
Council

May 9, 2019

Grey County Council met at the call of the Warden on the above date at 9:30 AM at the County Administration Building. The Clerk called Council to order and Warden Selwyn Hicks assumed the Chair.

The Warden invited members of Council to join him in O Canada.

The Roll was called by the Clerk with all members present.

Kim Wingrove, Chief Administrative Officer; Heather Morrison, Clerk; and Jacquelyn Morrison, Deputy Clerk/Legislative Coordinator were also in attendance.

The following staff members were in attendance:

Kevin Wepler, Director of Corporate Services; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Housing; Lynne Johnson, Director of Long Term Care; Barbara Fedy, Director of Social Services; Pat Hoy, Director of Transportation Services; Randy Scherzer, Director of Planning and Development; Michael Letourneau, Director of Legal Services-County Solicitor; and Grant McLevy, Senior Manager of Human Resources.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Adoption of Minutes

CC38-19 Moved by: Councillor O'Leary Seconded by: Councillor Burley

That the minutes of the County Council meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting dated April 25, 2019 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted as presented.

Carried

Reports

Board of Health

CC39-19 Moved by: Councillor Milne Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

That the Board of Health minutes dated March 22, 2019 be adopted as presented.

Carried

By-Laws

CC40-19 Moved by: Councillor Mackey Seconded by: Councillor Desai

That By-Laws 5058-19, 5059-19, and 5060-19 be introduced and that they be taken as read a first, second and third time, finally passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and engrossed in the By-law book.

5058-19 A By-law to Authorize the Warden and Clerk to Execute an Agreement Between the Corporation of the County of Grey and Grey Bruce Property Rentals Inc. for the Deferral of Development Charges on Lands Known as Strathcona Apartments

5059-19 A By-law to Designate Members of Council to Act in Place of the Warden During a Municipal Emergency

5060-19 A By-law to Replace Schedule 'A' of By-law 4772-12 Being a By-law to Establish an Emergency Plan Governing the Provision of Necessary Services During an Emergency

Carried

Good News and Celebrations

Councillor Bartnicki noted that the Town of the Blue Mountains was awarded first place for the best tasting water at the annual Ontario Waterworks Association Conference in Ottawa.

Councillor Boddy attended the Pre-Conference Forum for Colleges and Institutes Serving Rural, Remote, and Northern Communities on behalf of Grey County. The Pre-Conference was held in Owen Sound and hosted attendees from across Canada.

Councillor Soever advised that the South Georgian Bay Small Business Enterprise Centre has been awarded a grant to assist businesses with implementing new technologies. He also commended the Hike for Hospice on their successful fundraiser, which occurred last weekend and raised \$194,000.00.

Councillor Burley advised that May 5-11 is municipal Clerk's week and he thanked the Clerk and Deputy Clerk for their work.

Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators' Long Service Recognition Awards Program Presentation to Kim Wingrove for Ten Years of Municipal Service in a Management Capacity

Warden Hicks presented Kim Wingrove with a pin from the Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators recognizing her ten years of municipal service in a management capacity.

Bryan Plumstead, Manager of Tourism – Launch of Tourism Week 2019

Bryan Plumstead introduced Grey County's tourism team and provided information on Tourism Week, which will occur May 26th-June 2nd. Mr. Plumstead noted that 2018 was the best year yet for tourism in Canada. He highlighted statistics on visitor spending, tax revenue, businesses, and jobs. He discussed how to measure tourism, who tourists are, and the reasons why they come to Grey County. He highlighted the benefits to gross domestic product, employment, and taxes.

Discussion occurred on niche tourism markets, including snowmobiling, cycling, and horse shows.

Warden Hicks challenged County Councillors to spend two days as a tourist in Grey County and post on social media (#visitgrey). He suggested viewing www.visitgrey.ca for activity ideas.

Adjournment

On motion by Councillors McQueen and Bartnicki, Council adjourned at 9:59 AM to the call of the Warden.

Selwyn Hicks, Warden

Heather Morrison, Clerk