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GEORGIAN TRAIL BOARD OF MANAGEMENT MINUTES

February 12, 2014

A. Call to Order

PRESENT: Janet Findlay, Don DeGrandis, Keith Hull, Kevin Lloyd, James McIntosh, Joe Halos & Bob Gamble.

OTHERS: Shawn Everitt, Rod Willis & Murray Harvey.

ABSENT: Lynda Stephens, Marta Proctor & Sharon Long, Secretary.

- Vice Chair Keith Hull called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
- Declaration of Pecuniary Interest – None at this time.
- Minutes

Moved by: Don DeGrandis

Seconded by: Bob Gamble

*THAT the Minutes of December 11, 2013 be accepted as presented, **CARRIED***

B. Closed Session

Moved by: Don DeGrandis

Seconded by: Keith Hull

THAT, with regard to subsection 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001, this Council does now move into closed session in order to address matters pertaining to labour relations or employee negotiations;

AND with regard to personnel matters.

Committee moved into closed session at 4:05 p.m.

Committee moved into public session at 4:35 p.m.

C. Business Arising from the Minutes

C.1 Georgian Cycle Ski Trail Association coverage under the Georgian Trail Board of Management

Councillor Gamble provided Association member Don DeGrandis with a copy of the Insurance documents from Simpson Co. Copies were also provided for the three Municipalities. Don will review and follow up on behalf of the Association.

C.2 Update on Land Use Agreement in The Blue Mountains

Shawn Everitt updated the Board that the original offer for the business owner to lease the land in the amount of \$3,000.00 was countered by the business owner in the amount of \$500.00. Discussion ensued and the following motion was put forward:

Moved by: Joe Halos

Seconded by: Kevin Lloyd

THAT the Board direct Staff to go back the owner with a \$2500.00 counter and/or that the two containers be removed from the trail by March 15th 2014. Failing this

the Municipality would begin the process to have the containers in question removed, **CARRIED**.

D. Maintenance Coordinator's Report

Nothing further to add. See Annual General Meeting minutes.

E. Treasurer's Report

E.1 2014 Georgian Trail Budget DOR.14.10

Councillor Gamble presented a spreadsheet to each member for review. (See attached.) The spreadsheet provided a detailed breakdown of the Assessment for each Municipality.

Discussion ensued specific to the Trestle Bridge (TOBM) and concrete culvert at Workman's Creek (Meaford). Referencing Staff Report No. DOR.14.10 information was provided by Shawn Everitt regarding the status of each structure and possible solutions for both short-term and long-term maintenance/replacement and potential costs. This is a significant issue and should be identified as an item for discussion under Business Arising at the next Board meeting.

Three Motions were tabled by Councillor Gamble. (Please refer to the attached.)

Moved by: Bob Gamble Seconded by: James McIntosh

*THAT the account of Secure Insurance Solutions for the renewal of the Liability Insurance coverage in the amount of \$1,825.20 be approved for payment, **Carried***

Moved by: Bob Gamble Seconded by: James McIntosh

*THAT the unaudited financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2013 be received and forwarded to KPMG for audit purposes, **Carried***

Moved by: Bob Gamble Seconded by: James McIntosh

That the following accounts be approved for payment:

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| <i>The Blue Mountains – trail maintenance</i> | <i>\$ 2,192.97</i> |
| <i>Murray Harvey</i> | <i>\$ 56.25</i> |
| <i>Town of Collingwood – trail maintenance</i> | <i>\$ 1,953.00</i> |
| <i>The Blue Mountains – Trestle Bridge maintenance</i> | <i>\$ 4,620.83</i> |
| <i>The Blue Mountains – concrete</i> | <i>\$ 433.33</i> |
| <i>The Blue Mountains – chipper rental</i> | <i><u>\$ 1,208.30</u></i> |
| <i>Sub-total</i> | <i>\$10,464.68</i> |
| <i>Sharon Long – Secretarial for 2013</i> | <i><u>\$ 400.00</u></i> |
| <i>Total</i> | <i>\$10,864.68,</i> |
| CARRIED | |

F. Correspondence

F.1 Application for Earth Day Hike and use of Georgian Trail

Janet Findlay advised the Board that the specific issue has been downloaded from the Board to Staff and that this is to be the future practice. Shawn will follow up with both Rod Willis & Marta Proctor. Murray asked to be notified if permits are issued for events on the trail to ensure that he is not performing maintenance that would interfere.

G. Other Business

G.1 Town of The Blue Mountains

Further discussion ensued regarding Staff Report DOR.14.10

Shawn Everitt advised the Board that MTO will be advising all landowners this year with regards to access points that have been created along the trail. The Notice will state that access points must be removed by 2015. Staff will work with landowners in some instances where access points have been created that may be acceptable based on Engineering requirements etc. Councillor McIntosh inquired if money could be made given that if an access point is to remain it will be done via permit. Discussion ensued however, no further direction.

Janet Findlay inquired about the trail counters. Shawn Everitt to follow up with Marta Proctor.

Janet Findlay inquired about the status of the letter that was sent to local MPP Mr. Jim Wilson. Shawn Everitt noted that a response had been received and that the issue has been passed along by the MPP to MTO.

Shawn Everitt updated the Board with regards to proposed MTO improvements at Northwinds Beach, the Shale Beach and a crossing from Arrowhead road to the Craigeleith Provincial Park.

Shawn Everitt also updated the Board on options being explored at Highway 26 and Grey County Road 2 that could resolve the crossing issue east of this intersection.

Murray Harvey inquired about the crossing at the access (new lights) into the Georgian Peaks. Staff to follow up.

G.2 Town of Collingwood

Councillor Hull notified the Board that the Town was exploring off-leash park options that may require access via the Georgian Trail. In addition Councillor Hull advised the Board of a potential land sale that may have an effect to the trail. Both were received as an FYI.

G.3 Municipality of Meaford

Discussion ensued about the blowing of snow of the trail by a private residence. No further direction at this time.

G.4 Georgian Cycle & Ski Trail Association

Nothing further at this time.

H. Next Meeting Date

April 9, 2014 – 4:30 pm – The Blue Mountains Committee Room

I. Adjournment

Moved by: Don DeGrandis Seconded by: Janet Findlay

THAT the Georgian Trail Board of Management meeting adjourns at 6:25 pm.

CHAIR

SECRETARY