



Agenda

Council

March 12, 2020 – 9:30 AM

Council Chambers, Grey County Administration Building

1. Call to Order
2. O Canada
3. Roll Call
4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
5. Adoption of Minutes
 - a. County Council and Committee of the Whole minutes dated February 27, 2020

That the minutes of the County Council meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting dated February 27, 2020 and the resolutions contained therein, be adopted as presented.

6. Closed Meeting Matters

That Council does now go into closed session pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended to discuss:

- i. **A proposed or pending land acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board** (*Report LSR-CC-01-20 Rockwood Terrace Redevelopment*)
- ii. **Advice that is subject to solicitor – client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose** (*Report LSR-CC-01-20 Rockwood Terrace Redevelopment*)

7. By-laws

5080-20 A By-law to Authorize the Appointment of By-law Enforcement Officers for Forest Management within Grey County

8. Good News and Celebrations
9. Adjournment

Council

February 27, 2020

Grey County Council met at the call of the Warden on the above date at 9:30 AM at the County Administration Building. The Clerk called Council to order and Deputy Warden Selwyn Hicks assumed the Chair.

The Deputy Warden invited members of Council to join him in O Canada.

The Roll was called by the Clerk with all members present except Councillors Soever and Desai and Warden McQueen. Alternate Councillor Sampson was in attendance on behalf of Councillor Soever.

Kim Wingrove, Chief Administrative Officer; Heather Morrison, Clerk; and Tara Warder, Deputy Clerk/Legislative Coordinator were also in attendance.

The following staff members were in attendance:

Kevin Wepler, Director of Corporate Services; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Housing; Barbara Fedy, Director of Social Services; Pat Hoy, Director of Transportation Services; Randy Scherzer, Director of Planning and Development; Kevin McNab, Director of Paramedic Services; Michael Letourneau, Director of Legal Services-County Solicitor; Jennifer Cornell, Director of Long-Term Care; Savanna Myers, Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Culture; Sandra Shipley, Manager of Human Resources; and Jody MacEachern, Senior Manager of Information Technology.

Declaration of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

Adoption of Minutes

CC30-20 Moved by: Councillor Mackey Seconded by: Councillor Clumpus

That the minutes of the County Council meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting dated February 13, 2020 and the resolutions contained therein, be adopted as presented.

Carried

CC31-20 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Robinson

That the Long-Term Care Committee of Management minutes dated February 11, 2020 be adopted as presented; and

That the following resolution contained therein be endorsed:

i. That report LTCR-CM-07-20 be received; and

That staff be authorized to sign and submit a Declaration of Compliance for Grey Gables, Lee Manor and Rockwood Terrace to the South West Local Health Integration Network for the reporting period of January 1, 2019- December 31, 2019.

Carried

CC32-20 Moved by: Councillor Keaveney Seconded by: Councillor O'Leary

That the Long-Term Care Committee of Management and Committee of the Whole closed meeting minutes dated February 11, 2020 and February 13, 2020 be adopted as provided to County Council.

Carried

Closed Meeting Matters

There was no closed meeting held.

Reports

Board of Health

CC33-20 Moved by: Councillor Paterson Seconded by: Councillor Milne

That the Board Report dated February 2020 and the Board of Health minutes dated January 24, 2020 be received for information.

Carried

By-Laws

CC34-20 Moved by: Councillor Potter Seconded by: Councillor Robinson

That By-Law 5079-20 be introduced and that it 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.

5079-20 A By-law to Acquire Certain Lands in the Municipality of West Grey, As Described in Schedule 'A' into the Grey County Housing Inventory

Carried

Good News and Celebrations

Councillor Keaveney noted that the 5th annual job fair will be taking place in Meaford on April 9 from 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM and is open to businesses outside of Meaford as well. There is no charge for businesses to set up a table.

Councillor Robinson noted that on March 14th, the Durham Horticultural Society is hosting a Seedy Saturday from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. There will be a speaker and seed exchange.

Councillor Milne noted that the Egremont Optimist Club dinner has been rescheduled to Thursday, March 5.

