

Committee of the Whole

September 10, 2020

Grey County Council met on the above date at 10:21 AM through electronic means. Warden Paul McQueen assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order with all members participating.

Declaration of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

The following item was requested to be removed from the Consent Agenda and moved under Items for Discussion:

h. Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes dated August 25, 2020

Consent Agenda

CW152-20 Moved by: Councillor Milne Seconded by: Councillor Carleton

That the following Consent Agenda items be received; and

That staff be authorized to take the actions necessary to give effect to the recommendations in the staff reports; and

That the correspondence be supported or received for information as recommended in the consent agenda.

- a. **That Report PDR-CW-32-20 regarding an overview of proposed plan of subdivision application 42T-2020-04, that proposes to create a single block subdivision in order to utilize part lot control provisions under the Planning Act to implement a site plan that has been approved by the Town of The Blue Mountains consisting of two (2) single detached dwellings and twenty-two (22) semi-detached dwellings on lands described as Lots 47 and 48, Southwest of King Street, and Lots 47 to 49, Northeast of Arthur Street, and Part of Minto Street, Townplot of Thornbury, Town of The Blue Mountains, be received for information.**
- b. **That Report TR-CW-19-20 be received and that the property identified as Part of Lot 28 Concession 12, being Part 6 16R-229; Geographic**

Township of Euphrasia, Municipality of Grey Highlands, County of Grey be acquired by the County of Grey for road widening purposes.

- c. That Report TR-CW-18-20 be received and that the purchase of a used XL4100V Gradall be sole sourced to Amaco equipment for the total of \$487,550 excluding HST; and**

That the funds for the 2020 non-budgeted purchase be transferred from the Transportation Services Equipment Reserve.

- d. That the correspondence from the Ministry of Sport, Tourism and Culture regarding the Minister's recent visit to Grey County be received for information.**
- e. That the correspondence from the 31 Canadian Brigade Group regarding the recommencement of training activities in Grey County be received for information.**
- f. That the County of Grey support the correspondence from the Municipality of West Grey regarding anti-racism and anti-oppression.**
- g. That the Climate Change Task Force minutes dated August 13, 2020 be adopted as presented; and**

That the following recommendation contained therein be endorsed:

- That the Climate Change Task Force Terms of Reference be adopted as amended by amending Objective 2 by inserting the words "and achievable" after the word measurable.**

- h. That the Hanover – Owen Sound Task Force minutes dated September 1, 2020 be adopted as presented.**

Carried

Items for Direction and Discussion

HDR-CW-08-20 Social Services Relief Fund Phase 2

CW153-20 Moved by: Councillor Hutchinson Seconded by: Councillor Woodbury

That report HDR-CW-08-20 regarding an update on the Social Services Relief Funds (SSRF) and the addition of SSRF Phase 2 funding be received; and

That council endorse the planned projects with the SSRF Phase 2 funding; and

That staff be authorized to proceed prior to County Council approval as per section 25.6 (b) of Procedural By-law 5003-18.

Carried

TR-CW-09-20 Grey County Roads 19/21 Project Update – The Blue Mountains

CW154-20 Moved by: Councillor Mackey Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

That Report TR-CW-09-20 Grey County Roads 19/21 Project Update be received; and

That Council direct staff to negotiate an agreement in principle with the Town of the Blue Mountains regarding cost sharing for the relocation and reconstruction of the water booster station and to be brought back to a future Council meeting for approval.

Carried

CCR-CW-08-20 Procedural By-law Changes

CW155-20 Moved by: Councillor Paterson Seconded by: Councillor Woodbury

That Report CCR-CW-08-20 regarding amendments to the County's Procedural By-law be received; and

That the Procedural By-law be amended to permit Electronic participation during all Council, Committee of the Whole and Committee meetings; and

That an amended Procedural By-law be brought forward for Council's consideration; and

That the use of proxies not be supported at this time.

Carried

The Committee recessed briefly, then reconvened.

CCR-CW-09-20 Return to In Person Meetings

CW156-20 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Clumpus

That Report CCR-CW-09-20 regarding Return to In Person Meetings be received; and

That starting on October 8, 2020, Grey County Council/Committee of the Whole resume in person meetings with appropriate protocols in place; and

That the option for some councillors and staff to continue to attend virtually remain in place in accordance with the updated Procedural By-law.

Carried

CCR-CW-10-20 Delegation of Duties Update

CW157-20 Moved by: Councillor Gamble Seconded by: Councillor Hicks

That Report CCR-CW-10-20 regarding an update to the Delegation of Duties by-law be received; and

That By-law 4824-13 and all schedules be rescinded and that the proposed revisions to the Delegation of Duties Schedule be endorsed; and

That a by-law incorporating these revisions be brought forward for County Council's consideration.

Carried

CAOR-CW-14-20 Community Transportation Update

CW158-20 Moved by: Councillor Hutchinson Seconded by: Councillor Milne

That report CAOR-CW-14-20 Community Transportation Service Update be received, and;

That staff monitor ridership and service demands and report back to Council in January 2021; and

That a Vehicle for Hire By-law be brought back to a future Council meeting.

