

County Council

Agenda

April 9, 2026

10:00 a.m.

Council Chambers - Grey County Administration Building

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That the minutes of the County Council meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting dated March 26, 2026, and the resolutions contained therein, be adopted as presented.	
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That By-law 5277-26 be introduced and 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.	
i. 5277-26 - A By-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council	
9. News and Celebrations	
10. Adjournment	

Minutes Council

March 26, 2026

Present: Warden Andrea Matrosovs, Councillor Brian Milne, Councillor Scott Mackey, Councillor Terry McKay, Councillor Sue Carleton, Councillor Grant Pringle, Councillor Paul McQueen, Councillor Dane Nielsen, Councillor Sue Paterson, Councillor Warren Dickert, Councillor Ross Kentner, Councillor Shirley Keaveney, Councillor Ian Boddy, Councillor Scott Greig, Councillor Barbara Dobreen, Councillor Kevin Eccles, Councillor Tom Hutchinson

Regrets: Councillor Peter Bordignon

Staff Present: Randy Scherzer, CAO, Scott Taylor, Director of Planning, Amanda Kokas, Provincial Offences Court Manager, Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Community Services, Jennifer Cornell, Director of Long-Term Care, Jody MacEachern, Director of IT, Kevin McNab, Director of Paramedic Services, Mary Lou Spicer, Director of Finance, Pat Hoy, Director of Transportation Services, Savanna Myers, Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Culture, Robert Hatten, Manager of Communications, Tara Warder, Clerk, Brittany Rier, Deputy Clerk

Call to Order

Grey County Council met at the call of the Warden on the above date at 10:01 a.m. at the County Administration Building. The Warden called Council to order and assumed the Chair.

O Canada

The Warden invited members of Council to stand for O Canada.

Roll Call

The Clerk called the Roll with all members present with the exception of Councillor Bordignon. Councillors Dobreen, Eccles and Milne participated electronically.

Land Acknowledgement

The Warden read the land acknowledgement.

Warden Matrosovs took a moment to reflect on the recent time she spent in Sarnia and locally with First Nations, Metis and Inuit people to discuss collaboration with Grey County.

Adoption of Minutes

County Council and Committee of the Whole minutes dated March 12, 2026

CC20-26

Moved by: Councillor Dickert

Seconded by: Councillor McKay

That the minutes of the County Council meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting dated March 12, 2026, and the resolutions contained therein, be adopted as presented.

Carried

Long-Term Care Committee of Management meeting minutes dated March 19, 2026

CC21-26

Moved by: Councillor Keaveney

Seconded by: Councillor Hutchinson

That the Long-Term Care Committee of Management meeting minutes dated March 19, 2026, be adopted as presented and the following resolutions contained therein be endorsed:

- i. **That report LTCR-CM-04-26 regarding a Long-Term Care Director Update be received for information; and**

That report LTCR-CM-05-26 regarding the Long-Term Care Operational Report dated December 15, 2025, to February 14, 2026, be received for information; and

That report LTCR-CM-06-24 titled 2025 Long-Term Care Write Off of Uncollectible Accounts be received; and

That the recommended write offs in the amount of \$0 as outlined in the report be approved; and

That report LTCR-CM-07-26, Nurse Call Replacement System for Grey Gables and Lee Manor be received; and

That staff be directed to revise the budget to an upset limit of \$300,000 for Grey Gables and \$595,000 for Lee Manor for the Nurse Call Replacement system; and

That funding of 2026 capital projects for GGG-019 Parking Lot Replacement (\$490,900) and LLL-041 Replacement of Air Make-Up System (\$424,000) be used in order to fund the Nurse Call Replacement System; and

That staff be directed to proceed with a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the nurse call system replacement for Grey Gables and Lee Manor, with results to be reported back for approval; and

That report LTCR-CM-08-26 regarding the Single Sourcing of Beds, and Whirlpool Tubs for Grey Gables and Lee Manor be received; and

That Council supports the single source procurement of whirlpool tubs and beds for Grey Gables and Lee Manor from Wissner-Bosserhoff.

Carried

Closed Meeting Matters

There were no closed meeting matters.

Reports

There were no reports.

By-laws

CC22-26

Moved by: Councillor Boddy

Seconded by: Councillor Paterson

That By-laws 5274-26, 5275-26 and 5276-26 be introduced and 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.

