Committee of the Whole
July 12, 2018

Grey County Council met on the above date at 11:30 AM at the County Administration Building. Warden Stewart Halliday assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order with all members present except Councillors Hicks and Jack.

Councillor Woodbury was in attendance on behalf of Councillor Jack.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Delegation

Getting Ahead
Barb Fedy introduced Jill Umbach from the Getting Ahead program.

Jill Umbach introduced Sandra Hoyler and Renee Schlonies, graduates of the Getting Ahead program. She also noted the other program graduates in attendance. Ms. Umbach provided a brief introduction on the Getting Ahead program. The program has been expanded into Bruce County. There are 196 graduates and there is a 92% retention rate.

Sandra Hoyler shared her story. She shared how the Getting Ahead program has helped her succeed through life transitions. The Getting Ahead program provided her with support and resources to help her achieve stability.

Renee Schlonies also shared her story. She noted a number of opportunities that the Getting Ahead program has provided to her. She has gained resources, volunteer opportunities, job opportunities, and confidence. Ms. Schlonies will be attending college in the fall.

Ms. Fedy noted changes with regards to poverty and within the community. Ms. Fedy advised of the next steps for the program, which includes building a program called “Circles” that will focus on what participants can do after completing the Getting Ahead program. She noted that a report will be brought to Council on this new project. Ms. Fedy thanked the Getting Ahead group for attending.

Ms. Umbach thanked the individuals who support the program within the communities. She noted the importance of developing mentorships between participants and community members.
Business Arising From the Minutes

Notice of Motion provided by Councillor Fosbrooke at the June 28, 2018 meeting

Moved by: Councillor Fosbrooke   Seconded by: Councillor McQueen

Whereas Grey County currently has a Whistleblower Protection Policy as required under the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2017 for long-term care staff only;

And Whereas the Municipal Auditor has previously recommended a Whistleblower Protection Policy;

And Whereas there are several Grey County policies and legislative acts in place that protect staff in the workplace and provide for a healthy, safe and supportive workplace for all employees, one that is free from violence, harassment, discrimination and retaliation for the protection of all Grey County employees;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That County Council directs staff to bring back a report by October 11, 2018 outlining the current policies and legislative authorities in place that support a safe, healthy workplace for all Grey County employees and how these policies can be enhanced to further clarify and specify Whistleblower protection for all Grey County staff and ratepayers.

Amendment

CW181-18 Moved by: Councillor Eccles   Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That the above resolution be amended to remove “and ratepayers” from the last clause.

Main Motion as Amended

CW182-18 Moved by: Councillor Fosbrooke   Seconded by: Councillor McQueen

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Delegation

Darryl Robins, Darryl M. Robins Consultation Inc. and Ron Davidson, Boulter Estate Ltd.

The delegates withdrew their request to present to the Committee.

Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

No items were removed from the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda

*CW183-18* Moved by: Councillor McKean Seconded by: Councillor Bell

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.

1. Association of Municipalities (AMO) North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)

That Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) board approve the proposed North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) resolution to be shared with members, the Federal Government, the Provincial Government, and Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM).

WHEREAS, the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) governs nearly every aspect of Canada and the United States economic relationship including manufacturing, agriculture, resources industries, and services;

WHEREAS, about 80% of all of Ontario’s exports go to the United States and Ontario is the top trading partner of half of all American States;
WHEREAS, even minor changes to the established trade relationship between Canada and the United States could have significant consequences for workers, consumers, and governments on both sides of the border;

WHEREAS, Canada’s and Ontario’s economic future and the continued well-being of communities and their local economies depend on free and fair trading relationships based in current future trade agreements;

Therefore, be it:

resolved that Ontario municipal governments, represented by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), stand together with the Federal and Ontario governments in their efforts to protect Canadian jobs and local economies;

RESOLVED that AMO will work with the Province of Ontario to support the interests of municipalities and communities affected by trade disputes and during ongoing trade agreement negotiations;

RESOLVED that AMO will work with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities to ensure that Canada understands the municipal impacts affected by trade disputes and during ongoing trade agreement negotiations; and be it further

RESOLVED that the County of Grey supports AMO’s resolution.

2. Public Meeting minutes dated June 20, 2018 – 42T-2013-04 Boulter Estates

That the minutes of the Public Meeting dated June 20, 2018 regarding 42T-2013-04 Boulter Estates be adopted as presented.


4. Correspondence from the Township of Chatsworth dated July 5, 2018

That the correspondence from the Township of Chatsworth dated July 5, 2018 regarding Grey County’s draft Official Plan be received for information.

