted that the Ministry representative was advised that the Town has a licensing regime in place. Deputy Mayor Ardiel noted that a taskforce will be put in place to review the details of the Sharing Economy Act. Troy noted that the Ministry has contacted staff and requested material from the Town on the Town's Licensing regime.

Councillor Halos spoke noting that it was nice to see 20 Provincial Ministers and their representatives at the conference.

Mayor McKean requested that Troy investigate the City of Brantford and County of Brant mediation.

Councillor Martin spoke noting he was pleased with Council's attendance at the AMO Conference, and that he supports the Mayor's request to meet with representatives at the County of Brant / City of Brantford, further noting that members of Council should be permitted to attend as well.

Troy spoke noting the Provincial mediator contracted for the Brant/Brantford mediation was a Provincial Lands Developer, further noting that the Brant/Brantford dispute was a land dispute. Troy noted that he will follow up with the Ministry representative to see if a Provincial facilitator would mediate the issues The Blue Mountains has with Grey County. Troy noted that The Blue Mountains issue with Grey County is "fair share".

Councillor McGee noted that he would like to attend meetings with Brant County/City of Brantford to be up-to-date, and to become a consenting vote to single tier.

E. Notice of Meeting Dates

Council Meeting, September 7, 2016, 7:00 pm
Town Hall, Council Chambers

Committee of the Whole Meeting, September, 12, 2016
Town Hall, Council Chambers

F. Adjournment

Moved by: Michael Martin Seconded by: John McGee

THAT this Committee of the Whole does now adjourn at 6:25 p.m. to meet again September 12, 2016, Town Hall, Council Chambers, or at the call of the Chair, Carried.

John McKean, Mayor

Corrina Giles, Town Clerk