

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

No member declared a pecuniary interest with any matter as listed on the agenda.

With regard to the minutes of August 30, 2004 and Special Meetings of September 1, 16 and 20, 2004, minor corrections were made and the following verbal Resolution was then presented:

Moved by: G. Ardiel
Seconded by: Wayman Fairweather

THAT the minutes of August 30, 2004 and Special Meetings of September 1, 16 and 20, 2004 be adopted as circulated and amended.

CARRIED...

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

The Clerk then presented correspondence as previously circulated.

Regarding correspondence from Catherine Daw noting concern with impacts from any proposed A.T.V. use on roads with existing uses, Councillor Gamble noted all such uses at present co-exist with vehicular traffic.

Regarding correspondence from John Jeffs containing a Timmons Street area petition noting concern with present refuse collection practices, Council referred the matter to the Public Works Committee.

Regarding correspondence from Eleanor Branch with regard to the proposed redevelopment of Lake Drive, Town Planner clarified that a reference to multiple service connections referred to a previous draft plan of subdivision on the lands that was never proceeded with, Environment Services Superintendent John Caswell noting he would clarify road and servicing issues with Mrs. Branch.

Regarding correspondence from Andrew Catapano questioning aspects of sanitary servicing extension on Tyrolean Lane, Deputy-Mayor McKinlay reported a public information meeting was scheduled for area residents in the near future.

Regarding correspondence from the Georgian Triangle Tourist Association offering advertising in the 2005 See & Do Guide, Council referred the matter to the Tourism and Economic Development Committee for consideration.

Regarding correspondence from J.C. Cameron and Wendy Brown noting concern with a proposed parking area fronting Craigmere Crescent for use by the Toronto Ski Club, Councillor Ardiel noted Grey County Transportation Committee concern with pedestrian traffic crossing Grey Road No. 19 to the Club, Councillor Fairweather noting in his years of weekend use of the route he had never witnessed an accident in that area.

Regarding correspondence from Superior Wind Energy requesting a time to meet with Council to present an update on the proposed Blue Highlands Wind Farm, Development Services Manager Peter Tollefsen noted to date application had been made for a single tower to take wind measurements, a Staff Report forthcoming.

Regarding correspondence from the Ministry of Transportation reporting traffic lights were not

warranted at this time at the intersection of Highway No. 26 and Grey Road No. 21, Environment Services Superintendent John Caswell noted the Ministry will soon introduce their proposal for the future Highway 26 Craigeith corridor.

Regarding correspondence from the City of Woodstock soliciting support for a property tax deferral program similar to that in place in British Columbia, Councillor Gamble noted a similar program exists in Ontario but does not enjoy a wide use.

Council then dealt with the following Resolution:

Resolution No. 1

Moved by: R. J. Gamble
Seconded by: Wayman Fairweather

THAT the accounts in the amount of \$902,040.56 be submitted to the Treasurer for payment.
(Less any accounts authorized by separate Resolution.)

CARRIED...

Next, as municipal engineer Rob Davies was in attendance, it was Council's pleasure to hear him regarding the Bruce Street sidewalk and Highway 26 streetscape tenders.

Rob noted only one tender was received for the Bruce Street sidewalks and grading works and was significantly above the estimated cost of the works, adding that no tenders were received for the Highway 26 streetscape project.

Rob noted both projects were essentially a collection of sub-trade works with no road or servicing work and contractors may have declined to bid on that basis.

Rob then reviewed alternatives for Council, including a reduced contract for Bruce Street with the Town and County providing some works or completion of one sidewalk only with the remaining works deferred until Spring of 2005.

Rob noted Grey County had been requested to consider offering Gradall works with the Town to consider topsoil and sod for reinstatement, with consideration of a portion of sidewalk cost where service laterals were installed to be apportioned to Environment Services.

With regard to the Highway 26 streetscape project, the project could be combined with Bruce Street, deferred to 2005 or the Town might act as a contractor.

Rob continued the Town would bear certain responsibility if assuming the role of contractor in terms of health and safety issues and securities for work to be completed.

