A. **Call to Order**

Mayor Alar Soever called the Meeting of Council to order with all members of Council present.

Also in attendance Chief Administrative Officer Shawn Everitt, Director of Finance and IT Services Ruth Prince, Director of Human Resources Jenn Moreau, Director of Planning and Development Nathan Westendorp, Director of Operations Shawn Carey, Director of Community Services Ryan Gibbons, Director of Legal Services Will Thomson, Fire Chief Steve Conn, Manager of Communications & Economic Development Tim Hendry, Manager of Information Technology Cathy Bailey and Supervisor Municipal Law Enforcement / Prosecutor Wayne DeWitt.

- **Traditional Territory Acknowledgement**
- **Moment of Reflection**

Council then paused for a Moment of Reflection

- **Council Member Attendance**

The Town Clerk noted that all Council members were in attendance.

- **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by: Rob Potter Seconded by: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT the Agenda of June 1, 2020 be approved as circulated, including any items added to the Agenda,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is 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 2019-56, Council Members must file a written statement of the interest and its general nature with the Clerk for inclusion on the Registry.

Councillor Matrosovs noted that she is not declaring a pecuniary interest regarding Agenda Item “D.2 Sarah Filion, President, Clarksburg Village Association Re: Clarksburg Sidewalk Capital Project Deferral” as, though Councillor Matrosovs place of business is in Clarksburg, she is not a member of the Clarksburg Village Association.

• **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: Jim Uram   Seconded by: Paula Hope

THAT the Consent Agenda of June 1, 2020 be adopted as circulated, less any items requested for separate review and discussion, being Agenda Item F.1 Committee of the Whole Report dated May 19, 2020 being B.4.2 Financial Impact of COVID-19, FAF.20.086, B.3.2 2020 Website Update Approval, FAF.20.091, B.3.3 Approval of Communications and Economic Development Coordinator, FAF.20.089 and B.9.1 Request to Dispose of Victoria Street North Road Allowance, CSOPS.20.028,

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The motion is Carried.

• **Previous Minutes**

Moved by: Rob Potter   Seconded by: Paula Hope

THAT the Council minutes of May 19, 2020 be adopted as circulated, including any revisions to be made,

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The motion is Carried.
B. Deputations / Presentations

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.

None

C. Public Comment Period

C.1 Public Comment Period (each speaker is allotted three minutes)

NOTE: In accordance with the Town Procedural By-law 2019-56 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.

NOTE: The Blue Mountains Town Hall is currently closed to the public to assist with social distancing with respect to COVID-19. Comments received from the public that have not been included on the Agenda, will be read at the meeting by the Town Clerk.

C.1.1 Linda Wykes, Town Clerk Corrinna Giles confirmed that Linda Wykes provided the following comments regarding Agenda item “B.3.2 2020 Website Update Approval, FAF.20.091” noting that she agrees with Councillor Sampson that spending money on the website at this time should be deferred. The website looks great and was rebuilt in June 2018 for approximately $60,000 and was a huge collaboration with the community and staff. In less than a year it was in the budget to be replaced. To spend the proposed $100,000 seems very extravagant at this time when there are clearly other serious issues on the agenda and coming in the near future. My second reason for considering to stall the process is that a Communications Study that was to be completed in March has a number of questions regarding the website and I think it would be beneficial to gather that information first. I do not think that the survey has been released, yet. A third option is to sub-contract a programmer so that any changes, modifications and updates can be done in house quickly and as required. Ms. Wykes noted that she uses the current website quite a bit and have not come across any issues, noting that she thinks the website looks great and any website that have as much information as the Town's does will have a learning curve for anyone in the beginning. Ms. Wykes noted that the background information used for changing the site is lacking factual data. As the primary communications platform for the Town, the operational effectiveness of the website is extremely important. Through the development of the Communications Strategy, improvements and upgrades to the website was also identified as a draft priority.

