TOWNSHIPSHIP OF BLANDFORD-BLENHEIM

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, February 19, 2025

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4:00 p.m.

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Call to Order
- 3. Approval of the Agenda

Recommendation:

That the agenda for the February 19, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted as printed, and circulated.

- 4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
- 5. Minutes
 - a. February 4th, 2025 and February 5th, 2025 Minutes of Council.

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the February 4th and February 5th Meetings of Council be adopted, as printed and circulated.

- 6. Business Arising from the Minutes
- 7. Public Meetings

None.

8. Delegations / Presentations

None.

9. Correspondence

None.

- 10. Staff Reports
 - a. Drew Davidson Director of Protective Services
 - i. FC-25-03 January Monthly Report

Recommendation:

That Report FC-25-03 be received as information.

b. Ray Belanger - Chief Building Official

i. CBO-25-02 – January Monthly Report

Recommendation:

That Report FC-25-02 be received as information.

c. Denise Krug - Director of Finance

i. TR-25-02 – Council Grant and Subsidy Requests 2025

Recommendation:

That Report TR-25-02 be received as information; and,

That Council direct staff to allocate Grant and Subsidy Funds as recommended.

ii. TR-25-03 – Ontario Reg. 284-09

Recommendation:

That Report TR-25-03 be received as information; and,

That Report TR-25-03, with respect to Ontario Regulation 284/09 for the budget year 2025, be adopted.

iii. TR-25-04 – Statement Issued with Respect to 2024 Salaries, Benefits and Expenses

Recommendation:

That Report TR-25-04 be received as information.

- 11. Reports from Council Members
- 12. Unfinished Business
- 13. Motions and Notices of Motion
- i. Councillor Young Notice of Motion re: Vision Zero Policy and the Good Roads Rural Road Safety Strategy.

14. New Business

15. Closed Session

None.

16. By-laws

a. 2480-2025, Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council;

Recommendation:

That the following By-laws be now read a first, second and third time: 2480-2025.

17. Other

18. Adjournment and Next Meeting

Wednesday, March 5th, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Recommendation:

Whereas business before Council has been completed at _____ pm;

That Council adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, March 5th, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Council met at 1:00 p.m. for a Special Meeting.

Present: Mayor Peterson, Councillors Banbury, Barnes, Demarest and Young.

Staff: Baer, Belanger, Borton, Brick, Degier, Krug, Matheson, Robson and

VanWyk.

Mayor Peterson in the Chair.

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Call to Order
- 3. Approval of the Agenda

RESOLUTION #1

Moved by – Councillor Demarest Seconded by – Councillor Young

Be it hereby resolved that the agenda for the February 4th, 2025 Special Meeting of Council be adopted as printed and circulated.

.Carried

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None.

5. Adoption of Minutes

None.

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

7. Public Meetings

None.

8. Delegations / Presentations

None.

9. Correspondence

a. Specific

None.

b. General

None.

10. Staff Reports

None.

11. Reports from Council Members

None.

12. Unfinished Business

None.

13. Motions and Notices of Motion

None.

14. New Business

None.

15. Closed Session

a. Educating or training members of the council, a local board, or committee [s. 239 (3.1)]

Re: Council Exercise - Strategic Planning

RESOLUTION #2

Moved by – Councillor Banbury Seconded by – Councillor Barnes

Be it hereby resolved that Council move into Closed Session under the authority of Section 239 of the Municipal Act at 1:10 p.m. to discuss:

a. Educating or training members of the council, a local board, or committee [s. 239 (3.1)]

Re: Council Exercise – Strategic Planning

.Carried

RESOLUTION #3

Moved by – Councillor Demarest Seconded by – Councillor Young

Be it hereby resolved that that Council does now adjourn from Closed Session and resume into Open Session at 5:06 p.m. and reports the following:

That Council provided direction to staff regarding Township Strategic Planning.

.Carried

16. Other Business

None.

17. By-laws

a. 2480-2025, Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

RESOLUTION #4

Moved by – Councillor Barnes Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that the following By-law be now read a first and second time: 2480-2025.

