

July 8, 2014

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 Brian Milne assumed the Chair.

The Warden invited members of Council to join him in prayer or observe a moment of silent reflection.

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

Sharon Vokes, County Clerk/Director of Council Services and Tara Warder, Recording Secretary were also in attendance.

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

Kevin Wepler, Director of Finance; Lynne Johnson, Director of Long Term Care; Barbara Fedy, Director of Social Services; 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 Anne Marie Shaw, Housing Programs Manager

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

## Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

## Adoption of Minutes

CC83-14      Moved by: Councillor Burley      Seconded by: Councillor Barfoot

**THAT the minutes of the June 3, 2014 Session of Grey County Council be adopted as circulated.**

Carried

## Retirement Presentations

Randy Scherzer thanked Barb Heerschap for her service with the County and the Department and wished her all the best in her retirement.

Mrs. Heerschap thanked Council, staff and the Planning and Community Development Committee for their support during her time with the County.

Warden Milne presented a retirement gift to Mrs. Barb Heerschap. Mrs. Heerschap was with the County for 28 years as the Administrative Assistance in the Planning department.

On behalf of Grey County Council, Warden Milne expressed his appreciation to Mrs. Heerschap for her commitment to Grey County.

## Communications and Correspondence

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

- Huron County to Western Ontario Warden's Caucus in support of request from local Huron telecom provides that Huron County be granted authority to allocate broadcasting funding
- Note of thanks for expression of sympathy-Family of Ted Morrison (Transportation Services)

Received for information

CC84-14 Moved by: Councillor McKinlay Seconded by: Councillor Fitzgerald

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

Carried

## Notice of Motion

Notice of Motion was given by Councillor Wright on the agenda regarding the rising cost of hydro.

CC85-14 Moved by: Councillor Wright Seconded by: Councillor Haswell

**WHEREAS the cost of hydro has doubled and in some cases more than doubled in the past five years;**

**AND WHEREAS the cost of electricity in the Province of Ontario is forcing businesses to consider leaving the area;**

**AND WHEREAS many families are having difficulty keeping up with their monthly payments;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the County of Grey strongly urges the Premier to find out the reason why costs are escalating;**

**AND THAT the Premier be encouraged to do something to bring these rates down to a reasonable level and to do so as quickly as possible.**

Carried

## Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the previous meeting.

## Deputations

### *Ontario Power Generation Inc.*

Mr. Scott Berry, Manager, Site Public Affairs with Ontario Power Generation Inc (OPG) provided a brief overview of OPG and cited the efforts made to keep energy costs stable. Further, current projects and achievements were noted.

Mr. Berry then addressed County Council on the deep geological repository (DGR) project for low and intermediate level waste, noting that the DGR is still in the Federal review phase. Mr. Berry outlined the operations site layout, including the location of the licensed area, the site study area and the proposed location of the low and intermediate level waste DGR. Waste is currently being stored in the interim however there is a need to look at long term and safe disposal of low level and intermediate level waste.

Mr. Berry addressed questions from County Council, including those related to the refurbishment of the Darlington plant, and comparable DGRs on an international scale. Concerns of the public were raised such as the location of the proposed DGR being so close to the Great Lakes, as well as the pending application for high level waste disposal in nearby communities.

## Presentation and Adoption of Reports

### *Board of Health*

Council considered the minutes of the Board of Health and the Report of the Board.

CC86-14 Moved by: Councillor Maskell Seconded by: Councillor Bell

**THAT the minutes of the Board of Health dated May 23, 2014 and the Report to the Board dated June 2014 be received.**

Carried

### *Transportation and Public Safety Committee*

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

CC87-14 Moved by: Councillor Bell Seconded by: Councillor Haswell

**THAT the minutes of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee dated June 5 and 19, 2014 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.**

Carried

### *Planning and Community Development Committee*

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

CC88-14 Moved by: Councillor Maskell Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

**THAT Resolution PCD72-14 be separated from the minutes of the June 17, 2014 meeting and voted on separately.**

Carried

CC89-14 Moved by: Councillor McKinlay Seconded by: Councillor Haswell

**THAT Resolution PCD72-14, regarding consideration being given to the development of a \$50,000 grant in lieu fund in the 2015 budget, be adopted as presented in the minutes of the Planning and Community Development Committee meeting of June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014.**

Councillor Maskell requested a recorded vote.

