



Thornbury Pier Project Facing Temporary Delay

The Town of The Blue Mountains would like to advise residents that the Thornbury Pier Resurfacing Project has been delayed following public health guidance and in response to the required measures to be taken related to COVID-19.

On Tuesday, April 20, the Town was informed by Brook Restoration Ltd. that the crew working on the project have been identified as close contacts to an individual that tested positive for COVID-19. As a result, and in accordance with public health protocols, the construction site has been temporarily shut down.

The Town has confirmed that the contractors worked exclusively within the fenced construction site and it is believed they did not have any interactions outside their crew. In the event of a close contact within the community, only those contacted by the Grey Bruce Public Health Unit would need to take any additional steps, including asymptomatic testing.

"The health and safety of both the workplace and the community continue to be the top priority for the Town," explained Director of Community Services, Ryan Gibbons. "The Town would like to extend our best wishes to all of those impacted."

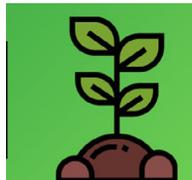
Construction at the Thornbury Pier began on March 12, 2021 with project completion scheduled for May 31, 2021. As a result of this unfortunate situation, project completion may be delayed. Additional information will be provided on the project webpage on the Town website: <https://www.thebluemountains.ca/thornbury-pier.cfm>

For more information, please contact: Ryan Gibbons
Director of Community Services, 519-599-3131 ext. 281

Municipal Tree Bylaw Update

Council is considering making updates to the current Municipal Tree Preservation By-law 2010-68 to increase tree protection and preservation in the community. The intent of the update is to consider extending the scope of the existing By-law to include a wider number of trees within the Town, potentially including the consideration of trees located on private property.

A public survey has been launched to gain feedback from residents and stakeholders. Results from the survey will assist in the Town's potential development of an update to the current tree preservation by-law and will also be forwarded to the County of Grey as input to the development of updates to the County's Forest Management By-law. Written comments can be submitted to treebylaw@thebluemountains.ca and you can also complete the Community Survey which will be available to submit feedback until Friday, May 14, 2021 at 11:55 p.m. <https://yourview.thebluemountains.ca>



Owen Sound COVID-19 Immunization Clinic Relocating to Julie McArthur Regional Recreation Centre

The Grey Bruce Health Unit is relocating the Owen Sound Hockey Hub mass immunization clinic to the Julie McArthur Regional Recreation Centre, 700 10th St E, Owen Sound. This move is effective Thursday, April 29, 2021.

Anyone currently booked to the Bayshore Community Centre should attend the Julie McArthur Regional Recreation Centre instead. Times of appointments have not changed. Notification of the location change will go out by phone or email to those with appointments. The move to the Julie McArthur Regional Recreation Centre will alleviate congestion and subsequent delays experienced at the Bayshore clinic.

The increased number of COVID-19 patient transfers from the larger metropolitan hospitals to the Grey Bruce Health Services also increases the likelihood of the field hospital located at the Bayshore coming into use. Relocating the vaccine clinics frees up operations for the field hospital.

The Julie McArthur Regional Recreation Centre facility is scalable in that it can be expanded or contracted depending on the amount of vaccine available and the number of clients to be vaccinated. We thank the City of Owen Sound, Grey County and Bruce Power for their support. For More Information: 519-376-9420 or 1-800-263-3456 ext. 1269 www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca

Town Solid Waste Disposal Site Update

The Town of The Blue Mountains would like to advise residents that the Town Solid Waste Disposal Site will be reopening for public access Thursday, April 22nd with enhanced safety measures in place. All members of the public will be required to wear a mask while on site and capacity will be limited to help ensure the safety of both the public and Town staff. Capacity limits will result in longer wait times and The Town would like to thank all users in advance for your patience.

Hours of Operation

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Sunday: Closed

Tuesday & Thursday : 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

In addition, new operational restrictions and safety measures have been implemented to ensure the safe and effective operation of the Site. Please read the following items carefully:

- There will be a \$12 minimum charge per load (as of February 2021) Cash payments will not be accepted (debit or credit only – tap preferred)
- Staff will be limiting the number of customers into the Site, and inbound curbside collection trucks will take priority. As a result, please be patient and expect delays.

For more information, please contact: 519-599-3131 ext. 238



The next Town Talks Forum, "Planning for TBM's future" is scheduled for **Tuesday, April 27 from 5 – 6:30 pm.** (virtual)

Participating at this event will be TBM Director of Planning Nathan Westendorp and Town Council member Jim Uram. They will deliver an overview of town planning roles, responsibilities and processes, and provide their perspectives on the major planning issues facing the TBM.