- i. 5274-26 - A By-law to approve and authorize the expropriation of portions of land within the Municipality of Grey Highlands, County of Grey**
- ii. 5275-26 - A By-law to Authorize the Disposition of Certain Lands in the City of Owen Sound as described in Schedule 'A' (Lot 50)**
- iii. 5276-26 - A By-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council**

News and Celebrations

Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Culture, Savanna Myers, shared that the Team Grey MOU has been endorsed by all member municipalities in Grey County.

She also shared the upcoming Cruise and Connect event on the M.S. Chi-Cheemaun will be held on Thursday April 23rd boarding at 6:30 p.m. with the cruise to start sharply at 7:00 p.m.

Councillor McKay shared that the Good Roads Association is introducing two First Nations leaders to the Board of Directors for 2026.

Councillor Boddy thanked both the Township of Georgian Bluffs and the Municipality of Meaford for their cooperation during the City of Owen Sound's boil water advisory.

Councillor Kentner shared that there will be a parade and ceremony at the 4th Canadian Division Training Centre tomorrow announcing a new name and a more prominent role in the Canadian forces.

Adjournment

On motion by Councillors Nielsen and Dobrean, Council adjourned at 10:22 a.m. to the call of the Warden.

Andrea Matrosovs, Warden

Tara Warder, Clerk

Minutes

Committee of the Whole

March 26, 2026

Call to Order

Grey County Council met on the above date at the County Administration Building. Warden Matrosovs assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order at 10:22 a.m. with all members present with the exception of Councillor Bordignon. Councillors Dobreen, Eccles and Milne participated electronically.

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Business Arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

Delegations

Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership

Hilary Thurston, Supervisor of the Grey-Bruce Local Immigration Partnership, provided an overview of the 2025 to 2028 Grey-Bruce Community Action Plan which sets the direction for the next three years led by Bruce County. The Action Plan serves local newcomer needs for the area.

The Plan includes three key strategic priorities for action including community collaboration, employer engagement and workforce integration as well as fostering a connection to make all feel welcome. The priorities help bring together the vision to have Grey Bruce as a welcoming community committed to diversity and belonging which will in turn support attraction and retention.

She noted that fiscal year 1 was a foundational year for the group and summarized the highlights throughout the year including developing sub-committees, hosting webinars, providing training, and onboarding regional partners.

She reviewed the key initiatives of fiscal year 2 including collaboration with Huron County LIP and a researcher from Western University on a retention study to determine why newcomers leave rural areas.

Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

There were no items on the consent agenda pulled for further discussion.

Consent Agenda

CW43-26

Moved by: Councillor Hutchinson

Seconded by: Councillor Nielsen

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.

Carried

PDR-CW-12-26 Elverne Martin Minor Exemption

That report PDR-CW-12-26 be received; and

That the application for minor exemption under the County's Forest Management By-law for Part of Lot 24, Concession 1, geographic Township of Normanby, now in the Municipality of West Grey, municipally known as 082885 Letter Breen Road, be approved.

TR-CW-17-26 Award of Tender RFT-TS-06-26 for the Replacement of Structure 40-086 and Structure 900-114

That report TR-CW-17-26 containing the tender results for RFT-TS-06-26 regarding the replacement of two structures in the Township of Chatsworth, being Structure 40-086 (Grey Road 40) and Structure 900-114 (Concession 2) be received; and

That Roubos Farm Service be awarded the tender for a total amount of \$3,174,597.41, excluding HST; and

That the deficit of \$921,908.79 be funded from a combination of surplus realized in the Canada Community Building Fund from award reports for TR-CW-12-26 and TR-CW-15-26 and funds from the Transportation Services Major Capital Reserve.

TR-CW-15-26 Award of Tender RFT-TS-12-26 - Grey Road 12 Rehabilitation

That report TR-CW-15-26 containing the tender results for RFT-TS-12-26 regarding the Grey Road 12 Rehabilitation Project be received; and

That Walker Construction Limited be awarded the tender for a total amount of \$624,000.00, excluding HST.

TR-CW-18-26 Award of Tender RFT-TS-18-26 for the Replacement of Structure 900-188

That report TR-CW-18-26 containing the tender results for RFT-TS-18-26 regarding the replacement of Structure 900-188 (on Normanby-Bentinck Townline) be received; and

That AJN Builders Inc. be awarded the tender for a total amount of \$934,030.00, excluding HST; and

That the deficit of \$255,740.30 be funded from a combination of any surplus remaining in the Canada Community Building Fund and, if additional funds are required, from the Transportation Services Major Capital Reserve.

