

Committee of the Whole

December 10, 2020

Grey County Council met on the above date at 10:00 AM at the County Administration Building. Warden Selwyn Hicks assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order with all members present.

Declaration of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

The following items were requested to be removed from the Consent Agenda and moved under Items for Discussion: c. PDR-CW-02-21 42T-2020-05 345/55 Balmy Beach Road Subdivision Information Report.

Consent Agenda

CW01-21 Moved by: Councillor Woodbury Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

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 the minutes of the Hanover – Owen Sound Task Force meeting dated December 1, 2020 be adopted as presented.**
- b. **That Report PDR-CW-03-21 regarding an overview of a proposed County Official Plan amendment application proposing to redesignate a portion of the subject lands from ‘Rural’ and ‘Hazard Lands’ to ‘Primary Settlement Area’ and ‘Hazard Lands’ as well as a proposed plan of subdivision application 42T-2020-09, proposing to create of total of 155 residential units, consisting of 83 single detached units, 66 townhouses and 6 partial lots on lands described as Part of Lots 225 and 226, Concession 2 SWTSR, Township of Southgate, geographic Township of Proton, be received for information.**
- c. **That Report Addendum to PDR-CW-32-20 be received; and**

That all written and oral submissions received on plan of subdivision 42T-2020-04 known as Richpark Homes were considered; the effect of which helped to make an informed recommendation and decision; and

That in consideration of the draft plan of subdivision application 42T-2020-04, for 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, the Grey County Committee of the Whole approves this plan of subdivision to create a single block subdivision (Block 1), subject to the conditions set out in the Notice of Decision, in order to utilize part lot control provisions under the Planning Act to implement a site plan that has been approved by the Town consisting of two (2) single detached dwellings and twenty-two (22) semi-detached dwellings.

- d. That Report FR-CW-01-21 Annual Indexing of Development Charges be received for information.**
- e. That Report FR-CW-03-21 regarding the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Programs be received; and**

That staff be authorized to submit the following project applications to apply for funding under the following Investing in Canada Infrastructure Programs:

- i. Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – COVID-19 Resilience Infrastructure Stream – Local Government Intake – CP Rail Trail improvements (\$201,476) and cycling and trails signage for Grey County’s cycling and trail network on County Roads (\$50,000) as identified in the County’s Cycling and Trails Master Plan;**
- ii. Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Long-Term Care Sector –**
 - a. The upgrade of the air conditioning portion of the HVAC system at Lee Manor to improve cooling and infection prevention and control, at an estimated project cost of \$650,000;**
 - b. The redevelopment of the Resident common area and Staff area on the main floor of Lee Manor at an estimated project cost of \$250,000.**

That staff be authorized to proceed with project submissions prior to County Council’s approval as per Section 25.6 (b) of the Procedural By-law 5003-18; and

That the required Transfer Payment Agreement by-laws for any successful application be brought back for Council’s consideration.

- f. **That the Local Planning Appeals Tribunal List be received for information.**
- g. **That the County of Grey support the correspondence from the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority regarding Bill 229, Protect, Support and Recover from COVID-19 Act (Budget Measures), 2020**

Carried

Items for Direction and Discussion

CCR-CW-01-21 Committee Appointments

The Clerk outlined the report, noting that an election would be required for the Committee of Management and the CAO Objectives and Evaluation Committee. She outlined the procedures for the elections and asked for the intentions of each of the members to let their names stand.

Councillors Paterson and Potter withdrew their names from the CAO Objectives and Evaluation Committee and therefore an election was no longer required.

It was noted that the Economic Development and Planning Advisory Committee does not require an election, as the terms of reference were changed at the end of 2019 to increase the committee to 7 members plus the Warden.

Main Motion

Moved by: Councillor Paterson

Seconded by: Councillor Robinson

That Report CCR-CW-01-21 be received, and the following appointments be confirmed for 2021;

That Warden Hicks be appointed to the Owen Sound Community Advisory Committee for Georgian College; and

That elections for the Economic Development and Planning Advisory Committee, Long-Term Care Committee of Management and the CAO Objectives and Evaluation Committee be voted on by single vote, using the raise hand feature in Zoom; and

That the Board of Health appointees remain for a further one-year term to provide continuity during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

That the Health Care Funding Roles and Responsibilities Task Force, Climate Change Task Force, Affordable Housing Task Force and Hanover-Owen Sound Task Force appointments continue in 2021 until the end of the respective Task Force mandates; and

That the appointments to the Agricultural Advisory Committee remain the same for 2021; and

That all other required appointments contained in Report CCR-CW-01-21 be endorsed.