In Favour: P. McQueen 5, K. Maskell 3, B. White 3, F. Richardson 6, H. Greenfield 5, D. Haswell 8, A. Wright 8, B. Milne 3, N. Jack 3, E. Anderson 6, D. McKinlay 5.

Opposed: B. Pringle 4, T. McKay 3, A. Barfoot 5, D. Burley 5, W. Fitzgerald 6, K. Eccles 6, J. Bell 6.

Motion is Carried 55 to 35.

CC90-14 Moved by: Councillor Eccles Seconded by: Councillor Haswell

**THAT the minutes of the Planning and Community Development Committee dated June 17, 2014 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as amended and engrossed in the minutes.**

Carried

The Committee briefly recessed, then reconvened.

*BDO Canada LLP Chartered Accountants*

Ms. Victoria Watson and Traci Smith attended County Council to present the Auditor's Report-2013 Financial Statements and thanked staff for their diligent work on preparing the background information for the audit.

## Closed Meeting Matters

CC91-14 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

**THAT the agenda be amended to include an additional closed session item, being advice that is subject to solicitor client privilege regarding CAO recruitment, pursuant to Section 239 (2)(f) of the Municipal Act, 2001.**

Carried

CC92-14 Moved by: Councillor McQueen Seconded by: Councillor Maskell

**THAT Grey County Council do now go into closed session at 11:44 AM to discuss:**

- a) **A personal matter about an identifiable individual, including municipal employees regarding Confidential Report CAOR-CC-08-14 Appoint of Director of Housing**
- b) **Advice that is subject to solicitor client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose regarding CAO recruitment pursuant to Section 239 (2) (f) of the Municipal Act, 2001**
- c) **Adoption of closed meeting minutes of June 3, 2014**

**AND THAT the following staff remain in attendance: Sharon Vokes, Kevin Wepler, Barbara Fedy, Mike Muir, Michael Kelly, Geoff Hogan, Lynne Johnson, Randy Scherzer and Tara Warder.**

Carried

CC93-14 Moved by: Councillor Jack Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

**THAT Grey County Council do now return to open session at 12:22 PM.**

Carried

County Council recessed then reconvened.

CC94-14 Moved by: Councillor McKinlay Seconded by: Councillor Bell

**THAT Anne Marie Shaw is hereby appointed as Director of Housing effective July 9, 2014.**

Carried

### *Social Services Committee*

Council considered the minutes of the Social Services Committee.

CC95-14 Moved by: Councillor Richardson Seconded by: Councillor McQueen

**THAT the minutes of the Social Services Committee dated June 11, 2014 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.

CC96-14 Moved by: Councillor McQueen Seconded by: Councillor Greenfield

**THAT the correspondence for the City of Owen Sound regarding a request for the County to consider participating in the Heritage Property Tax Relief Program be referred to the Planning and Community Development Committee.**

Carried

CC97-14 Moved by: Councillor Jack Seconded by: Councillor Fitzgerald

**THAT the minutes of the Corporate Services Committee dated June 10, 2014 and the recommendations contained therein be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.**

Carried

### *Verbal Update Regarding CAO Recruitment Process*

Grant McLevy, Director of Human Resources provided County Council with an update on the CAO recruitment process. Mr. McLevy stated that the position will be posted

immediately through various agencies such as Municipal World and AMCTO with a closing date of August 1, 2014. After closing, the Committee will review all resumes and develop a short list for interviews.

CC98-14 Moved by: Councillor Pringle Seconded by: Councillor White

**WHEREAS Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Lance Thurston has tendered his resignation with the County of Grey effective August 4, 2014;**

**AND WHEREAS members of the Senior Management Team (Directors) will take on the role of Acting CAO on a rotational basis until such time as a new CAO is hired for Grey County;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following Directors are hereby provided with the authority given to the CAO until such time as a new CAO is hired:**

- July 2014 Mike Muir
- August 2014 Randy Scherzer
- September 2014 Lynne Johnson
- October 2014 Sharon Vokes
- November 2014 Geoff Hogan
- December 2014 Kevin Wepler
- January 2015 Michael Kelly

Carried

*CAOR-CC-06-14 Replacing Authorized Representative on SWEA Board*

Council considered report CAOR-CC-06-14 regarding the replacement of an authorized representative on the Southwest Economic Alliance (SWEA) Board.

