Grey County Council met at the call of the Clerk for the inaugural session on Tuesday evening, December 3, 2013 at 7:30 PM. The meeting was held in the County of Grey Council Chambers at the County Administration Building, Owen Sound.

Former Grey County wardens and directors of the County met in the Seminar Room and entered the Council Chambers.

Invited guests and County staff were also in attendance.

The processional of County Councillors then entered the chambers.

Sharon Vokes, County Clerk/Director of Council Services welcomed those in attendance and provided opening comments. The Clerk presided over the inaugural session and called the meeting to order.

Guests were invited to join council members in prayer and to observe a moment of silent reflection.

The Roll was called by the Clerk with all members present except Councillors Fitzgerald, Haswell and Anderson.

Election of Warden

\textit{CC01-14} \hspace{1em} \text{Moved by: Councillor Maskell} \hspace{1em} \text{Seconded by: Councillor Greenfield}

\textbf{THAT the Warden of the County of Grey be elected for a one year term in accordance with By-law 4821-13, being the County’s Procedural By-law and Section 233 (1) of the \textit{Municipal Act, 2001}.}

Carried

The Clerk outlined the procedures for the election of the warden as set out in the \textit{Municipal Act, 2001} and the County’s procedural by-law.

The Clerk stated that nominations for warden of the County of Grey for the next term were in order and nominations were received as follows:

\textit{CC02-14} \hspace{1em} \text{Moved by: Councillor Wright} \hspace{1em} \text{Seconded by: Councillor Bell}
THAT Brian Milne be nominated for the Warden for the County of Grey

Moved by: Councillor Richardson  Seconded by: Councillor White

THAT Alan Barfoot be nominated for the Warden for the County of Grey

Carried

On motion of Councillor Greenfield, nominations closed.

At the conclusion of nominations, the Clerk asked the intentions of each candidate to run for the office of warden for which they had been nominated.

Councillor Milne indicated his desire to stand for the position of warden for 2014. Councillor Barfoot thanked his nominator and seconder, but declined to have his name stand for Warden at this time.

Councillor Wright and Councillor Bell the nominators for Councillor Milne spoke on his behalf.

Councillor Milne was acclaimed as Warden of the County of Grey for 2014.

Swearing in of Warden

Mrs. Vokes administered the Declaration of Office to Warden Milne pursuant to the requirements of Section 232 of The Municipal Act, 2001 and offered her congratulations to the new warden.

Presentation of the Chain of Office

Past Warden Duncan McKinlay was invited to the front of the Chambers where he congratulated Warden Milne and presented him with the chain of office.

Presentation of Gavel

The Clerk presented Warden Milne with the gavel and invited him to assume the chair for the balance of the proceedings.

Warden’s Address

Warden Milne presented his opening address to Council.
CC03-14 Moved by: Councillor McKinlay  Seconded by: Councillor Eccles

THAT the Warden’s Address be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.

Carried

Warden’s Remarks and Introductions

Warden Milne expressed his appreciation to the members of County Council for their support and thanked his nominators. Warden Milne introduced his family members, friends, council members and staff of the Township of Southgate.

Remarks by Guest


Adjournment

Warden Milne thanked everyone for attending and announced that a reception would be held in the Seminar Room immediately following the session and invited all present to attend.

On motion of Councillor Pringle, Council adjourned until Tuesday January 7, 2014 at 10:00 AM.

Council closed with O Canada sung by the Georgian Bay Children’s Choir.

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Brian Milne, Warden  Sharon Vokes, County Clerk