

STAFF REPORT: Administration



REPORT TO: Council
MEETING DATE: December 22, 2008
REPORT NO.: CEDC.08.22
SUBJECT: Greater Collingwood Small Business Enterprise Centre Advisory Committee

PREPARED BY: Lisa Kidd, Communications and Economic Development Coordinator

A. Recommendations

That Council appoint _____ to represent The Blue Mountains on the Greater Collingwood Small Business Enterprise Centre Advisory Committee.

B. Background

On March 10, 2008, Staff presented a report to Council with a recommendation that Council appoint a Councillor to represent The Blue Mountains on the Greater Collingwood Small Business Enterprise Centre Advisory Committee (see Attachment 1).

At that meeting, Council then dealt with the following Resolution:

THAT an appointment of a Council member to represent the Town of The Blue Mountains on the Greater Collingwood Small Business Enterprise Centre Advisory Committee be tabled pending further information. The resolution was carried (see Attachment 2).

On October 27, 2008, Catharine Frith and Catherine Durrant of the Greater Collingwood Small Business Enterprise Centre presented a deputation to Council. Their deputation provided an overview of the Centre's accomplishments to date, and included a request for a representative from The Blue Mountains Council to serve on the Advisory Committee, plus a request for operational funding for the Greater Collingwood Business Enterprise Centre for the 2009 year in the amount of \$2,500. (see Attachment 3).

C. The Blue Mountains' Strategic Plan

Strategic Action 6.5 Involve the community, business sector, developers, public partners and others in the ongoing work of the municipality

D. Environmental Impacts

Nil.

E. Budget Impact

The request for \$2,500 in 2009 would be considered through the Grants and Donations Program in 2009.

F. Attached

Attachment 1- Staff Report CEDC.08.05

Attachment 2- The Blue Mountains Council Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2008

Attachment 3- The Blue Mountains Council Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2008

Respectfully submitted,

Signature