

December 4, 2018

Grey County Council met at the call of the Clerk on the above date at 7:30 PM. The meeting was held in the County of Grey Council Chambers at the County Administration Building, Owen Sound.

Former Grey County Wardens, the Chief Administrative Officer, and Directors of the County entered the Council Chambers.

Invited guests and County staff were also in attendance.

Heather Morrison, Clerk, welcomed those in attendance and provided opening comments.

The processional of County Councillors were then piped into the Chambers by Piper Rick Thibodeau.

The Clerk presided over the inaugural session and called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

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

Swearing in of Councillors

The Honourable Justice Julia A. Morneau presided over the swearing in of the members of Grey County Council.

Best wishes were extended to Council members by The Honourable Justice Morneau.

Election of the Warden

The Clerk outlined the procedures for the election of the Warden as set out in the *Municipal Act, 2001* and the County's Procedural By-law.

CC01-19 Moved by: Councillor Woodbury Seconded by: Councillor Burley

That the Warden of the County of Grey be elected for a one year term in accordance with By-law 5003-18, being the County's Procedural By-law and Section 233 (1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*.

Carried

The Clerk stated that nominations for Warden of the County of Grey for the next term were in order and nominations were received as follows:

CC02-19 Moved by: Councillor Boddy Seconded by: Councillor Paterson

That Councillor Selwyn Hicks be nominated for the Warden of the County of Grey.

CC03-19 Moved by: Councillor Woodbury Seconded by: Councillor Clumpus

That the nominations for Warden of Grey County be closed.

Carried

At the conclusion of nominations, the Clerk asked the intention of the candidate to run for the office of Warden for which he had been nominated.

Councillor Hicks indicated his desire to stand for the position of Warden for 2019.

Councillors Boddy and Paterson, the nominators for Councillor Hicks, spoke on his behalf.

Councillor Hicks was then acclaimed as Warden of the County of Grey for 2019.

Swearing in of Warden

The Honourable Justice Morneau administered the Declaration of Office to Warden Hicks pursuant to the requirements of Section 233 of the *Municipal Act, 2001* and offered her congratulations to the new Warden.

Presentation of the Chain of Office

Past Warden Brian Milne was invited to the front of the Chambers where he congratulated Warden Hicks and presented him with the Chain of Office.

Presentation of the Gavel

The Clerk presented Warden Hicks with the gavel and invited him to assume the Chair for the balance of the proceedings.

Warden's Address

Warden Hicks thanked his nominators and presented his opening address to Council.

CC04-19 Moved by: Councillor Boddy Seconded by: Councillor O'Leary

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

Carried

Warden's Remarks and Introductions

Warden Hicks expressed his appreciation to the members of County Council for their support and thanked his nominators. Warden Hicks then introduced his family members and Council from the Town of Hanover.

Remarks by Guests

Past Wardens in attendance were introduced as follows: Lois Urstadt (1982), Elwood Moore (1964), Bill Murdoch (1987), Frank Beirnes (1988), Delton Becker (1989,1997, 1998) Gerald Shortt (1990), Bob Pringle (2006 and 2007), Duncan McKinlay (2012 and 2013), Alan Barfoot (2016 and 2017), and Stewart Halliday (2018). On behalf of the Past Wardens, Lois Urstadt provided comments to Council.

Adjournment

Warden Hicks thanked everyone for attending and announced that a reception would be held in the atrium immediately following the session and invited all present to attend.

On motion of Councillors Burley and McQueen, Council adjourned at 8:19 PM until Thursday, December 20, 2018.

Council closed with O Canada performed by Keira McArthur.

Selwyn Hicks, Warden

Heather Morrison, Clerk