



Agenda

Committee of the Whole May 28, 2020 – Following Council

Electronic Participation

Council Chambers, Grey County Administration Building

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Declaration of Interest**
3. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

- a. Notice provided by Councillor Robinson on May 14, 2020

Whereas now more than ever in our increasingly electronic world, Grey County families and business owners have a need for reliable and affordable broadband to conduct business and stay connected both locally and beyond; and

Whereas broadband is a contributing social and economic driver in supporting the vitality and growth of our communities; and

Whereas families require internet to enable their children to complete school assignments, take online courses, maintain a human connection, or just stream movies at home; and

Whereas Grey County agriculture production, manufacturing, retail and the service industry depend on reliable high-speed connections to support and ensure business continuity and success; and

Whereas connectivity has been a lifeline for those businesses and sectors with access to reliable broadband during this global pandemic; and

Whereas reliable broadband will continue playing an essential role in the economic and social recovery of communities across Grey County post-pandemic; and

Whereas not all areas of Grey County are within a connectivity coverage area which continues to be increasingly challenging, and amplified by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas Grey County has unserved areas as well as under-served areas that receive inadequate or disproportionately low levels of service; and

Whereas while it is important for the Provincial Government to look at both the number of people and the number of businesses that can be serviced by broadband expansion, it is essential, as well, that the Province provide broadband service to areas that have a small number of people, yet cover a vast geographical area; and

Whereas the need for broadband infrastructure improvement is now;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Grey County representing our Grey County residents and business owners alike, call to action Premier Ford, Minister of Infrastructure, Minister Scott and Associate Minister of Energy & MPP Walker to champion the implementation of broadband in the unserved and under-served areas of Grey County.

- b. Notice provided by Councillor Soever on May 14, 2020

Whereas precautions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic have led to the spreading of negative “us versus them” commentary relative to seasonal versus permanent residents and this is causing divisions in our communities which could take years to heal; and,

Whereas we as County Councillors should show leadership to our communities, similar to that shown by the Mayors of Muskoka District who issued a call to their communities to end the divide between seasonal and permanent residents;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That County of Grey Council issues a similar letter to our community, and requests that all the Lower Tier municipalities in Grey County endorse this letter.

4. **Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion**
5. **Consent Agenda**

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. PDR-CW-22-20 OPA 3 Merit Report Cedar Rail Campground

That Report PDR-CW-22-20 regarding a proposed County Official Plan Amendment be received; and

That the proposal proceeds to a public meeting to consider an amendment to the County of Grey Official Plan for lands designated as ‘Agricultural’ and

'Hazard lands' to recognize the existing campground facility and permit an expansion on lands described as Part Lots 26 and 27, Concession 13, geographic Township of Sullivan, now in the Township of Chatsworth, provided the Township is prepared to hold a joint public meeting in consideration of the necessary zoning amendment requirements.

- b. PDR-CW-26-20 Broos Subdivision 42T-2020-01 Information Report

That Report PDR-CW-26-20 regarding an overview of proposed plan of subdivision application 42T-2020-01, consisting of up to two-hundred and five (205) residential units which would consist of one hundred and eighteen (118) single detached dwellings, and up to eighty-seven (87) townhouse dwellings on lands described as Part of Divisions 2 and 3 of Lot 24, Concession 1 East of the Garafraxa Road (EGR), geographic Township of Glenelg, now in the Municipality of West Grey, be received for information.

- c. Correspondence from the Niagara Escarpment Commission and Burnside regarding the proposed Niagara Escarpment Plan Amendment for Sideroad 26/27

[Correspondence from Burnside regarding the proposed Niagara Escarpment Plan Amendment for Sideroad 26/27](#)

That the correspondence from the Niagara Escarpment Commission and Burnside regarding the proposed Niagara Escarpment Plan Amendment for Sideroad 26/27, be received for information.

- d. Correspondence from the Grey County Federation of Agriculture – Farm Tax Rate Program

That the correspondence the Grey County Federation of Agriculture regarding the Farm Tax Rate Program be received for information.

- e. Resolution from the City of Kitchener – Establishing a Universal Basic Income

That the County of Grey support the resolution from the City of Kitchener regarding establishing a universal basic income.

- f. Western Ontario Warden's Caucus (WOWC) - Access to Rural Broadband

That the correspondence from the Western Ontario Warden's Caucus (WOWC) regarding access to rural broadband, be received for information.