Amendment

CW02-21 Moved by: Councillor Paterson Seconded by: Councillor Robinson

That the motion be amended to reflect that:

Councillor Desai be appointed as the alternate for the Grey County Federation of Agriculture; and

That the requirement for an election to the Economic Development and Planning Advisory Committee and CAO Performance Evaluation Committee be removed; and

That the following be appointed to the Long-Term Care Committee of Management: Councillors Clumpus, Burley, O'Leary, Mackey, Robinson and Woodbury; and

That the following be appointed to the CAO Performance Evaluation Committee: Councillors Milne, Hutchinson, Desai and Boddy.

Carried

Main Motion as Amended

CW03-21 Moved by: Councillor Seconded by: Councillor

That Report CCR-CW-01-21 be received, and the following appointments be confirmed for 2021;

That Warden Hicks be appointed to the Owen Sound Community Advisory Committee for Georgian College; and

That the election for the Long-Term Care Committee of Management be voted on by single vote, using the raise hand feature in Zoom; and

That the Board of Health appointees remain for a further one-year term to provide continuity during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

That the Health Care Funding Roles and Responsibilities Task Force, Climate Change Task Force, Affordable Housing Task Force and Hanover-Owen Sound Task Force appointments continue in 2021 until the end of the respective Task Force mandates; and

That the appointments to the Agricultural Advisory Committee remain the same for 2021; and

That Councillor Desai be appointed as alternate for the Grey County Federation of Agriculture; and

That the following be appointed to the Long-Term Care Committee of Management: Councillors Clumpus, Burley, O'Leary, Mackey, Robinson and Woodbury; and

That the following be appointed to the CAO Performance Evaluation Committee: Councillors Milne, Hutchinson, Desai and Boddy; and

That all other required appointments contained in Report CCR-CW-01-21 be endorsed.

Carried

Delegations

Trent Gervais, President / CEO – Loomex – Wiarnton Keppel International Airport

Savanna Myers introduced Trent Gervais. Mr. Gervais addressed the Committee on the Wiarnton Keppel International airport and spoke to the potential for regionalization opportunities with the airport.

He outlined the objectives that would stem from regionalization, including a move to a business model in order to become self-sustaining and relieve the burden of cost from the taxpayers of the Township.

Mr. Gervais provided background information on the Wiarnton Keppel International Airport, noting that it has potential for a runway expansion, offers customs services, and a 24-hour weather observer on site, among other opportunities. The benefits of being in Wiarnton were outlined.

Further information on aviation related opportunities were highlighted.

Questions were addressed from the Committee regarding the former partnership with Town of the South Bruce Peninsula and the importance of location in the success of an airport.

EDTC-CW-01-21 Regional Airport Study

CW04-21 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Carleton

That Report EDTC-CW-01-21 regarding a Regional Airport Study be received; and

That staff be directed to contract Loomex to proceed with a Regional Airport Study prior to the 2021 Budget approval; and

That Grey County contribute \$10,000 towards the Regional Airport Study to be funded from the 2021 Economic Development - Reports and Studies budget line, with the remainder to be funded by Georgian Bluffs and RTO7; and

That the study and accompanying report be brought back for Council consideration in early 2021 prior to a decision on County involvement; and

That action commences prior to County Council approval as per Section 25.6 (b) of Procedural By-law 5003-18 as amended.

Carried

Chad Richards, Director – Clean Energy Frontier Program, Nuclear Innovation Institute – Clean Energy Frontier Program

Savanna Myers introduced Chad Richards from the Nuclear Innovation Institute.

Mr. Richards addressed the Committee on the Clean Energy Frontier Program. He provided background information on the Institute and the Clean Energy Frontier Program. He outlined the goals of the program, including promoting the region as Canada's Clean Energy Frontier and educating residents, businesses, non-governmental organizations, and decision – makers on the critical role that the Clean Energy Frontier has in a clean energy future.

Mr. Richards asked the Committee to consider adopting a resolution that would recognize Grey County as being part of the Clean Energy Frontier Program.

Mr. Richards addressed questions from the Committee.

Staff indicated they will be bringing forward a report with a proposed resolution to become part of the program in early 2021.

Addendum to FR-CW-21-20 Proposed Amendments to Development Charges By-laws

CW05-21 Moved by: Councillor O'Leary Seconded by: Councillor Potter

That Report Addendum to FR-CW-21-20 be received, and that the proposed changes to the County's Development Charges By-laws be supported as it relates to exempting purpose-built rental housing apartments, non-profit housing, and detached additional dwelling units, along with some other minor changes; and

That by-laws to accordingly amend the Development Charge By-laws (#4949-16 and #4950-16) and an accompanying policy to implement the changes be brought forward for Council's consideration; and

That the further revisions that have been made to the proposed Development Charges By-laws are minor in nature and therefore an additional public meeting is not required as per subsection 12(3) of the Development Charges Act.

