



# Corporation of the County of Grey Committee Minutes

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## Corporate Services Committee Minutes October 23, 2012 – 10:00 a.m.

The Corporate Services Committee met on the above date at the County Administration Building with the following members in attendance:

Present: Chair Kevin Eccles; Councillors Dwight Burley, Norman Jack, Paul McQueen, Bob Pringle, Francis Richardson, Bob White, Arlene Wright; and Warden McKinlay

### Staff

Present: Lance Thurston, Chief Administrative Officer; Sharon Vokes, County Clerk/Director of Council Services; Kevin Wepler, Director of Finance; Grant McLevy, Director of Human Resources; Geoff Hogan, Director of Information Technology; Rod Wyatt, Director of Housing; Heather Morrison, Deputy Clerk/Records Manager; Tara Warder, Committee Coordinator and Merrylynn Henry, Recording Secretary.

### Call to Order

Vice Chair Wright called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Mrs. Vokes introduced Tara Warder who has joined the County as the Committee Co-ordinator in the Clerk's Department.

Chair Eccles joined the meeting and took the chair.

### Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There was none.

### Minutes of Meetings

*Space Needs Review Task Force minutes dated September 25, 2012*

The Space Needs Review Task Force minutes were reviewed.

**CS113-12** Moved by: Councillor Pringle

Seconded by: Councillor Burley

**THAT the minutes of the Space Needs Review Task Force minutes dated September 25, 2012 be approved as presented.**

Carried

### Business Arising from the Minutes

*Corporate Services Committee minutes dated September 25, 2012*

These minutes are for information only as they were adopted by Grey County Council on October 2, 2012.

## Closed Meeting Matters

The Chair advised that the Committee will go into closed meeting at 10:20 a.m. for consideration of certain matters.

**CS114-12** Moved by: Councillor Wright Seconded by: Councillor Richardson

**THAT the Corporate Services Committee do now go into closed session to discuss:**

- i) the pending disposition of land by the municipality of the Grey County-owned former Owen Sound Jail site and to seek direction on a negotiating position regarding the conveyance of the Jail property; and
- ii) the litigation or potential litigation including matters before the administrative tribunals, and advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege regarding the legal proceedings of Ferguson vs. County of Grey.
- iii) adoption of closed meeting minutes of August 28, 2012

**AND THAT the following staff members remain in attendance: Lance Thurston, Sharon Vokes, Kevin Wepler, Grant McLevy, Geoff Hogan, Rod Wyatt, Heather Morrison, Tara Warder and Merrylynn Henry, Recording Secretary.**

Carried

**CS115-12** Moved by: Councillor Pringle Seconded by: Councillor White

**THAT the Committee do now return to open session at 11:05 a.m.**

Carried

The Committee returned to open meeting at 11:05 a.m.

The Chair confirmed that the Committee discussed only those matters identified in motion CS114-12 above.

### *County-owned former Owen Sound Jail - Transfer to City of Owen Sound*

**CS116-12** Moved by: Councillor Pringle Seconded by: Councillor White

**THAT the County proceed with a Phase 1 Environmental Assessment on the former Owen Sound Jail site.**

Carried

### *Invitation to Prayer*

**CS117-12** Moved by: Councillor Wright Seconded by: Councillor Richardson

**THAT the invitation to participate in the non-sectarian prayer and moment of**

reflection provide that members of the council and the public may stand or remain seated.

Carried

Committee recessed briefly and then reconvened.

## Reports – Clerk’s Department

### *CCR-CS-53-12 – Smoke Free Outdoor Spaces*

Mrs. Morrison presented Report CCR-CS-53-12 regarding Smoke Free Outdoor Spaces and provided an overview of the responses received further to Council’s direction to seek comments from lower tier municipalities regarding its motion as endorsed by Council on May 1, 2012 regarding the development and implementation of a new smoke free outdoor spaces County by-law.

