

## Social Services Committee June 25, 2015 – 10:00 AM

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

Present: Chair Dwight Burley; Councillors Scott Mackey, Stewart Halliday, Selwyn Hicks, Barb Clumpus, Ian Boddy, Anna-Marie Fosbrooke, Gail Ardiel and John Bell; and Warden Kevin Eccles

### Staff

Present: Sharon Vokes, Acting Chief Administrative Officer; Barb Fedy, Director of Social Services; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Housing; Lynne Johnson, Director of Long-Term Care; Kevin Wepler, Director of Finance; Doug Johnstone, Financial Analyst; Sandra Manser, Accounting Supervisor; Kathryn MacMurdo, Children's Services Manager; Jennifer Cornell, Administrator; Renate Cowan, Administrator; Karen Kraus, Administrator; Aaron Whitney, Technical Supervisor and Tara Warder, Committee Coordinator

## Call to Order

Chair Burley called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

## Adoption of the Agenda

SSC59-15 Moved by: Warden Eccles                      Seconded by: Councillor Halliday

**THAT the Social Services Committee agenda dated June 25, 2015 be adopted as presented.**

Carried

## Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There was none.

## Business Arising from the Minutes

## *Social Services Committee minutes dated May 13, 2015*

These minutes are for information only as they were adopted by Grey County Council on June 2, 2015.

## Deputations

### *Getting Ahead Graduates*

Jill Umbach provided information on the Getting Ahead program and spoke to the issues around the lack of transportation and housing. The causes of poverty were outlined, as well as the vital resources needed to achieve a sustainable community. Ms. Umbach provided highlights of other agencies and organizations that assist individuals with getting out of poverty.

The possibility of partnering with the education and business communities were discussed.

Ms. Umbach noted that program staff follow up with graduates at six months.

The Committee congratulated the graduates on their achievements.

## Social Services Committee Summary 2016-2020

The Committee considered the summary.

## Reports – Social Services

### *SSR-SS-10-15 Social Services Draft 2016-2020 Five Year Capital Forecast*

Barb Fedy presented the above noted report.

Discussion occurred on partnerships with the School board to utilize space within schools.

SSC60-15 Moved by: Councillor Clumpus      Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

**THAT Report SSR-SS-10-15 regarding the 2016 – 2020 Five Year Capital Forecast for Social Services be received;**

**AND THAT the capital forecast for Social Services as presented be forwarded for inclusion in the corporate Five Year Capital & Extra-Ordinary Expenditures Forecast for consideration by County Council.**

Carried

Warden Eccles left the meeting at this time.

## Reports – Long-Term Care

### *LTCR-SS-10-15 Long-Term Care 2016-2020 Draft Five Year Capital Forecast*

Lynne Johnson presented the report, outlining the projects for each of the long-term care homes.

Discussion occurred on the repair needs at Grey Gables. The Committee inquired as to whether there is a designated facility manager to undertake some of the work that consultants would typically complete. Staff noted that a proposal to have a corporate facilities manager was explored previously, however staff can review the option again. The Committee requested the option be considered.

Discussion occurred on the maintenance of Rockwood Terrace and the potential rebuild of that facility.

SSC61-15 Moved by: Councillor Mackey Seconded by: Councillor Bell

**THAT Report LTCR-SS-10-15 regarding the draft Five Year Capital Forecast for 2016 to 2020 for Long Term Care be received as presented and forwarded for inclusion in the corporate Five Year Capital Forecast for consideration by County Council.**

Carried

### *LTCR-SS-07-15 Accessible Doors at Grey Gables for Grey Highlands Municipal Office*

Lynne Johnson presented the above noted report, recommending that automatic door openers be installed at Grey Gables in the space that the Municipality of Grey Highlands leases for its municipal office. Staff are recommending that the cost be shared between the two municipalities.

