



# Minutes

---

## The Blue Mountains Council Meeting

**Meeting Date:** October 16, 2017  
**Meeting Time:** 6:15 p.m. Closed Session  
7:00 p.m. Council Meeting  
**Location:** Town Hall, Council Chambers  
**Prepared by** Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

---

### A. Call to Order

---

Deputy Mayor Gail Ardiel called the meeting to order with all members of Council present, save Councillor Michael Seguin absent due to approved leave of absence and Mayor John McKean due to vacation.

Also present, Acting CAO and Director of Community Services Shawn Everitt, Director of Finance and IT Services Ruth Prince, Director of Planning and Development Services Michael Benner, Director of Infrastructure & Public Works Reg Russwurm, Director of Enforcement Services & Fire Chief Rob Collins, Manager of Human Resources Jenn Moreau and Manager of Water & Wastewater Services Allison Kershaw.

#### ▪ Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Michael Martin                      Seconded by: John McGee

THAT the Agenda of October 16, 2017 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda, Carried.

### B. Closed Session 6:15 pm

---

Moved by: R.J. Gamble                      Seconded by: Michael Martin

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:

- i) Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board, the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose, and with regard to an OMB matter; and
- ii) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, and with regard to correspondence received, Carried.

Council moved into closed session at 6:16 pm.

Council moved into public session at 6:46 pm.

### C. Call to Order 7:00 p.m.

---

Council then paused for a Moment of Reflection

#### ▪ Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and general nature thereof

None

▪ **Adoption of Consent Agenda**

With the adoption of the Consent Agenda, all Recommendations found within previous Committee Reports or Minutes are then approved or received by Council, as noted. These Committee meetings are open to the public. The Consent Agenda content is available to the public when the Agenda is finalized but is not subject to discussion from the floor at this time, however, representations may be made at subsequent meetings on matters of interest.

Moved by: R.J. Gamble

Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT the Consent Agenda of October 16, 2017 be adopted as circulated, less any items requested for separate review and discussion, Carried.

▪ **Previous Minutes**

Moved by: Joe Halos

Seconded by: John McGee

THAT the Council minutes of September 25, 2017 and the Special Meeting of Council minutes of May 26, 2017 and October 2, 2017 be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made, Carried.

**D. Deputations / Presentations / Public Meeting**

---

Deputy Mayor Gail Ardiel noted under the authority of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and in accordance with Ontario's *Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA)*, The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains wishes to inform the public that all information including opinions, presentations, reports and documentation provided for or at a Public Meeting, Public Consultation, or other Public Process are considered part of the public record. This information may be posted on the Town's website and or/ made available to the public upon request.

**D.1 Deputation: Catherine Butler, Shelley Higginson and Kathy Dewling, Events for Life Centre Inc.**

**Re: Request support for Events for Life Programs**

Shelley thanked Council for hearing the Events for Life deputation. Catherine spoke noting that the Events for Life Program has clients travel from Meaford, Owen Sound and Flesherton. Catherine noted that employment is the biggest hurdle for those with special needs, further noting that no one is turned away from the Program. Catherine noted that the Events for Life Program is excited to be able to offer the Program in the community, further noting that the community will grow because of inclusivity.

Catherine noted that the Events for Life Program has had incredible growth in the last five years, noting that the Program is offered three days per week. Catherine noted that the Program has recently moved to a farm just outside Thornbury.

Catherine noted that the Program needs support, further noting that they have received great support from the community, volunteers and events. Catherine noted that the Program is asking for \$10,000 per year from the Town for the next five years.

Shelley then spoke noting that with increased participation in the Program, that there are increased staff and other needs. Shelley noted that each participant pays \$60 per day, further noting that this covers the cost of the Program and salaries.

Shelley noted that the participants have many first experiences in the Program, further noting that providing these opportunities can be a challenge for many families on their own.

Shelley noted that the Events for Life Program is here to stay, further noting there is no plan to move. Shelley noted that they see huge opportunities as the Program moves forward.

Council then viewed the Events for Life video.

Councillor Halos spoke thanking Shelley and Catherine for the work they do, further noting that both he and Councillor McGee enjoyed the recent opening of the Events for Life Program at the farm. Councillor Halos questioned as the Program nears capacity, is there a process in place that local participants would take precedence over those in the outlying areas. Shelley spoke in response noting that yes, the core area participants are being offered a spot to participate.