.Carried

RESOLUTION #5

Moved by – Councillor Young Seconded by – Councillor Demarest

Be it hereby resolved that the following By-law be now read a third and final time: 2480-2025.

.Carried

18. Adjournment and Next Meeting

RESOLUTION #6

Moved by – Councillor Banbury Seconded by – Councillor Barnes

Whereas business before Council has been completed 5:07 p.m.;

Be it hereby resolved that Council adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, February 5th, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

Mark Peterson, Mayor
Township of Blandford-Blenheim

Sarah Matheson, Clerk
Township of Blandford-Blenheim

Wednesday, February 5th, 2025 Council Chambers 47 Wilmot St. S. Drumbo, ON Streamed live to Township of Blandford-Blenheim YouTube Channel 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Council met at 4:00 p.m. for their first Regular Meeting of the month.

Present: Mayor Peterson, Councillors Banbury, Barnes, Demarest and Young.

Staff: Baer, Belanger, Borton, Davidson, Degier, Krug, and Matheson.

Other: Robson, Planner.

Mayor Peterson in the Chair.

1. Welcome

2. Call to Order

3. Approval of the Agenda

RESOLUTION #1

Moved by – Councillor Demarest Seconded by – Councillor Barnes

Be it hereby resolved that the agenda for the February 5th, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council be adopted, as printed and circulated.

.Carried

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None.

5. Adoption of Minutes

a. January 22, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes of Council

RESOLUTION #2

Moved by – Councillor Barnes Seconded by – Councillor Young

Be it hereby resolved that the minutes of the January 22nd, 2025 Meeting of Council be adopted, as printed and circulated.

.Carried

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

7. Public Meetings

a. Public Meeting under the Planning Act, Committee of Adjustment

RESOLUTION #3

Moved by – Councillor Young Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that Council move into Committee of Adjustment at 4:01 p.m.

.Carried

i. Applications for Minor Variance

MVA10-24, 11967113 Ontario Inc, Drumbo Lot

MVA11-24, DaCosta, 48 Elgin Street West

MVA01-25, McDonald, 907384 Township Road 12

The Minutes can be found on the February 5th, 2025 Committee of Adjustment.

RESOLUTION #4

Moved by – Councillor Demarest Seconded by – Councillor Barnes

Be it hereby resolved that the Committee rise at 4:20 p.m. and that the Open Council meeting resumes.

.Carried

b. Public Meeting under the Planning Act, Official Plan Amendment & Zone Change

RESOLUTION #5

Moved by – Councillor Banbury Seconded by – Councillor Young

Be it hereby resolved that Council rise and go into a Public Meeting under the Planning Act to consider an application for official plan amendment and zone change:

OP24-19-1, ZN1-24-26, & ZN1-24-27 (Baker, Mensink & Hoffer);

And that Mayor Peterson Chair the Public Meeting.

.Carried

i. Application for Official Plan Amendment & Zone Change – OP24-19-1, ZN1-24-26, & ZN1-24-27 (Baker, Mensink & Hoffer);

The Planner presented the Report, recommending to approve-in-principle of the zone change and that Township Council provide support for the official plan amendment application. Councillor Banbury questioned the level crossing of the rail line and whether it would be required to be removed. Planner Robson responded that the rail line did not comment regarding Councillor Banbury's question, nor would Oxford County get involved in any rail line conditions. Mayor Peterson made comment to the rail line. The applicants were present. No persons in attendance spoke further for or against the application.

RESOLUTION #6

Moved by – Councillor Young Seconded by – Councillor Demarest

Be it hereby resolved that the Public Meeting be adjourned and that the Regular Meeting of Council reconvene.

.Carried

RESOLUTION #7

Moved by – Councillor Demarest Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Be it hereby resolved that the Township of Blandford-Blenheim approve-inprinciple the zone change applications (File Nos. ZN1-24-26 and ZN1-24-27) submitted by Evelyne Baker, John Mensink, and Eric and Shelley Hoffer, whereby the lands described as Lot 5, Concession 6 (Blandford) be rezoned from 'General Agricultural Zone (A2)' to 'Rural Residential Zone (RR)' and 'Special General Agricultural Zone (A2-sp)' to facilitate a farm consolidation; and,

That the Township of Blandford-Blenheim advise Oxford County Council that the Township supports the application for Official Plan Amendment (File No. OP24-19-1), submitted by Evelyne Baker, John Mensink, and Eric and Shelley Hoffer, for the lands described as Lot 5, Concession 6 (Blandford), to include a site-specific special policy for subject lands to permit the severance of the only single detached dwelling through a farm consolidation.