D. Correspondence as previously circulated

D.1 Theresa Dawn, President, Beaver Valley Agricultural Society
Re: Donation to 2020 Beaver Valley Fall Fair

Moved by: Rob Potter Seconded by: Paula Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the correspondence from Theresa Dawn, President, Beaver Valley Agricultural Society regarding the Town’s donation to the 2020 Beaver Valley Fall Fair; and

THAT Council direct staff to roll over all funds from Council to the Beaver Valley Fall Fair to 2021, if required,
D.2 Sarah Filion, President, Clarksburg Village Association
Re: Clarksburg Sidewalk Capital Project Deferral

Moved by: Rob Sampson           Seconded by: Peter Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the May 15, 2020 correspondence from Sarah Filion, President, Clarksburg Village Association, Re: Clarksburg Sidewalk Capital Project Deferral,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.

D.3 Tom Kritsch
Re: Attainable Housing Initiative

D.4 Roland Gosselin
Re: Development of the former Foodland Site

Moved by: Rob Sampson           Seconded by: Paula Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information Agenda Item D.3 Tom Kritsch Re: Attainable Housing Initiative and Agenda Item D.4 Roland Gosselin Re: Development of the former Foodland Site; and

THAT Council direct staff to forward the correspondences to The Blue Mountains Attainable Housing Corporation,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.
D.5 Valerie Plante, Mayor of Montreal, ICLEI Global Ambassador for Local Biodiversity
Re: Protecting our Biodiversity and Ecosystems

Moved by: Jim Uram  Seconded by: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the May 18, 2020 correspondence from Valerie Plante, Mayor of Montreal, ICLEI Global Ambassador for Local Biodiversity Re: Protecting our Biodiversity and Ecosystems, and

THAT Council direct staff to forward the correspondence to the Sustainability Committee and the Community Recovery Task Force Committee for comments back to Council,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay
The motion is Carried.

D.6 Alex Maxwell
Re: COVID-19

Moved by: Rob Potter  Seconded by: Peter Bordignon

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the May 17, 2020 correspondence from Alex Maxwell, Re: COVID-19,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay
The motion is Carried.

D.7 Ontario Energy Board Notice
Re: Enbridge Gas Inc. – Application for Approval of a System Expansion Surcharge, Temporary Connection Surcharge and an Hourly Allocation Factor

Moved by: Peter Bordignon  Seconded by: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives for information the correspondence from Ontario Energy Board Notice Re: Enbridge Gas Inc. – Application for Approval of a System Expansion Surcharge, Temporary Connection Surcharge and an Hourly Allocation Factor,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay
The motion is Carried.
E. Motions and Staff Reports

E.1 Grants and Donations – Guidelines and Criteria for Community Donations for COVID-19, FAF.20.097

Moved by: Jim Uram  Seconded by: Paula Hope

THAT Council receive staff report FAF.20.097, entitled “Grants and Donations – Guidelines and Criteria for Community Donations for COVID-19”;

AND THAT Council approve the Guidelines and Criteria and Timeline as attached to this report,

- Councillor Bordignon  Yay
- Councillor Hope  Yay
- Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
- Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
- Councillor Sampson  Yay
- Councillor Uram  Yay
- Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.


Moved by: Peter Bordignon  Seconded by: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives the Community Recovery Task Force recommendation of May 20, 2020, being:

THAT the Community Recovery Task Force supports staff with application to Grey County for modified parking on Bruce and Marsh Streets with this request being provided at the May 25, 2020 Special Committee of the Whole meeting for Council endorsement, Carried.

AND THAT, in response, Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains approves staff applying to Grey County to request a permit for modified parking on Bruce and Marsh Streets to allow for greater physical distancing in the Thornbury and Clarksburg downtown cores,

- Councillor Bordignon  Yay
- Councillor Hope  Yay
- Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
- Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
- Councillor Sampson  Yay
- Councillor Uram  Yay
- Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.
E.3 Community Recovery Task Force Strategic Priorities

Moved by: Andrea Matrosovs  Seconded by: Rob Potter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives and endorses the Community Recovery Task Force’s Strategic Priorities dated June 1, 2020, as presented,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.