Membership fee to the BMRA is \$25 per year, valid for all adults living in the same household. Details at www.bmra.ca

Grey Bruce Health Unit Update

Total 121 Cases in The Blue Mountains with 12 currently active

Testing and case counts reported as of 23:59 hrs, April 23, 2021:

- 8 new case(s) reported in past 24 hours in Grey Bruce: 3 – West Grey, 2 – Owen Sound, 2 – Hanover, 1 – South Bruce
- 111 active case(s)
- 437 active high-risk contacts
- 1159 confirmed cases
- Includes 231 cases of Variants of Concern (VOC), 50 active
- 1043 resolved cases
- 4 confirmed case(s) hospitalized in Grey and Bruce due to COVID-19
- 2 case(s) hospitalized outside Grey Bruce due to COVID-19
- 5 case(s) transferred from other Health Unit's to local Intensive Care Units; all 5 cases remain with the transferring Health Unit and are not reflected in local case counts
- 5 deaths
 - 1 of these deaths is related to a Grey Bruce resident that acquired the infection and was treated outside of Grey Bruce
 - 1 of these deaths is related to a case that acquired the infection in Grey and Bruce however passed away outside of Grey and Bruce
- 89 cases reported in health care workers; reports health care workers living in Grey Bruce and working both in and outside Grey Bruce
- PLEASE NOTE: All data is preliminary and subject to change. Future situation reports will be updated accordingly.

Vaccine Update

- Vaccine shipment week of April 19, 2021, 5850 doses received
- 7567 COVID-19 vaccines given in the past 7 days
- 53,993 total doses administered in Grey-Bruce
- For week of April 19, vaccinations will focus on: clients 60+ (Hockey Hubs); First Nation Communities; any remaining phase 1 qualifying residents; congregate settings, family health team clinics; participating pharmacies, immuno-compromised focused clinics, those with the highest and high risk health conditions. Other Currently Eligible Groups (publichealthgreybruce.on.ca)
 - * For age based and eligible group bookings, please visit: Grey Bruce Health Unit (publichealthgreybruce.on.ca) and follow the instructions.
 - * Frequently asked questions – visit: Book Vaccine Appointment (publichealthgreybruce.on.ca)
 - * Appointments are not available by calling your healthcare provider. Appointments are not available by calling the Health Unit.



Publisher Linda Wykes, printed by Riverside Press, 22 Louisa St. E., Thornbury. Your events, stories and photos of interest to our community can be emailed to info@visitblue.ca for inclusion in the newsletter by each Friday. Advertising rates are available by calling 519-599-3345 or www.visitblue.ca

E-NEWSLETTER - Use the subscribe form on our website to receive the weekly E-newsletter.

MAILED E-NEWSLETTER - You can also sign up to receive the E-newsletter through Canada Post \$50 for 25 issues

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER This newsletter is mailed to residents in The Blue Mountains the first week of each month

DONATE - Through our website link; email transfer to info@visitblue.ca or by cheque to Riverside Press, Box 387, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR: We ask that letters be no longer than 250 words, and adhere to standards of fairness, accuracy, legality and civility. Beyond that, we select letters on the basis of timeliness, relevance and diversity and reserve the right to not publish.

ARTICLES are from media releases or those that are submitted acknowledge the author.

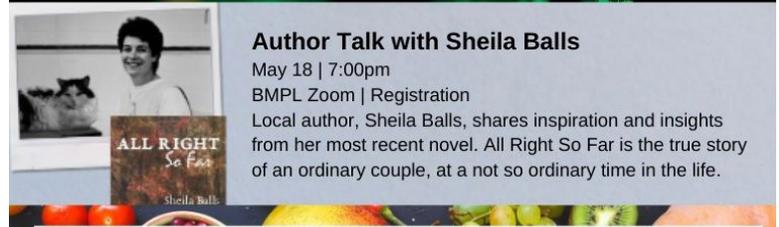
THE BLUE MOUNTAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY MAY PROGRAMS & EVENTS



Sideroad 7B: Exhibit Launch
May 4 - July 2
The Gallery at L.E. Shore
Sideroad 7B features large and small paintings interpreting the landscapes of Thornbury and the surrounding area. Brought to you by artists Joel Loblaw, Tanya Zaryski and Marq Quarrie.