.Carried

8. Delegations / Presentations

None.

9. Correspondence

a. Specific

None.

b. General

None.

10. Staff Reports

a. Adam Degier - Drainage Superintendent

i. DS-25-01 – Petition for Drainage, Appointment of Engineer – Sparks Drain

RESOLUTION #8

Moved by – Councillor Barnes Seconded by – Councillor Demarest

Be it hereby resolved that Report DS-25-01 be received as information; and,

Whereas the Grand River Conservation Authority have not registered any comments to the petition for drainage works for Lot 10 Concession 3 Blenheim, Blandford-Blenheim, from John Pynenburg in the affected area of the existing private Sparks Drain; and further,

That Council appoints K Smart & Associates Ltd., 85 McIntyre Dr. Kitchener, Ont. N2R 1H6, to prepare a new drainage report as per the petition in accordance with Section 4 of the Drainage Act.

.Carried

b. Trevor Baer – Director of Community Services

i. CS-25-01 – Monthly Report

RESOLUTION #9

Moved by – Councillor Demarest Seconded by – Councillor Young

Be it hereby resolved that Report CS-25-01 be received as information.

.Carried

c. Jim Borton - Director of Public Works

i. PW-25-01 – Monthly Report

RESOLUTION #10

Moved by – Councillor Banbury

Seconded by - Councillor Young

Be it hereby resolved that Report PW-25-01 be received as information.

.Carried

d. Drew Davidson - Director of Protective Services

i. FC-25-02 – Emergency Preparedness Grant

RESOLUTION #11

Moved by – Councillor Barnes Seconded by – Councillor Demarest

Be it hereby resolved that Report FC-25-02 be received as information.

.Carried

11. Reports from Council Members

Councillor Demarest reported that the Blenheim District Home and School Association is raising funds to build an outdoor education centre at the Drumbo School, and would appreciate any support or donations from the community. Councillor Demarest noted the Blenheim District Home and School Association's fundraising dance is also happening this weekend.

12. Unfinished Business

None.

13. Motions and Notices of Motion

a. Councillor Young read a Notice of Motion regarding a long-term Vision Zero Policy and the safety of the roads in Blandford-Blenheim.

14. New Business

None.

15. Closed Session

RESOLUTION #12

Moved by – Councillor Demarest Seconded by – Councillor Young

Be it hereby resolved that Council move into Closed Session under the authority of Section 239 of the Municipal Act at 4:46 p.m. to discuss:

a. Report CAO-25-04 - A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality. [s. 239 (2)(c)]

Re: Tax Sale Update

b. Report CAO-25-05 – Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose [s. 239 (2)(f)]

Re: EFT Matters

.Carried

RESOLUTION #13

Moved by – Councillor Banbury Seconded by – Councillor Young

Be it hereby resolved that Council does now adjourn from Closed Session and resume into Open Session at 4:57 p.m. and reports the following:

That Council provided direction to staff regarding Reports CAO-25-04 & CAO-25-05.

.Carried

16. By-laws

RESOLUTION #14

Moved by – Councillor Demarest Seconded by – Councillor Young

Be it hereby resolved that the following By-laws be now read a first and second time:

- a. 2481-2025, Being a By-law to amend Zoning By-Law Number 1360-2002, as amended (ZN1-24-20);
- b. 2482-2025, Being a By-law to amend Zoning By-Law Number 1360-2002, as amended (ZN1-24-23);
- c. 2483-2025, Being a By-law to adopt the estimates of all sums required for 2025 for Township purposes; and,
- d. 2484-2025, Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

.Carried

RESOLUTION #15

Moved by – Councillor Demarest Seconded by – Councillor Barnes

Be it hereby resolved that the following By-laws be now read a third and final time:

- a. 2481-2025, Being a By-law to amend Zoning By-Law Number 1360-2002, as amended (ZN1-24-20);
- b. 2482-2025, Being a By-law to amend Zoning By-Law Number 1360-2002, as amended (ZN1-24-23);
- c. 2483-2025, Being a By-law to adopt the estimates of all sums required for 2025 for Township purposes; and,
- d. 2484-2025, Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

.Carried

17. Other Business

None.

