Committee Minutes
Grey County – The Blue Mountains Task Force

Meeting Date: March 6, 2018
Meeting Time: 1:00 p.m.
Location: Town of The Blue Mountains, Town Hall, Council Chamber
32 Mill Street, Thornbury
Prepared by: Krista Royal, Deputy Clerk

A. Call to Order

The Blue Mountains Councillor Michael Martin called the meeting to order with Task Force members present, including The Blue Mountains Councillors John McGee and Councillor Joe Halos, Grey County Warden Stewart Halliday, Grey County Councillors Selwyn Hicks and Ian Boddy. Absent from the meeting, Grey County Councillor Kevin Eccles

Also present: Grey County Chief Administrative Officer Kim Wingrove, The Blue Mountains Interim CAO Shawn Everitt and Director of Infrastructure and Public Works Reg Russwurm.

• Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Stewart Halliday Seconded by: John McGee
THAT the Agenda of March 6, 2018, be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda, Carried.

• Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

None

• Previous Minutes

Moved by: Ian Boddy Seconded by: John McGee
THAT the Grey County – The Blue Mountains Task Force minutes of November 28, 2017 be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made, Carried.

B. Agenda Topics

B.1 Breakdown of Grey County Capital Expenditures within The Blue Mountains

Grey County CAO Kim Wingrove provided the Committee with a summary of the various projects, services, costs and programs that will help explain what the County of Grey provides within the municipality of The Blue Mountains.
Committee reviewed this handout which outlined Transportation Services Projects, Social Services covering Ontario Works and Children’s Services, Housing, Planning and Development, Information Technology, Paramedic Services, and Grey County Community Paramedic Programs. Committee concurred there could be various projects that would be beneficial to have both the County of Grey and The Blue Mountains coordinate future projects and purchases that could be more cost efficient. Kim advised that she will take the Committee’s suggestion back to the County’s procurement group and coordinate organizing a purchasing group.

Committee also asked if The Blue Mountains could receive a digital copy of the detailed handout regarding the services to provide to the residents and post on our website. Kim advised that she will send a copy on to the Committee for circulation.

**B.2 Funding Criteria of Grey County Social Services Budget of $40,000**

Councillor Halos questioned the $168,000 budget figure in regards to the housing costs at 81 Bruce Street, Thornbury. Does this figure include total operating expenses? Kim noted it appears to be operating costs but advised that she will follow up with Financial Services at the County to confirm. Kim further noted that the CAO and Warden’s upcoming 2018 Grey County Update presentation to The Blue Mountains Committee of the Whole on April 4th 2018 will be specific to services provided to The Blue Mountains by the County.

Chair Michael Martin spoke about the Events for Life (EFL) organization within our community that provide services to teens and young individuals that have developmental disabilities. Michael suggested that the members of the EFL organization attend an upcoming County of Grey Council meeting as a deputation to outline the services that they provide to the community and their programs and to speak of the need for financial support. Michael advised that The Blue Mountains supported $10,000 through the Grants and Donations Budget to their organization. Interim CAO Shawn Everitt noted this organization provides services to individuals once they are finished high school as currently there are very few programs that are offered. Shawn further noted this facility is being utilized by individuals throughout the County of Grey not just residents of The Blue Mountains.

**B.3 Regional Transit – Programs and Initiatives**

Committee reviewed transit programs within The Blue Mountains. CAO Kim Wingrove spoke in regards to the Grey County pilot program for transportation services between Owen Sound and Shelburne on Highway 10 being offered to clients. Kim provided an update to the Committee of an application submitted to the Province for funding as a proposal to extend the transit service from Owen Sound to the Blue Mountain Resort and perhaps further connect to Collingwood.

**B.4 Flooding on or around County Roads – Example Grey County Road 19/21 Intersections and GR119**

Director of Infrastructure & Public Works Reg Russwurm provided the Committee with two satellite imaging; one of Grey Road 21 near the Monterra Road, Grand Cypress Lane and Augusta Crescent area and the other one of Grey Road 19 located at the base of Blue Mountain, Scenic Caves Road and the Price’s Subdivision.

Reg advised the Committee of a recent melt of water runoff from the ski hill through the golf course that washed out a resident’s laneway. The cause being the result of an undersized culvert installed by the Monterra development. Reg noted the development is looking at increasing the size of the culvert.
B.5 Proposed Task Force Tour

Committee concurred that it is important to have a tour coordinated to have a visual understanding of applications being received for future development. Michael Martin advised that he will coordinate a tour with Andrew Siegwart of Blue Mountain Village Association, Dan Skelton of Blue Mountain Resorts, along with members from the County of Grey and The Blue Mountains. Councillor John McGee suggested to invite members from the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority and the Nottawasaga Conservation Authority.

John asked if Reg could provide a large map that shows all water courses within The Blue Mountains on one document. Kim noted that she will coordinate with GIS staff at the County to provide mapping that will also have a layer of existing development and proposed development. Kim further noted that she will speak with Randy Scherzer, Director of Planning and Development and Pat Hoy, Director of Transportation Services to put together services on a bigger map to help visualize proposed development area.

C. New Business

None

D. Notice of Meeting Dates

Chair Michael Martin suggested the next meeting be held in the later part of May and to be hosted by the County of Grey.

E. Adjournment

Moved by: John McGee Seconded by: Stewart Halliday

THAT this Committee does now adjourn at 3:00 p.m., Carried.