Councillor McGee spoke noting the Program is special and that a long term financial commitment by the Town would assist the Program. Councillor McGee questioned if this request could be added to the budget. Ruth Prince, Director of Finance and IT Services, spoke noting that Council could make a motion to include this request as an addition to the budget. Ruth noted that currently the Events for Life Program receives \$4000 per year through the Town's Grants and Donations Program.

Councillor Gamble spoke noting that he appreciates the work and the efforts of the Events for Life Group, noting that this Program is very important. Councillor Gamble noted that he supports the request for the Town to contribute, and that the request be included in the budget. Councillor Gamble noted that the farm is a terrific facility.

Councillor Martin spoke, concurring with Council that this is a great Program.

Deputy Mayor Ardiel spoke referencing E3 in Simcoe County, questioning if Community Living could support the Events for Life Program, and if support has been sought from Grey County. Shelley spoke in response noting that Community Living has been contacted, but that they do not support the Program. Shelley noted that the Program works with Breaking Down Barriers.

Shelley noted that Events for Life are always looking for funding, and they are open to ideas for funding opportunities. Deputy Mayor Ardiel spoke noting that other municipalities should support the Events for Life Program as well.

Moved by: Joe Halos                      Seconded by: John McGee

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains directs staff to include support for the Events for Life Program in the amount of \$10,000 per year for five years in the 2018 draft budget for Council consideration, Carried.

**D.2 Deputation: George Dankevy, Resident**  
**Re: Surface Run off Water, Community of Clarksburg**

George spoke thanking Council for hearing his deputation and Reg Russwurm, Director of Infrastructure and Public Works, for his patience with this matter.

George provided a background to his surface run off water issue, and provided pictures to Council on the water flows to his property at Fulton and Margaret Streets.

George noted that drainage pipes drain water onto his property, causing flooding on his property. George asked that money be put in next year's budget to rectify the surface run off onto his property.

Councillor Halos questioned if Mr. Dankevy would like to build on the lots, Mr. Dankevy responding that he would like to sell the lots.

Moved by: Michael Martin

Seconded by: John McGee

THAT Council acknowledge receipt of the deputation of George Dankevy regarding surface run off water in the Village of Clarksburg;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide Council with a staff report in response to Mr. Dankevy's request, Carried.

## **E. Correspondence as previously circulated**

---

### **Author**

### **Recommendation / Actions**

- E.1 The Royal Canadian Legion  
Re: Request for support for Annual Poppy Campaign

Moved by: R.J. Gamble

Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains supports The Royal Canadian Legion annual Poppy Fund with a donation of \$500. Carried.

- E.2 Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA)  
Re: Nomination Consent Form

Moved by: R.J. Gamble

Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information correspondence from Ontario Good Roads Association (OGRA) regarding nomination consent form for positions on the Board of Directors, Carried,

- E.3 Township of Montague  
Re: Request for support to ease  
restrictions on Surplus Zoning Severances

Moved by: R.J. Gamble

Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information correspondence from Township of Montage regarding the request for easing of restrictions on surplus zoning severances, Carried.

- E.4 Municipality of Killarney  
Re: Request for support regarding proposed  
Changes to Ambulance Act and Fire Protection &  
Prevention Act

Moved by: Gail Ardiel

Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information correspondence from Municipality of Killarney regarding proposed changes to Ambulance Act and Fire Protection & Prevention Act, Carried.

- E.5 Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA)  
Re: Request for approval of draft 2018 NVCA Budget

Moved by: Michael Martin

Seconded by: Joe Halos

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains acknowledges receipt of the 2018 Draft Budget from Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority (NVCA); and

THAT Council approves the 2018 Draft Budget as received, Carried.

E.6 City of Hamilton  
Re: Assessment Act Amendments – Providing a  
Property Tax Exemption to Non-Profit  
Long-Term Care Homes

Moved by: John McGee

Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information  
correspondence from the City of Hamilton regarding amendments to the Assessment  
Act, Carried.

E.7 Georgian Cycle & Ski Trail Association Received for Information  
Re: Lora Bay Master Plan Update/Development and referred to Community  
Services

E.8 Stewardship Ontario Received for Information  
Re: Industry Funding for Municipal Blue  
Box Recycling

E.9 Hon. Steven Del Duca, Minister of Transportation Received for Information  
Re: Thank you for meeting at 2017 AMO  
Conference regarding Highway 26

E.10 Hon. Marie-France Lalonde, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services Received for Information  
Re: Amendment to OPP Billing Model

E.11 Committee of Adjustment, Notice of Public Meeting Received for Information  
Re: Application for a Minor Variance, #589214 GR 19

Moved by: Joe Halos

Seconded by: John McGee

THAT this Council does hereby receive the Correspondence of October 16, 2017 and  
further does support the Staff Recommendation made with regard to the  
Correspondence items at Agenda E.7 to E.11, including any additional direction given to  
Staff through discussion, with an appropriate Staff action or response awaited for report  
back to Committee or Council where indicated, Carried.

