Minutes

The Blue Mountains, Special Meeting of Council

Meeting Date: **August 1, 2019**
Meeting Time: **9:00 a.m.**
Location: **Town Hall, Council Chambers**
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON
Prepared by **Corrina Giles, Town Clerk**

A. Call to Order

Mayor Alar Soever called the meeting to order with all members in attendance save Deputy Mayor Odette Bartnicki absent due to vacation.

Also in attendance Chief Administrative Officer Shawn Everitt and Director of Planning and Development Services Nathan Westendorp.

Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Peter Bordignon Seconded by: Jim Uram

THAT the Agenda of August 1, 2019 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda, Carried.

- **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, Council Members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

  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: Peter Bordignon Seconded by: Jim Uram

  THAT the Consent Agenda of August 1, 2019 be adopted as circulated, less any items requested for separate review and discussion, Carried.

B. Public Comment Period

B.1 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 Council Meeting to receive public comments regarding Town matters. 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, or regarding matters that are a follow-up to a Public Meeting.

B.1.1 Vic Vandergust, resident of Ellis Drive, spoke regarding Peaks Bay and noted that he was of the understanding that a peer review was to take place regarding the Parks Management Plan. Mr. Vandergust noted that stakes and boulders have been placed on the ANSI and plantings have also been planted on the ANSI. Mr. Vandergust questioned where the budget came to cover the cost of the plantings. Mr. Vandergust noted that it is wrong to pound stakes into the ANSI, further noting that the Ministry of Natural Resources has advised that walking, fishing and surfing over the ANSI is acceptable.

B.1.2 Jill Teskey, resident of Ellis Drive, spoke noting that she has recently been away and that on her return she could not believe the plantings in front of Lot 5, noting it is impossible to walk around the willow tree on the waterside of Lot 5. Ms. Teskey questioned if this is Council's wish.

B.1.3 Kim Gardner, resident of Lakeshore Drive spoke referencing the clearcutting of trees in two phases in the area of Lakeshore and Lansdowne, and the adjacent 1.6 acres that will be opened to make roads on both sides with 22 houses. Ms. Gardner noted than an arborist was on site to mark trees behind houses in this area. Ms. Gardner questioned if there is anything else that can be done to prevent the clearcutting of trees for development, other than the $10,000 fine.

C. Correspondence

C.1 Suzanne Craig, Office of the Integrity Commissioner
Re: Opinion as to whether a Council Member may submit correspondence to Council as a Member of the Public

Moved by: Rob Sampson Seconded by: Jim Uram

THAT Council receive the Memorandum of Integrity Commissioner Suzanne Craig dated July 30, 2019 as to whether a Council Member may submit correspondence to Council as a Member of the Public;

AND THAT Council receives the correspondence of Odette Bartnicki dated July 26, 2019 regarding the Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation Request for Interest process and based on the advice of the Integrity Commissioner, Council will not further consider this correspondence, Carried.

C.2 Municipality of Grey Highlands – Notice of Public Meeting
Re: Application for Zoning By-law Amendment – Municipal Wide

Moved by: Peter Bordignon Seconded by: Jim Uram

THAT Council receive correspondence dated July 26, 2019 from the Municipality of Grey Highlands – Notice of Public Meeting for information, Carried.

D. Motions and Staff Reports

D.1 Verbal Update: Concerns regarding Town Lands, being portions of the unopened road allowances at Victoria and Bay Streets

Moved by: Peter Bordignon Seconded by: Rob Potter

THAT Council receive the verbal update in response to concerns regarding Town lands, being portions of the unopened road allowances at Victoria and Bay Streets, Carried.

E. Consent Agenda

Reports List (Adopt)

E.1 Special Committee of the Whole Report dated July 29, 2019

F. Closed Session

Moved by: Rob Sampson Seconded by: Jim Uram

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) the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board, and with regard to correspondence received;

ii) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, and with regard to the municipality's inventory of land; and

iii) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons or organization, and with regard to receipt of the draft Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation, "Request for Information" document for Council information, Carried.

Council moved into closed session at 10:04 a.m.
Council moved into public session at 10:39 a.m.

Mayor Soever reported out of closed session noting that Council received the draft Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation Request for Information (RFI) for information and that this document will become public once approved by The Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation.

Mayor Soever noted that Council provided direction to CAO Shawn Everitt to bring a report to the August 26, 2019 Special Meeting of Council open session regarding correspondence received on a legal matter.

Mayor Soever noted that Council received an update on a potential property acquisition or disposition of land.

G. Adjournment

Moved by: Rob Potter Seconded by: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT this Special Meeting of Council does now adjourn at 10:41 a.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair, Carried.

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Alar Soever, Mayor

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Corrina Giles, Town Clerk