

April 7, 2015

Grey County Council met at the call of the Warden on the above date at 10:00 AM at the County Administration Building. The County Clerk called Council to order and Warden Kevin Eccles assumed the Chair.

The Warden invited members of Council to join him in prayer or observe a moment of silent reflection.

The Roll was called by the Clerk with all members present except Councillor Barfoot.

Sharon Vokes, Acting Chief Administrative Officer/County Clerk and Heather Morrison Deputy Clerk/Records Manager were also in attendance.

The following staff members were in attendance for the presentation of their respective reports:

Kevin Wepler, Director of Finance; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Housing; Lynne Johnson, Director of Long Term Care; Barbara Fedy, Director of Social Services; Geoff Hogan, Director of Information Technology; Grant McLevy, Director of Human Resources; Michael Kelly, Director of Transportation Services; Randy Scherzer, Director of Planning and Development and Kevin McNab, Operations Manager, Paramedic Services.

Medical Officer of Health Dr. Hazel Lynn was also in attendance.

Adoption of Agenda

CC50-15 Moved by: Councillor Fosbrooke Seconded by: Councillor Paterson

THAT the County Council agenda dated April 7, 2015 be adopted as presented.

Carried

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Adoption of Minutes

CC51-15 Moved by: Councillor McQueen Seconded by: Councillor Clumpus

THAT the minutes of the March 3, 2015 Session of Grey County Council be adopted as circulated.

Carried

Retirement Presentations

Warden Eccles presented a retirement gift to Marcia Smith. Ms. Smith has worked in Social Services since 1986 in various roles, lastly as an Ontario Works Manager. Warden Eccles, on behalf of County Council, wished Ms. Smith well in her retirement.

Warden Eccles also congratulated Linda McKay on her retirement. Mrs. McKay has worked at Grey Gables for 37 years as the Activity Supervisor. On behalf of County Council, Warden Eccles presented Mrs. McKay with a retirement gift and wished her well in the future.

Communications and Correspondence

The Clerk presented correspondence and recommendations for its disposition as follows:

- Letter from the Minister of Labour regarding interest arbitration discussion at the OGRA/ROMA conference dated March 10, 2015
- Letter to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry regarding representation on the Aggregate Resources Act Steering Committee
- Letter of thanks for rural school delegation to the Ministry of Education
- Letter of thanks for interest arbitration delegation to the Minister of Labour
- Note of thanks:
 - Georgian Bay Children's Choir for honorarium relating to the signing of O Canada at the 2015 Grey County Council Inaugural
 - Expression of Sympathy-passing of Sandra Shipley' sister (Human Resources)
 - Expression of Sympathy-passing of Amanda Shular (Long-Term Care)

Received for information

CC52-15 Moved by: Councillor McKean Seconded by: Councillor Jack

THAT the disposition of Council correspondence as recommended by the Clerk be approved.

Carried

Notice of Motion

Notice of Motion was given by Councillor Wright regards the Economic Development Strategy. Councillor Burley provided a notice of motion regarding the proposed addition and renovation to the County Administration Building.

Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the previous meeting.

Deputation

Economic Development Strategy

Mr. Ian Duff, Director of Economic Development Consulting, McSweeney & Associates provide the final report on the Economic Development Strategy. Don Lewis, Chair of the Economic Development Committee Strategy Steering Committee introduced the committee members. Mr. Duff provided an overview of the process including a community profile and several consultation phases.

He identified seven themes of strategy including:

- becoming investment ready,
- creating a business friendly environment,
- ensuring key infrastructure is in place,
- developing Grey's workforce,
- communication,
- tourism
- agriculture, farms and local foods

Bryan Plumstead, Manager of Tourism and Economic Development, Meredith Bowers, Economic Development Officer and Philly Markowitz, Local Food, spoke about the draft implementation action plan and the proposed implementation of the strategies noted above.

CC53-15

Moved by: Councillor Wright

Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

WHEREAS economic development is the number one priority in Grey County's Strategic Operating Plan;

AND WHEREAS Grey County hired McSweeney and Associates to complete an Economic Development Strategy built around Grey County's core strengths, a focus on the premise that people and process will lead to economic development success and to target specific ready activities where the County can have the biggest impact on creating an investment friendly and ready environment;

AND WHEREAS there was substantial consultation including one-on-one interviews, online surveys and stakeholder sessions;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the "Made in Grey" Economic Development Strategy as presented by McSweeney and Associates April 7, 2015 be adopted;

AND THAT staff be directed to finalize an implementation plan outlining priorities and next steps in initiating the action items within the Economic Development Strategy.