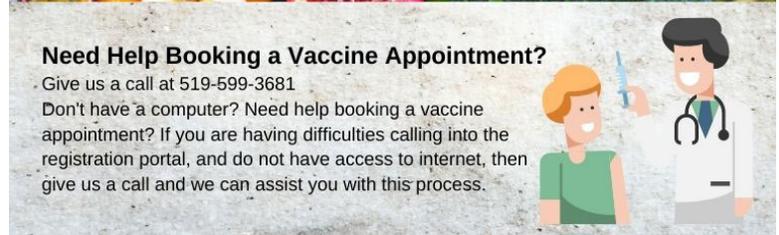
360 Video Master Class
May 4, 11, 18, 25 | 1:00pm
Creator Space | Registration
Join cinematographer Tom Strnad on this multi-session workshop that will explore the entire 360 video production & post-production process. More courses available on our Event Calendar.



Author Talk with Sheila Balls
May 18 | 7:00pm
BMPL Zoom | Registration
Local author, Sheila Balls, shares inspiration and insights from her most recent novel. All Right So Far is the true story of an ordinary couple, at a not so ordinary time in the life.



Nutrition & Lifestyle Strategies for Burnout
May 25 | 7:00pm
BMPL Zoom | Registration
Learn easy nutrition and lifestyle strategies to keep stress down, prevent and recover from feelings of burnout with Registered Dietitian and Nutrition Health Coach, Alexa Jackson.



Need Help Booking a Vaccine Appointment?
Give us a call at 519-599-3681
Don't have a computer? Need help booking a vaccine appointment? If you are having difficulties calling into the registration portal, and do not have access to internet, then give us a call and we can assist you with this process.

REGULAR PROGRAMS

Seniors Exercise Mondays 10:00am BMPL Facebook & YouTube	Bedtime Story Time Wednesdays 7:00pm BMPL Facebook & YouTube	Virtual Story Time Fridays 11:00am BMPL Facebook
Museum From Home Mondays 12:30pm CHD Facebook & Twitter	Local Fact or Fiction Thursdays 12:00pm CHD Facebook & BMPL Insta	Favourite Fossils Fridays 5:00pm CHD Facebook & Twitter
Cluesday Tuesday Tuesdays 12:30pm CHD Facebook & Twitter	Digital Book Club Thursdays 1:00pm BMPL Facebook	Trivia Game Night Fridays 7:00pm BMPL Facebook
Kids Clubhouse Tuesdays 4:30pm BMPL YouTube	Teen Group 2nd Thursday 5:00pm BMPL Zoom Registration	Photo Feature Saturdays 11:30am BMPL Instagram
Wired Wednesday Wednesdays 1:00pm BMPL Facebook & YouTube	Tween Advisory Group 4th Thursday 7:00pm BMPL Zoom Registration	Monthly Scavenger Hunt L.E. Shore Library & Craigeleith Heritage Depot

For more information, visit the **Event Calendar** on our website



Grey County's Road Construction Season Begins

Spring signals the start of a busy construction season for the Grey County Transportation and Public Safety Departments. This year, Grey County is investing more than \$17 million into improving County roads through road construction and resurfacing, infrastructure work, bridge rehabilitation and pothole repairs.



The first major project planned for the season is the rehabilitation of Grey Roads 16, 3 and 5, beginning April 26. This project includes Grey Road 16 from Grey Road 10 (Grey Bruce Line) to just west of the Village of Keady, Grey Road 3 from just north of the Village of Keady to Grey Road 5 East, and Grey Road 5 from 720 m west of Grey Road 3 to Grey Road 3. Other significant projects this season include the rehabilitation of Grey Roads 17 in Georgian Bluffs, Grey Road 40 in the Township of Chatsworth, and the beginning of intersection upgrades at Grey Roads 19 and 21 in The Blue Mountains.

Some projects will require road closures, lane closures or traffic delays. Be sure to plan your route well in advance and give yourself extra time to safely reach your destination. Always pay attention to posted signage and be extra cautious in areas of active construction when workers are present.

Grey County follows an asset management plan to help determine which road projects to invest in each year. Decisions are based on a number of factors, including condition rating and estimated lifespan. A 10-year construction and resurfacing map can be found online at www.grey.ca/roads.

Collingwood Festival.com

Two events leading up to the Collingwood Summer Music Festival are as follows:

Sat. May 29 is a free virtual event moderated by world renown pianist Daniel Vnukowski. The outdoor event of Wed June 16 will comprise a musical trio and soloist at the Georgian Hills Vineyards.

The actual Summer Music Festival will be digital (with indoor seating if permitted) from July 10 to 16. Early-bird pricing for tickets will be in effect until June 1, 2021.

Visit www.collingwoodfestival.com for details

Amazing visuals with live painting sessions and time-lapse videos

A virtual Q & A to engage with your favourite artists

Afternoon hangouts, musical discussions and more!

BRAVO

The Festival Returns!