18. Adjournment and Next Meeting

RESOLUTION #16

Moved by – Councillor Young Seconded by – Councillor Banbury

Whereas business before Council has been completed at 4:59 p.m.;

Be it hereby resolved that Council adjourn to meet again on Wednesday, February 19th, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.

	.Carried
Mark Peterson, Mayor Township of Blandford-Blenheim	Sarah Matheson, Clerk Township of Blandford-Blenheim



TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD-BLENHEIM

Agenda Item

Drew Davidson To: Members of Council

Director of Protective From:

Services

Reviewed By: Josh Brick, CAO February 11th, 2025 Date:

Council February 19th, 2025 Subject: January Monthly Report **Meeting Date:**

FC-25-03 Report #:

Recommendation:

That Report FC-24-03 is received as information.

Background:

To provide Council with an update regarding the activities of the Protective Services Department, for the month of January 2025.

Analysis/Discussion:

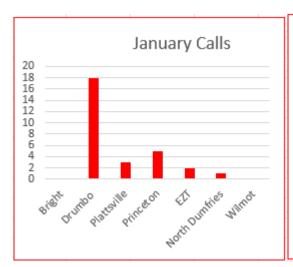
Meetings, Courses and Training Attended:

- Staff started off the year with final preparations for budget presentation, considerable time and effort were put into revamping the way both operating and capital budgets are laid out. Staff feels it is important to have a road map of not only this year but years to come including a much-needed truck schedule.
- Along with staff, our three recruits attended the recruit orientation evening hosted at the Beachville fire station. The recruits have continued their training throughout the month working towards the certification in firefighter 1 & 2.
- Staff along with our fire prevention officer have been working on a water safety presentation geared towards primary school age children. We were able to work with the GRCA to obtain a brochure on water safety and have created a power point presentation. On February 19th firefighters and our FPO have scheduled a date to deliver this at the Plattsville Public School and we are currently working on a date with the Drumbo school.
- Our peer support team and app are ready to launch. Throughout the month of January our trained support team members had the opportunity to learn about and navigate the new website. The app was released to all firefighters beginning in February to log in and choose the support members they would like to be part of their support team. March 1st will be the official start of the program when data will start to be compiled as to the number of requests and users along with areas where we can better support our firefighters.
- Our Camp 85 committee had their first meeting and are already working on plans for a successful 2025 camp this year. The committee has selected April 3rd 2025, 6:30 pm as our camp information night held at the Plattsville fire station and as in previous years we welcome all of council to attend.

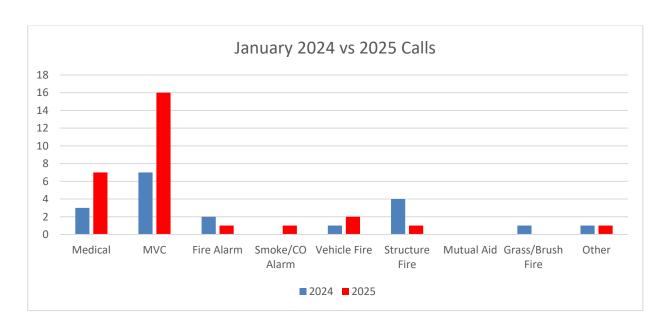
Fire:

- 16 burn permits were issued in January 2025
- January 2025 monthly fire calls with annual comparisons (included)

January Fire Reports:







CEMC – January 2025

 Attended multiple briefings on significant events throughout the month via zoom meetings • Working through successful Emergency Preparedness Grant documentation to coordinate installation of fire station digital signs

By-Law Enforcement – January 2025

- Parking complaints...2
- Parking tags issued...8
- One meeting with resident by-law issues

Respectfully submitted by:

Drew Davidson

Director of Protective Services



TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD-BLENHEIM

Agenda Item

To: Members of Council From: Ray Belanger, CBO

Reviewed By: Josh Brick, CAO **Date:** February 11, 2025

Subject: Monthly Report to Council Council Meeting Date: February 19, 2025

Report #: CBO-25-2

Recommendation:

That report CBO-25-2 be received as information.

