



**The Town of Blue Mountains, Council Meeting  
Council Meeting**

**Date:** Monday, July 12, 2021

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**Moved by:** Councillor Sampson

**Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Potter

THAT Council of the Town of The Blue Mountains receives, with disappointment, the June 30, 2021, correspondence from Minister Clark, MPP Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to Warden Hicks - Application for Municipal Modernization Program and refers the correspondence to Financial Services for information, and directs staff to forward the resolution to the Ministry and Grey County for information

**The motion is Carried**

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and Housing**

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June 30, 2021

Your Worship  
Warden Selwyn Hicks  
County of Grey

Dear Warden Hicks,

Thank you for your application to the second intake of the **Municipal Modernization Program** and for your commitment to delivering modern, efficient services that are financially sustainable.

Under the third-party review stream, I am pleased to inform you that the Ford government will provide funding of up to \$150,000 towards:

- Solid Waste Management Service Delivery Review for Municipalities in Grey County

All funding is for the cost of an independent third-party reviewer to deliver a final report with specific and actionable recommendations for cost-savings and efficiencies by November 30, 2021.

In 2019, the Ford government launched the MMP to help small and rural municipalities modernize service delivery and identify new ways to be more efficient and effective. The impacts of the COVID-19 outbreak have made this work more important than ever. The projects selected for funding under the second intake of the Municipal Modernization Program will further support municipalities' efforts to implement efficiencies, with a focus on digital modernization, service integration, streamlining development approvals and alternative service delivery.

I understand how important this work will be to your community. To help you get started, an interim payment will be issued following execution of a transfer payment agreement. Ministry staff will forward instructions and a transfer payment agreement for each approved project in the coming days and will work with you to have it finalized. If you have questions, please contact your municipal advisor, or email [municipal.programs@ontario.ca](mailto:municipal.programs@ontario.ca).

I would like to offer my congratulations on this funding approval and extend my best wishes as you work to improve service delivery and administrative efficiency in your municipality.

Sincerely,



Steve Clark  
Minister

- c. Kim Wingrove, CAO, County of Grey
- Mary Lou Spicer, Director of Finance, County of Grey
- Bill Walker, MPP, Bruce—Grey—Owen Sound
- Scott Mackey, Mayor, Township of Chatsworth
- Patty Sinnamon, CAO/Clerk, Township of Chatsworth
- Dwight Burley, Mayor, Township of Georgian Bluffs
- Al Meneses, CAO, Township of Georgian Bluffs
- Paul McQueen, Mayor, Municipality of Grey Highlands
- Karen Govan, CAO, Municipality of Grey Highlands
- Sue Paterson, Mayor, Town of Hanover
- Brian Tocheri, CAO/Clerk, Town of Hanover
- Barb Clumpus, Mayor, Municipality of Meaford
- Robert Armstrong, CAO/Director of Development Services, Municipality of Meaford
- Ian Boddy, Mayor, City of Owen Sound
- Tim Simmonds, City Manager/CAO, City of Owen Sound
- John Woodbury, Mayor, Township of Southgate
- David Milliner, CAO, Township of Southgate
- Alar Soever, Mayor, Town of The Blue Mountains
- Shawn Everitt, CAO, Town of The Blue Mountains
- Christine Robinson, Mayor, Municipality of West Grey
- Laura Johnston, CAO/Deputy Clerk, Municipality of West Grey