SSC62-15 Moved by: Councillor Halliday Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

**WHEREAS communication from a resident of the Municipality of Grey Highlands, regarding accessibility issues at the entrance of the municipal office was forwarded to Grey County by Grey Highlands;**

**AND WHEREAS the Municipality of Grey Highlands is a tenant of Grey Gables;**

**AND WHEREAS at the April 15, 2015 Social Services Committee meeting, staff was directed to research the costs associated with installing an accessible door to the entrance of the municipal office;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Report LTCR-SS-07-15 be received;**

**AND THAT automatic door openers be installed on the main entrance doors of the municipal office on a 50/50 cost share basis between the County and Grey Highlands with each party paying an estimated amount of \$2,600 +HST (total cost \$5,200 +HST);**

**AND FURTHER THAT the County portion be funded from the One Time Funding Reserve.**

Carried

## Reports - Housing

### *HDR-SS-10-15 Capital Project Roof Replacement*

Anne Marie Shaw presented the above report regarding the roof replacement at Twin Pines. The garbage compactor replacement project is not proceeding, and staff are recommending that the funds be allocated towards the roof replacement instead, with the remaining funding coming from reserves.

SSC63-15 Moved by: Councillor Mackey                      Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

**WHEREAS the roof at 650 4<sup>th</sup> Street A East in Owen Sound requires replacement and was not included in the 2015 approved budget;**

**AND WHEREAS the expenditure for a garbage compactor at 305 14<sup>th</sup> Street West in Owen Sound was included in the 2015 approved budget with funding in the amount of \$125,000 being transferred from reserve that is now deemed to be not required;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT HDR-SS-10-15 regarding the roof replacement at Twin Pines be received;**

**AND THAT the capital expenditure for a garbage compactor at 350 14th Street West in Owen Sound not proceed in 2015;**

**AND THAT the Grey County Housing Department be authorized to procure for the replacement of the roof at Twin Pines for the installation of a new steel roof at Twin Pines as per option #2**

**AND FURTHER THAT the estimated roof replacement project cost of \$210,640 be funded from the reserve funding budgeted for a garbage compactor included in the 2015 approved budget in the amount of \$125,000 and the remaining funds required be funded from the Housing reserve.**

Carried

Warden Eccles returned to the meeting.

*HDR-SS-11-15 Housing Department Review Progress Report*

Anne Marie Shaw presented the above noted report, outlining the Housing Department's organizational review and the progress that has been made to date.

SSC64-15 Moved by: Councillor Halliday Seconded by: Councillor Boddy

**THAT Report HDR-SS-11-15 regarding the housing department review progress report be received for information.**

Carried

Discussion occurred on the issues with the Social Assistance Management System (SAMS).

Warden Eccles and Councillor Halliday left the meeting at this time.

The Committee recessed, then reconvened.

*HDR-SS-12-15 Long Term Affordable Housing Strategy Update Submission*

Anne Marie Shaw presented the above noted report, outlining the themes to be submitted to the Province for its update to the long term affordable housing strategy.

SSC65-15 Moved by: Councillor Bell Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

**WHEREAS the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has issued a call for submissions to the update of the Long Term Affordable Housing Strategy;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Report HDR-SS-12-15 be received;**

**AND THAT the submission for the Long Term Affordable Housing Strategy Update included with report HDR-SS-12-15 be submitted to**

**the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing as Grey County's submission;**

**AND FURTHER THAT in accordance with Section 24(13b) of the County's Procedural By-law, this submission be made immediately as the date for submissions closes July 3, 2015.**

Carried

*HDR-SS-13-15 2016-2020 Draft Five Year Capital Forecast*

Anne Marie Shaw presented the above report, outlining the capital projects planned for the Housing Department.

Staff addressed questions from the Committee.

SSC66-15 Moved by: Councillor Clumpus Seconded by: Councillor Fosbrooke

**THAT report HDR-SS-13-15 regarding the Housing Department 2016-2020 Draft Five Year Capital Forecast be received as presented and forwarded for inclusion in the corporate Five Year Capital & Extra-Ordinary Expenditures Forecast for consideration by County Council.**

Carried

Correspondence

*Receive for Information*

SSC67-15 Moved by: Councillor Bell Seconded by: Councillor Fosbrooke

**THAT the following correspondence be received for information:**

- **South West Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) – Board Orientation Kit**
- **This is Long-Term Care 2014**

Carried

Other Business

*Delegation Requests for AMO Conference*

The following delegation was requested for the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference:

- To discuss the direction of the school accommodation reviews with the Ministry of Education

The Committee inquired as to the status of the “Living Wage” policy that was raised at a previous Social Services Committee meeting. Further information will be provided on the matter as well as what the County is doing to reduce poverty.

## Next Meeting Dates

**Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at the Grey County Administration Building**

On motion by Councillor Clumpus, the meeting adjourned at 1:32 PM.

Dwight Burley, Chair