Moved by: Rob Sampson  Seconded by: Rob Potter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains approves additional budget expenditures of $50,000 for the Community Recovery Task Force with an additional staff report provided to the June 15, 2020 Council meeting regarding the Task Force priorities and expenditures, or to a Special Meeting of Council if required,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.

Moved by: Rob Sampson  Seconded by: Paula Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains direct staff to operationalize a Town of The Blue Mountains Ambassador Program and to work with the Community Recovery Task Force to implement,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.

F. Consent Agenda

Reports List (Adopt)

F.1 Committee of the Whole Report, dated May 19, 2020
B.4.2  Financial Impact of COVID-19 (FAF.20.086)

Moved by: Rob Sampson  Seconded by: Rob Potter

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.20.086 entitled “Financial Impact of COVID-19” for information purposes;

AND THAT Council direct staff to provide a followup report regarding 2020 budget assumptions, further to Staff Report FAF.20.086 entitled “Financial Impact of COVID-19”;

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.

B.3.2  2020 Website Update Approval (FAF.20.091)

Moved by: Peter Bordignon  Seconded by: Rob Potter

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.20.091, entitled “2020 Website Update Approval”;

AND THAT Council authorize staff to proceed with the completion of the 2020 Website Update as outlined in the 2020 Approved Budget,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Nay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Nay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Nay

The motion is Carried.

B.3.3  Approval of Communications and Economic Development Coordinator (FAF.20.089)

Moved by: Paula Hope  Seconded by: Jim Uram

THAT Council receive Staff Report FAF.20.089, entitled “Approval of Communications and Economic Development Coordinator”;

AND THAT Council authorizes staff to proceed with the hiring of a Communications and Economic Development Coordinator as outlined in the 2020 Approved Budget,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Nay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Nay
Councillor Sampson  Nay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.
B.9.1 Request to Dispose of Victoria Street North Road Allowance (CSOPS.20.028)

Moved by: Rob Sampson Seconded by: Rob Potter

THAT Council receive Staff Report CSOPS.20.028, entitled “Request to Dispose of Victoria Street North Road Allowance” for their information;

AND THAT Council endorse the Staff recommendation to keep the subject lands within the Town’s ownership,

AND THAT Council endorse Staff’s continued use of the Municipal permitting process for potential shoreline repair works,

Councillor Bordignon Yay
Councillor Hope Yay
Councillor Matrosovs Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter Yay
Councillor Sampson Yay
Councillor Uram Yay
Mayor Soever Yay

The motion is Carried.

F.2 Special Committee of the Whole Report, dated May 25, 2020

Minutes List (Receive)

F.3 The Blue Mountains Public Library Board Meeting minutes dated April 16, 2020
F.4 Georgian Bay Youth Roots minutes dated May 6, 2020
F.5 Community Recovery Task Force Minutes, May 6, 2020
F.6 Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights dated May 22, 2020

G. New and Unfinished Business

G.1 Grey County Council Update (AS, RP)

Mayor Soever and Deputy Mayor Potter provided the Grey County update including discussion regarding Sideroad 26/27 in Clearview Township, South Western Integrated Fibre Technology (“SWIFT”), Grey County Transit Study, Childcare for essential services during COVID-19 emergency, upgrade to Fire Services Communication.

