

Committee of the Whole

March 12, 2020 – Following Council

Council Chambers, Grey County Administration Building

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

- a. Notice Provided by Councillor Desai on February 27, 2020

Whereas, Canada's federal excise tax currently exempts 100% Canadian wines; and

Whereas, Australia has asked the World Trade Organization (WTO) to rule that this exemption is discriminatory; and

Whereas, if the WTO were to rule with Australia, Canadian wineries making 100% Canadian wine would no longer be exempt; and

Whereas, the present value of the excise exemption is \$39 million annually across Canada; and

Whereas, in the 13 years since this exemption was created, the production of 100% Canadian wine has increased by almost 30 million litres, representing an additional annual contribution of \$2.7 billion to the Canadian economy; and

Whereas, Grey County, specifically the municipalities of Meaford and Town of Blue Mountains, is home to a number of successful, award winning, boutique wineries;

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved That, the County of Grey supports the excise exemption for 100% Canadian wines; and

That, the County of Grey appeals to the Federal government to ensure the exemption remains in place by reaching an agreement with Australia prior to the WTO ruling; and

That, this motion be forwarded to: The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada; The Honourable Andrew Scheer, Leader of the

Official Opposition; Yves-François Blanchet, Leader of the Bloc Québécois; Jagmeet Singh, Leader of the New Democratic Party of Canada; Jo-Ann Roberts, Interim Leader of the Green Party of Canada; The Honourable Mary Ng, Minister of Small Business, Export Promotion, and International Trade; Alex Ruff, Member of Parliament for Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound; AMO Member Municipalities; FCM Member Municipalities; Vintner's Quality Alliance; Ontario Craft Wineries; Ontario Craft Cider Association.

4. Delegations

10:45 AM Sarah Shenstone-Harris, Climate Change & Energy Planner and Hiba Kariem, Climate Change Project Officer - ICLEI Canada

Climate Change Action Plan

5. Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

6. 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. Correspondence from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing – Provincial Policy Statement, 2020

That the correspondence from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing regarding the release of the Provincial Policy Statement, 2020 be received for information.

- b. Economic Development and Planning Advisory Committee minutes dated February 25, 2020

That the Economic Development and Planning Advisory Committee minutes dated February 25, 2020 be adopted as presented.

- c. Health Care Funding Roles and Responsibilities Task Force minutes dated March 2, 2020

That the Health Care Funding Roles and Responsibilities Task Force minutes dated March 2, 2020 be adopted as presented.

- d. Affordable Housing Task Force minutes dated March 3, 2020

That the Affordable Housing Task Force minutes dated March 3, 2020 be adopted as presented; and

That the resolutions contained therein be endorsed:

i. That Report PDR-AF-01-20 be received for information purposes; and

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

e. County of Haliburton-Support re Tourism Oriented Destination Signage Fee Increase Deferral-Phase In

That the correspondence from the County of Haliburton regarding a deferral or phased-in approach to Tourism Oriented Destination Signage be supported.

7. Items For Direction and Discussion

a. PDR-CW-17-20 Municipal and Growth Boundaries Planning Report

That Report PDR-CW-17-20 be received for information purposes; and

That the Report be shared with member municipalities in Grey County for their information;

That staff be directed to begin working with member municipalities, neighbouring municipalities, and neighbouring counties on identifying future growth and infrastructure needs and the challenges therein where two or more municipal boundaries are involved; and

That staff bring back a report summarizing findings and recommendations for next steps.

b. PDR-CW-18-20 Alfred Street West Information Report

That Report PDR-CW-18-20 regarding an overview of proposed plan of subdivision application 42T-2019-03, consisting of fifteen (15) total units - two semi-detached lots (4 units), five single-detached dwelling lots (5 units), and two, 3-unit townhouse lots (6 units), on lands described as Part of Lots 1-3, RP No. 105 (geographic Town of Thornbury) in the Town of The Blue Mountains, be received for information.

c. HDR-CW-03-20 Housing Benefit Transfer Payment Agreement

That Report HDR-CW-03-20 regarding the Canada Ontario Housing Benefit Program Transfer Agreement be received; and

That any additional funds made available to Grey County through the Canada Ontario Housing Benefit program be approved for use in 2020; and

That staff be authorized to proceed prior to County Council approval as per section 25.6 (b) of Procedural By-law 5003-18.

- d. SSR-CW-03-20 Ontario Works Electronic Document Management

That Report SSR-CW-03-20 be received; and

That the Ontario Works department adopt an Electronic Data Management system under the guidelines of the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services; and

That the contract to implement Electronic Data Management in the Ontario Works department be single sourced to Nimble Information Strategies Inc; and

That the costs of implementing Electronic Data Management, not to exceed \$59,021.50 plus HST, be provided from the Social Services General Caseload Reserve.

- e. EDTC-CW-08-20 Local Immigration Partnership Agreement

That Report EDTC-CW-08-20 regarding the Local Immigration Partnership Agreement with Bruce County be received; and

That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to enter into an agreement with Bruce County for the delivery of the Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership as outlined by the Immigration, Refugees & Citizenship Canada Contribution Agreement and its schedules.

- 8. Other Business**
- 9. Notice of Motion**
- 10. Adjournment**