Councillor Potter noted that a pancake supper was held recently to raise money for the Australian Bushfire Fund and Councillor Soever attended the event.

Savanna Myers and Sim Salata announced that a resident of Grey County recently donated \$4,000 to Grey Roots Museum and Archives. The donation came after reading a story that the Sun Times ran following the last Committee of the Whole meeting on the purchase of military artefacts so that money will not have to be taken out of the artefact reserve.

Adjournment

On motion by Councillors Milne and Burley, Council adjourned at 9:44 AM to the call of the Warden.

Paul McQueen, Warden

Heather Morrison, Clerk

Committee of the Whole

February 27, 2020

Grey County Council met on the above date at 9:44 AM at the County Administration Building. Deputy Warden Selwyn Hicks assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order with all members present except Councillor Soever. Alternate Councillor Sampson was in attendance on behalf of Councillor Soever.

Declaration of Interest

Councillor Milne declared an interest with respect to PDR-CW-16-20 Wilder Lake Subdivision Information Report, as he has a sibling involved in the application.

Delegations

Michael Ryan and Hugh Simpson, Grey County Federation of Agriculture - Farmland Property Tax Rate

Hugh Simpson and Michael Ryan presented to Committee on behalf of the Grey County Federation of Agriculture. Mr. Simpson noted that the organization represents 2000 farms in the area that produce over 400 million dollars in gross domestic product. He also noted that there are many young farmers coming into the area, which is a promising trend.

Michael Ryan then addressed the Committee, noting that the Grey County Federation of Agriculture is not requesting a reduction in property tax, but are asking Grey County to keep the agricultural burden the same as it has been in the past, at approximately 3% of the County's total tax revenue.

It was noted that the assessed value of farmland in Grey County has gone up by 71% and the residential tax base has only increased by 5%. He noted that if residential values move proportionately with the agricultural sector, the ratios are applicable, however the latest assessment cycle has resulted in a shift of tax burdens towards farmland.

There is concern in the sector that the increased taxes the sector is paying is not proportional to the services it receives from the County. Mr. Ryan spoke to the variables that impact revenues and profits in the sector, and that the continuances of growth in the number of young farmers is directly related to the costs that an operation can sustain.

Municipalities can set the ratio anywhere between 0% and .25% and each municipality is different. The decision needs to be made based on local needs. Ratios from other municipalities were then reviewed.

Mr. Ryan and Mr. Simpson addressed questions from the Committee regarding the request from the Federation, including what rate the Grey County Federation of Agriculture would recommend. Mr. Ryan noted that historically, agriculture has paid between 2% and 3% of the County's tax revenue and the Federation would like to see that continue at 3%. It is expected that the next assessment cycle will realize another significant increase as well. The Federation is requesting a decrease from .24% to .158%.

Staff noted that the Treasurer will prepare a report for the second meeting in March regarding tax policies and it was requested that this presentation be factored into the report.

Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Councillor Milne left the meeting at this time and did not vote or participate in discussion of the matter.

There were no items requested to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Consent Agenda

CW49-20 Moved by: Councillor Clumpus Seconded by: Councillor Paterson

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.

- i. That Report TR-CW-07-20 containing the tender results for RFT-TS-05-20 Grey Road 9 Pulverizing and Hot Mix Paving be received; and
That the Murray Group Ltd. be awarded the Tender for a total amount of \$2,095,961.00, excluding HST.**
- ii. That Report PDR-CW-16-20 regarding an overview of proposed plan of subdivision application 42T-2019-04, consisting of twenty nine (29) single detached residential parcels and one lot containing the existing buildings associated with the golf course on lands described as Part of Lots 2, 3 and 4, Concession 21, Township of Southgate, geographic Township of Egremont, be received for information.**
- iii. That the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes dated February 12, 2020 be adopted as presented.**
- iv. That the Grey County – The Blue Mountains Task Force minutes dated February 13, 2020 be adopted as presented.**
- v. That the correspondence from the Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development regarding a brief on the Sydenham Skills Training and Innovation Hub be received for information.**

- vi. **That the correspondence from the Lake Erie Drinking Water Source Protection Region be received for information.**

