



Corporation of the County of Grey Committee Minutes

Transportation and Public Safety Committee Minutes September 20, 2012 – 10:00 a.m.

The Transportation and Public Safety Committee met on the above date at the County Administration Building with the following members in attendance:

Present: Chair Alan Barfoot; Councillors Ellen Anderson, Brian Milne, Deborah Haswell, Francis Richardson, John Bell, Bob Pringle, Bob White, and Warden McKinlay

Regrets: Councillor Paul McQueen

Staff

Present: Lance Thurston, CAO; Michael Kelly, Director of Transportation Services; Mike Muir, Director of EMS; Matt Marck, Sr. Engineering Technician, and Roberta Baines, Recording Secretary

Call to Order

Chair Barfoot called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There was none.

Business Arising from Minutes

Transportation and Public Safety Committee minutes dated August 23, 2012.

This is for information only as these minutes have previously been approved by County Council.

Delegations

Grey Docs How To

Heather Morrison presented a “How To” for quickly finding reports in Grey Docs.

Ms. Patricia Searle, Grey Road 1 Speed Limit Reduction Request

Ms. Searle presented concerns regarding the speed limit along Grey Road 1 and requested the speed limit be lowered for safety reasons.

Chair Barfoot will request OPP accident history information for this section of Grey Road 1 when he meets with the Police Services Board on September 24, 2012. Staff was requested to review the area for tree trimming and brushing to increase visibility for all traffic.

The Chair thanked the delegation for their presentation.

Human Resources Update

There was none.

Reports - Transportation

TR-TAPS-40-12 Speed Limit Reduction Request for Grey Road 1

Mr. Kelly presented Report TR-TAPS-40-12 regarding a speed limit reduction request for Grey Road 1.

TAPS65-12 Moved by: Councillor Haswell

Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

THAT Report TR-TAPS-40-12 recommending that the posted speed limit on Grey County Road from the Cheshire's Monument to the Jane Miller Park remain as 80 km/h be deferred pending further information.

Carried

TR-TAPS-41-12 Asset Management Update

Mr. Marck presented Report TR-TAPS-41-12 regarding asset management and provided an overview of how and why the County Roads have recently been assessed. Mr. Marck laid out the process for collecting pavement condition data and how it will be used in the Asset Management program.

Discussion commenced relating to asset inventory and coordination of municipal planning for future construction.

TAPS66-12 Moved by: Councillor White

Seconded by: Councillor Richardson

THAT Report TR-TAPS-41-12 which provides information regarding the implementation of Asset Management into the Transportation Service Department be accepted.

Carried

Correspondence

Grey County Public Works Association Trade Show Thank You

This was for information purposes only.

Ministry of Transportation re: Paved Shoulders along Highway 6

It was noted that the Ministry of Transportation has received the request from Grey County for paved shoulders along Highway 6 and has determined that section of Highway 6 will not receive paved shoulders.

Other Business

Stonewurx Festival – West Grey

The Committee was notified of a Stonewurx Festival taking place in West Grey on September 26, 2012 through to September 30, 2012. There was a request for signage along Grey Road 4 for the festival. The Committee supports cooperation between the Festival organizers and County Staff.

OGRA re: Handheld Devices 5-year Extension

It was noted that an extension until January 1, 2018 has been granted by the Ministry of Transportation for public works staff to use handheld devices such as radios during the course of their jobs.

Transportation Services Update

Mr. Kelly provided an update on Transportation Services regarding maintenance, construction, administration and operational review report.

Mr. Kelly notified the Committee that the Operational Review Report will be presented at the next Transportation and Public Safety Committee meeting.

Staff was requested to review the shoulder gravel that was washed out along Grey Road 9.

Request to the Province for Funding

It was noted that a request from the lower tier municipalities to the Province for funding relating to traffic on highways around the Town of the Blue Mountains and Collingwood areas will be going forward.

Gravel Pit in West Grey – OMB Hearing

An update was provided regarding the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) hearing for the gravel pit in West Grey. Discussion commenced relating to the proponents request to alter the entrance location just prior to the commencement of the hearing.

Emergency Medical Services Update

It was noted that a Private Members Bill announcing First Responders Day will be May 1.

Mr. Muir updated the Committee regarding the transition of the non-emergency transfers.

Mr. Muir provided an update regarding the new EMS base and that an official opening will take place in October.

Next Meeting Dates

October 4 and 18, 2012

On motion by Councillor Pringle, the meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Alan Barfoot, Chair