Agenda
Sustainability Committee

Meeting Date: October 9, 2019
Meeting Time: 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Location: Council Chambers
Prepared by: Sarah Merrifield, Executive Assistant Committees of Council

A. Call to Order

- Approval of Agenda

  Recommended (Moved by, Seconded by)

  THAT the Agenda of October 9, 2019 be approved as circulated, including any additions to the Agenda.

  Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof
  NOTE: In accordance with the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act and the Town Procedural By-law 2018-20, Sustainability Committee Members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

- Previous Minutes (September 11, 2019)

  Recommended (Moved by, Seconded by)

  THAT the Minutes of September 11, 2019 be approved as circulated, including any revisions to be made.

B. Staff Reports and Deputations

B.1 Deputations, if any

None

B.2 Public Comment Period (each speaker is allotted three minutes)

NOTE: In accordance with the Town Procedural By-law 2018-20 fifteen minutes is allotted at the Meeting to receive public comments regarding Sustainability Committee matters included on the Agenda. The speaker shall provide their name and address, and shall address their comments to the Chair. Comments shall not refer to personnel, litigation or potential litigation matters.
B.3 Staff Reports, if any

B.3.1 Development Charge Policy – Attainable Housing, FAF.19.191

Recommended (Moved by, Seconded by)

THAT the Sustainability Committee receive Staff Report FAF.19.191, entitled “Development Charge Policy – Attainable Housing”;

AND THAT the Sustainability Committee create a Sub-Committee of 1st name, 2nd name, and 3rd name to work with staff to write a policy around Development Charge credits or exemptions for Attainable Housing Development.

B.3.2 Development Charge Policies – Other Initiatives, FAF.19.192

Recommended (Moved by, Seconded by)

THAT the Sustainability Committee receive Staff Report FAF.19.192, entitled “Development Charge Policies Other Initiatives”;

AND THAT the Sustainability Committee create a Sub-Committee of 1st name, 2nd name, and 3rd name to work with staff to write a policy around Development Charge credits or exemptions for Attainable Housing Development.

B.3.3 2020, 2021, 2022 Budget, FAF.19.206

Recommended (Moved by, Seconded by)

THAT the Sustainability Committee receive Staff Report FAF.19.206 entitled “2020, 2021 and 2022 Budget”;

AND THAT the Sustainability Committee endorse the 2020 to 2022 budget as included as Attachment #1 for Council consideration during the 2020 budget deliberations.

C. Matters for Discussion

C.1 ICSP Process and Training Workshop – Ken Mehi, Julie Scarcella, Sally Leppard

Note: at the August 14, 2019 Sustainability Committee meeting, the following motion was passed:

THAT the Sustainability Committee directs Ken Mehi, Julie Scarcella, and Sally Leppard to develop a framework and schedule for an Integrated Community Sustainability Plan (“ICSP”) Training and Process Workshop, Carried.

C.2 Renewable Energy Working Group Update – Rosemary Mesley, Julie Scarcella, James Stinson, Sally Leppard

Note: at the September 11, 2019 Sustainability Committee meeting, the following motion was passed:
THAT the Sustainability Committee appoint an ad hoc renewable energy working group comprised of Chair Rosemary Mesley, Julie Scarcella, James Stinson, and Sally Leppard to review renewable energy options and potential siting considerations, as outlined in report PDS.19.100, and follow-up with the Sustainability Committee at the October 9, 2019 meeting, Carried.

C.3 Council Direction regarding FAF.19.180 Sustainability Initiatives Update

Note: at the September 30, 2019 Council meeting, the following motions were passed regarding FAF.19.180 Sustainability Initiatives Update:

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.19.180, entitled “Sustainability Initiatives Update”, Carried.

Committee Recommendation No. 1

THAT with respect to Staff Report FAF.19.180 “Sustainability Initiatives Update”, Council receive Staff Report FAF.19.135, entitled “Sustainability Committee Resources” for information purposes;

AND THAT Council approve additional funding to an upset limit of $21,000 be established in 2019 and $72,000 in 2020 to hire a 12 month contract Sustainability position reporting to the CAO and to provide resources to the Sustainability Committee;

AND THAT Council approves $34,000 from taxation Sustainability Plan funding in 2019 and replace that sum with $34,000 from the extra gas tax funding received following approval of the 2019 budget;

AND THAT staff develop a Request for an Additional Full Time Staff Position “Manager of Sustainability” for consideration in the proposed 2020 Budget, Carried

Committee Recommendation No. 2

THAT with respect to Staff Report FAF.19.180 “Sustainability Initiatives Update”, Council receive Staff Report FAF.19.101, entitled “Sustainable Path Funding Information” for information purposes, Carried.

