

STAFF REPORT: BUILDING & BY-LAW DEPARTMENT



REPORT TO: Finance & Administration
MEETING DATE: October 23, 2007
REPORT NO.: SRB.07.27
SUBJECT: Georgian Trail Board of Management
PREPARED BY: Sharon Long, Admin. Assistant

A. Recommendations

THAT Council receive staff report SRB.07.27 for information purposes and provide direction to the Building & By-law Department with respect to the extent of involvement that Council desires.

B. Background

The Georgian Trail Board of Management has referred encroachment, golf cart & various other enforcement issues to the Building & By-law Department for their action.

Currently By-law Enforcement responds to complaints only with regard to the enforcement of By-law Number 91-7 for the former Township of Collingwood and By-law Number 8-1991 for the former Town of Thornbury respecting motorized vehicles & hooved animals. The Trail Board of Management are effectively asking Building & By-law Department to act as the owner's agent.

In this regard, should Building & By-law Enforcement become involved, same would be considerable with limited resources. Council must be aware that should we take on this responsibility, that it will affect our ability to maintain current service levels.

C. The Blue Mountains' Strategic Plan (Statement(s) identifying how actions further the goals of the Strategic Plan)

D. Budget Impact (cc: Treasury if required)

E. Attached (Relevant documentation not personal information about an identifiable person)

1. E-mail from Sharon Long, Secretary of Georgian Trail Board of Management outlining 4 enforcement items.

2. E-mail from Sharon Long, Secretary of Georgian Trail Board of Management outlining a golf cart issue on the Trail.
3. E-mail from Sharon Long, Secretary of Georgian Trail Board of Management outlining an issue with respect to a Building Permit issued – grading & drainage issue.
4. E-mail from David Finbow, Director of Building & By-law with respect to Georgian Trail & Lora Bay issues.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature