

STAFF REPORT: ENGINEERING AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT



REPORT TO: **Engineering and Public Works Committee**
MEETING DATE: **May 13, 2008**
REPORT NO.: **EPW.08.14**
SUBJECT: **By-law to Reduce Speed Limit on The
Blue Mountains – Euphrasia Townline**
PREPARED BY: **Reg Russwurm, Director of Engineering
and Public Works**

A. Recommendations

THAT Council enact a By-law to set a speed limit of 50 kilometres per hour on The Blue Mountains – Euphrasia Townline from the intersection of 30th Sideroad and The Blue Mountains – Euphrasia Townline to 800 metres south of this intersection when a similar By-law has been approved by the Municipality of Grey Highlands, as outlined in Report EPW.08.14.

B. Background

Due to the restrictive vertical site lines, Staff is recommending that the speed limit be reduced to 50 kilometers per hour on The Blue Mountains – Euphrasia Townline from the intersection of 30th Sideroad and The Blue Mountains – Euphrasia Townline 800 metres south of this intersection.

Staff had discussions with Mr. Geoff Aitken, Public Works Manager, Municipality of Grey Highlands, regarding reducing the speed on this municipally-shared road. Mr. Aitkens is in agreement with this recommendation and will move forward with a similar By-law to the Municipality of Grey Highlands Council in order to ensure that this speed reduction is coordinated.

A location map is Attachment #1 which identifies that the 50 kilometres per hour would begin as the intersection of the 30th Sideroad and The Blue Mountains – Euphrasia Townline for a distance of 800 metres.

A copy of the Proposed By-law is provided as Attachment #2.

The signage will be erected upon approval of this By-law by the Town and the Municipality of Grey Highlands.

C. The Blue Mountains' Strategic Plan

This work addresses Strategic Plan Goal #2 "Addressing the Town's Municipal infrastructure needs".

D. Budget Impact

There is sufficient funding in the 2007 and 2008 Roads & Drainage Operational Budget to accommodate the installation of these signs.

Conceptually, the cost will be split 50% Grey Highlands, and 50% Town of The Blue Mountains. The Town of The Blue Mountains Staff will undertake the purchase and installation of the signage, then will proceed with billing Grey Highlands for 50% of the costs.

E. Attached

1. Location Map – The Blue Mountains – Euphrasia Townline and 30th Sideroad
2. Proposed By-law to Prescribe a Speed Limit for Motor Vehicles on a Highway portion within the Municipality - The Blue Mountains—Euphrasia Townline

Respectfully submitted,

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