Background:

To provide Council with an update regarding the monthly building activities for the period ending on January 31, 2025.

Building Department Updates:

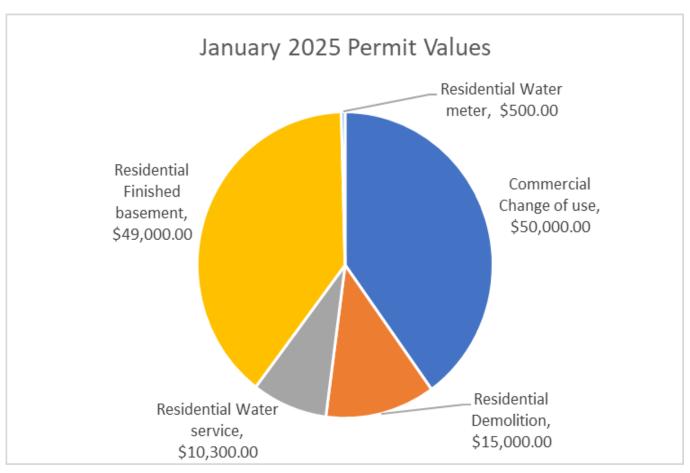
• The building department issued 5 permits for the month of January 2025.

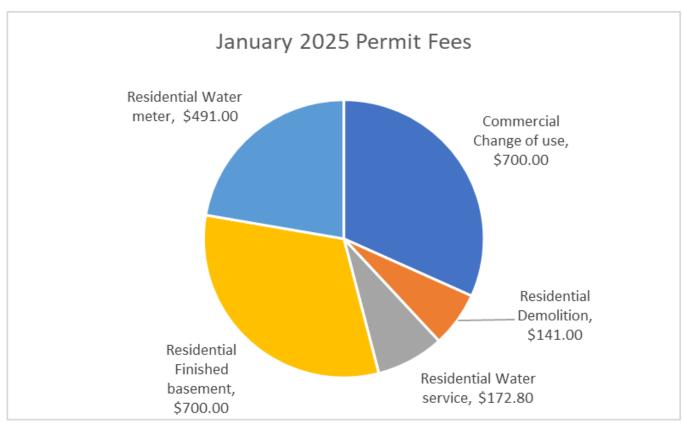
Respectfully submitted by:

Ray Belanger CBO











TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD-BLENHEIM

Agenda Item

To: Members of Council From: Denise Krug, Director of

Finance

Reviewed By: Josh Brick **Date:** February 7, 2025

Subject: 2025 Council Grant & Council February 19, 2025

Subsidy Requests Meeting Date:

Report #: TR-25-02

Recommendation:

That Report TR-25-02 be received as information; and,

That Council direct staff to allocate Grant & Subsidy Funds as recommended.

Background:

The Council Grants & Subsidy Program Policy was approved August 5, 2015 and sets out the requirements for qualification. The scope states that "Only groups and/or organizations based and operating in the Township of Blandford-Blenheim are to be considered for any financial assistance." The policy also states that the purpose is "to provide support to facilitate and ensure effective citizen involvement in community events relevant to improving the well-being of citizens and contributing to the quality of life in the Community" The purpose is to "provide leisure related activities through a community development approach to improve the quality of life within the Municipality, and to promote the identity and enhance the image of the Municipality."

On February 10, 2016, the following resolution was passed by Council:

"That Council establish a budget cap of up to \$10,000 as the total annual maximum amount available through the Municipal Grants and Subsidy Program; and,

That the annual allocation to each organization receiving funding through the Municipal Grants and Subsidy Program be limited to a maximum of up to \$1,000 per organization."

On November 6, 2024, Council passed the following resolution:

"That Council directs staff to contact local historical/archival organizations respecting special exhibits/celebrations to recognize the 50th Anniversary of the formation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim, it being noted that \$4,500 will be made available through 2025 Grant/Donation funds to support relevant initiatives..."