Carried

Addendum 2 to PDR-CW-14-19 Update on Changes to the Endangered Species Act

CW06-21 Moved by: Councillor Carleton Seconded by: Councillor McQueen

That Addendum # 2 to Report PDR-CW-14-19 regarding an overview of the ‘Species at Risk Conservation Fund’ be received, and

That Addendum # 2 to Report PDR-CW-14-19 be forwarded onto the Province of Ontario as the County of Grey’s comments on the proposed changes regarding Environmental Registry through posting # 019-2636, and

That the Report be shared with member municipalities and conservation authorities having jurisdiction within Grey County; and

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

Carried

PDR-CW-04-21 Next Generation 911 and Primary Public Safety Answering Point

CW07-21 Moved by: Councillor Woodbury Seconded by: Councillor O’Leary

That Report PDR-CW-04-21 be received which provides an overview of the Next Generation 911 preparedness requirements; and

That staff be directed to enter into negotiations with Owen Sound Police Services, Grey County’s current Primary Public Safety Answering Point service provider, and to bring back a draft contract renewal agreement for Council’s consideration.

Carried

CAOR-CW-01-21 Community Transportation Accessible Service

CW08-21 Moved by: Councillor Hutchinson Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

That report CAOR-CW-01-21 Community Transportation Accessible Service be received, and;

That the GTR accessible parallel service, as outlined in this report, commence operation in 2021.

Carried

PDR-CW-02-21 42T-2020-05 345/55 Balmy Beach Subdivision Information Report

CW09-21 Moved by: Councillor Milne Seconded by: Councillor McQueen

That Report PDR-CW-02-21 regarding an overview of proposed plan of subdivision application 42T-2020-05, consisting of six (6) single detached lots on lands described as Plan 447 Part Lot 51, Lot 52, Lot 52A, in the Township of Georgian Bluffs (geographic Township of Sarawak), be received for information.

Carried

Councillor Soever requested a recorded vote.

In Favour: S. Mackey 3, B. Gamble 3, D. Burley 6, S. Carleton 5, P. McQueen 5, A. Desai 5, S. Paterson 3, S. Hicks 3, B. Clumpus 6, S. Keaveney 5, J. Woodbury 3, B. Milne 3, C. Robinson 6, T. Hutchinson 5.

Opposed: I. Boddy 8, B. O'Leary 8, A. Soever 7, R. Potter 6.

The motion Carried 61-29.

Closed Meeting Matters

CW10-21 Moved by: Councillor Clumpus Seconded by: Councillor Milne

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

- i. **A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board** (*Patrol D*)
- ii. **Advice subject to solicitor – client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose** (*PDR-CW-01-21 Tabera / Alta Phase 2 – LPAT Matter*)
- iii. **Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board** (*PDR-CW-01-20 Tabera / Alta Phase 2 – LPAT Matter*)

That the following staff remain in attendance: Kim Wingrove, Heather Morrison, Randy Scherzer, Michael Letourneau, Steve Dollmaier, Sharon Melville, Scott Taylor, Pat Hoy, Rob Hatten and Tara Warder.

Carried

Council proceeded into closed session at 1:22 PM.

Council returned to open session at 1:52 PM.

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

Other Business

Correspondence from SWIFT – 2021 SWIFT Board Member Representation

Two members expressed interest in sitting on the SWIFT Board, being Warden Hicks and Councillor McQueen.

Heather Morrison outlined the procedures for the election and each member spoke to their qualifications. An election using the raise hand feature was then held.

CW11-21 Moved by: Councillor Milne Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

That the County of Grey reappoint Selwyn Hicks to the SWIFT Board for a two-year term, ending at the 2023 Annual General meeting.

Carried

Ontario Good Roads Association - Call for Nominations for the Board of Directors Two Year Term (*Deadline is December 18, 2020*)

No members put forward their name to sit on the board.

Councillor Desai spoke to issues of speed enforcement and safety concerns outside of Flesherton along Grey Road 32. Transportation Services is looking at the issue, and Councillor Desai will raise the subject and the use of traffic calming measures as Council moves into budget deliberations in January.

Notice of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillors Burley and Hutchinson, Committee of the Whole adjourned at 2:15 PM to the call of the Chair.

Selwyn Hicks, Warden

Heather Morrison, Clerk