## **F. Consent Agenda**

---

### **Accounts**

F.1 Accounts

F.2 Invoices separated for pecuniary interest

### **Reports List (Adopt)**

F.3 Committee of the Whole Report, dated October 2, 2017

### **Minutes List (Receive)**

F.4 The Blue Mountains Public Art Committee minutes dated June 1, 2017

F.5 Committee of Adjustment minutes dated July 19, 2017

F.6 The Blue Mountains Public Library Board minutes dated July 20, 2017

F.7 Special Meeting of The Blue Mountains Public Library Board minutes dated  
August 22, 2017

F.8 Thornbury Business Improvement Area minutes dated September 6, 2017

F.9 Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority Highlights dated September 22, 2017



**G.11 By-law to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Reserve Fund for the purposes of Asset Management for the Solid Waste Department**

**G.12 By-law to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Reserve Fund for the purposes of Asset Management for the Fire Department**

Council considered Agenda Items G.5 through G.12 with one motion

Moved by: Michael Martin

Seconded by: John McGee

THAT By-law No. 2017-44 being a By-law to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Reserve Fund for the purposes of Asset Management for Bridges and Culverts, entitled "Bridges and Culverts Asset Replacement Reserve Fund" be passed this 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017;

THAT By-law No. 2017-45 being a By-law to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Reserve Fund for the purposes of Asset Management for Community Services Department, entitled "Community Services Asset Replacement Reserve Fund" be passed this 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017;

THAT By-law No. 2017-46 being a By-law to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Reserve Fund for the purposes of Asset Management for Facility Maintenance and Beaver Valley Community Centre Departments, entitled "Facility Asset Replacement Reserve Fund" be passed this 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017;

THAT By-law No. 2017-47 being a By-law to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Reserve Fund for the purposes of Asset Management for the Infrastructure and Public Works Department, entitled "Infrastructure and Public Works Asset Replacement Reserve Fund" be passed this 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017;

THAT By-law No. 2017-48 being a By-law to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Reserve Fund for the purposes of Asset Management for the Information Technology Department, entitled "Information Technology Asset Replacement Reserve Fund" be passed this 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017;

THAT By-law No. 2017-49 being a By-law to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Reserve Fund for the purposes of Asset Management for the Roads and Drainage Department, entitled "Roads Equipment Asset Replacement Reserve Fund" be passed this 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017;

THAT By-law No. 2017-50 being a By-law to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Reserve Fund for the purposes of Asset Management for the Solid Waste Department, entitled "Solid Waste Asset Replacement Reserve Fund" be passed this 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017;

AND THAT By-law No. 2017-51 being a By-law to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a Reserve Fund for the purposes of Asset Management for the Fire Department, entitled "Fire Asset Replacement Reserve Fund" be passed this 16<sup>th</sup> of October, 2017, Carried.

## **H. New and Unfinished Business**

---

### **H.1 Grey County Council Update (JMCK, GA)**

Deputy Mayor Ardiel advised Council that Grey County has made a decision to go back to Standing Committees, but it is not known when this will commence.

Deputy Mayor Ardiel noted that the renovations to the Grey County Administration building is near completion with an expected move in date of January 2018.

## **H.2 Notice of Motion (Council)**

None

## **H.3 Additions to Agenda (Staff)**

## **H.4 Staff Discussion**

## **I. Notice of Meeting Dates**

---

Committee of the Whole Meeting, October 23, 2017, Town Hall, Council Chambers  
Council Meeting, November 6, 2017, Town Hall, Council Chambers

## **J. Confirmation By-law and Adjournment**

---

Moved by: Michael Martin

Seconded by: John McGee

THAT By-law No. 2017 - 52, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on October 16, 2017, be hereby enacted as passed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017, Carried.

Moved by: R.J. Gamble

Seconded by: Michael Martin

THAT this Council does now adjourn at 8:12 p.m. to meet again November 6, 2017, Town Hall, Council Chambers, or at the call of the Chair, Carried.

---

Gail Ardiel, Deputy Mayor

---

Corrina Giles, Town Clerk