6. Items For Direction and Discussion

- a. Addendum to PDR-CW-11-20 Subdivision Guidelines Student Report

That Addendum to Report PDR-CW-11-20 be received; and

That the University of Guelph report titled 'Recolour Grey: Healthy Community & Residential Subdivision Guidelines' be received; and

That staff utilize the guideline document created by the University of Guelph student report, and make it available to developers, members of the public, and other government officials to serve as a resource for development considerations across the County.

- b. PDR-CW-23-20 Update on Provincial Policy Statement 2020

That Report PDR-CW-23-20 regarding an overview of the changes made to the previous Provincial Policy Statement (2014) to form the newly, in effect, Provincial Policy Statement (2020) be received; and

That the Report be shared with member municipalities in Grey County.

- c. PDR-CW-27-20 Dundalk Medical Health Clinic Potential Use of County Land

That Report PDR-CW-27-20 which provides an overview of a proposed medical health centre in the community of Dundalk, Township of Southgate, be received which includes the proposed use of lands currently owned by the County for additional parking; and

That the proposed medical health centre be supported in principle and that staff be directed to work with the Township of Southgate and the South East Grey Community Health Centre to address any matters regarding the land in terms of potential land transfers and/or lease agreements that will be required to move forward with this proposal.

- d. EDTC-CW-10-20 COVID-19 Impact on Grey County Businesses Update

That Report EDTC-CW-10-20 regarding COVID-19 Impact on Grey County Businesses be received; and

That staff be directed to work with the Finance Department to determine options for redirecting portions of the approved 2020 economic development and tourism budgets to recovery efforts for consideration by Council in June.

- e. HDR-CW-05-20 Housing Services Act Regulation Changes

That report HDR-CW-05-20 be received for information regarding changes to Ontario Regulation 316/19 Section 50 of the Housing Services Act, 2011; and

That MS-HOU-002-002 Refusal of Offers Procedure be revoked effective July 1, 2020; and

That effective July 1, 2020 Grey County Housing refers to Section 32.2 and 38 of the Housing Services Act, 2011 when applicants refuse an offer of housing.

- f. HDR-CW-06-20 Short Term Construction Loan - Owen Sound Housing Company

That Report HDR-CW-06-20 be received and that financial assistance be granted to Owen Sound Housing Company for the further development of the "Odawa Heights" units located at 2239 9th Avenue East, Owen Sound by way

of a short term loan in the amount of \$3,250,000 for a maximum of a one year term with an interest payable at an annual rate of 2.00%; and

That the policy on Short Term Loans for Affordable Builds by Non Profits be waived in this specific instance for the reasons listed in the report: and

That an agreement be prepared between the Owen Sound Housing Company Limited and Grey County in respect of this loan, which agreement shall include the registration of a charge against the project land to secure its repayment; and

That a by-law be brought forward for County Council's consideration.

g. CAOR-CW-05-20 Community Transportation Update

That report CAOR-CW-05-20 Community Transportation Update be received, and;

That County Council provide direction on the future of the Community Transportation Project to enable staff to take appropriate action.

h. CAOR-CW-07-20 Enhanced Fire Radio Communications RFP Results

That Report CAOR-CW-07-20 Enhanced Fire Radio Communications RFP Results be received for information; and

That Council support the award of the project to Telequip Systems Ltd. in the amount of \$1,619,685 + HST; and

That \$713,437 of the project costs be funded from Municipal Modernization Funding Reserve and the remainder of the project costs be funded from the Connected County Reserve; and

That participating member municipalities be requested to confirm their support for the ongoing administration and maintenance costs of the system; and

That upon confirmation of support from the member municipalities, staff be directed to negotiate an agreement with Telequip Systems Ltd. to complete the project and the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute the agreement.

i. SSR-CW-04-20 Emergency Childcare

That Report SSR-CW-04-20 regarding the provision of emergency child care for essential services workers working during Covid-19 restrictions be received for information.

7. Closed Meeting Matters

That Committee of the Whole does now go into closed session pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, to discuss:

- i. Advice that is subject to solicitor – client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose (*County quarry*); and**
- ii. A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality of local board (*County quarry*)**

8. Other Business

- a. AMO Call for Nominations (*Deadline June 22, 2020*)

That Councillor _____ be nominated to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario Board of Directors for the 2020-2022 term for the position of

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9. Notice of Motion

10. Adjournment