The chart below is a summary of all organizations that have submitted a 2025 Council Grant & Subsidy Application. The total of all 2025 grant & subsidy requests received to date is \$9,500.

The Applications were provided to Council separately to respect the organizations' privacy.

If further applications are received, a follow up report will be presented to Council.

Analysis/Discussion:

		Staff
Organization Name	Purpose of 2025 Funding Request	Recommended Grant/Subsidy
Drumbo Agricultural	Tunung request	Granty Substay
Society	Assistance with Entertainment at Drumbo Fair	\$1,000
Duranda o Dietriet	Canada Day Calabratian from DDO (in abuda additional	
Drumbo & District Heritage Society	Canada Day Celebration – free BBQ (includes additional \$1,500 to recognize Township's 50 th Anniversary)	\$2,500
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Plattsville & District		
Heritage Society	Memorial Gates at Plattsville Park	\$1,000
Plattsville & District		
Lions	Use of hall at Plattsville Arena	\$1,000
Princeton Firework	Financial for Winterio December 1	¢4.000
Committee	Fireworks for Victoria Day weekend	\$1,000
Princeton & District Museum/Library		
Association	Fundraising for new furnace & AC units	\$1,000
Friends of Princeton		44.000
Park	Use of Princeton Centennial Hall for meetings and events	\$1,000
	Intergenerational community initiative to crocket/knit	
Poppy Project	poppies to display each November	\$1,000

Total 2025 Staff Recommended Qualifying Grants

\$9,500

Staff is recommending that Council approve \$9,500 in grants and subsidies as per the chart above.

Financial Impacts:

The 2025 approved budget included a total of \$14,500 for grants and subsidies, which included the additional \$4,500 approved to recognize the 50th Anniversary of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim.

If Council approves the amounts requested, there is no further impact to the budget over that which has already been approved.

Attachments:

None.

Respectfully submitted by:

Denise Krug Director of Finance/Treasurer



TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD-BLENHEIM

Agenda Item

To: Members of Council From: Denise Krug

Director of Finance

Reviewed By: Josh Brick, CAO **Date:** February 10, 2025

Subject: Ontario Regulation 284-09 Council February 19, 2025

Meeting Date:

Recommendation:

Report #:

That Report TR-25-03 be received as information;

TR-25-03

And further that report TR-25-03, with respect to Ontario Regulation 284/09 for the budget year 2025, be adopted.

Background:

The Province of Ontario passed Ontario Regulation 284/09 (O. Reg 284/09) that requires municipalities to report on whether they are budgeting for amortization expense, post-employment benefit expense and solid waste landfill closure and post-closure expenses. If municipalities do not budget for these expenses, Council must acknowledge the impact and potential consequences.

Analysis/Discussion:

The Township of Blandford-Blenheim in developing its budget for the year 2025 has included the following:

- 1. Transfers to reserves for tangible capital asset renewal amounts (total transfers to reserves \$2,943,969 for capital assets \$2,876,914) that are greater than the historical amortization of its current assets (2023 total amortization \$2,186,002).
- 2. The budget contained the current year's post-employment benefit expense for the Township's retired employees that are eligible for this benefit.
- 3. The Township of Blandford-Blenheim does not have an active landfill site and therefore is not subject to solid waste landfill closure and post-closure expenses.

The result of the above inclusions in the budget decreases the operating surplus as the amounts transferred to reserve for capital purposes exceed the current amortization required under O.Reg. 284/09.

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Financial Considerations:

The exclusion of amortization from the 2025 budget and including a higher transfer to reserves and capital funds to replace the Township of Blandford-Blenheim's tangible capital assets will result in Township assets being replaced in a timely manner without large fluctuations on the Township's tax rate.

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Attachments:

None

Respectfully submitted by:

Denise Krug Director of Finance/Treasurer



TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD-BLENHEIM

Agenda Item

Denise Krug,

From: Treasurer/Director of

Finance

Reviewed By: Josh Brick, CAO Date: February 10, 2025

Report #: TR-25-04 Council February 19, 2025 Meeting Date:

Statement issued with

Subject: Respect to 2024 Salaries,

Benefits & Expenses

Members of Council

Recommendation:

That Report TR-25-04 be received as information.