Carried

Items for Direction and Discussion

CAOR-CW-03-20 Award of NFRP-EDTC-03-20 Bus Lease for Community Transportation Project

CW50-20 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

That Report CAOR-CW-03-20 regarding bus leases be received; and

That the lease of six Elkhart Coach buses be awarded to Overland Custom Coach (2007) for \$15,234 monthly excluding taxes; and

That the monthly lease cost be funded from the Provincial funding contained in the 2020 budget from the Community Transportation Grant; and

That staff be authorized to proceed with this project prior to Council approval as per Section 25.6 of Procedural By-law 5003-18.

Carried

HDR-CW-02-20 Community Homeless Prevention Initiative

Councillor Desai then entered the meeting.

CW51-20 Moved by: Councillor Robinson Seconded by: Councillor Boddy

That Report HDR-CW-02-20 regarding a proposed Investment Plan for Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative for 2020-21 be received; and

That Grey County Council approves the Investment Plan for the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative and approves the 2020-21 funding to be expensed by March 31, 2021.

Carried

EDTC-CW-06-20 Draft Grey County Cycling and Trails Master Plan

Bryan Plumstead addressed the Committee on the draft Cycling and Trails Master Plan on behalf of the WSP consultants who could not attend due to weather. It was noted that funding was received in 2018 through the Ontario Municipal Commuter Cycling Program to develop both a cycling plan and implement paved shoulders on County Roads.

Mr. Plumstead then outlined the phases of the development of the draft Cycling and Trails Master Plan and reviewed the engagement process that was undertaken with residents, decision makers, member municipalities and County staff.

The vision of the plan was then noted. Key design considerations were then highlighted as noted in the Ontario Traffic Manual Book 18.

Mr. Plumstead then provided an overview of the proposed network and the proposed facilities. The focus of the cycling and trails network within the next ten years is to align with the County's capital plan and achieve efficiencies where possible.

Warden Paul McQueen then entered the meeting.

The costs to implement the Plan were outlined.

One of the recommendations stemming from the Plan is to establish a cycling and trails committee which could include representatives from all member municipalities. Partners are essential to share ideas and resources for infrastructure and programming, as well as funding.

Key actions and next steps were then outlined.

Staff addressed questions from the Committee.

Mr. Plumstead noted that the open house scheduled for 11:30 this morning will be rescheduled.

CW52-20 Moved by: Councillor Milne Seconded by: Councillor Hutchinson

That Report EDTC-CW-06-20 and the Draft Grey County Cycling and Trails Master Plan be received; and

That the Draft Grey County Cycling and Trails Master Plan be posted on the County website; and

That staff be directed to circulate a link to the draft plan to member municipalities and interested stakeholders, and

That following a minimum 30-day period, comments will be reviewed and incorporated into a final plan and brought back to county council along with recommendations for implementation.

Carried

Committee recessed briefly, then reconvened with Warden McQueen in the Chair.

PDR-CW-09-20 Forest Management Plan

CW53-20 Moved by: Councillor Burley Seconded by: Councillor O'Leary

That Report PDR-CW-09-20 regarding the draft Forest Management Plan be received; and

That staff be directed to solicit input from the public, the forest industry, agencies, and municipalities on the draft Forest Management Plan; and

That following consideration of stakeholder input, a revised Forest Management Plan be presented to the Forest Management Plan Advisory Committee and County Council for its consideration.

Carried

PDR-CW-14-20 County Official Plan Amendment 42-03-580-OPA-148 Sarawak Quarry Expansion Merit Report

CW54-20 Moved by: Councillor Carleton Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

That Report PDR-CW-14-20 regarding a proposed County Official Plan Amendment be received; and

That the proposal proceeds to a Public Meeting to consider an amendment to the County of Grey Official Plan on lands designated 'Agricultural' and 'Rural', to permit the expansion of an existing quarry at Part Lot 36, Concession 2, geographic Township of Sarawak, Township of Georgian Bluffs, provided the Township is prepared to hold a joint public meeting in consideration of the necessary local amendment requirements.