July 10 - 16, 2021



24-Hour Digital Pass

(single livestream): \$25 + HST ~~\$20 + HST~~

Season Digital Pass

(all livestreamed events): \$125 + HST ~~\$120 + HST~~

Season Gold Pass

(live, physical attendance*): \$220 + HST

*If permitted by local health authorities



7 days of magical music, curated by Daniel Vnukowski, Artistic Director. The 2021 Collingwood Summer Music Festival presents thrilling performances by internationally acclaimed musical stars to delight you and elevate your spirits.



COLLINGWOOD SUMMER MUSIC FESTIVAL

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT: COLLINGWOODFESTIVAL.COM

COLLINGWOODFESTIVAL.COM



Barb Blaser
Broker





Janet Nielsen
Sales Representative



HomesInGeorgianBay.com
Your Neighbourhood Realtors®

RE/MAX

HALLMARK YORK GROUP REALTY LTD.
Brokerage, Independently Owned and Operated | RAISING THE BAR

Office: 519-599-6134

info@HomesInGeorgianBay.com

*Not intended to solicit buyers or sellers currently under contract.



enjoy your landscape, again

Call us at:
705-445-3442

temagami.landscape@rogers.com
www.temagamilandscap.ca



BLACK ANGUS

THE ORIGINAL

BISON — ELK — VENISON — ONTARIO LAMB — ONTARIO BEEF

KOBE BEEF — DRY AGED BEEF — GAME BIRDS

CHICKEN & TURKEY — BERKSHIRE PORK



THE FINEST MEATS & WILD GAME

DRY AGED & SPECIALTY CUTS

SMOKED PRODUCTS

also featuring

Gourmet entrées from Cabin Kitchen & Thornbury Bakery

Plus we have a selection of cheese from The Cheese Gallery.

OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK!

209814 HIGHWAY 26, CRAIGLEITH

WWW.BLACKANGUSMEAT.CA

1.905.520.4988 – info@blackangusmeat.ca

Grey-Bruce Vaccine Distribution Task Force Community Letter

Being at Our Best, Showing Unity Critical for Grey-Bruce Communities

This week, the Grey-Bruce Vaccine Distribution Task Force met for an update from Dr. Ian Arra and the health unit team on two pressing issues – the spread of COVID-19 and the progress on vaccine distribution. The Task Force is a team of public institutions, community partners, health providers, businesses, Indigenous communities, agricultural sector, and people committed to supporting the implementation of vaccinations in Grey-Bruce.

We are at a critical juncture in the pandemic. Stress, COVID-fatigue, and the many challenges people are faced with as a result of the pandemic are real. Small businesses are suffering, and people are out of work. Our public office holders at all levels are trying their best and our health system is stretched. Times are tough and we need to recognize this.

That's why we are sending this message, endorsed by the Grey-Bruce Vaccine Distribution Task Force.

Being at our best and showing unity is how we will end the pandemic. There is a clear plan regarding the distribution of vaccines in Grey-Bruce – it's open and transparent. While there is lots of social media commentary, there are a number of key items we need to all reflect on in a unified manner as a community.

First, supplies are rapidly picking up and to date we have given nearly 50,000 doses of vaccine in GreyBruce and they are administered within days of being received. Within months, every resident in GreyBruce that's in the prioritization sequence will be able to be vaccinated based on the Provincial Government's ethical framework that works to best allocate vaccines based on the highest risk. To date, a third of adults in Ontario have received their first dose.

Public Health will allocate these vaccines based on these guidelines to meet the needs of Grey-Bruce.

We need to show our support and confidence in Public Health to make the right decisions. Public Health only has one goal – protect people and end the pandemic.

Our local primary care and pharmacies are also playing a critical

and important role. Based on Provincial arrangements they are safely and effectively administering the AstraZeneca vaccine to anyone over 40.

Each participating pharmacy and clinic will have their own waiting list and process for booking vaccinations. Again, demand has outpaced supply locally and all of these providers will do more as supplies arrive.

We can be frustrated that there are many in our community who have not been able to be vaccinated but also recognize there is more demand than supply and officials are doing the best they can given the unprecedented circumstance. These organizations managing the rollout are often faced with changing circumstances given the challenges variants have presented and are making the best decisions they can.

We believe being at our best and showing unity is critical at this time. Let's offer forgiveness to one another and demonstrate love, peace, and patience towards one another as we work towards a common goal of a better, healthier tomorrow. It's what Grey-Bruce has done throughout the pandemic, always does in tough times and will do in the days ahead.

