



Agenda

Committee of the Whole

May 14, 2020 – Following Council

Electronic Participation
Council Chambers, Grey County Administration Building

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**
3. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

- a. Notice Provided by Councillor Desai – April 23, 2020

Whereas the Township of Mapleton has passed a resolution requesting that the Province conduct a review of the Farm Property Tax Class Rate Program to determine

- i. **the appropriateness of the burden of cost**
- ii. **the adequacy of funding being provided to rural municipalities to offset the costs of the program**
- iii. **economic competitiveness concerns between rural and urban residents**
- iv. **other methods to deliver the program resulting in the cost being shared by all Ontario taxpayers;**

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That the County of Grey support the resolution from the Township of Mapleton requesting the Province to conduct a review of the structure of the Farm Property Tax Class Rate Program; and

That staff be directed to forward this resolution to Minister Ernie Hardeman of the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs, MPP Bill Walker, MPP Lisa Thompson and MPP Jim Wilson prior to County Council's endorsement as per Section 25.6 of Procedural By-law 5003-18.

4. **Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion**
5. **Consent Agenda**

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. Local Planning Appeals Tribunal List (LPAT)

That the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal List (LPAT) be received for information.

- b. Correspondence from the Grey County Federation of Agriculture – Change in the Farm Property Tax Ratio

That the correspondence from the Grey County Federation of Agriculture regarding the change in the farm property tax ratio be received for information.

- c. Resolution from the Township of Armour – High Speed Internet Connectivity in Rural Ontario

That the County of Grey supports the resolution from the Township of Armour regarding high speed internet connectivity in rural Ontario.

- d. Resolution from the Municipality of Grey Highlands – Data Overage Charges

That the County of Grey supports the resolution from the Municipality of Grey Highlands regarding data overage charges.

- e. PDR-CW-20-20 Saugeen Cedar Redline Revision

That PDR-CW-20-20 regarding the Saugeen Cedar Heights East-Redline Revision – 42T-2018-09 be received, and

That all written and oral submissions received on the proposed redline revisions to plan of subdivision 42T-2018-09 were considered which helped to make an informed recommendation and decision; and

That in consideration of the revised draft plan of subdivision 42T-2018-09, and the matters to have regard for under Subsection 51(24) of the Planning Act, the County of Grey Committee of the Whole hereby approves the revised plan of subdivision on lands described as Part of Lots 11, 12, 13, and 14, Concession 1 NDR, Town of Hanover, geographic Township of Bentinck.

- f. FR-CW-12-20 Lease Financing Report as of December 31, 2019

That Report FR-CW-12-20 regarding the 2019 Lease Financing Report be received for information.

- g. FR-CW-13-20 2019 Investment Report

That Report FR-CW-13-20 regarding the 2019 Investment Report be received for information.

- h. FR-CW-14-20 2019 Development Charges Reserve Fund Statement

That Report FR-CW-14-20 regarding the 2019 Development Charges Reserve Fund Statement be received; and

That Council accepts the Treasurer's declaration that the County is in compliance with the reporting requirements of the *Development Charges Act, 1997* and any additional reporting requirements identified by the Smart Growth for our Communities Act, 2015 (Bill 73); and

That Report FR-CW-14-20 and related attachments be made available on the County's website or upon request.

- i. PDR-CW-24-20 Elder Lane Agreement

That Report PDR-CW-24-20 regarding the Elder Lane Agreement be received; and

That the agreement with Township of Chatsworth for the purposes of allowing use of a portion of the County's CP Rail Trail as a temporary access for emergency service and Township of Chatsworth vehicles to facilitate a Township bridge construction project on Elder Lane be executed; and

That subject to the approval of the agreement by the Township of Chatsworth Council, a by-law to adopt the Agreement be prepared for consideration by County Council.

6. Items For Direction and Discussion

- a. CAOR-CW-06-20 SWIFT Request for Loan Guarantee

That Report CAOR-CW-06-20 Request from SWIFT for Loan Guarantee be received; and

That in accordance with Section 25.6 of the Procedural By-law, Council direct the Warden and Clerk to sign the attached non-binding Letter of Intent (LOI) providing SWIFT (Southwestern Integrated Fibre Technology Inc.) with Grey County's intent to guarantee the loan in amount of \$2,929,000 described in the LOI ahead of Council approval; and

That a by-law be brought forward for Council's consideration authorizing the Warden and Clerk to execute the guarantee agreement and any other related documentation contemplated by the LOI or otherwise reasonably required in order to provide the guarantee described above provided that the Chief Administrative Officer and the Director of Legal Services – County Solicitor

are satisfied that such documents are substantially in compliance with the terms of the LOI and are in a form acceptable to the County.

- b. HDR-CW-04-20 Social Services Relief Fund and COVID related Housing Initiatives.

That report HDR-CW-04-20 regarding an update on the Social Services Relief Funds and COVID 19 related housing initiatives be received for information.

- c. PDR-CW-21-20 Overview of Planning Act Changes and Processing Applications During the Pandemic

That Report PDR-CW-21-20 be received which provides an overview of the recent changes to the Planning Act and the proposed process to be utilized to continue to review and process new or active planning applications during the Pandemic.

7. Closed Meeting Matters

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

- i. **Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board (*Land claim*)**
- ii. **Advice subject to solicitor – client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose (*Land claim*)**

8. Other Business

9. Notice of Motion

10. Adjournment