
Committee of the Whole

January 10, 2019

Grey County Council met on the above date at 9:44 AM at the County Administration Building. Warden Selwyn Hicks assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order with all members present except Councillor McQueen.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Desai declared a potential indirect pecuniary interest on the Committee Agenda dated January 10, 2019, Item Number 6. a. regarding PDR-CW-01-19 Coffin Ridge Official Plan Amendment for the following reason: on the basis that his domestic partner is a senior employee of the applicant.

Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

The following items were requested to be removed from the Consent Agenda and moved under Items for Discussion: b and c.

Consent Agenda

CW10-19 Moved by: Councillor Clumpus Seconded by: Councillor Milne

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:

- i. **That the Habitat for Humanity Grey Bruce correspondence dated December 3, 2018 regarding affordable housing be received for information.**
- ii. **That the Joint Public Meeting minutes regarding Official Plan Amendment 144 dated December 10, 2018 be adopted as presented.**
- iii. **That the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (LPAT) List be received for information.**

Carried

Delegations

Cannabis Retail Outlet Considerations

Lynda Bumstead, Tim Duivesteyn, and Paige Mackie from Grey Bruce Health Unit presented on Cannabis Retail Outlet Considerations.

Ms. Mackie provided a summary of cannabis in Ontario, Public Health's concerns, and how cannabis can be obtained. Mr. Duivesteyn discussed financial implications and municipal retail considerations. It was noted that public health could be a resource for municipalities who wish to develop stricter by-laws or education campaigns.

Discussion occurred on consumption, household plants, and enforcement options. Further discussion occurred on individuals who may have federal permits for medical marijuana, which may affect municipalities.

Staff noted that the existing smoke free by-law will be brought back to County Council and that staff will work with public health when reviewing the by-law.

Local Labour Market Plan

Gemma Mendez-Smith, Executive Director Four County Labour Market Planning Board, presented on the Local Labour Market Plan.

Ms. Mendez-Smith noted that the goals of the Labour Market Planning Board are to continue to help individuals develop skills, to help increase the labour force participation rate, and to work with employers on employee retention.

Councillor McQueen joined the meeting.

Ms. Mendez-Smith noted the overarching labour market issues, including the shrinking labour force, the participation rates, the aging population, migration statistics, and the low unemployment rate. She highlighted the EmployerOne Survey results, including hiring trends and retention trends. She stated that the area needs to grow the workforce.

Discussion occurred regarding transportation challenges. Ms. Mendez-Smith noted that transportation, affordable housing, and child care are barriers for the labour force.

Ms. Mendez-Smith provided information on the Labour Market Planning Board's current projects and future strategies, being connect2skills, employee survey, hospitality and tourism career map, and soft skills profiles.

Discussion occurred regarding growing the workforce through a three pronged approach: first by focusing on the individuals already in our communities, second by repatriation of people who have left the area, and third by looking at migration. Ms. Mendez-Smith noted that sector specific engagement of employers is important.

The EmployerOne survey is available until January 31, 2019 at www.planningboard.ca. Ms. Mendez-Smith encouraged employers to fill this in and pass the information along to other employers. Councillor Keaveney noted that if a municipality has 20 or more responses in their area then they will receive specific data back.

Committee recessed briefly then reconvened.

Items for Direction and Discussion

PDR-CW-01-19 Coffin Ridge Official Plan Amendment Merit Report – Meaford

Councillor Desai left the meeting during discussion of this item related to his earlier declaration of pecuniary interest.

CW11-19 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Woodbury

That Report PDR-CW-01-19 regarding a proposed County Official Plan Amendment be received; and

That the proposal proceeds to a Public Meeting to consider an amendment to the County of Grey Official Plan on lands designated ‘Agricultural’, to permit an agricultural severance where the minimum lot area of both the retained and severed will be less than 40 hectares, for the lands described as Part Lot 32, Concession 3 (599448 2nd Concession North), geographic Township of Sydenham, in the Municipality of Meaford, provided the Municipality is prepared to hold a joint public meeting in consideration of the necessary local amendment requirements.

Carried

Councillor Desai joined the meeting.

PDR-CW-03-19 Long Point Road Plan of Subdivision Information Report – Town of the Blue Mountains

CW12-19 Moved by: Councillor Mackey Seconded by: Councillor Boddy

That Report PDR-CW-03-19 regarding an overview of proposed plan of subdivision application 42T-2018-14, consisting of twenty-two (22) residential parcels on lands described as Parts 4 and 5, Lot 85, Plan 529, RP 16R-2186, Town of The Blue Mountains, geographic Township of Collingwood, be received for information.

Carried

Addendum to PDR-CW-41-18 Wally Schaus Official Plan Amendment Merit Report – West Grey

CW13-19 Moved by: Councillor Robinson Seconded by: Councillor McQueen

That all written and oral submissions on Official Plan Amendment Number 144 were considered and helped to make an informed recommendation and decision; and

That Addendum to Report PDR-CW-41-18 be received, and that Amendment Number 144 to consider an amendment to the County of Grey Official Plan on lands designated 'Agricultural' and 'Hazard Lands', to permit a surplus farm dwelling severance within 500 metres of the Primary Settlement Area boundary of the Town of Hanover, for the lands described as Lot 5,6,7 Concession SDR (301138 Knappville Road), geographic Township of Bentinck, Municipality of West Grey, be supported, and a by-law to adopt the County Official Plan Amendment be prepared for consideration by County Council.

Carried

PDR-CW-05-19 Grey County Comments on Bill 66

CW14-19 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Woodbury

That Report PDR-CW-05-19 regarding an overview of proposed *Bill 66, Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act* be received, and

That Report PDR-CW-05-19 be forwarded onto the Province of Ontario as the County of Grey's comments on the proposed legislation posted on the Environmental Registry through posting # 013-4293, and

That the Report be shared with member municipalities within Grey County.