Being at our best is also about doing whatever we can to stop the spread of COVID-19, so we have the time for vaccine to arrive and everyone to be vaccinated. We know what these are – distancing, mask wearing and following the rules in place. By focusing on this, we are giving our Health Care system a chance to fight more challenging variants and save people who contract the virus. These steps are also imperative to ensuring the health unit team can continue to effectively and efficiently complete contact tracing to break the chains of transmission.

Showing unity is a recognition that we have more demand than supply for the vaccine and we will be patient and respectful of the organizations and people that are trying their best to cover everyone as quickly as possible. This is easier said than done given the fatigue and very real consequences from the pandemic, but this is how we will be successful.

This pandemic will end, and the task force is committed to working as hard as we can with Public Health and our institutions to advocate, support and enable as needed until everyone in Grey-Bruce who wants a vaccine can get one. Together we will beat this by being at our best and showing unity.

ROYAL LEPAGE

MASTER SALES

AWARD 2020



CONNOR WHALEN
SALES REPRESENTATIVE

(Direct) 705-441-1075
(Office) 705-445-5520
connorwhalen@royallepage.ca
www.connorwhalen.royallepage.ca

ROYAL LEPAGE LOCATIONS NORTH BROKERAGE

**St. George's
ANNUAL PLANT SALE**
Saturday, June 12
starting at 7 am

The 141st
**St. George's
ANNUAL FISH FRY**
a Drive-Thru Event
Saturday, June 19



BEAVER VALLEY OUTREACH

UPDATE

Open limited hours.
Donations by appointment.
Please check our website.

EMERGENCY SERVICES Need help with food & more?
We're here for you!
Call 519-599-2577

SENIORS CENTRE WITHOUT WALLS Interactive phone-in activity.
Call 519-599-2577 ext 6.

BVO Preschool Operating with safety procedures in place. **WE ARE HIRING!**

**COVID HAS BEEN CHALLENGING
PLEASE DONATE**
519-599-2577 | BVO.CA

Making good things happen in our community!



GREY HERON GARDEN CENTRE
206709 Hwy 26, East of Meaford
Formerly Ormsby's, Now Under New Ownership

Offering a complete range of landscape plants and services

Trees	Vegetables
Evergreens	Herbs
Flowering Shrubs	Seeds & Bulbs
Vines	Top Line Tools
Perennials	Top Soil
Annuals	Manure & Mulch
Garden Art	Fertilizer

And Lots More!

Come and meet the owners,
Katie & Chris Sweatman
Open 9 to 5, 7 Days a Week
519-538-3145
info@greyheron.ca / www.greyheron.ca



Notice of Public Meeting

Revisions to the Code of Conduct for Members of Council and Local Boards and Advisory Committees Policy POL.COR.07.07

May 3, 2021 at 5.00 p.m.

Town Hall, Council Chambers – Virtual Meeting
32 Mill Street, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0

What is being proposed?

The Town is recommending a number of revisions to the Code of Conduct for Members of Council and Local Boards and Advisory Committees Policy POL.COR.07.07.

The proposed revisions to the Town's current Code of Conduct for Members of Council and Local Boards and Advisory Committees Policy POL.COR.07.07 are available as an attachment to staff report [FAF.21.005 Council Code of Conduct Follow Up Report](#).

This staff report is available at the following hyperlink: <https://pub-bluemountains.escrimeetings.com/FileStream.ashx?DocumentId=2582>

When will a decision be made?

A decision on the proposed revisions has NOT been made at this point and will NOT be made at the Public Meeting.

After reviewing the comments from the public in response to the proposed revisions to the Code of Conduct for Members of Council and Local Boards and Advisory Committees Policy POL.COR.07.07 staff will bring their recommendations to a future Committee of the Whole meeting for recommendation to Council.

Why Attend a Public Meeting?

Comments at the Public Meeting aid the Town and Council in their decision making process, so be sure to have your say!

Any person or agency may attend the Public Meeting and/or make verbal or written comments regarding the revisions to the Code of Conduct for Members of Council and Local Boards and Advisory Committee Policy POL.COR.07.07.

Virtual Public Meeting Information

To help limit the spread of COVID-19, this Public Meeting will be held in a virtual (online) format. You are encouraged to provide your comments or questions in writing using email, fax or regular letter mail to the Town Clerk in advance of the Public Meeting.

Written comments will be circulated to Council. Comments received at least one (1) business day in advance of the Public Meeting (by **Friday April 30, 2021 by 1:00 p.m.**) will be read by the Town Clerk at the Public Meeting.

Anyone wishing to speak on this matter at the Public Meeting is encouraged to pre-register early, and no later than five (5) business days in advance of the Public Meeting (by **Monday April 26, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.**). For those without a computer, a dial-in phone number is available.