Environment Services Superintendent John Caswell suggested the E.S. Committee could review the matter, however, at the time of initial project discussion with the public, it was noted there would be full sidewalk replacement.

Councillor Fairweather noted on behalf of the CAUSE Committee that it was desired to complete the Highway 26 east works this year so as not to have Highway 26 east and west both under construction in 2006, recommending the Town proceed this year as the contractor for the Highway 26 project.

Councillor McKean noted the Town could request sub-contractors provide proof of insurance and Statutory Declarations of Accounts Paid in terms of labour and materials.

Rob continued the single bidder for Bruce Street should be approached as to consider accepting a reduced contract for Bruce Street.

Deputy-Mayor McKinlay noted the Town should review whether resources are available to act as a contractor, Councillor Gamble noting any funds used from sewer and water reserves for sidewalk works would impact all residents connected to the former Town of Thornbury servicing system.

Councillor Ardiel suggested the matter be tabled following discussion with Grey County, Rob to review the Bruce Street contract document with the single bidder, Council concurring.

Rob then thanked Council and retired from the meeting.

Council then dealt with the following Resolutions:

Resolution No. 2

Moved by: R.J. Gamble

Seconded by: Wayman Fairweather

THAT this Council hereby does grant a variance to Sign By-law No. 2001-57 to Mandarin Creek Developments Ltd. for the erection of a single two-sided ground sign, "V-Shaped", with each sign face having dimensions of 12' in height and 16' in width (144 square feet/13.4 square metres) at the Craigeith Ski Club property (6-083) provided:

- such sign does not exceed 5 metres (16.4') above adjacent grade;
- such sign is located a minimum of 138 metres (452.8') from adjacent properties to the south and north;
- such sign is setback a minimum of 3.0 metres (9.84') from the westerly limit of the Grey County Road #19 road allowance; and,
- such sign is the only Development Signage to be erected on the property.

It being noted that the subject property has a frontage of approximately 600.0 metres and the Sign By-law would permit 4 Development Signs at 9.0 square metres (96.9 square feet) each.

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 3

Moved by: R.J. Gamble

Seconded by: G. Ardiel

THAT this Council hereby does refuse an application for minor variance filed by Skot and Heather Lawrence ("Thornbury Home Decor") for a variance to Sign By-law No. 2001-57 related to a third party sign (Benjamin Moore Paints) at the storage building located on lands known municipally as 19 Arthur Street West (17.137.00).

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 4

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

THAT this Council hereby does grant a variance to Sign By-law No. 2001-57 to Cheryl Armstrong ("Drew Haven") to maintain a fascia sign having a height of 30" (76 cm) and letters having a height of 13.7" (35 cm) at the northeast corner of Bruce Street South and Louisa Street East (17.117). It being acknowledged by the Committee that an application for variance was submitted on June 25, 2004 however same could not be considered by the Committee until September 20, 2004.

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 5

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

THAT this Council hereby does grant a variance to Sign By-law No. 2001-57 to Bill Hartman for the erection of a home occupation sign at 166 Marsh Street (12.062.01) having dimensions of 0.51 metres (20") in height and 0.82 metres (32") in width, a height of 1.5 metres above adjacent grade and setback a minimum of 2.0 metres from property lines (interior lot line and Grey County Road #13 westerly limit).

It being noted that the subject property is located approximately 0.9 metres below the travelled portion of the highway, the frontage of the subject property on County Road #13 is approximately 45.0 metres and the subject property abuts non-residential lands to the north.

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 6

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

THAT By-law No. 2004-85, being a By-law to establish a rate of speed of 60 km/hr on Monterra Road, be hereby enacted as passed this twenty-seventh day of September, 2004.

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 7

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

THAT By-law No. 2004-86, being a By-law to establish stop sign locations at the intersections of the 3rd Line and 12th Sideroad and The Blue Mountains/Euphrasia Townline and Grey County Road No. 19, be hereby enacted as passed this twenty-seventh day of September, 2004.

