
November 24, 2015

Grey County Council met at the call of the Warden on the above date at 10:00 AM at the County Administration Building. The County Clerk called Council to order and Warden Kevin Eccles assumed the Chair.

The Warden invited members of Council to join him in a moment of reflection.

The Roll was called by the Clerk with all members present.

Kim Wingrove, Chief Administrative Officer, Sharon Vokes, County Clerk/Director of Council Services and Heather Morrison Deputy Clerk/Records Manager were also in attendance.

The following staff members were in attendance for the presentation of their respective reports:

Kevin Wepler, Director of Finance; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Housing; Lynne Johnson, Director of Long Term Care; Geoff Hogan, Director of Information Technology; Grant McLevy, Director of Human Resources; Michael Kelly, Director of Transportation Services; Randy Scherzer, Director of Planning and Development; Mike Muir, Director of Paramedic Services and Wendy Henderson, Ontario Works Manager.

Medical Officer of Health Dr. Hazel Lynn was also in attendance.

Adoption of Agenda

CC154-15 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Fosbrooke

THAT the County Council agenda dated November 24, 2015 be adopted as amended to add the cheque presentation for Launch Pad.

Carried

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Adoption of Minutes

CC155-15 Moved by: Councillor Barfoot Seconded by: Councillor McQueen

THAT the minutes of the November 3, 2015 Session of Grey County Council be adopted as circulated.

Carried

Special Presentations

Governor General's Exemplary Service Medal

Two Grey County Paramedics received the Governor General's Exemplary Service Medals for Emergency Medical Services at the Ontario Association of Paramedic Chiefs annual awards gala. This award recognizes paramedics serving more than 20 years with exceptional skill and service.

Scott Luce, a 27 year veteran and David Seeley a 21 year veteran were in attendance today to receive congratulations from Warden Eccles on behalf of County Council.

Launch Pad Youth Activity & Technology Centre Cheque Presentation

Kathi Maskell, Chair and Jacinda Rudolph, Project Manager of the Launch Pad Youth Activity & Technology Centre were in attendance to receive a cheque from Warden Kevin Eccles on behalf of Grey County. The funds will be used to assist in an electrical upgrade necessary to complete phase two of the Centre.

Phase two will create a trades and training facility which will house the Hobart Trade Shop, Industrial Commercial Kitchen, Wightman Broadcasting Studio and Events/Training Space.

Councillor Boddy joined the session.

Communications and Correspondence

The Clerk presented correspondence and recommendations for its disposition as follows:

- Champlain Township requesting review and reconsideration of the new OPP billing model
- Head, Clara & Maria Townships request to dissolve auto-extrication agreement for removal of vehicles on the Trans-Canada Highway

- Neebing resolution regarding consultation on the Police Services Act
- Response from Premier Kathleen Wynne regarding resolution CC137-15 and Report PDR-PCD-35-15, Niagara Escarpment Plan
- Town of the Blue Mountains support for Grey County's resolution related to proposed changes to the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC) Plan but not in support to disband the NEC
- Note of thanks:
 - Expression of Sympathy-Francis Richardson (Past Councillor) in the passing of his wife
 - Letter from MPP Ernie Hardman regarding Local Government Week in the Ontario Legislative Assembly

Received for information

CC156-15 Moved by: Councillor Barfoot Seconded by: Councillor Ardiel

THAT the disposition of Council correspondence as recommended by the Clerk be approved.

Carried

Notice of Motion

No Notice of Motion was given.

Business Arising from the Minutes

Councillor McQueen requested an update on resolution CC153-15 related to the accommodation review process through the Bluewater District School Board and subsequent meeting with the Superintendent. Councillor Barfoot provided an update of the meeting to County Council. Ms. Wingrove noted that another opportunity will be available to provide further information to the Board.

Presentation and Adoption of Reports

2016 Corporate Draft Budget Overview and Summaries

Director of Finance, Kevin Wepler provided an overview of the 2016 budget. He highlighted the overall increase of 1.94% and indicated that the impact to the average single family dwelling of \$255,000 would be an increase of \$17.34.

Mr. Wepler provided an overview of the process to date. He noted that \$.48 of every dollar goes towards taking care of people including long-term care, social services and paramedic services.

He outlined initiatives contained within the 2016 budget as well as current levels in the County's reserves and reserve funds.

Mr. Wepler thanked County Council and staff for their commitment to bring in a well balanced budget.

CC157-15 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

THAT the 2016 budget be adopted as presented.

Carried

Planning and Community Development Committee

Council considered the minutes of the Planning and Community Development Committee.

CC158-15 Moved by: Councillor Jack Seconded by: Councillor Paterson

THAT the minutes of the Planning and Community Development Committee dated November 17, 2015 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.

Carried

Social Services Committee

Council considered the minutes of the Social Services Committee.

CC159-15 Moved by: Councillor Ardiel Seconded by: Councillor Boddy

THAT the minutes of the Social Services Committee dated November 12, 2015 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.

Carried

Transportation and Public Safety Committee

Council considered the minutes of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee.

CC160-15 Moved by: Councillor Fosbrooke Seconded by: Councillor Greenfield

THAT the minutes of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee dated November 5, 2015 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.

Carried

Corporate Services Committee

Council considered the minutes of the Corporate Services Committee.

CC161-15 Moved by: Councillor McQueen Seconded by: Councillor Hicks

THAT the minutes of the Corporate Services Committee dated November 10, 2015 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.

Carried

By-Laws

Standing Committee Finalization

In accordance with the Procedural By-law, when the members from a lower tier municipality do not agree on individual standing committee appointments, Council determines those appointments.

Voting occurred to determine the member of Corporate Services Committee to be Councillor Jack and the member of Planning and Community Development Committee to be Councillor Fosbrooke.

After subsequent discussion by the two members from Southgate, Councillor Jack will be a member of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee and Councillor Fosbrooke will be a member of the Social Services Committee. By-law 4919-15 was amended to reflect the appointments.

Adoption of By-laws

CC162-15 Moved by: Councillor McKean Seconded by: Councillor Bell

THAT By-Laws 4917-15 to 4920-15 inclusive be introduced and that they be taken as read a first, second and third time, finally passed,

signed by the Warden and the Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and engrossed in the By-law book.

4917-15 A By-law to adopt the estimates of the revenues and expenditures for the year 2016

4918-15 A By-law to establish certain lands in the Township of Georgian Bluffs (geographic Township of Derby) described in Schedule 'A' as part of the County highway upon which the land abuts

4919-15 A By-law to confirm the standing committees for the County of Grey for the term commencing December 1, 2105

4920-15 A By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Grey

Carried

Warden's Closing Address

Warden Eccles presented his Closing Address to County Council.

Councillor Wright presented Warden Eccles with the Warden's pin and thanked him for his leadership as Warden.

CC163-15 Moved by: Councillor Wright Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

THAT the Warden's Closing Address be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.

Carried

Good News and Celebrations

Council was apprised of good news and celebrations occurring within the County.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillor Barfoot, Council adjourned at 11:55 AM to the call of the Clerk.

Council closed with the singing of O Canada.

County Council
November 24, 2015

Kevin Eccles, Warden

Sharon Vokes, County Clerk