Background:

To:

Pursuant to the Municipal Act, 2001, Chapter 25 Section 284(1) the Treasurer is required to prepare a report which discloses total salaries, benefits, and other expenditures made by municipal councilors and board members. The following table provides a summary of these expenses.

Remuneration was paid as per budget By-law 2421-2024 passed on February 21, 2024.

Analysis/Discussion:

Name	Salary	Benefits	Sub-Total	Conventions & Seminars	Total
Members of Council:					
Bruce Banbury	\$17,547.00	\$342.17	\$17,889.17	\$2,371.84	\$20,261.01
Nancy Demarest	\$17,547.00	\$1,177.97	\$18,724.97	\$986.02	\$19,710.99
Tina Young	\$17,547.00	\$1,177.97	\$18,724.97	\$2,199.64	\$20,924.61
Daryl Barnes	\$17,547.00	\$342.17	\$17,889.17	\$2,151.80	\$20,040.97
Mark Peterson	\$26,185.44	\$1,887.74	\$28,073.18	\$1,588.43	\$29,661.61
Police Services Board:					
Bev Beaton	\$459.90	\$36.21	\$496.11		\$496.11
Mark Peterson	\$459.90	\$8.97	\$468.87		\$468.87
Totals:	\$97,293.24	\$4,973.18	\$102,266.42	\$9,297.73	\$111,564.15

Respectfully submitted by:

Denise Krug

Director of Finance / Treasurer

Whereas speeding, distracted driving, and impaired driving are among the leading causes of driving related collisions, injuries, and fatalities in Ontario; and,

Whereas municipalities are called upon to modify driver behaviour through expensive infrastructure and even more expensive policing; and,

Whereas infrastructure and policing are inherently limited in their effectiveness at reducing speed and distracted driving, and entirely ineffective at reducing impaired driving;

Therefore be it resolved that Blandford Blenheim Township calls on the Provincial and Federal governments to do everything in their power to limit speeding, distracted driving, and impaired driving, and thereby reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities in our communities;

That the Township of Blandford Blenheim specifically requests that the Government of Ontario take action to implement the rural road safety program that Good Roads has committed to lead, which will allow Ontario's rural municipalities to make the critical investments needed to reduce the number of people being killed and seriously injured on Ontario's rural roads; and

And that Blandford Blenheim Township Staff work with Oxford County and all Oxford municipalities on the feasibility of implementing a long term Vision Zero Policy and the Good Roads Rural Road Safety strategy across all of Oxford; and,

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ontario Premier, Ontario Minister of Transportation, Ontario Minister of Infrastructure, Ontario Minister of Agriculture, Ontario Minister of Rural Affairs, Ontario Associate Minister of Emergency Preparedness and Response, and Ontario Minister of Health, and Good Roads; and

FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to all Oxford police services boards, Safe and Well Oxford, Good Roads, and all municipalities in Ontario requesting their support.

THE CORPORATION OF THE

TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD-BLENHEIM

BY-LAW NUMBER **2480-2025**

Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of Council.

WHEREAS by Section 5 of the *Municipal Act* 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, the powers of a municipal corporation are to be exercised by its Council.

AND WHEREAS by Section 11 of the *Municipal Act* 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, the powers of every Council are to be exercised by by-law;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim at this meeting be confirmed and adopted by by-law;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim hereby enacts as follows:

- 1. That the actions of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim in respect of each recommendation contained in the reports of the Committees and each motion and resolution passed and other action taken by the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim, at this meeting held on February 19th, 2025 is hereby adopted and confirmed as if all such proceedings were expressly embodied in this by-law.
- 2. That the Mayor and proper officials of the Corporation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the actions of the Council referred to in the proceeding section hereof.
- 3. That the Mayor and the Clerk be authorized and directed to execute all documents in that behalf and to affix thereto the seal of the Corporation of the Township of Blandford-Blenheim.

By-law read a first and second time this 19th day of February, 2025.

By-law read a third time and finally passed this 19th day of February, 2025.

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