

Committee of the Whole

September 24, 2020

Grey County Council met on the above date at 9:52 AM through electronic participation. Warden Paul McQueen assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order with all members participating except Councillor Gamble.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Business Arising From the Minutes

Councillor Clumpus entered the meeting at this time.

CW163-20 Moved by: Councillor Milne Seconded by: Councillor Desai

That County Council approve a change to the start time of County Council meetings to 10:00 am; and

That in accordance with Section 25.6 of the Procedural By-law, this change commence at the first in-person meeting of County Council scheduled for October 8, 2020, ahead of Council approval of the September 24, 2020 Committee of the Whole minutes.

Councillor Burley requested a recorded vote.

In Favour: S. Mackey 3, P. McQueen 5, A. Desai 5, S. Paterson 3, S. Hicks 3, S. Keaveney 5, J. Woodbury 3, B. Milne 3, A. Soever 7, R. Potter 6, C. Robinson 6, T. Hutchinson 5,

Opposed: D. Burley 6, S. Carleton 5, B. Clumpus 6, I. Boddy 8, B. O'Leary 8,

The motion was Carried 54-33.

Delegations

Jason Mills and Andrew Slade – Setback Exemption Request for the Blue Mountain Community Church

Jason Mills addressed the Committee on the plans for a facility expansion for the Blue Mountain Community Church at 219 Bruce Street South in Thornbury. It was noted that the Church wishes to make accessibility enhancements and other improvements, and as several options

were explored, it was discovered that expanding the building out the front was the best option and fit the needs of the congregation.

Mr. Mills reviewed the location of other churches in proximity to the Blue Mountain Community Church. The proposed addition on the Church would place the church approximately 2.23 metres closer to the road.

Pat Hoy noted that the setback request was originally denied because the building is already within the setback. Because the building is on the corner, the County may require land at some point to adjust that curve.

Mr. Hoy further noted that there is also a new crosswalk that has been installed near the school and there are concerns about impeding future sightlines of that crosswalk.

Staff addressed questions from the Committee.

CW164-20 Moved by: Councillor Boddy Seconded by: Councillor Milne

That staff be directed to complete a staff report with additional information on setback request considerations at 219 Bruce Street S in Thornbury.

Carried

CW165-20 Moved by: Councillor Soever Seconded by: Councillor Robinson

Whereas prior to COVID-19 as per the 2016 Census data there were 7,991 dwellings in Grey County that were not normally occupied on a permanent basis; and,

Whereas COVID-19 has caused people to consider where they live and how they go about their daily lives; and,

Whereas preliminary results of a Town of The Blue Mountains (TBM) residency survey indicate that:

- **Sixty-six percent of people will be spending more time in the TBM.**
- **Of people who spend part of the winter away from the TBM, 78% report they will not be going this year.**
- **Of the 35 respondents, who now have their primary residence elsewhere, 43% are planning to make the TBM their primary residence within the next year with 73% of these residents citing COVID-19 as the reason for their decision.; and**

Whereas although the sample size is very small and thus the reliability of the data is questionable, if the above numbers are correct and applied to the 3,206 secondary residences in the TBM as indicated by the 2016 Census Data, this would represent an increase of almost 1,400 new households with a population increase of approximately 3,800 within the next year, representing a 50% increase to TBM's permanent population; and

Whereas these limited results identify a very significant potential issue, with a potential 25% increase in TBM's population even if half of the preliminary results are realized;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That a detailed analysis of the effects of COVID-19 on growth on Grey County be included in the County's Growth Management Study (GMS) Update; and

That should the detailed analysis as requested result in an increase to the overall costs of the GMS Update that any additional expenses be funded from the Planning – ArcGIS Reserve and the Planning – General Reserve.

Carried

The Committee recessed briefly, then reconvened.

Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

There were no items requested to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda

CW166-20 Moved by: Councillor Robinson Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

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.