Please contact the Town Clerk to pre-register or submit comments to townclerk@thebluemountains.ca or by calling the Town at 519-599-3131 ext. 232 or by fax at 519-599-7723.

Comments by mail to: Town Clerk, Town Hall, 32 Mill Street, Box 310, Thornbury, ON N0H 2P0



Notice of Public Meeting (Virtual)

Proposed Telecommunication Tower

Property Location: 416349 10th Line, Clarksburg

Public Meeting: **Monday, May 17, 2021 at 5:00pm**
Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

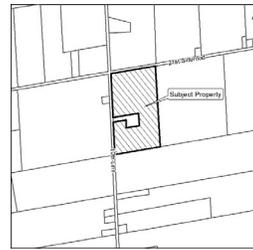
What is being proposed?

Xplornet Communications has proposed a 45.0m tall light duty steel lattice style communication tower and related radio equipment on private property at 416349 10th Line, Clarksburg, ON. The proposed structure will enhance internet and data coverage and capacity for the areas between Heathcote and Victoria Corners.

The geographic coordinates for the proposed site are as follows: Latitude: 44.495048 & Longitude: -80.455338. The facility is proposed in a rural/agricultural area and will occupy a ground area of approximately 3m x 3m.

THIS NOTICE serves as an invitation to any interested members of the public to submit comments/ questions to the individuals listed below by **May 15, 2021**.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE the approval of this site and its design is under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Government of Canada through Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED). For more information on the federal process pertaining to these installations please contact the local ISED office at: ic.spectrumswod@spectrebdsoo.ic@canada.ca OR Tel: 1-855-465-6307.



Questions? Want more information? Ask the Planner!

Town Contact
Travis Sandberg, Planner
Email: planning@thebluemountains.ca
Phone: 519.599.3131 ext. 283

Applicant Contact
Cyrus Ghassabeh
Email: cghassabeh@forbesbrosltd.ca
Phone: 905.808.0073

What happens at a Public Meeting?

To help limit the spread of COVID-19, this Public Meeting will be held in a virtual (online) format. You are encouraged to provide your comments or questions in writing using email or regular letter mail to the Town Clerk in advance of the Public Meeting. Written comments will be circulated to Council. Comments received at least two (2) days in advance of the Public Meeting (May 15, 2021, by 10am) will be received into the record by the Town Clerk at the Public Meeting.

Anyone wishing to speak at a Virtual Public Meeting is encouraged to **pre-register early, and no later than five (5) business days in advance of the Meeting (no later than May 2, 2021 by 10am)**. For those without a computer, a dial-in number is available.

Please note that the meeting will also be live broadcasted on the Town's website and posted as a video following the Public Meeting. You do not need to register to view the meeting.

Contact the Town Clerk to pre-register to speak at the meeting or submit comments to townclerk@thebluemountains.ca or by calling the Town at 519.599.3131 ext. 232 or Fax at 519.599.7723.

What happens at a Public Meeting?

The public meeting is your chance to hear more about the proposal and make your views about it known. You may also speak at the meeting or submit written comments. Information from the public will help Council in their decision-making process, so make sure to have your say!

Any person or agency may attend the Virtual Public Meeting and/or make verbal or written comments either in support or in opposition to the proposal.

Where do I find more information about the proposal?

Visit the Town's Development Projects page to view more information about the proposal: <https://www.thebluemountains.ca/development-projects.cfm>

When will a decision be made?

A decision on this proposal has NOT been made at this point and will NOT be made at the Public Meeting. After reviewing the application and any comments received, Town staff will bring a recommendation on this project to a future council meeting.

You must make a request in writing if you wish to receive a notice of any decision of Council on this proposal.

(Continues on the Reverse).

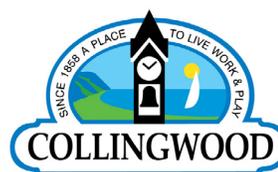
Family Physician Survey

What is your current experience with accessing primary healthcare in our region?

The Town of The Blue Mountains, Township of Clearview, Town of Collingwood, Municipality of Grey Highlands and the Municipality of Meaford are collaborating on a family physician recruitment and retention strategy and we want to hear from you!

Complete the short, two-minute survey by April 30, 2021:

www.surveymonkey.com/r/Family-Physician-Survey



Grey County Council Update

Grey County Council met virtually on April 8, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. for the regular session of council. The meeting was immediately followed by a session of committee of the whole. A recording of the meetings can be found on Grey County's YouTube Channel.