Carried

Council recessed briefly and reconvened with Warden Eccles in the Chair.

Presentation and Adoption of Reports

Board of Health

Council considered the minutes of the Board of Health and the Report of the Board.

CC54-15 Moved by: Councillor Bell Seconded by: Councillor Burley

THAT the minutes of the Board of Health dated January 23 and February 27, 2015 and the Program Reports dated February and March 2015 be received.

Carried

Planning and Community Development Committee

Council considered the minutes of the Planning and Community Development Committee.

CC55-15 Moved by: Councillor McKean Seconded by: Councillor Paterson

THAT the minutes of the Planning and Community Development Committee dated March 17, 2015 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.

Carried

Deputation

Proposed Administration Building Renovation

Mr. Paul Sapounzi from the Ventin Group provided an overview of the proposed addition and renovation to the Grey County Administration Building. Mr. Sapounzi provided a history of the process to date. He also provided updated plans for the proposed addition as well as the costs associated with the proposed renovation and addition.

Questions and comments then followed related to accessibility issues, options of satellite locations for different departments and longevity of the addition.

Council recessed for lunch and reconvened with Warden Eccles in the Chair.

CC56-15 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Greenfield

WHEREAS the County of Grey hired The Ventin Group to complete architectural drawings for a proposed addition and renovation to the County Administration Building;

AND WHEREAS The Ventin Group has provided a history and cost estimates for the proposed addition and renovation to the existing Administration Building, including Class C construction costs estimates;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT The Ventin Group be authorized to complete detailed construction drawings for the proposed addition and renovation to the Administration Building;

AND THAT these drawings be brought back to County Council for consideration prior to the tendering process;

AND FURTHER THAT the construction drawings be funded through a transfer from the Administration/POA Building Expansion Reserve.

Councillor McKean requested a recorded vote.

CC57-15 Moved by: Councillor McQueen Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

THAT the resolution CC56-15 be deferred for one month until the May 5, 2015 County Council meeting.

Lost

Motion CC56-15 was then voted on.

In favour-B. Pringle 4, D. Burley 5, S. Paterson 3, S. Hicks 3, H. Greenfield 5, I. Boddy 9, A. Wright 8, N. Jack 3, K. Eccles 6, J. Bell 6.

Opposed-S. Mackey 3, P. McQueen 5, S. Halliday 5, B. Clumpus 5, A Fosbrooke 4, J. McKean 6, G. Ardiel 5.

The motion was Carried 52 to 33.

Councillor Wright left the session.

Transportation and Public Safety Committee

Council considered the minutes of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee.

Councillor Hicks declared a pecuniary interest related to resolution TAPS-53-15 related to the Grey County and Fleming land transfer and did not partake in its discussion.

Councillor McKean reiterated his conflict of interest related to the Public Information Centre held March 14, 2015 for the intersection of Grey Road 21 and Grey Road 19.

CC58-15 Moved by: Councillor Fosbrooke Seconded by: Councillor Paterson

THAT the minutes of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee dated March 19, 2015 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.

Carried

Corporate Services Committee

Council considered the minutes of the Corporate Services Committee.

CC59-15 Moved by: Councillor Boddy Seconded by: Councillor Jack

THAT the minutes of the Corporate Services Committee dated March 24, 2015 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.

Carried

CAOR-CC-02-15 Corporate Strategic Plan Update

Mrs. Vokes presented the above noted report.

CC60-15 Moved by: Councillor Clumpus Seconded by: Councillor Bell

THAT Grey County Council receive the Acting Chief Administrative Officer's 2015-2017 Corporate Operating Plan Report CAOR-CC-02-15, and hereby adopts an updated Corporate Operating Plan for 2015-2017 as recommend by the Acting CAO.

Carried

By-Laws

CC61-15 Moved by: Councillor Pringle Seconded by: Councillor Jack

THAT By-Laws 4896-15 and 4897-15 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.

4896-15 A By-law to Authorize the Warden and Clerk to Execute an Agreement between the Corporation of the County of Grey and Turbitt Marine Limited for the Deferral of Development Charges on Lands Known as the Pottawatomi Gardens until the First Occupancy Permit is Issued

4897-15 A By-law to Authorize the Warden and Clerk to execute a funding agreement between the Corporation of the County of Grey and the Bluewater District School Board for the Dundalk Proton Community School Retrofit Project

Carried

Good News and Celebrations

Council was apprised of good news and celebrations occurring within the County.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillor Burley, Council adjourned at 2:26 PM to the call of the Warden.

Council closed with the singing of O Canada.

Kevin Eccles, Warden

Sharon Vokes, County Clerk