Grey County Council met at the call of the Warden on the above date at 9:30 AM at the County Administration Building. The Clerk called Council to order and Warden Paul McQueen assumed the Chair.

The Warden invited members of Council to join him in O Canada.

The Warden requested a moment of silence for the lives of the Canadians whose lives were lost on flight 752 from Tehran to Kiev.

The Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Alternate Councillor Harold Fleet who was then sworn in.

The Roll was then called by the Clerk with all members present except Councillors Barb Clumpus, Shirley Keaveney, Odette Bartnicki and Sue Paterson. Alternate Councillors Ross Kentner, Rob Potter and Harold Fleet were in attendance on behalf of Councillors Clumpus, Bartnicki and Paterson respectively.

Kim Wingrove, Chief Administrative Officer; Heather Morrison, Clerk; and Tara Warder, Deputy Clerk/Legislative Coordinator were also in attendance.

The following staff members were in attendance:

Kevin Weppler, Director of Corporate Services; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Housing; Barbara Fedy, Director of Social Services; Pat Hoy, Director of Transportation Services; Randy Scherzer, Director of Planning and Development; Kevin McNab, Director of Paramedic Services; Michael Letourneau, Director of Legal Services-County Solicitor; Jennifer Cornell, Director of Long-Term Care; Savanna Myers, Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Culture; Grant McLevy, Senior Manager of Human Resources; and Jody MacEachern, Senior Manager of Information Technology.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Adoption of Minutes


CC13-20  Moved by: Councillor Boddy     Seconded by: Councillor Burley

That the minutes of the County Council meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting dated December 12, 2019 and the resolutions contained therein be adopted as presented.

Carried

CC14-20  Moved by: Councillor O'Leary     Seconded by: Councillor Desai

That the County Council closed meeting minutes dated December 12, 2019 be adopted as provided to County Council.

Carried

CC15-20  Moved by: Councillor Gamble     Seconded by: Councillor Fleet

That the Long-Term Care Committee of Management minutes dated December 10, 2019 and the resolutions contained therein, be adopted as presented:

i. That report LTCR-CM-01-20 regarding the proposed 2020 Long-Term Care budgets be received; and
   That the 2020 Long-Term Care budgets, as presented, be forwarded to County Council as part of the overall corporate budget package for consideration.

ii. That Report LTCR-CM-02-20 titled 2019 Long Term Care Write Off of Uncollectible Accounts be received; and
   That the recommended write offs in the amount of $12,867 as outlined in the report be approved.

Carried

Closed Meeting Matters
There was no closed meeting held.

Reports

Board of Health

CC16-20  Moved by: Councillor Desai     Seconded by: Councillor Robinson

That the Board Report dated December 2019 and the Board of Health minutes dated November 22, 2019 be received for information.

Carried
Board of Health Appointments Discussion

Warden McQueen and Heather Morrison spoke to the Board of Health appointment and the resolution passed by County Council in July 2019 which endorsed the membership remaining the same until the earlier of potential amalgamation of the subject health units or December 2020. Heather Morrison noted that if members wish for the existing membership to change, reconsideration would be required.

Council discussed the provision of alternates for the Board of Health, and it was noted that at this time there is no provision for alternate membership on the Board of Health. The Board of Health is considered a local board under the Municipal Act.

The benefits of having the Warden on the Board were noted.

It was noted that Councillor Hicks and Warden McQueen will discuss options for the appointment and further direction provided.

By-Laws

CC17-20 Moved by: Councillor Carleton Seconded by: Councillor Soever

That By-Laws 5074-20 and 5075-20 be introduced and that they be taken as read a first, second and third time, finally passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and engrossed in the By-law book.

5074-20 A By-law to Adopt a Policy to Guide the Procurement of Goods and Services for the County of Grey

5075-20 A By-law to Authorize the Warden and Clerk to Execute a Contribution Agreement through the Ontario Housing Priorities Initiative and the Canada Ontario Community Housing Initiative with the Owen Sound Housing Company Limited for an Affordable Housing Project.

Carried

Good News and Celebrations

Councillor Desai noted that the Mayor’s Levy will be held on January 11, 2020 at the Flesherton Library at 1:00 pm.

Councillor Robinson congratulated Grey Bruce Farmer’s week sponsors, attendees, and volunteers. Further, the Durham Art Gallery will have an exhibit opening on January 11, 2020 entitled First Train/Last Train, curated by West Grey Councillor Geoffrey Shea,
Anna Gruda, Mark Mariash and Tony Massett. West Grey is now online with Twitter and Facebook.

Councillor Soever noted that the Town of the Blue Mountains held a Council Levee on January 4, 2020 and presented the Reekie family with a certificate for their contributions to agriculture in the Blue Mountains. The Levee was a well-attended event which included public skating.

Warden McQueen attended the Santa Claus parades in Chatsworth and Holstein.

Adjournment

On motion by Councillors Desai and Mackey, Council adjourned at 10:03 AM to the call of the Warden.

Paul McQueen, Warden  Heather Morrison, Clerk