CARRIED...

Next, as Development Services Manager Peter Tollefsen, Senior Planner Rob Armstrong and Grey County Senior Planner Ron Glenn were in attendance, it was Council's pleasure to hear them regarding status of the Town Official Plan following recent Ontario Municipal Board

mediation sessions.

Peter noted Grey County Staff had completed review of the Town Official plan and were prepared to recommend approval of the Plan pending certain modifications to the Plan, Peter then generally reviewing the proposed amendments.

Peter then noted the Official Plan and modifications would be reviewed in detail at the next meeting for Council's consideration and endorsement prior to presentation to the public.

Mayor Anderson then thanked Ron on his efforts to toward final approval of the Official Plan.

Ron noted the areas of Amendments 1 through 4 would be set aside at this time pending resolution of related issues at individual Ontario Municipal Board hearings.

Rob then noted the current document has the Ancillary Residential Accommodation Policies removed and it is proposed the entire Policy section will be reconsidered at a later date.

Ron then thanked Council for their co-operation over the years, pending his recent move to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing in Toronto, and retired from the meeting.

During New and Unfinished Business, Council then reviewed a Staff Memo regarding the filling of a vacancy on Council and the options available to Council.

Council then considered a Deputation and Procedure Form for use by persons wishing to appear before Town Committees or Council, Council concurring that an amendment to the Procedural By-law be prepared for consideration at a future meeting.

During Committee Reports, the following verbal Resolution was then presented:

Moved by: Wayman Fairweather
Seconded by: G. Ardiel

THAT the Environment Services Committee report of August 25 and 30, 2004, the Parks and Harbour Committee report of September 9, 2004 and the Fire Services Committee Report of September 22, 2004 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED...

Deputy-Mayor McKinlay then questioned actual status of a proposed Parks Depot Building, Councillor Gamble reporting the Property Committee was to review the location of the structure.

Regarding the Public Works Committee Report of September 21, 2004, Deputy-Mayor McKinlay circulated revisions to pages 4, 7 and 12 of the September 21 Report.

Council then dealt with the following verbal Resolutions:

Moved by: Duncan R. McKinlay
Seconded by: G. Ardiel

THAT the Public Works Committee report of September 21, 2004 be adopted following insertion of revisions to pages 4, 7 and 12 and deletion of Resolution 4(e) of page 8.

CARRIED...

Moved by: D. R. McKinlay
Seconded by: Wayman Fairweather

THAT the B.V.C.C. Committee of Management minutes of April 21, July 8 and August 25, 2004, the G.S.C.A. minutes of July 14, 2004, Thornbury B.I.A. minutes of August 4, 2004, CAUSE Committee minutes of August 27, 2004, Police Services Board minutes of June 16, 2004, CAUSE Committee minutes of September 3, 2004, Development Review Committee minutes of September 16, 2004 be received as circulated.

CARRIED...

Regarding the L. E. Shore Memorial Library Board minutes of September 20, 2004, Councillor Gamble noted concern with recommendation of a part-time position to now be full time prior to budget consideration, Councillor Ardiel noting the matter would be reviewed by the Personnel Committee, Councillor Gamble adding there is a budget review aspect as well.

Council then dealt with the following verbal Resolution:

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

THAT the L. E. Shore Memorial Library Board minutes of September 20, 2004 be referred to Personnel and Finance Committees for review.

CARRIED...

Council then dealt with the following Resolutions:

Resolution No. 8

Moved by: G. Ardiel
Seconded by: Wayman Fairweather

THAT this Council does hereby support and endorse the City of Owen Sound Council Resolution of August 30, 2004, wherein the Minister of Health is requested to reconsider the current position of the Provincial Government of eliminating O.H.I.P funding for Chiropractic treatment and Optometrists eye exams so as to protect and assist those Ontarians without other sources of health insurance coverage.

