



Agenda

Committee of the Whole

April 27, 2023 – Following Council

Council Chambers, Grey County Administration Building

1. Call to Order
2. Declaration of Interest
3. Business Arising from the Minutes (None)
4. Delegations

10:30 AM Dave Shorey, Executive Director of Georgian College
Thank You & Student Stories

10:45 AM Heather Prescott
Provincial Changes to Uninsured Persons Program

WHEREAS the Ministry of Health found it desirable during the COVID-19 pandemic to establish temporary funding for healthcare providers to treat those without coverage under the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP); and

WHEREAS this program improved health outcomes and reduced financial hardship or barriers to healthcare for those without insurance or with lost or expired health cards in Ontario before the ministry rescinded it as of April 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS Ontario Medical Association has voiced its concern that ending this program without consultation or a better solution for Ontario's uninsured would be detrimental to those in marginalized communities, such as people experiencing homelessness, those facing language barriers or mobility issues, or newcomers, migrant workers, and international students without coverage; and

WHEREAS removing this program without further action to reduce barriers to healthcare or requirements for obtaining a health card would disproportionately affect marginalized communities at the cost of unnecessary suffering or potential

loss of human life.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the County of Grey calls on the Ministry of Health to urgently:

- a. Extend this program by the six months requested by the Ontario Medical Association to provide the opportunity for fulsome consultation with healthcare stakeholders; and**
- b. Utilize this program's experience and insight to introduce a new policy that similarly reduces stigma and barriers for those without insurance to access Ontario healthcare and obtain or maintain a health card.**

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this motion be sent to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Minister of Health, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

5. Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

6. 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. Correspondence - Minister of the Environment Conservation and Parks - Save the date - Provincial Day of Action on Litter**

That the correspondence from the Minister of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks regarding a save the date for the Provincial Day of Action on Litter held on May 9, 2023, be received for information.

- b. Correspondence - MPP Rick Byers - Increases to Homelessness Prevention Support & Connecting Long-Term Care Residents to Specialized Care and Supports - April 13, 2023**

That the correspondence from MPP Rick Byers regarding increases to homelessness prevention support and connecting Long-Term Care residents to specialized care and supports dated April 13, 2023, be received for information.

- c. FR-CW-10-23 - Quarterly Purchasing Report – Quarter 1 2023**

That report FR-CW-10-23 regarding the quarterly purchasing report for Quarter 1 of 2023 be received for information.

- d. PDR-CW-16-23 - Tyrolean Minor Exemption Application

That report PDR-CW-16-23 be received, and

That the application for a Minor Exemption under the County's Forest Management By-law for lands legally described as Part Lot 19; Concession 1, Plan 824, Part Lot 6 and RP;16R10341 Part 3, also known as 302 Grey Road 21, in the geographic Township of Collingwood, Town of The Blue Mountains, be approved.

- e. PDR-CW-18-23 - Lora Greens Plan of Subdivision Information Report

That report PDR-CW-18-23 regarding an overview of plan of subdivision application 42T-2023-03 on lands described as Concession 10 Parts Lots 35 and 36 RP;16R3168 Parts 32 through 36 (Geographic Township of Thornbury), in the Town of The Blue Mountains, be received for information.

7. Items For Direction and Discussion

- a. PDR-CW-17-23 - Plans of Subdivision and Condominium Public Meetings

That report PDR-CW-17-23 regarding the hosting of public meetings for plans of subdivision and condominium be received; and

That the report be shared with member municipalities within Grey County for their consideration; and

That staff be directed to inform municipalities and developers that County Council recommends a public meeting be held for new plans of subdivision and condominium, excluding condominium exemption applications and redline revisions, in the following circumstances:

- a. **Where there is a corresponding municipal application, such as a zoning by-law amendment, that the public meeting be included with the municipal public meeting for the municipal planning application(s), and**
- b. **Where there is no corresponding municipal application, that a separate public meeting be held; and**

That staff be directed to improve communications to the public with respect to the comments on plans of subdivision or condominium.

- b. Addendum to PDR-CW-11-23 - Grey County Additional Residential Unit Resource Guide (Student Project)

That Addendum to Report PDR-CW-11-22 regarding the University of Guelph student project entitled 'Advancing Additional Residential Units in Grey County' be received for information; and

That this report be shared with member municipalities within Grey for their information; and

That staff be directed to continue to work on additional residential unit resources which will support Grey County residents and member municipalities.

c. FR-CW-11-23 - 2023 Tax Policy

That report FR-CW-11-23 regarding 2023 property tax policy be received; and

That County Council reduce the tax ratio for the multi-residential property class from 1.441197 to 1.330900, which is one-quarter of the movement required to equalize the treatment of all residential classes; and

That County Council adopt all other 2023 tax ratios and subclass reductions for 2023 taxation; and

That the necessary By-laws be drafted for Council's consideration and approval.

- 8. Closed Meeting Matters (None)**
- 9. Other Business**
- 10. Notice of Motion**
- 11. Adjournment**