- Reconstruction of Sideroad 26/27, Township of Clearview

Moved by: Rob Potter Seconded by: Paula Hope

WHEREAS Clearview Township has requested amendments to the Niagara Escarpment Plan to allow for the reconstruction of Clearview SR 26/27; and,

WHEREAS this reconstruction is tied to the closure of former Simcoe County Road 91 which passes through the Walker Duntroon quarry; and,

WHEREAS the closure of Simcoe County Road 91 will have serious regional traffic implications; and,

WHEREAS the reconstruction of SR 26/27 as currently planned raises serious environmental issues which need to be addressed; and

Whereas the proposed amendments are worded in such a manner as to neuter provisions of the Niagara Escarpment Plan with regard to important protections in the...
Niagara Escarpment Plan protecting Water Resources, and Natural Heritage features such as:

- Wetlands
- Habitat of endangered species and threatened species
- Fish habitat
- Life Science Areas of Natural and Scientific Interest
- Earth Science Areas of Natural and Scientific Interest
- Significant valleylands
- Significant woodlands
- Significant wildlife habitat
- Habitat of special concern species in Escarpment Natural and Escarpment

And,

Whereas Clearview Township wishes to proceed with the project with only a Class A+ Environmental Assessment and not a more fulsome Class C Environmental Assessment process.

IT IS RESOLVED that Council endorses the May 28, 2020 Grey County resolution to oppose the amendments to the Niagara Escarpment Plan, and reiterate its position that the project not proceed until a proper Class C Environmental Assessment is completed; and

THAT Council endorse the Grey County resolution that the Mayor of The Blue Mountains and the Deputy Mayor of Grey Highlands, meet with the Mayor of Clearview, and the Wardens of Grey and Simcoe Counties and Walkers to attempt to find a solution to this issue; and,

THAT Council direct Staff to request a meeting with Ministry staff to review the reasons for their decision on The Blue Mountains request for a Class C Environmental Assessment; and,

That Council direct staff to consult with the municipality of Grey Highlands on the possibility of working with them on these issues,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.

G.2 Notice of Motion (Council)

None

G.3 Additions to Agenda
G.3.1 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)
Re: 2020 – 2022 AMO Board of Directors Call for Nominations

Moved by: Peter Bordignon  Seconded by: Paula Hope

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains supports the nomination of Councillor Sampson for election to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario Small Urban Caucus Board of Directors,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.

G.4 News and Celebrations

Council shared news and celebrations.

H. Notice of Meeting Dates

Committee of the Whole Meeting, June 2, 2020
Town Hall, Council Chambers

Council Meeting, June 15, 2020
Town Hall, Council Chambers

Committee of the Whole Meeting, June 16, 2020
Town Hall, Council Chambers

I. Closed Session

Moved by: Rob Sampson  Seconded by: Rob Potter

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. labour relations or employee negotiations, and with regard to personnel matters; and

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,

iii. litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board, and with regard to a development,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Yay
Councillor Matrosovs  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.

Council moved into closed session at 1:05 p.m.
Council moved into public session at 2:16 p.m.
Closed Session Reporting Out Statement

Mayor Soever provided the closed session reporting out statement noting that Council met in closed session and reviewed and approved CAO Shawn Everitt’s 2020 Goals and confirmed the goals will be posted to the Town website. Mayor Soever noted that Council provided direction to Town staff regarding two potential land acquisitions and provided direction to staff regarding a litigation matter.

J. Confirmation By-law and Adjournment

Moved by: Peter Bordignon  Seconded by: Jim Uram

THAT By-law No. 2020- 37, being a By-law to confirm proceedings of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of The Blue Mountains on June 1, 2020 be hereby enacted as passed this 1st day of June, 2020,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Absent
Councillor Matrosov  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.

Moved by: Rob Potter  Seconded by: Jim Uram

THAT this Council does now adjourn at 2:25 p.m. to meet again June 15, 2020 Town Hall, Council Chambers, or at the call of the Chair,

Councillor Bordignon  Yay
Councillor Hope  Absent
Councillor Matrosov  Yay
Deputy Mayor Potter  Yay
Councillor Sampson  Yay
Councillor Uram  Yay
Mayor Soever  Yay

The motion is Carried.

Alar Soever, Mayor

Corrina Giles, Town Clerk