

## Committee of the Whole September 9, 2021

Grey County Council met on the above date at 10:40 AM through electronic means. Warden Selwyn Hicks assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order with all members present.

### Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Warden Hicks requested and received Council's permission to hear from the delegation ahead of business arising from the Minutes.

### Business Arising from the Minutes

#### Delegations

#### Preparing for an Electric Vehicle Future

Jessica Linthorne, Director, Clean Energy Frontier Program and Chad Richards, Director, Net Zero Partnerships of Nuclear Innovation Institute attended to discuss preparing for the future of electric vehicles. Mr. Richards discussed a report conducted by Nuclear Innovation Institute's Clean Energy Frontier Program called Plug IN Why Bruce, Grey and Huron must prepare for an electric vehicle future.

The locations of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations have the most impact on climate change and economic development opportunities. The Government of Canada announced 100% internal combustion passenger vehicle sales be zero emission by 2035. The auto industry itself is banking on an electric vehicle future.

Recommendations by the presenters included developing a coordinated strategy for installing EV charging capacity with a focus on creating an EV charging corridor, collaborating with local government and businesses to reduce installation costs and help with the industry shift, and sharing battery technology.

Questions and comments then followed focusing on EV tourism and Grey County's climate change action plan, the cost of installing and maintaining level 3 chargers, Bill 123 regarding reserved charging stations for electric vehicles only, database for charging stations, information on the chargehub.com website, battery life and technology, meaningful locations for charging stations, municipal tax implications, readiness of local grid infrastructure to support this shift, at-home charging station upgrades and new-build opportunities.

Warden Hicks thanked the delegation for their presentation.

## Notice of Motion Provided by Councillor McQueen on August 12, 2021

### *Main Motion*

Moved by: Councillor McQueen      Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

**Whereas Report PSR-CW-06-20 identified Feversham an underserved area and a potential location for a future paramedic station based to provide maximum coverage for paramedic calls;**

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved that staff be directed to complete further analysis on the potential coverage opportunities in Feversham and bring back a report on the findings of such analysis and options for Council's consideration.**

### *Amendment to Main Motion*

*CW142-21*      Moved by: Councillor Milne      Seconded by: Councillor Clumpus

**That the Notice of Motion be amended to change the second clause from Feversham to Grey County; and**

**That this item be included in the 2022 budget discussions.**

Carried

### *Main Motion as Amended*

*CW143-21*      Moved by: Councillor McQueen      Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

**Whereas Report PSR-CW-06-20 identified Feversham an underserved area and a potential location for a future paramedic station based to provide maximum coverage for paramedic calls;**

**Now Therefore Be It Resolved that staff be directed to complete further analysis on the potential coverage opportunities in Grey County and bring back a report on the findings of such analysis and options for Council's consideration; and**

**That this item be included in the 2022 budget discussions.**

Carried

## Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Item b) from the Consent Agenda, Clarksburg Dome, was requested to be discussed separately.

## Consent Agenda

*CW144-21*      Moved by: Councillor Clumpus      Seconded by: Councillor Robinson

**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. That the minutes of the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee dated August 10, 2021 be adopted as presented; and**

**That the resolutions contained therein be endorsed as follows:**

- i. That the installation of communication boards at Georgian Bluffs parks be supported.**
- ii. That the information signage proposed for installation at Georgian Bluffs township parks be supported.**
- b. That the letter from MPP Bill Walker dated July 29, 2021 extending congratulations to Grey County for the Sydenham Campus FedDev grant be received for information.**
- c. That the Press Release from Collingwood General and Marine Hospital dated August 10, 2021 regarding additional provincial funding for the hospital's redevelopment be received for information.**
- d. HDR-CW-16-21 Declaration of Surplus Land**

**That the Westmount property described as LT 27 PL 444 OWEN SOUND; PIN 37049-0048 Geographic City of Owen Sound be declared surplus; and**

**That the land be valued based on the market evaluation provided by an independent realtor; and**

**That the Clerk be directed to provide notice of Council's intent to sell the property to the qualified tenant in accordance with the Sale of Land Procedure.**

Carried

Warden Hicks declared a brief recess following which Council resumed.