- a. **That the Grey County Planning Active Local Planning Appeals Tribunal File List be received for information.**
- b. **That Report PDR-CW-34-20 regarding an overview of proposed plan of subdivision application 42T-2020-06, that proposes to create up to two hundred and forty-nine (249) residential units on lands described as 206105 Highway 26, being Part of Lots 4 and 14, Judge's Plan 541 in the geographic Township of St. Vincent, Municipality of Meaford, be received for information.**
- c. **That PDR-CW-36-20 regarding the Southgate Meadows Subdivision - Redline Revision – 42T-2018-12 be received; and**

That all written and oral submissions received on the proposed redline revisions to plan of subdivision 42T-2018-12 were considered which helped to make an informed recommendation and decision; and

That in consideration of the revised draft plan of subdivision 42T-2018-12, and the matters to have regard for under Subsection 51(24) of the Planning Act, the County of Grey Committee of the Whole hereby

approves the revised plan of subdivision on lands described as Part of Lots 227 and 228, Concession 2, Southwest of the Toronto Sydenham Road (SWTSR), all of Lot Y and part of the unnamed street lying northeast of Part Lot 3, Block S, Plan 480, Township of Southgate, geographic Township of Proton.

- d. That PDR-CW-37-20 regarding the Stonebrook Phase II Subdivision - Redline Revision file 42T-2018-02 be received; and**

That all written and oral submissions received on the proposed redline revisions to plan of subdivision 42T-2018-02 were considered which helped to make an informed recommendation and decision; and

That in consideration of the revised draft plan of subdivision 42T-2018-02, and the matters to have regard for under Subsection 51(24) of the Planning Act, the County of Grey Committee of the Whole hereby approves the revised plan of subdivision on lands described as Part of Lot 98, Concession 1, (geographic Township of Artemesia) in the Municipality of Grey Highlands, subject to the conditions set out in the Notice of Decision.

- e. That Report TR-CW-15-20 Salt Management Plan be received; and**

That the amendments and updates to the 2006 Salt Management Plan be approved and a copy of the Plan be provided to Environment Canada for information.

- f. That Report SSR-CW-06-20 regarding the use of Federal Safe Restart Funding be received for information; and**

That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute any documentation required to issue the Federal Safe Restart Funding to eligible licensed child care and EarlyON programs within the County of Grey.

Carried

Items for Direction and Discussion

PDR-CW-35-20 Living on Main Street University of Toronto Student Project

CW167-20 Moved by: Councillor Paterson Seconded by: Councillor Clumpus

That Report PDR-CW-35-20 regarding the University of Toronto student project entitled Living on Main Street be received for information.

Carried

TR-CW-17-20 Amendments to By-law 4788-13 Regulating Traffic and Parking

CW168-20 Moved by: Councillor Woodbury Seconded by: Councillor Potter

That Report TR-CW-17-20 be received and that Schedules “N”, “O”, “P” and “U” of By-Law 4788-13 being the By-law to regulate traffic and parking on Grey County roads be amended to reflect the proposed revisions.

Carried

Closed Meeting Matters

CW169-20 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Milne

That Grey County Council does now move into closed session to discuss:

- i. Advice subject to solicitor – client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose and litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (Land Claims Settlement)**

That the following staff remain in attendance: Kim Wingrove, Heather Morrison, Michael Letourneau, Randy Scherzer, Rob Hatten and Tara Warder.

Carried

Council proceeded into closed session at 11:40 AM.

Council returned to open session at 11:56 AM.

CW170-20 Moved by: Councillor Milne Seconded by: Councillor Woodbury

That staff be directed to bring a by-law forward to County Council to:

- a. Implement the agreed settlement to the Land Claim litigation with the Saugeen Ojibway Nation (“SON”), and specifically to**
- b. Authorize the transfer of the Mountain Lake Forest property to SON as part of that settlement.**

Carried

A statement was then read by the Warden, on behalf of County Council related to the settlement to the land claim litigation with the SON.

Other Business

Strategic Planning Day Discussion

Kim Wingrove provided information on the results of the survey distributed to Council to gauge interest and information on the strategic planning day planned for October.

She suggested that the day be treated as a summary of the ongoing projects and Council can discuss what initiatives the County should focus on at this time.

The recommendation from other facilitators is that a half-day session be planned with three 50-minute sessions. It is not recommended to do the session in person at this time, as it is less effective and difficult to adhere to current health protocols.

Notice of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillors Burley and O'Leary, Committee of the Whole adjourned at 12:12 PM to the call of the Chair.

Paul McQueen, Warden

Heather Morrison, Clerk