Carried

Items for Direction and Discussion

Addendum to PDR-CW-21-18 Final Report Boulter Estates Re-Submission of Plan of Subdivision 42T-2013-04 – Georgian Bluffs

CW184-18 Moved by: Councillor Eccles Seconded by: Councillor Barfoot
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That Addendum to Report PDR-CW-21-18 be received; and

That all written and oral submissions received on the resubmission plan of subdivision 42T-2013-04 known as Boulter Estates were considered; the effect of which helped to make an informed recommendation and decision; and

That in consideration of the draft plan of subdivision application 42T-2013-04, for lands described as Part of Lot 5, Jones Range, (geographic Township of Keppel) in the Township of Georgian Bluffs, the Grey County Committee of the Whole approves this plan of subdivision to create a total of twenty-two (22) single detached lots, subject to the conditions set out in the Notice of Decision.

Carried

HDR-CW-15-18 Award of RFT-HOU-12-18 Bath Rebuilds 225 14th Street West Owen Sound  
CW185-18 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

That Report HDR-CW-15-18 regarding tender award recommendations for Allen Hastings Ltd. for RFT-HOU-12-18 be received and that the tender be awarded to Allen Hastings Ltd. for $417,936 excluding taxes; and

That the project deficit of $100,291.67 including non refundable taxes will be funded from any surplus realized from within the 2018 Housing Capital Construction budget or, if a surplus is not available, from the Housing Reserve.

Carried

The Committee recessed, then reconvened.

Councillors McKean and Ardiel left during the recess.

TR-CW-38-18 Preferred Autonomous Vehicles Test Corridor  
CW186-18 Moved by: Councillor Boddy Seconded by: Councillor Bell

That Report TR-CW-38-18 Autonomous Vehicles Test Corridor be received; and

That the County of Grey participates in the Ontario Good Roads Association’s Preferred Autonomous Vehicles initiative and that this matter be referred to Staff to develop a list of preferred routes within the County.

Carried

ITR-CW-04-18 Microsoft 365 License Agreement  
CW187-18 Moved by: Councillor Mackey Seconded by: Councillor Paterson
That Report ITR-CW-04-18 regarding Microsoft 365 License Agreement be received; and

That staff be authorized to enter into a procurement agreement with CDW Canada Corp., an approved OECM (Ontario Education Collaborative Marketplace) supplier, to provide Microsoft 365 licensing for three years (July 2018 to July 2021) at an estimated per year cost of $223,680.32, plus applicable taxes.

Carried

FR-CW-18-18 Quarterly Purchasing Report – Quarter 2 2018

Moved by: Councillor Eccles  Seconded by: Councillor Greenfield

That Report FR-CW-18-18 regarding the quarterly purchasing report for Quarter 2 of 2018 be received for information.

Carried

CCR-CW-09-18 Public Comment-Question Periods

Moved by: Councillor Burley  Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

That Report CCR-CW-09-18 be received and that a public comment/question period not be included as a standing item on the Committee of the Whole agenda at this time.

Carried

Verbal Update on Community Hub

Savanna Myers provided the Committee with an update on the Community Hub. Staff have spoken with Bluewater District School Board officials regarding the next steps in the surplus property process. The Board has received an appraisal of the property based on using the property for any purpose, not from its current designation, zoning or capital state. Grey County staff have not received a copy of the appraisal.

Ms. Myers noted funding considerations. Bluewater District School Board suggested that an application be submitted for the provincial Fair Market Value Offset Program, which is currently being prepared. Discussions occurred regarding this consideration.

Ms. Myers advised that Grey County is currently in the negotiation window with the Board. She noted that the Board has advised that they are willing to extend the negotiating window.

Councillor Boddy recommended that staff send the Board a confirmation letter regarding the negotiation period extension. He noted the importance of having a community hub in Grey County and encouraged that this be communicated with local school board trustees.

Ms. Wingrove noted that this item can be brought back to the next Council meeting.

Administration Building Addition/Renovation Update
Kim Wingrove provided an update on the administration building renovation. The landscapers will hydro seed and finish the landscaping. She advised that this week was the first week that Provincial Offences Court took place in the new location.

Other Business
Councillor Greenfield sought an update on whether the AMO delegations had been submitted. Ms. Wingrove confirmed that all delegations were submitted and confirmed as received by AMO.

Councillor Mackey noted the budget for the school litter pick up. Mr. Hoy noted that typically the requests do not meet the budget allotment, but if the requests increase the budget would be adjusted the following year.

Notice of Motion
Councillor McQueen provided a notice of motion regarding election funds relating to his Association of Municipalities of Ontario County Caucus Board of Directors nomination.

Adjournment
On motion of Councillors Pringle and Bell, Committee of the Whole adjourned at 2:08 PM to the call of the Chair.

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Stewart Halliday, Warden                                      Heather Morrison, Clerk