Carried

PDR-CW-06-19 Ridge Estates Plan of Subdivision and Condominium Information Report –Town of the Blue Mountains

CW15-19 Moved by: Councillor Milne Seconded by: Councillor Bartnicki

That Report PDR-CW-06-19 be received for information which provides an overview of proposed plan of subdivision and condominium applications 42T-2018-13A and 42-CDM-2018-13B, consisting of thirty-one (31) single detached residential parcels and a private recreational facility to be accessed by a proposed condominium road on lands described as Block 38, Registered Plan 16M-24, Town of The Blue Mountains, geographic Township of Collingwood.

Carried

PDR-CW-07-19 Southgate Meadows Plan of Subdivision Information Report

CW16-19 Moved by: Councillor Keaveney Seconded by: Councillor Carleton

That Report PDR-CW-07-19 regarding an overview of proposed plan of subdivision application 42T-2018-12, proposing a total of 153 residential units, consisting of 127 single detached units, 26 townhouse units and 1 block set aside for 3 potential future residential units on lands described as

Part of Lots 227 and 228, Concession 2 SWTSR, Township of Southgate, geographic Township of Proton, be received for information.

Carried

PDR-CW-08-19 Proposed Amendments to the Grand River Source Protection Plan - Southgate

CW17-19 Moved by: Councillor Milne Seconded by: Councillor Hutchinson

That Report PDR-CW-08-19 be received which provides an overview of proposed amendments to the Grand River Source Protection Plan as a result of the Township of Southgate adding a new municipal well within the settlement area of Dundalk; and

That Council hereby supports in principle the proposed amendments to the Grand River Source Protection Plan as per subsection 34(3) of the *Clean Water Act*, 2006 which allows the Grand River Source Protection Authority to proceed with formal public consultation on the proposed amendments.

Carried

PDR-CW-09-19 Markdale CP Rail Trail Parking Lot – Local Official Plan Amendment and Zoning By-law Amendment – Grey Highlands

CW18-19 Moved by: Councillor Desai Seconded by: Councillor Bartnicki

That Report PDR-CW-09-19 be received which provides an overview of a potential opportunity to utilize a portion of the Markdale CP Rail Trail Parking Lot for a future affordable housing build; and

That support be provided in principle to proceed with a local official plan amendment and zoning by-law amendment in cooperation with the Municipality of Grey Highlands to redesignate and rezone the Markdale CP Rail Trail Parking Lot; and

That staff be directed to investigate this opportunity further and to bring back a report which would identify any further requirements to offer these lands for the construction of affordable housing units.

Carried

TR-CW-02-19 RFT-TS-40-18 Award of Four Tandem Trucks

Councillor Milne declared a potential pecuniary interest on the Committee Agenda dated January 10, 2019, Item Number 6. i. regarding TR-CW-02-19 Award of Four Tandem Trucks for the following reason: a family member is employed by Viking-Cives Ltd.

Councillor Milne did not participate in the discussion or voting related to TR-CW-02-19.

CW19-19 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Desai

That Report TR-CW-02-19 be received and that RFT-TS-40-18 for four tandem trucks be awarded to Team Truck Centres for the bid amount of \$1,455,600.00 exclusive of HST.

Carried

CAOR-CW-01-19 Recommendations for Public Members of the Tourism Advisory Committee

CW20-19 Moved by: Councillor Woodbury Seconded by: Councillor Gamble

That the following public members be appointed as public members of the Grey County Tourism Advisory Committee for the term 2019-2022:

- i. Joel Dawson
- ii. Jim Diebel
- iii. Jim Halliday
- iv. Andrea O'Reilly
- v. Andrew Siegart

Carried

The Committee recessed and then reconvened.

HDR-CW-01-19 Request for Short Term Financial Assistance with an Affordable Housing Build

CW21-19 Moved by: Councillor Woodbury Seconded by: Councillor Hutchinson

That report HDR-CW-01-19 be received and that financial assistance be granted to the Owen Sound Housing Company Limited for the further development of the "Odawa Heights" rental housing development located at 2239 8th Avenue East, Owen Sound by way of a loan in the amount of \$330,000 for a term ending July 31, 2019 with interest payable at an annual rate of 2%; and

That an agreement be prepared between the Owen Sound Housing Company Limited and Grey County in respect of this loan, which agreement shall include the registration of a charge against the project land to secure its repayment; and

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

Carried

FR-CW-03-19 2018 Housing Write Off of Uncollectible Accounts

CW22-19 Moved by: Councillor Paterson Seconded by: Councillor Clumpus

That Report FR-CW-03-19 titled 2018 Housing Write Off of Uncollectible Accounts be received; and

That the recommended write offs in the amount of \$21,470.93 as outlined in the report be approved.

Carried

Municipal Property Assessment Corporation Correspondence dated December 14, 2018

CW23-19 Moved by: Councillor Desai Seconded by: Councillor Bartnicki

That the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation correspondence dated December 14, 2018 regarding the 2018 Year-End Assessment Report be received for information.

Carried

Local Authority Services (LAS) Correspondence dated December 10, 2018

CW24-19 Moved by: Councillor Desai Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

That the Local Authority Services (LAS) correspondence dated December 10, 2018 regarding the LAS Natural Gas Program – 2016-2017 Period Reserve Fund Rebate be received for information.

Carried

Other Business

There was no other business.

Notice of Motion

There was no Notice of Motion.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillors Burley and Milne, Committee of the Whole adjourned at 1:46 PM to the call of the Chair.

Selwyn Hicks, Warden

Heather Morrison, Clerk