



Corporation of the County of Grey Committee Minutes

Social Services Committee Minutes October 10, 2012- 10:00 a.m.

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

Present: Chair Brian Milne; Councillors Wayne Fitzgerald, Harley Greenfield, Deborah Haswell, Kathi Maskell, Terry McKay, Ellen Anderson, Dwight Burley; and Warden Duncan McKinlay

Regrets: Councillor John Bell

Staff

Present: Lance Thurston, CAO; Kevin Wepler, Director of Finance; Rod Wyatt, Director of Housing; Barb Fedy, Director of Social Services; Lynne Johnson, Director of Long-Term Care; Mary Lou Spicer, Deputy Director of Finance; Rick Moore, Housing Manager; Lisa Campbell, Community Relations Worker; Renate Cowan, Karen Kraus, and Jennifer Cornell, Long-Term Care Administrators; and Ina Bentley, Recording Secretary.

Call to Order

Chair Milne called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There was none.

Minutes of Meetings

Social Services Committee minutes dated September 27, 2012

The Social Services Committee minutes dated September 27, 2012 were reviewed.

SSC93-12 Moved by: Councillor Burley

Seconded by: Councillor McKay

THAT the minutes of the Social Services Committee dated September 27, 2012 be approved as presented.

Carried

Delegations

There were no delegations.

Reports – Financial

LTCR-SS-22-12 2013 Long-Term Care Budget Overview

Ms. Johnson presented the overview of the 2013 proposed Long-Term Care Budget. The budget as presented represents a net levy increase of \$147,320 or 2.83% as compared to the 2012 long-term care budget. A 1% increase to the overall corporate levy is equal to approximately \$500,000.

When reviewing the budget package, it should be noted that the 2012 actuals are reflective of operations as of July 31, 2012. The homes are on target with budget projections.

Collectively, the homes employ more than 400 full and part-time staff. Wages and benefits account for 85% of total expenditures. Alternate delivery methods of mandatory staff education as prescribed by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) will be trialed in 2013 in an effort to contain costs.

The budget does not include any projection for funding increases. Based on the Case Mix Index (CMI), funding for Nursing and Personal Care envelope will be adjusted effective April 1, 2013; however, it is difficult to estimate the financial impact at this time.

The draft budget packages for Grey Gables, Lee Manor and Rockwood Terrace were reviewed and discussed.

In Grey Gables' 2013 proposed budget, an increase as approved by County Council in 2012 to 45 hours bi-weekly to the Maintenance Manager position for provision of adequate support of the home's requirements has been annualized.

Lee Manor's 2013 proposed budget includes a Personal Support Worker Coordinator position for 6 months to begin in July, following a trial of this position at Rockwood Terrace in 2012. The 2012 increase in hours for the Nutrition Manager and Social Worker has been annualized in the 2013 proposed budget.

The 2013 proposed budget for Rockwood Terrace includes the annualization of the Personal Support Worker Coordinator position that was introduced in 2012.

SSC94-12 Moved by: Councillor Greenfield

Seconded by: Councillor Maskell

THAT the Social Services Committee receive report LTCR-SS-22-12 regarding the proposed 2013 Long-Term Care budget;

AND THAT the Long-Term Care budget be forwarded to County Council for consideration.

Carried

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SSR-SS-29-12 Durham Ontario Works Satellite Office

Mrs. Fedy presented the above report regarding continuation of the operation of the Durham Ontario Works Satellite Office until December 31, 2012 as approved at the May 9th, 2012 Social Services Committee meeting.

The Durham Ontario Works (OW) satellite office has now been identified to serve as the information centre should Rockwood Terrace be used as the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) in the event of an emergency and whereby the primary EOC, the county administration building, cannot be used.

Maintaining the Durham Ontario Works Satellite Office would actually see a reduction in the net levy expenditure over that which was required when the Employment Resource Centre was operational as all costs can be shared with the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities (MTCU).

SSC95-12 Moved by: Councillor Haswell

Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

WHEREAS the Social Services Committee provided approval to continue to operate the Durham Ontario Works Satellite office subsequent to the July 31, 2012 closure of the Employment Resource Centre until December 31, 2012;

AND WHEREAS the Social Services Committee directed that a report be provided in October 2012 to address operational impacts for future consideration of this site;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Report SSR-SS-29-12 be received;

AND THAT direction be given to continue the delivery of Ontario Works and other community services as appropriate from this location and to regularly review its viability with that of the Markdale and Hanover satellite offices.

Carried

SSR-SS-32-12 Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative

Mrs. Fedy presented the above report on the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI).

A new funding model combines a number of programs, resulting in a significant shift in the service manager role around managing and funding housing and homelessness services and

programs. Over 20 separate housing and homelessness programs and funding streams have moved into a single block funding model.

The CHPI funding now has a cap established by the Province and at this point it is unknown if Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing funding will increase in subsequent years based upon future usage.

SSC96-12 Moved by: Councillor Burley

Seconded by: Councillor McKay

WHEREAS the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing has announced a consolidated funding model to address homelessness needs in communities;

AND WHEREAS the consolidated program has been announced as Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI);

AND WHEREAS the County of Grey has received notification of their CHPI funding allocations of \$316,360. for the period January 2013 to March 2013;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT REPORT SSR-SS-32-12 be received as presented.

Carried

The committee recessed briefly and then reconvened.

Reports – Housing

HDR-SS-39-12 Alpha Family Resource Centre

Ms. Campbell presented HDR-SS-39-12 on the Alpha Family Resource Centre. She also presented pictures showing the community's use of the resource.

The centre's success is dependent upon community partnerships. There are regularly scheduled programs offered weekly and monthly at the centre. The centre offers clinics for dental screening, immunizations, Good Food Box orders, parent support groups and more.

A Sparks Grant via the Grey Bruce Public Health Unit will assist with healthy meal planning and implementing tobacco cessation related programming and resources.

The Chair thanked the staff for the report and the good news contained therein.

Reports – Long-Term Care

LTCR-SS-23-12 Rockwood Terrace Update

Mrs. Kraus presented the above report regarding Rockwood Terrace's Update which included the Annual Harvest Dinner, a Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) Inspector Visit

and recent elevator issues.

SSC97-12 Moved by: Councillor Haswell

Seconded by: Councillor Maskell

THAT REPORT LTCR-SS-23-12 regarding an update on Rockwood Terrace be received for information.

Carried

Correspondence

Clerk's Department Letter to Dr. Lynn regarding changes in OHIP

Dr. Lynn's response to Clerk's Department Letter

These letters spoke to changes in OHIP and were received for information only.

Other Business

There was none.

Next Meeting Dates

Thursday, October 25, 2012 – 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, November 14, 2012 – 10:00 a.m.

On motion by Councillor McKay, the meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

Brian Milne, Chair