Courtney Miller, Manager of the Grey County Business Enterprise Centre, provided an overview of activities from the past year. Despite the pandemic, the centre consulted with 74 new and 49 existing businesses, offering guidance and mentorship, grants, and other support. A Recovery Program was also offered to in 2020 to provide qualifying newer small businesses with grants to help them prepare to reopen and modify their business model. Looking ahead, the Summer Company and the Starter Company Plus programs will provide students and entrepreneurs with grants and training opportunities.

Council heard a presentation from Peter Friese of Municipal Tax Equity Consultants Inc. about County Tax Policy updates. Peter explained growth, reassessment, policy and levy changes and what Council needs to consider when making changes to tax policies.

Staff presented the 2021 property tax policies for Council's consideration. The policies propose ending a discount for vacant commercial and industrial lands and maintaining the same rates for all other property classes. Council deferred their decision to the next meeting on April 22.

Consultants from Public Sector Digest provided a detail presentation on asset management. Asset management plans and strategies help councils make decisions and plan responsibly for the replacement of assets like buildings, vehicles, equipment and more. Each asset is assigned a condition rating is estimated lifespan. The consultants commended Grey County for all of the proactive work that has been done to draft an Asset Management Strategy.

Council approved the first ever Grey County Asset Management Strategy. Recommendations of the strategy will be implemented each year, subject to annual budget approval.

Council endorsed the Local Immigration Partnership Settlement Strategy. This strategy is part of the economic development plan aimed at attracting newcomers to our area and keeping them here to be a part of our community and our local workforce. The Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership is a federally funded initiative launched last summer in collaboration with Bruce County. A Partnership Council has been established and supports the development of community-based planning for newcomers.

Grey County has a Transportation Master Plan that outlines strategies and goals to improve the County and local municipal road system in Grey. It also recognized the unique considerations of shared responsibility for County Roads that are also main streets in settlement areas, known as connecting links. The plan contemplated potential road transfer and road exchanges between the upper and lower tier. Staff continue to assess potential action plans and will prepare for a workshop with municipal staff and councillors this spring to discuss possibilities. Public consultations will follow. www.grey.ca



2020 Honda Accord Sport	White	9,676 km	\$34,205 + tax
2019 Honda CR-V LX	Silver	25,343km	\$24,800 + tax
2018 Honda Accord Sedan Sport	Silver	58,000km	\$24,850 + tax
2017 Honda CR-V Touring	Black	83,647km	\$25,388 + tax

Visit our website for all car listings:

www.BlueMountainHonda.com

Hwy 26 East, Collingwood • (705) 445-4405



YOUR PATIO GARDEN SPECIALISTS

May and June
Tuesday-Saturday 9am-5pm
Sunday 12pm-4pm

ORDER ONLINE
riversidegreenhouses.ca
519-599-3533

727266 Sideroad 22C, Heathcote

Opening
May 4th



photo courtesy of provenwinners

TURN YOUR TREASURES INTO CASH



**PROUDLY SUPPORTING
CANADIAN HANDMADE**

**We buy gold,
silver and
vintage costume
jewellery.**

Complimentary estimates.
Call for appointment.

519-599-1188

5 Bruce Street South, Thornbury



www.thegeorgianartisanshop.com

"SERVING OUR COMMUNITY SINCE 2005"



Thornbury DENTAL



ASHLEY



AMELIA

DR. MIKE BUDREWICZ, DDS · DR. LANCE BURNHAM, DDS

Our dental hygiene team is welcoming patients. They look forward to seeing you and your family. Please call to schedule your new or postponed appointment.



MICHELLE



JENNA

519-599-9962 · 115 KING STREET EAST, THORNBURY · THORNBURYDENTAL.CA

Role of Council

The key responsibilities as a councillor are to support the municipality and its operations while ensuring that the public and municipality's well-being and interests are maintained.

Municipal councils have a broad range of responsibilities and may choose to organize their work using committee structures. Some municipalities may choose to use a committee of the whole structure, while other councils will often have a number of standing committees consisting of councillors only, or advisory committees made up of a mix of councillors and members of the public. These committees carry out the work of council and then report back to council with recommendations. Examples of council committees include: communication, economic development, transportation, etc.

Representative role

The representative role of council is clearly indicated in section 224 of the Municipal Act. At first glance, the representative role appears to be fairly simple and straightforward. But what does it involve?

On one hand, they are elected to represent their views when dealing with issues that come before council. Constituents have many views and opinions, and a councillor cannot represent all of them, all of the time.

On the other hand, election to office requires a councillor to have a broader understanding of the issues that impact the municipality as a whole. They will have to consider conflicting interests and make decisions that will not be popular with everyone. Generally, evidence-based decisions are made by taking into account all available information.