## Items for Direction and Discussion

### FR-CW-24-21 Corporate Financial Update and Year-End projection as of June 30, 2021

*CW145-21* Moved by: Councillor Robinson

Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

**That Report FR-CW-24-21 regarding a Corporate Financial Update and Year-End Projection to June 30, 2021 be received; and**

**That the Grey Roots General Store construction budget shortfall of**

**approximately \$144,000 be funded from the Grey Roots Donation Reserve and anticipated 2021 operating budget surplus.**

Carried

## ITR-CW-01-21 Maintenance of Mitel VOIP System

*CW146-21* Moved by: Councillor Carleton

Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

**That report ITR-CW-01-21 be received; and**

**That staff be directed to renew Grey County's support agreement with OnTarget/Mitel with an estimated cost of \$24,320; and**

**That the cost be covered with anticipated surplus from the Information Services operating budget and if insufficient surplus exists, the cost be funded from the IT Infrastructure Reserve.**

Carried

## CCR-CW-06-21 September 30 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

*CW147-21* Moved by: Councillor Robinson

Seconded by: Councillor Milne

**That Report CCR-CW-06-21 regarding recognizing September 30 as a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation be received; and**

**That Grey County Council support the following Association of Municipalities of Ontario motion:**

**WHEREAS the Truth and Reconciliation Commission released its final report on June 2, 2015, which included 94 Calls to Action to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation;**

**AND WHEREAS the recent discoveries of remains and unmarked graves across Canada have led to increased calls for all levels of government to address the recommendations in the TRC's Calls to Action;**

**AND WHEREAS all Canadians and all orders of government have a role to play in reconciliation;**

**AND WHEREAS Recommendation #80 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission called upon the federal government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process;**

**AND WHEREAS the Federal Government has announced September 30th, 2021, as the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) and a statutory holiday;**

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the County of Grey does hereby commit to recognizing September 30th, as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) by sharing the stories and history of Indigenous people their families, and communities in Grey County through open discussions, exhibits and storytelling; and**

**That all flags be lowered to half-mast and the Every Child Matters flag be flown annually on September 30; and**

**That the Every Child Matters flag be added to the Flag Lowering Policy.**

Carried

## EDTC-CW-14-21 COVID-19 Survey Partnership – University of Guelph

*CW148-21* Moved by: Councillor Keaveney

Seconded by: Councillor Carleton

**That Report EDTC-CW-14-21 regarding the COVID-19 Survey Partnership with the University of Guelph be received for information.**

Carried

## HRR-CW-07-21 Corporate COVID-19 Immunization Policy

### *Main Motion*

Moved by: Councillor Paterson

Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

**That Report HRR-CW-07-21 regarding the Corporate COVID-19 Immunization Policy, be received for information.**

### *Amendment to Main Motion*

*CW149-21* Moved by: Councillor Potter

Seconded by: Councillor Desai

**That the motion be amended to include Grey County Council within the Grey County Corporate COVID-19 Immunization Policy; and**

**That staff bring back a report regarding a COVID-19 immunization policy or guidelines for the general public attending Grey County buildings.**

Carried

### *Main Motion as Amended*

*CW150-21* Moved by: Councillor Paterson

Seconded by: Councillor Desai

**That Report HRR-CW-07-21 regarding the Corporate COVID-19 Immunization Policy, be received for information; and**

**That Grey County Council be included in the Grey County Corporate COVID-19 Immunization Policy; and**

**That staff bring back a report regarding a COVID-19 immunization policy or guidelines for the general public attending Grey County buildings.**

Carried

## TR-CW-24-21 Condition of Clarksburg Sand Dome

CW151-21 Moved by: Councillor Soever

Seconded by: Councillor Potter

**That Report TR-CW-24-21 Condition of Clarksburg Sand Dome be received for information.**

Carried

## Other Business

Councillor Robinson announced her intention to run for Warden for 2022.

CAO Wingrove confirmed that the administration building is re-opening to the public on a by-appointment basis as much as possible on Monday, September 13, 2021.

The Grey County administration building is a federal election polling station and will be open September 10<sup>th</sup> through 13<sup>th</sup> to conduct this as safely as possible with Elections Canada.

Councillor Desai asked about the timeline for in-person Council sessions. CAO Wingrove stated that a hybrid model of remote and in-person attendance will be scheduled for the first Council meeting in October.

## Notice of Motion

There were none.

## Adjournment

On motion of Councillors Burley and Milne, Committee of the Whole adjourned at 12:45 PM to the call of the Chair.

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Selwyn Hicks, Warden

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Heather Morrison, Clerk