



Committee Minutes

Corporate Services Committee July 14, 2015 – 10:00 AM

The Corporate Services Committee met on the above date at the County Administration Building with the following members in attendance:

Present: Chair Bob Pringle; Councillors Dwight Burley, Paul McQueen, Harley Greenfield, Arlene Wright, Norm Jack and John McKean; and Warden Kevin Eccles; Councillor Sue Paterson was also in attendance on behalf of Councillor Selwyn Hicks

Regrets: Councillor Selwyn Hicks

Staff

Present: Sharon Vokes, Acting Chief Administrative Officer; Kevin Weppler, Director of Finance; Geoff Hogan, Director of Information Technology; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Housing; Heather Morrison, Deputy Clerk / Records Manager; Sandra Shipley, Human Resources Manager and Tara Warder, Committee Coordinator

Call to Order

Chair Pringle called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Adoption of the Agenda

CS77-15 Moved by: Councillor Jack Seconded by: Councillor McKean

THAT the Corporate Services Committee agenda dated July 14, 2015 be adopted as presented.

Carried

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There was none.

Minutes of Meetings

Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes dated June 24, 2015

The minutes were reviewed.

CS78-15 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Wright

THAT the minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting dated June 24, 2015 be adopted as presented.

Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes

Corporate Services minutes dated June 23, 2015

These minutes are for information only as they were adopted by Grey County Council on July 7, 2015.

Reports – Finance

FR-CS-18-15 Grey Bruce Health Unit – 2014 Year End Surplus

Kevin Weppler noted that the Health Unit has confirmed its financial position.

It was noted that funds in the Health Unit Reserve belong to the County and funds can be taken from that reserve at any time.

CS79-15 Moved by: Councillor Greenfield Seconded by: Councillor Burley

THAT Report FR-CS-18-15 regarding the Grey Bruce Health Unit's 2014 Year End Surplus be received;

AND THAT the County of Grey's surplus of \$5,474 be transferred to the County of Grey's Health Unit reserve.

Carried

FR-CS-20-15 Corporate Services Financial Update and Year End Projection as of May 31, 2015

Kevin Weppler presented the above noted report, noting that staff anticipate an overall year-end surplus of approximately \$222,000 for the budgets under the direction of the Corporate Services Committee. Mr. Weppler outlined the origins of the anticipated surplus.

CS80-15 Moved by: Councillor McQueen Seconded by: Councillor Paterson

THAT the Corporate Services Committee receive Report FR-CS-20-15 regarding a Financial Update and Year-End Projection as of May 31, 2015 for those budgets under the direction of the Corporate Services Committee.

Carried

FR-CS-21-15 Draft Corporate Summary 2016-2020 Five Year Capital Forecast

Kevin Wepler addressed the Committee on the above noted report. Based on the proposed projects contained within the capital forecasts, this translates to a 1.86% tax increase.

Mr. Wepler then highlighted the notable items included in the forecasts, including a \$175,000 transfer to reserve for the administration building expansion, and contributions to improve roads and bridges.

CS81-15 Moved by: Councillor McKean Seconded by: Councillor Jack

THAT Report FR-CS-21-15 regarding the Five Year Capital and Extra-Ordinary Expenditures Forecast for 2016-2020 be received;

AND THAT the corporate budget package of the Five Year Capital and Extra-Ordinary Expenditures for 2016-2020 be forwarded to County Council for consideration;

AND FURTHER THAT the First Year of the 2016-2020 Capital Forecast be included in the County's 2016 Budget for consideration by County Council and that it be used for planning purposes for the 2016 Budget;

AND FINALLY THAT as per the County's Purchasing Procedures, staff be authorized to procure up to 50% of gross expenditures contained in the first year of the current Five Year Capital and Extra-Ordinary Expenditures Forecast, prior to the annual budget being approved, once Council has authorized these expenditures being procured via resolution.

Carried

Reports – Human Resources

HRR-CS-10-15 OPSEU Social Services Memorandum of Agreement

Sandra Shipley presented the above noted report, recommending that the Memorandum of Agreement between Grey County and the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) Local 266 be ratified. Mrs. Shipley outlined some of the changes to the contract.

The Committee requested information on what the total cost of the agreement would be, as well as details on the benefit package that the County offers retired employees.

Mrs. Shipley outlined the benefit package for retirees and noted that information regarding costing could be presented at a future meeting.

The Committee noted that it is advantageous for members to know the total costs of proposed contracts prior to being presented for ratification.

CS82-15 Moved by: Warden Eccles Seconded by: Councillor Burley

THAT in accordance with the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement, as outlined in Report HRR-CS-10-15, the Collective Agreement between the County of Grey and Social Services OPSEU Local 266 is hereby ratified.

Carried

Correspondence

Municipality of Tweed Disaster Relief Committee

CS83-15 Moved by: Councillor Wright Seconded by: Councillor Greenfield

THAT the correspondence from the Municipality of Tweed Disaster Relief Committee be received for information.

Carried

Ontario Retirement Pension Plan Could Present New OMERS Challenges

CS84-15 Moved by: Councillor Wright Seconded by: Councillor Greenfield

WHEREAS the Provincial Government has established the mandatory Ontario Retirement Pension Plan (ORPP) to provide a pension system for workers who do not belong to a pension plan;

AND WHEREAS the intent of the ORPP is to ensure all Ontarians have adequate income in their retirement;

AND WHEREAS those employees and employers currently in the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS), although already participating in a pension plan, will also be subject to the ORPP;

AND WHEREAS OMERS and other comparable pension plans are meeting the goal of providing a strong retirement system for its members;

AND WHEREAS being included in the ORPP will have significant consequences for existing pension plans such as OMERS, including significantly higher costs for employers and employees, and impacts on pension benefits;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the County of Grey respectfully requests that the Provincial government exclude the OMERS pension plan and other comparable plans from the ORPP.

Carried

Receive for Information

CS85-15 Moved by: Councillor McKean Seconded by: Warden Eccles

THAT the following correspondence be received for information:

- **New Tecumseth – Electricity Rates Resolution from North Stormont**

Carried

Other Business

The Committee requested that an implementation plan be presented in September 2015 that allows Council the opportunity to provide input and direction during union negotiations.

Next Meeting Dates

Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at the Grey County Administration Building

Corporate Services Committee
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On motion by Councillor Burley, the meeting adjourned at 11:16 AM.

Bob Pringle, Chair