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 9

Moved by: G. Ardiel
Seconded by: Wayman Fairweather

THAT this Council does hereby declare that an existing vacancy on Council shall be filled by appointment in accordance with subsection 263(1)(a) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*;

AND THAT the appointment shall be the next runner-up for the office of Councillor as polled in the November 10, 2003 Municipal Election upon receipt by the Clerk within ten days of written confirmation of the candidate having consented to accept the position if appointed.

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 10

Moved by: Wayman Fairweather
Seconded by: G. Ardiel

THAT this Council does approve the establishment of a "Tourism Kiosk" on Town lands being Town Plan Lots 3 & 4, NE King Street adjacent to the Chamber of Commerce office with the following understanding:

- that the Chamber review the proposal with Town Planning and Building staff and address any Town requirements,
- that there be no costs to the Town, and
- that the Chamber enter into any required Agreement with Independent Tourism Centres Inc. and be fully responsible for same.

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 11

Moved by: Wayman Fairweather
Seconded by: R.J. Gamble

THAT this Council does hereby authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign the Agreement between The Blue Mountains District Chamber of Commerce and the Town regarding establishment of a Community Policing Office within the Chamber of Commerce offices located at Town Plan Lots 3 & 4, NE King Street.

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 12

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

THAT this Council has no objection to 714 Georgian Triangle Air Cadet Squadron conducting a Tag Day for fund-raising purposes in the Town of The Blue Mountains on the following days and during the specified time periods in 2004:

October 1, 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
October 2, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 13

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

WHEREAS Council did pass By-laws No. 2004-63 and 2004-64 to first assume and to then stop-up and close a portion of highway allowance described as Block "D", Plan 954, Orchard Drive;

AND WHEREAS Council did pass Resolution No. 3 of May 10, 2004 noting support in principle for the siting and construction of a Habitat for Humanity residence in The Blue Mountains in 2005;

AND WHEREAS Town By-law No. 2003-10 did establish procedures governing the sale of public land;

NOW THEREFORE this Council does hereby declare Block "D", Plan 954, Orchard Drive as surplus to the needs of the Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains;

AND THAT further consideration of disposal of Block "D", Plan 954, Orchard Drive be referred to the Property Committee for review and recommendation to Council.

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 14

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

THAT the following Tender Deposit Cheques be returned on the advice of the Road Superintendent, Don Hutchinson:

Wayne Bird Fuels	\$1,000.00
Da-Lee Dust Control	\$6,064.20
Dalton R. Lowe	\$6,000.00

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 15

Moved by: Wayman Fairweather
Seconded by: G. Ardiel

THAT this Council does hereby grant conditional site plan approval pursuant to Section 41 of the Planning Act for Alpine Ski Club, so as to permit the location and use of a 24 foot by 32 foot portable structure on the subject lands;

AND THAT the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a Site Plan Agreement pursuant to Section 41 of the Planning Act as recommended by Town Staff.

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 16

Moved by: G. Ardiel
Seconded by: Wayman Fairweather

THAT with regard to subsection 239(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, this Council do now move into Closed Session in order to address a matter pertaining to a Personnel Committee Report dated September 9, 2004 and

Personnel matters about an identifiable individual, including Town or local board employees, and

Labour relations or employee negotiations;

AND THAT Town Clerk Stephen Keast be requested to attend.

CARRIED...

Council moved into closed session at 10:05 p.m.
Council rose from closed to public session at 10:25 p.m.

Council then dealt with the following verbal Resolution:

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

THAT the Personnel Committee Report of September 9, 2004 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 17

Moved by: Wayman Fairweather
Seconded by: R. J. Gamble

THAT By-law No. 2004-87, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on September 27, 2004, be hereby enacted as passed this twenty-seventh day of September, 2004

CARRIED...

Resolution No. 18

Moved by: Wayman Fairweather
Seconded by: R. J. Gamble

THAT this Council does now adjourn at 10:25 p.m. to meet again Wednesday, October 13, 2004, at 7:00 p.m., or at the call of the Chair.

CARRIED...

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Ellen Anderson, Mayor

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Stephen Keast, Clerk