

## Social Services Committee

November 12, 2014 – 10:00 AM

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

Present: Chair Dwight Burley; Councillors Terry McKay, Paul McQueen, Francis Richardson, Deborah Haswell, Ellen Anderson and John Bell; and Warden Brian Milne

Regrets: Councillors Kathi Maskell and Deborah Haswell

### Staff

Present: Derik Brandt, Chief Administrative Officer; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Housing; Barb Fedy, Director of Social Services; Lynne Johnson, Director of Long-Term Care; Kevin Weppeler, Director of Finance; Grant McLevy, Director of Human Resources; Jennifer Cornell, Grey Gables Administrator; Mary Lou Spicer, Deputy Director of Finance; Doug Johnston, Financial Analyst; Sandra Manser, Accounting Supervisor, Sharon Melville, Buyer and Tara Warder, Recording Secretary

### Call to Order

Chair Burley called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

### Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There was none.

### Minutes of Meetings

*Closed Meeting minutes of the Social Services Committee dated*

*December 15, 2010 and July 13, 2011*

SSC66-14 Moved by: Councillor Anderson Seconded by: Councillor Bell

**THAT the Social Services Committee closed meeting minutes dated December 15, 2010 and July 13, 2011 be adopted as provided to the Committee.**

Carried

## Business Arising from the Minutes

*Social Services Committee minutes dated September 10, 2014*

These minutes are for information only as they were adopted by Grey County Council on October 7, 2014.

## Reports – Finance

*FR-SS-34-14 Social Services Financial Update and Year End Projection as of September 30, 2014*

Sandra Manser presented the above report regarding the year end projection for the budgets under the Social Services Department. Staff are projecting a surplus of \$266,000 at year end. Mrs. Manser outlined the sources of the projected surplus.

SSC67-14 Moved by: Councillor Richardson Seconded by: Councillor McKay

**THAT the Social Services Committee receive Report FR-SS-34-14 regarding a Financial Update and Year End Projection for Social Services as of September 30, 2014.**

Carried

*FR-SS-36-14 Housing Financial Update and Year-End Projection as of September 30, 2014*

Mary Lou Spicer addressed the Committee on the above report regarding the year end projection for the Housing Department. Staff are anticipating an overall deficit of \$251,300 at year end. Staff will bring forth a report with a recommendation on how to

fund the anticipated shortfall.

Ms. Spicer detailed the individual budgets within the Housing Department.

Staff addressed questions and comments from the Committee regarding changes to housing clientele over the years and changing needs in terms of building maintenance, and anticipated write offs at year end.

SSC68-14 Moved by: Warden Milne Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

**THAT the Social Services Committee receive Report FR-SS-36-14 regarding a Financial Update and Year-End Projection as of September 30, 2014 for the Housing Department.**

Carried

*FR-SS-38-14 Long-Term Care Financial Update and Year-End Projection as of September 30, 2014*

Lynne Johnson addressed the Committee on the above report regarding the year end projection for the Long-Term Care Department. Staff are anticipating an overall surplus of \$115,800 at year end.

Mrs. Johnson noted that increases in funding were received based on changes to the Case Mix Index (CMI) and detailed the budgets for each of the long-term care homes.

SSC69-14 Moved by: Councillor McQueen Seconded by: Councillor McKay

**THAT Report FR-SS-38-14 regarding a Financial Update and Year-End Projection as of September 30, 2014 for the Long Term Care department budgets be received for information.**

Carried

## Reports – Housing

*HDR-SS-16-14 Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative Additional Funding 2014*

Anne Marie Shaw presented the above report, recommending approval of the Investment Plan for the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) and the expensing of the CHPI funds in the amount of \$305,745 by March 31, 2015.

SSC70-14 Moved by: Councillor Bell Seconded by: Councillor Richardson

**WHEREAS the County of Grey has entered into an agreement with The Province to administer the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI);**

**AND WHEREAS the County of Grey has received one time additional funding in the amount of \$305,745 from the Province for the CHPI program to be expensed by March 31, 2015;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that report HDR-SS-16-14 be received;**

**AND THAT council approve the Investment Plan for the CHPI funds as required by the Province;**

**AND THAT the one-time additional funding in the amount of \$305,745 be approved to be expensed by March 31, 2015.**

Carried

*HDR-SS-15-14 Quarterly Purchasing Report Quarter 3 of 2014*

Anne Marie Shaw addressed the Committee on the above report regarding the purchases requiring reporting as per the Purchasing Procedure.

SSC71-14 Moved by: Councillor Richardson Seconded by: Councillor McKay

**THAT Report HDR-SS-15-14, being a quarterly purchasing report for Quarter 3 of 2014 for the Housing and Long Term Care Departments, be received for information.**

Carried

Reports – Long Term Care

*LTCR-SS-15-14 Agreement between Grey County and Ecolab*

Lynne Johnson addressed the Committee on the above report. Staff are recommending that Ecolab be single sourced to provide housekeeping, dietary and laundry chemicals for an 18 month trial period. Ecolab has been providing the service since 2010.

SSC72-14 Moved by: Councillor Anderson Seconded by: Warden Milne

**WHEREAS Ecolab is an established and trusted supplier of chemicals for long term care homes;**

**AND WHEREAS the current contract with Ecolab has expired;**

**AND WHEREAS Ecolab is the sole provider of a solid technology laundry program which has been in place in the homes since 2010;**

**AND WHEREAS Ecolab has introduced a new complete laundry program utilizing additional solid products;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Report LTCR-SS-15-14 be received;**

**AND THAT Council approve the single source purchase of housekeeping, dietary and laundry chemicals from Ecolab for an 18 month period for the Long-Term Care Department.**

Carried

## Correspondence

### *Receive for Information*

SSC73-14 Moved by: Warden Milne                      Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

**THAT the following correspondence be received for information:**

- **Eastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church – A Call to Address Homelessness and Affordable Housing Strategies**
- **AMO Communication – Renewed Provincial Poverty Reduction Strategy**
- **Ministry of Community and Social Services – Ready Set Work Brochure**
- **Hanover Ontario Works Office Certificate of Recognition from Canada Revenue Agency**
- **The Centre Newsletter, Volume 1 Issue 3 – Georgian Bay Treatment Centre**
- **Minister of State (Social Development) Response to “Fixing Canada’s Housing Crunch” – Investment in Affordable Housing**

Carried

## Other Business

Chair Burley thanked the members of the Committee for the work they have done, noting this is the last Social Services Committee meeting for the term.

Kevin Wepler thanked the Committee on behalf of staff for its support.

Councillor McKay expressed appreciation for the work that staff do for the Committee.

## Next Meeting Dates

**Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at the Grey County Administration Building**

On motion by Councillor McKay, the meeting adjourned at 10:52 AM.

Dwight Burley, Chair