Carried

PDR-CW-15-20 Forest Management Annual Report and By-law Enforcement Officer Appointments

CW55-20 Moved by: Councillor Milne Seconded by: Councillor Woodbury

That Report PDR-CW-15-20 regarding Forest Management be received; and

That a by-law be prepared to appoint Lee Thurston and an alternate as Municipal By-law Enforcement Officers for the County of Grey; and

That the by-law contain provisions for the appointment by the Director of Planning or his/her designate of additional Municipal By-law Enforcement Officers for the County of Grey.

Carried

TR-CW-06-20 Orchardville Bridge (Structure 900-272)

CW56-20 Moved by: Councillor Robinson Seconded by: Councillor Potter

That TR-CW-06-20 be received and that Grey County accept the preferred solution to have Orchardville Bridge (Structure 900-272) removed with full recording and documentation of the heritage bridge; and

That Staff be directed to single source the bridge removal design to GM BluePlan.

Carried

FR-CW-04-20 Year End Transfers

CW57-20 Moved by: Councillor Paterson Seconded by: Councillor Gamble

That Council receive Report FR-CW-04-20 titled 2019 Year-End Transfers and approve the recommendations, as contained and estimated in Report FR-CW-04-20, regarding transfers to and from Reserve; and

That Council approve any surplus/deficit arising in the 2019 budget be transferred to/(from) the respective departmental reserves.

Carried

PSR-CW-04-20 Response Time Performance Plan Results 2019

CW58-20 Moved by: Councillor Robinson Seconded by: Councillor Woodbury

That Report PSR-CW-04-20 be received; and

That the 2019 Paramedic Service response time performance results be submitted to the Ministry of Health by March 31, 2020.

Carried

Saugeen Valley Children's Safety Village

CW59-20 Moved by: Councillor Hutchinson Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

Whereas a request has been received from Saugeen Valley Children's Safety Village for \$15,000 to support program delivery; and

Whereas staff have reviewed the request in coordination with the Not for Profit Grant Requests criteria as outlined in Report SSR-CW-06-19, endorsed by Council August 8, 2019, confirming Saugeen Valley Children's Safety Village's eligibility with the grant process;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Grey County support the request for \$15,000 from Saugeen Valley Children's Safety Village and that this amount be funded from the One Time Funding Reserve.

Carried

Other Business

There was no other business.

Notice of Motion

Councillor Desai provided a notice of motion regarding Australia's World Trade Organization challenge against Canada's wine and cider industries.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillors Milne and Desai, Committee of the Whole adjourned at 11:59 AM to the call of the Chair.

Paul McQueen, Warden

Heather Morrison, Clerk

Corporation of the County of Grey By-Law 5080-20

A By-law to Authorize the Appointment of By-Law Enforcement Officers for Forest Management within Grey County

WHEREAS the Corporation of the County of Grey (the "County") enacted By-Law 4361-06 as amended, being the County's Forest Management By-law, which contains enforcement provisions related to forest management activities;

AND WHEREAS By-law 5073-20 authorizes the County to enter into an Agreement with Grey Sauble Conservation Authority for the provision of by-law enforcement activities related to By-law 4361-06 as amended or succeeded;

AND WHEREAS under 15(1) of the Police Services Act, as amended, provides that a municipality may designate persons as officers for the purpose of enforcing its by-laws;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the County of Grey adopted the recommendations of the Committee of the Whole from its February 27, 2020 meeting to appoint by-law enforcement officers for forest management purposes;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF
THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF GREY HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Director of Planning and Development or designate is authorized to appoint municipal by-law enforcement officers from time to time.
2. That Lee Thurston, Tim Lanthier and Andrew Sorensen are hereby appointed as By-law Enforcement Officers for the Corporation of the County of Grey relative to the Forest Management By-law 4361-06 or any successor by-laws.
3. That By-law 4787-13 is hereby rescinded, and all appointments of by-law officers made thereunder are rescinded.
4. This By-law shall come into full force and effect March 12, 2020.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 12th day of March 2020.

WARDEN: Paul McQueen

CLERK: Heather Morrison