Committee Recommendation No. 3

THAT Council receive for information, Sustainability Committee Recommendation No. 3 as included in Staff Report FAF.19.180 “Sustainability Initiatives Update” as follows:

THAT the Sustainability Committee refer to staff Items 2 and 3 from the June 3, 2019 single-use plastics motion being:

• Phase out the sale of bottled water and the use of single-use plastic cups, straws and stir sticks at all Town-owned facilities and events by December 2019 in order to model good governmental practices;

• Develop a three-year plan to increase the number of water bottle re-filling stations on Town-owned properties, to be included in the 2020, 2021 and 2022 budget cycles;
AND THAT the Sustainability Committee include:

Items 4 and 5 from the June 3, 2019 single-use plastics motion being:

- Develop recognition/reward signage (i.e. We’ve gone green for a Blue future” or similar) for business operators who model good environmental practices by not supplying single-use shopping bags, water bottles, straws and stir sticks;
- Investigate the development and costs of a Town of The Blue Mountains reusable bag-for-life or fabric bag options with appropriate logo for possible purchase by retailers at cost, and to be used for various promotional events by the Town

in the direction for the Sustainability Committee to work with all stakeholders through a public consultation process, to develop a plan for inclusion in the 2020 Budget to reduce and/or eliminate single-use plastics effective July 1, 2020, Carried.

Committee Recommendation No. 4

THAT Council receive for information, Sustainability Committee Recommendation No. 4 as included in Staff Report FAF.19.180 “Sustainability Initiatives Update” THAT the Sustainability Committee recommends to Council that the second portion of the June 3, 2019 single-use plastics motion which “direct[s] staff to work with the Sustainability Committee and all stakeholders through a public consultation process, to develop a plan for inclusion in the 2020 Budget to reduce and/or eliminate single-use plastics effective July 1st, 2020” be included into the Integrated Community Sustainability Plan.

C.4 Consideration to Request Town Departments to Provide Updates on Existing Sustainability Initiatives – Rosemary Mesley (verbal)

C.5 Climate Action “Strike”, Friday, September 27 – Pamela Spence (verbal)

C.6 Georgian Bay Water Levels – Pamela Spence (verbal)

C.7 The Natural Step: Municipal Sustainability Assessment and Roadmap – Deputy Mayor Bartnicki

C.8 Federation of Canadian Municipalities and Association of Municipalities in Ontario comments regarding Integrated Community Sustainable Plan – Deputy Mayor Bartnicki (verbal)

C.9 Potential Sub-Committees Establishment – Ken Mehi and Deputy Mayor Bartnicki

C.10 Grey County Update – Deputy Mayor Bartnicki (verbal)

C.11 Sustainability Committee Meeting Schedule Discussion (verbal)

C.12 Tree Preservation By-law Update, Councillor Andrea Matrosovs and Tree Canopy Sub-Committee Members (verbal)
D. Correspondence

Note: At the June 24, 2019 Council meeting, Council passed the following resolution regarding Items included on this agenda as D.1 and D.2:

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives Correspondence Item D.8 Jacqui Morrison, Resident, and Correspondence D.9 Catherine Daw and Bryan Vermander, Resident Re Citizen Support on Voluntary Ban on Single-Use Plastics for information and refer the same to The Blue Mountains Sustainability Committee, Carried.

D.1 Jacqui Morrison, Resident
Re: Citizen Support on Voluntary Ban on Single-Use Plastics
For Committee consideration

D.2 Catherine Daw and Bryan Vermander, Residents
Re: Citizen Support on Voluntary Ban on Single-Use Plastic
For Committee consideration

D.3 Stella Juhasz, Resident
Re: Single-Use Plastic in the Clarksburg Landfill
For Committee consideration

D.4 Stella Juhasz, Resident
Re: Single-Use Plastics
For Committee consideration

D.5 Collingwood Today.ca
Re: Rustic Cottage that Feels Like a Spaceship is Environmentally Sustainable – Requested addition - Pamela Spence
For Committee consideration

D.6 Climate Action Team Bruce Grey
Re: Climate News and “Save the Date” October 17, 2019 – Requested addition – Deputy Mayor Bartnicki
For Committee consideration

D.7 Federation of Canadian Municipalities
Re: Green Municipal Fund 2018-2019 Annual Report including FCM’s Municipal Green Fund Summary – Requested addition – Deputy Mayor Bartnicki
For Committee consideration

D.8 100 Debates on the Environment Flyer
Re: Simcoe-Grey: Where do our Candidates Stand – Requested addition – Deputy Mayor Bartnicki
For Committee consideration
D.9 Government of Canada – National Defence
Re: Share Your Thoughts, Proposed Hydroelectric Dam – Requested addition – Sally Leppard
For Committee consideration

E. New and Unfinished Business

E.1 Additions to the Agenda

E.2 Items Identified for Discussion at the Next Meeting

F. Notice of Meeting Dates

    November 13, 2019
    Town Hall, Council Chambers

G. Adjournment

   Recommended (Moved by, Seconded by)

   THAT the Sustainability Committee does now adjourn at (TIME) p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.