Mrs. Morrison reported that all responses received support the rescinding of the County’s By-law 3942-02 as it is a duplication of the Smoke Free Ontario Act.

**CS118-12** Moved by: Councillor Richardson                      Seconded by: Councillor White

**WHEREAS the Smoke Free Ontario Act became law in 2006;**

**AND WHEREAS the current Grey County By-law 3942-02, a by-law to regulate smoking in indoor public places and workplaces is now redundant as virtually all areas are covered under the Smoke Free Ontario Act;**

**AND WHEREAS support has been received from the lower tier municipalities of Grey County supporting the rescinding of By-law 3942-02 supporting the two thirds majority requirement under the Municipal Act 2001;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-Law 3942-02 be rescinded;**

Carried

**CC19-13** *Having achieved two-thirds majority support, moved on the floor of the February 5, 2013 session of Grey County Council: THAT Grey County Council reconsider renewing discussions related to Smoke Free Outdoor Spaces*

**CS119-12** *Amended on the floor of the November 6, 2012 session of Grey County Council to add that correspondence be forwarded do the Minister of Heath and Long-Term Care requesting the Province of Ontario to act to deal with amendments to Smoke Free Ontario Act addressing smoke free outdoor spaces*

**CS119-12** Moved by: Warden McKinlay                      Seconded by: Councillor White

**WHEREAS a request has been received from the Grey Bruce Health Unit (GBHU) that the County of Grey consider implementing a County-wide Smoke Free Outdoor Spaces by-law;**

**AND WHEREAS Grey County Council supported the circulation of a resolution to the lower tier municipalities within Grey County outlining proposed inclusions in a Smoke Free Outdoor Spaces by-law;**

**AND WHEREAS the responses received on the development of a Smoke Free Outdoor Spaces has been mixed with responses ranging from non support to full support to requests for public meetings prior to deliberating on a Smoke Free Outdoor Spaces by-law;**

**AND WHEREAS the Smoke Free Ontario Act regulates smoking within the Province of Ontario;**

**AND WHEREAS a change in legislation regarding outdoor spaces would be most appropriately dealt with by an amendment to the Smoke Free Ontario Act;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the County of Grey take no further action on a County wide smoke free outdoor spaces by-law.**

Carried

*Upcoming Inaugural – Swearing In Ceremony*

Mrs. Vokes addressed the upcoming Inaugural. In this regard, she noted the difficulties in the past of booking a judge/justice of the peace to perform the swearing in ceremony and asked for Committee's concurrence to have the swearing in performed by a judge/justice of the peace in an election year and by the Clerk in the other years. The Committee concurred with the request.

**Reports – Finance Department**

*FR-CS-36-12 – 2012 Assessment Update*

Mr. Wepler presented Report FR-CS-36-12 regarding 2012 Assessment Update and provided an overview of assessment values and property tax increases, reassessment impact and in particular farmland assessment impact.

**CS120-12** Moved by: Councillor McQueen

Seconded by: Councillor Jack

**THAT Report FR-CS-36-12 regarding the 2012 Assessment Update be received.**

Carried

**Correspondence**

*City of Greater Sudbury dated August 14, 2012 – Creating an Accessible Ontario*

**CS121-12** Moved by: Councillor White

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

**THAT the resolution of the Council of the City of Greater Sudbury dated August 14, 2012 regarding Creating an Accessible Ontario and requesting the Province to remove or reduce barriers to accessibility by creating specific funding programs and grant opportunities in support of accessibility be supported.**

Carried

*Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration dated September 2012 – Call for Nominations for nominations for the June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Award for Voluntarism in Ontario*

**CS122-12** Moved by: Councillor Pringle

Seconded by: Councillor Richardson

**THAT the correspondence from the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration dated September 2012 regarding the Call for Nominations for the June Callwood Outstanding Achievement Award for Voluntarism in Ontario be received.**

Carried

### **Next Meeting Dates**

Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.

On motion by Councillor Burley the meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Councillor Eccles, Chair