There is no single, correct approach to the representative role. On many issues a councillor may find that they fall somewhere between two, sometimes opposing viewpoints. They will quickly develop a caseload of citizen inquiries that will need to be further investigated and, if possible, resolved. A councillor may get these inquiries because of their background and interests.

There may also be circumstances where decisions are made by designated staff who operate at arm's length from the council, and where it could be inappropriate for elected officials to interfere or be seen to be interfering. Examples of this include decisions made by statutory officers such as the clerk, treasurer, fire chief, chief building official or medical officer of health. These individuals may also be acting in accordance with accountability provisions under other pieces of legislation, which may impact their advice to council.



GREY HERON GARDEN CENTRE

206709 Hwy 26, East of Meaford

Formerly Ormsby's, Now Under New Ownership

*Offering a complete range
of landscape plants
and services*

Trees	Vegetables
Evergreens	Herbs
Flowering Shrubs	Seeds & Bulbs
Vines	Top Line Tools
Perennials	Top Soil
Annuals	Manure & Mulch
Garden Art	Fertilizer

And Lots More!

Come and meet the owners,
Katie & Chris Sweatman

Open 9 to 5, 7 Days a Week

519-538-3145

info@greyheron.ca / www.greyheron.ca

Spring has Sprung!

MEET US FOR COFFEE (ONLINE) & FIND OUT
HOW WE DO INSURANCE DIFFERENTLY :)



PROUDLY
SERVING
MEAFORD &
THE BLUE
MOUNTAINS

HOME AUTO LIFE INVESTMENTS GROUP BUSINESS FARM TRAVEL

JULIAWHITE
& ASSOCIATES INC

 **the co-operators**
A Better Place For You

Julia White, BA, CPCA
Financial Advisor
519 538 2226

2-390 N Sykes St., Meaford
julia_white@cooperators.ca
cooperators.ca

452 Victoria St. East,
Alliston, Ontario, L9R 1J8
Office Number: 705-435-1809

TERRY 
DOWDALL ^{MP}
SIMCOE-GREY

503 Hume St. Unit 4,
Collingwood, Ontario, L9Y 4H8
Office Number: 705-445-5557

My staff and I can assist with:

-  Congratulatory Certificates
-  Canada Revenue Agency
-  Citizenship and Immigration
-  Employment Insurance
-  Pensions
-  Passports
-  Veterans



 Toll Free: 1-866-435-1809

 TerryDowdall.2019  Terry.Dowdall@parl.gc.ca
 TerryDowdall  Terry.Dowdall

Don't Forget
Chicken too!



All Meals Come
Sealed in a
Complementary
Insulated Tote Bag

LOBSTER FEST

SATURDAY JULY 3rd 2021

DELICIOUS EAST COAST LOBSTER DINNER

includes Lobster, BBQ Chicken, Fresh Baked Roll, Baked Potato, Salad & Dessert

DRIVE-THRU

Beaver Valley Community Centre, Thornbury
Pickup Times 4:30-5:00-5:30-6:00-6:30-7:00 pm
Tickets \$85.00 per person

DINING UNDER THE TENTS

Royal Canadian Legion, Clarksburg

Dine Outdoors • Live Entertainment • 6pm
CASH BAR on Site: WINE • BEER • COCKTAILS
Table for Six \$750 / Table for Four \$500
(will follow Public Health Guidelines at the time)

For Tickets & Information:
www.lobsterfest.blue
lobsterfestblue@gmail.com
519-599-3345

Tax receipts for a portion of ticket price

Community Partners



ST. GEORGE'S
THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF
THE BLUE MOUNTAINS



Grants &
Donations



Proceeds to support local groups



Open at our
new location

236768 Grey Rd 13
Heathcote

Mon-Fri 9-5, Sat 8-5

519-599-6573
info@blackbirdpie.ca

josh@joshdolan.com • 705-446-8404

Josh Dolan
REAL ESTATE BROKER
joshdolan.com



National Gross Sales
Royal LePage - 2020
Top 2% National Gross Sales 2019-2020
Top 3% National Sales 2013-2018

ROYAL LEPAGE LOCATIONS NORTH
THORNBURY MEAFORD COLLINGWOOD



Let me advise you on buying and selling in the Georgian Triangle.

This Spring, Dine for less at Blue Mountain Village!



**APRIL 19
TO
MAY 21**
SUNDAY - FRIDAY

\$33 AND \$43
DINNER
SPECIALS
SUNDAY-FRIDAY +

**GRAB
& GO**
SPECIALS
FROM \$10

**BREAKFAST
& LUNCH**
SPECIALS
FROM \$16

Offers and menus subject to
change without notice.
Price does not include tax or gratuity.
Some restrictions may apply.



bluemountainvillage.ca/springlicious