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BMTS Governance

Request for review of Council's role within BMTS

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Dear Council,

The role of governance of the Bruce Municipal Telephone System has for some time been a contentious issue to some of our constituents. To this end, I would ask for Council's support to review the Governance of BMTS by council. I would further ask that in the spirit of openness, that the report and solution set, when completed be made public.

The review should include:

1. The role of Council as the board, to include:
 - a. Duties.
 - b. Responsibilities.
 - c. Accountabilities.
2. Costing, to include:
 - a. Financial Stipends.
 - b. Expenses.
 - c. Comparison costs to other boards of this nature.
3. Board make up and management.
4. Implications of removal, to include:
 - a. Tax implications.
 - b. Benefits, risk analysis.

The solution set should include:

1. Is the current role of Council beneficial to the community?
2. Does Council have the expertise to be on the board?
3. Are the costs acceptable?
4. How could we modify the board?
5. What are the monetary implications of removal of Council from the board?
6. What are the community implications of removal of Council from the board?
7. Recommendations for the go forward position of the Municipality with regards to the governance of BMTS.

These points should not be the limiting factors for the review, but should be the basis for a broad approach to review of the governance of BMTS.

Yours Faithfully

Deputy Mayor Sandy Donald.