



Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron
Port Blake Task Force
Agenda

Wednesday, February 5, 2025, 4:00 pm
Olde Town Hall - Verity Room

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That the Port Blake Task Force to approve the agenda as presented.

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Recommendation:

That the Port Blake Task Force approves the minutes of April 9, 2024 as presented.

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5. Discussion
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Recommendation:

That the Port Blake Task Force adjourns at _____p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.



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Port Blake Task Force

Minutes

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 4:00 pm
Olde Town Hall - Verity Room**

Members Present: Jim Dietrich, Chair
Marissa Vaughan, Member

Staff Present: Rebekah Msuya-Collison, Chief Administrative Officer/Deputy Clerk
Jeremy Becker, GM of Community and Emergency Services
Scott Currie, Manager of Community and Strategic Initiatives/Recording Secretary

1. Meeting Called to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:06PM

2. Amendments to the Agenda, as Distributed and Approved by Task Force

Motion: 004-2024

Moved: Marissa Vaughan, Member

Seconded: Jim Dietrich, Chair

That the Port Blake Task Force approves the agenda as amended.

Disposition: Carried 2-0

3. Minutes

Motion: 005-2024

Moved: Marissa Vaughan, Member

Seconded: Jim Dietrich, Chair

That the Port Blake Task Force approves the minutes of March 6, 2024 as presented.

Disposition: Carried 2-0

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None.

5. Discussion

Staff presented an overview of information collected on the Revitalization Plan Priorities. The Task Force discussed the drainage issue and expressed interest in exploring all options to solve it.

Motion: 006-2024

Moved: Marissa Vaughan, Member

Seconded: Jim Dietrich, Chair

That the Task Force recommends to Council the following Port Blake Park Revitalization Plan priorities for 2024:

- **Drainage**
- **Washrooms/Accessibility**
- **Permit/Payment/Revenue System; and**

That the Task Force recommends the implementation of an automated pay-by-license plate parking meter system for Port Blake Park beginning in the 2024 season; and

That the Task Force recommends the following entrance permit fee structure for Port Blake Park be put in place for the 2024 season:

- **\$30/passenger vehicle**
- **No buses or recreational vehicles permitted entrance**
- **South Huron residents granted free entrance; and**

That the Task Force continue to meet until the end of September, 2024.

Disposition: Carried 2-0

6. Adjournment

Motion: 007-2024

Moved: Jim Dietrich, Chair

Seconded: Marissa Vaughan, Member

That the Port Blake Task Force adjourns at 6:01 p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.

Disposition: Carried 2-0

Jim Dietrich, Chair

Scott Currie, Recording Secretary

From: Janet Kurasz [REDACTED]
Date: January 14, 2025 at 5:28:27 PM EST
To: Councillor Vaughan <mvaughan@southhuron.ca>
Subject: Port Blake Park

A Happy New Year to you Marissa. I hope the holiday season has been full of good cheer and great memories for you.

I am contacting you as a member of LEN. At our board meeting yesterday we talked about one of our major focuses which is bio-diversity and the planting of native plants and not just trees within our area. we have several projects planned for 2025.

Apparently, a few years ago, before Covid, there was a project approved and funded for naturalizing areas within Port Blake Park. Do you have a recollection of this project? No one in our group seems to know what happened. The presumption is that Covid interrupted the progress. Do you know what the status of the file is?

Thanks, as always, for your help and insight.

Take care,
Janet K

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Date: January 20, 2025 at 2:06:17 PM EST

To: Councillor Vaughan <mvaughan@southhuron.ca>

Cc: Janet Kurasz [REDACTED], Carolyn Young [REDACTED]

Subject: FW: Trail project with Tridon

Dear Marissa,

I'm just following up on the message Janet sent you, asking about what's happening at Port Blake. It's exciting to hear that things will be moving forward this year. Part of LEN's interest stems from some conversations we've been having with Don DeJong and his staff about developing a multi-use path from the Tridon development north to Port Blake and east to Huron Country Playhouse. As I'm sure you're aware, this project is in the very early blue-sky stage right now, but we at LEN think it would be a wonderful way to foster active transportation in our region, and add to South Huron's green reputation. At this point, we're simply adding our voices and offering moral support. If we could also be involved in some naturalization and tree planting at Port Blake, that would be [great!](#)

And just a quick related question – I understand Port Blake will be free to residents of South Huron, with others paying a \$30 daily fee. Is it fair to assume that those on foot or bicycle, rather than car, would also be admitted at no cost? This is certainly the case at the Pinery, and would be a great way to foster the use of active transportation in our community.

Pat Morden, Chair

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Lakeshore Eco-Network