



Corporation of the County of Grey Task Force Minutes

Long-Term Care Task Force Minutes May 9, 2012 9:00 a.m.

The Long-Term Care Task Force met on the above date at the County Administration Building with the following members in attendance:

Present: Councillors John Bell, Deborah Haswell and Brian Milne; and Warden Duncan McKinlay

Staff

Present: Lance Thurston, CAO; Lynne Johnson, Director of Long-Term Care; Karen Kraus, Administrator Rockwood Terrace; Sharon Vokes, County Clerk/Director of Council Services; Kathie Nunno and Ina Bentley, Recording Secretaries

Call to Order

County Clerk, Sharon Vokes called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

The County Clerk called for nominations for Chair of the Long-Term Care Task Force.

Moved by: Deborah Haswell

Seconded by: John Bell

THAT Councillor Milne be nominated Chair of the Long-Term Care Task Force.

On motion of Councillor Haswell the nominations were closed. Councillor Milne accepted the nomination.

Councillor Milne was acclaimed Chair.

The County Clerk then called for nominations for Vice Chair of the Long-Term Care Task Force.

Moved by: Brian Milne

Seconded by: Warden McKinlay

THAT Councillor Haswell be nominated Vice Chair of the Long-Term Care Task Force.

On motion of Councillor Milne, the nominations were closed. Councillor Haswell accepted the nomination.

Councillor Haswell was acclaimed Vice Chair of the Long-Term Care Task Force.

Chair Milne then assumed the chair and welcomed everyone to the task force.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were none.

Reports

Terms of Reference – Long-Term Care Review Task Force

The terms of reference were discussed. The reporting timeline was addressed and it was agreed that the task force will work in accordance to the work plan included in Report LTCSR-SS-01-12 as adopted by County Council.

Moved by: Councillor McKinlay

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

THAT the Terms of Reference for the Long-Term Care Task Force be adopted as presented.

Carried

LTCR-LTCSR-01-12 – Long-Term Care Task Force Work Plan Report

Ms. Johnson presented the above-noted report outlining a proposed work plan for the task force to utilize in working toward the goals outlined in the terms of reference. The process for public engagement was discussed. It was determined that a consultation group involving various community stakeholders would provide valuable input into the process. It was decided that the group would consist of seven members representing the geographical region and include one long-term care resident and one family member. An application and selection criteria was discussed and staff were directed to work with Human Resources to develop the process. Staff were directed to include the community engagement strategy in the work plan. Transparency of the process was determined to be extremely important.

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Haswell

WHEREAS Council has approved the formation of a Long-Term Care Task Force to prepare a brief report on the advantages and disadvantages of service delivery options available to the county in fulfilling its obligation and determine its desired level of ongoing investment to provide long-term care services;

AND WHEREAS it was determined that a communication and public engagement strategy needs to be initiated in conjunction therewith;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Long-Term Care Task Force Work Plan in Report LTCR-LTCSR-01-12 be endorsed as amended to include communication strategy and community engagement.

Carried

General Discussion

Staff were requested to assemble and forward background information, legislative and reading materials pertinent to the goals of the task force to the task force members including levy dollars, services provided and financial implications of comparator municipalities.

Other Business

Communication Strategy

The Warden and CAO will prepare a memo for distribution to the homes' staff, Residents' Council and Family Council which will include names of the members of the task force. A press release will follow.

Next Meeting Date

June 13, 2012 9:00 a.m.

On motion by Councillor Bell, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Brian Milne, Chair