Carried

FR-CW-21-20 Proposed Amendments to the County's Development Charges By-laws

CW159-20 Moved by: Councillor O'Leary Seconded by: Councillor Hutchinson

That Report FR-CW-21-20 be received and the proposed changes to the County's Development Charges By-law be supported in principle as it relates to exempting purpose-built rental housing apartments, non-profit housing, and detached additional dwelling units to support the creation of more affordable housing; and

That other proposed changes to the County's Development Charges also be supported in principle including:

- **aligning with the recent changes made by the Province to the Development Charges Act**

- **supporting incentives related to municipal community improvement plans**
- **including criteria for considering future development charge deferrals**
- **considering development charge credits for qualifying redevelopment projects; and**

That staff be directed to provide notice of the proposed changes to the County's Development Charges By-laws in accordance with the County's notice policy and the Development Charges Act and hold a public meeting on the proposed changes; and

That following the review period, the revised development charge by-laws be brought forward for Council's consideration.

Carried

PDR-CW-31-20 County Official Plan Amendment 4 Final Report – Harbour Drive

CW160-20 Moved by: Councillor Hicks Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

That Addendum to Report PDR-CW-31-20 regarding Official Plan Amendment 4 be received; and

That all written and oral submissions on Official Plan Amendment Number 4 were considered and helped to make an informed recommendation and decision; and

That Amendment Number 4 to the County of Grey Official Plan to re-designate the lands from the 'Rural' and 'Hazard Lands' designations to the 'Rural with Exceptions' and 'Hazard Lands' designations to allow for new lot creation, where the remnant lot gains access via an unopened municipal road allowance for the lands described as Lot 5 and Lot 6, and Part Lot 7, Broken Front Concession, geographic Township of Sydenham now in the Municipality of Meaford, be supported, and a by-law to adopt the County Official Plan Amendment be prepared for consideration by County Council.

Carried

Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes dated August 25, 2020

CW161-20 Moved by: Councillor Clumpus Seconded by: Councillor Potter

That the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes dated August 25, 2020 be adopted as presented; and

That the following recommendation contained therein be endorsed:

- **That Report CCR-JAAC-11-20 regarding fulfilling municipal accessibility requirements be received for information; and**
That the report be circulated to the Clerk's and Planning departments of Grey County's local municipalities for information.

Carried

Verbal Update on Masking By-law

Kim Wingrove addressed Council on the principles of the proposed masking by-law that will come forward to the next meeting. It was noted that the County continues to be under an order from the Grey Bruce Medical Officer of Health requiring face masks to be worn to help contain the spread of COVID-19. The order has recently been extended, but the intent is to have a by-law in place which would allow enforcement to take place across Grey and Bruce Counties by a wider group, including by-law enforcement officers, police, etc.

The by-law would apply to those over the age of 2 and those who are not exempted for another reason. The proposed by-law would require masking in an enclosed public place when the building is open to the public. The mask can be a medical or non-medical mask, which covers the nose, mouth and chin. The proposed by-law is consistent with the order currently in place.

Ms. Wingrove then outlined the proposed exemptions and penalties.

Committee had questions and concerns around the ability of staff and business owners to approach patrons who are not wearing masks and requested consideration of adding in the ability to enforce the number of people in social gatherings.

Closed Meeting Matters

CW162-20 Moved by: Councillor Robinson Seconded by: Councillor Burley

That Council does now go into closed session pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended to discuss:

- Advice subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose and litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board** (*Requiring the wearing of non-medical face coverings*)

That the following staff remain in attendance: Kim Wingrove, Heather Morrison, Michael Letourneau, Rob Hatten and Tara Warder.

Carried

Council proceeded into closed session at 1:25 PM.

Council returned to open session at 2:08 PM.

The Warden confirmed that only the items stated in the resolution to move into closed session were discussed.

Other Business

AMO Conference Delegation Updates

Councillor Hicks spoke to the delegation from the AMO Conference with respect to broadband capacity. There is a need for robust and reliable access to broadband which is critical to business, education and health care as well as economic stability.

Councillor Woodbury spoke to the delegation on long-term care, noting that the group spoke to the County's long-term care strategies, continued support for the staffing study that recommends development of health care resources. Further discussion occurred on different staff to resident ratios, and guidance for developments and redevelopments.

Councillor Soever addressed Committee on the delegation with the Ministry of Transportation about the regional transportation strategy. There was discussion about the traffic issues on the Highway 6 and 10 corridor and Highway 26. The minister has been invited to visit Grey County to get a view of the issues being experienced.

The Warden noted that the Western Ontario Warden's Caucus had a delegation with 11 ministers and the biggest highlight was broadband.

The Warden congratulated Councillor Robinson who was elected to the Rural Caucus of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO). The Warden was also acclaimed to the County Caucus and is a part of the executive.

Notice of Motion

Councillor Milne provided a notice of motion regarding changing the start time of council meetings to 10:00 am.

Councillor Soever provided a notice of motion to include the effects of COVID-19 in the upcoming growth management study.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillors Burley and O'Leary, Committee of the Whole adjourned at 2:26 PM to the call of the Chair.

Paul McQueen, Warden

Heather Morrison, Clerk