CC99-14 Moved by: Councillor Bell Seconded by: Councillor Eccles

**WHEREAS Grey County as a member in good standing is entitled to one Authorized Representative on the Board of Directors of the South West Economic Alliance (SWEA);**

**AND WHEREAS Lance Thurston, the County Chief Administrative Officer, was re-appointed to serve as Grey County's Authorized Representative for a two year period effective June 17, 2014;**

**AND WHEREAS Lance Thurston has tendered his resignation as County CAO effective August 5, 2014;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT report CAOR-CC-06-14 be received;**

**AND THAT Duncan McKinlay is hereby appointed as Grey County's Authorized Representative to the SWEA Board of Directors.**

Carried

*CAOR-CC-07-14 WOWC SWIFT Time Commitment*

Council considered Report CAOR-CC-07-14 regarding the Western Ontario Warden's Caucus (WOWC) SWIFT project.

CC100-14 Moved by: Councillor Eccles      Seconded by: Councillor Burley

**THAT Report CAOR-CC-07-14 regarding the WOWC SWIFT Project Update be received for information.**

Carried

*CAOR-CC-09-14 Corporate Operating Plan-Second Quarter Update*

Council considered Report CAOR-CC-09-14 regarding the Corporate Operating Plan-Second Quarter Update.

CC101-14 Moved by: Councillor Barfoot      Seconded by: Councillor Richardson

**THAT County Council hereby receives for information purposes the Corporate Operating Plan-Q2 Update report dated June 30 2014, as recommended by the Chief Administrative Officer in Report CAOR-CC-09-14.**

Carried

By-Laws

CC102-14 Moved by: Councillor Anderson      Seconded by: Councillor Eccles

**THAT By-Laws 4860-14 to 4864-14 inclusive be introduced and that they be taken as read a first and second time and that Council go into Committee of the Whole on these By-Laws.**

Carried

Councillor Wright assumed the Chair in Committee of the Whole.

On motion of Councillor McQueen, Committee arose and Council resumed with Warden Milne in the Chair.



CC103-14 Moved by: Councillor Pringle      Seconded by: Councillor Fitzgerald

**THAT the following By-Laws as passed in Committee of the Whole be taken as read for a 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.**

**4860-14 A By-law to establish certain lands in the Municipality of Meaford (Geographic Township of Sydenham) described in Schedule 'A' as part of the County highway upon which the land abuts**

**4861-14 A By-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to execute a road occupancy agreement between the Corporation of the County of Grey and Harold Sutherland Construction Ltd.**

**4862-14 A By-law to establish decrease limits for certain property classes within the City of Owen Sound**

**4863-14 A By-law to establish decrease limits for certain property classes**

**4864-14 A By-law to authorize the Warden and Clerk to execute an agreement between the Corporation of the County of Grey and Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. for a natural gas line easement**

Carried

## Business on Motion

There were no further motions.

## Other Business

### AMO Delegation Requests

CC104-14 Moved by: Councillor Haswell      Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

**THAT staff be directed to submit the following on behalf of Grey County Council for the upcoming AMO Conference in August 2014:**

- **A request for a delegation to the Minister of Transportation requesting that the County of Grey be included in funding considerations for the Alvanley intersection improvements.**

- **A request for a delegation to the Minister of Innovation and Research, Reza Moridi regarding Marine Emergency Duty Training programing capital funding for Georgian College**
- **A request for a delegation to the Minister of Transportation, Steven Del Duca regarding Regional Transportation issues such as lack of bussing, Ontario Northland potential for servicing, the regulatory obstacles facing private sector growth and the implications of Bill 79 on the Transportation network.**
- **A request for a delegation with the Minister of Health regarding the Markdale hospital project**
- **In Conjunction with the Board of Health, a request on the timely provincial approval of health unit budgets.**
- **A request for a delegation to Minister of Aboriginal Affairs regarding the need to engage in consultation with the leaders of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation and the Six Nations of the Grand River to work towards a resolution of the outstanding land claim issues and to provide support and guidance on matters related to the duty to consult.**

Carried

## Good News and Celebrations

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

## Adjournment

On motion of Councillor Burley, Council adjourned at 1:45 PM to the call of the Warden.

Council closed with the singing of O Canada.

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Brian Milne, Warden

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Sharon Vokes, County Clerk