TR-CW-16-26 Tender Award Grey Road 9 - Main Street West, Dundalk

That report TR-CW-16-26 containing the tender results for Township of Southgate Contract 5625-26 regarding the reconstruction of Main Street West in the Town of Dundalk be received; and

That County Council authorize the transfer of capital funding in the amount of \$2,862,946.69, excluding HST, representing Grey County's projected portion of Contract 5625-26 project costs; and

That Staff provide the capital funding to the Township of Southgate at the completion of the project based on actual final construction costs to fund Grey County's share of the Grey Road 9 Reconstruction project in Dundalk.

FR-CW-05-26 2025 Treasurer's Statement

That Report FR-CW-05-26 and the attached 2025 Treasurer's Statement be received for information.

Grey Bruce OHT - Connecting Patients to Primary Care Update

That the correspondence from Grey Bruce Ontario Health Team regarding an update on Primary Care Patient attachment be received for information.

Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Correspondence Regarding the Regional Consolidation of Ontario's Conservation Authorities

That the correspondence received from the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks regarding Decision Notice on the Proposed Boundaries for the Regional Consolidation of Ontario's Conservation Authorities be received for information.

Correspondence from the City of Owen Sound and the Municipality of Meaford- Proposed Road Transfers

That the correspondence received from the City of Owen Sound and the Municipality of Meaford regarding Grey County Road Transfers be received for information.

Correspondence from the Municipality of Grey Highlands - Approval of Tender for Award RFT-TS-05-26 to Walker Construction

That the correspondence from the Municipality of Grey Highlands regarding support for awarding RFT-TS-05-26 Reconstruction of Grey Road 12 in Markdale to Walker Construction Limited be received for information.

Items For Direction and Discussion

EDTC-CW-07-26 Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership Community Action Plan and Annual Update

CW44-26

Moved by: Councillor Eccles

Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

That report EDTC-CW-07-26 regarding the Grey Bruce Local Immigration Partnership Community Action Plan and Annual Update be received; and

That the Community Action Plan 2025-2028 be endorsed.

Carried

PDR-CW-11-26 Age-Friendly Action Plan Progress Report

CW45-26

Moved by: Councillor Dickert

Seconded by: Councillor Carleton

That report PDR-CW-11-26 regarding the County's Age-Friendly Action Plan progress be received for information; and

That staff be authorized to make minor amendments to the County's Age-Friendly Action Plan, without impacting the intent of the Plan, to enable plan implementation; and

That staff be directed to share the Progress Report with all member municipalities for information.

Carried

CAOR-CW-06-26 Provincial Offences Court Annual Report 2026

CW46-26

Moved by: Councillor Milne

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

That report CAOR-CW-06-26 regarding the Provincial Offences annual report be received for information.

Carried

CAOR-CW-09-26 Green Development Program

CW47-26

Moved by: Councillor Hutchinson

Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

That report CAOR-CW-09-26 regarding the Green Development Program be received; and

That the voluntary Green Development Program be approved as presented and staff be directed to proceed with program implementation with an anticipated launch in spring 2026; and

That staff be directed to continue collaborating with municipalities to confirm their preferred option for participation; and

That staff be delegated authority to make minor program adjustments as needed, subject to approval by the Director of Planning and Manager of Climate Change Initiatives.

Carried

Urban Road and Road Exchange Task Force minutes dated February 5, 2026 and TR-CW-10-26 Road Transfers Supplemental Report - Member Municipal Engagement, TR-CW-10-26

Committee of the whole took a brief recess from 11:13 a.m. to 11:25 a.m.

Deferred Motion

Moved by: Councillor Greig

Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

That the Urban Road and Road Exchange Task Force meeting minutes dated February 5, 2026, be adopted as presented and the following resolutions contained therein be endorsed:

- i. That Report TR-UR-01-26 be received; and**
- ii. That the draft road transfer template agreement be approved, and staff be directed to customize the template for each member municipality and circulate the agreements for execution and that the Warden and Clerk be authorized to execute the agreements; and**
- iii. That the road assumption/deletion by-law(s) be brought forward to County Council with a transfer date of July 6, 2026, for both Urban and Rural transfers with the following exceptions being transferred on October 29, 2026;**

- **Grey Road 4 within Flesherton**
- **Grey Road 12 within Markdale**
- **Grey Road 14 and Southgate SRD 11**
- **Grey Road 9 within Dundalk; and**

That staff be authorized to proceed prior to Council approval as per Section 26.6 (b) of the Procedural By-law.

Motion to Postpone Indefinitely

CW48-26

Moved by: Councillor Greig

Seconded by: Councillor Boddy

That the motion deferred from the Committee of the Whole meeting held February 12, 2026 regarding approval of the road transfer agreement templates and direction to bring forward road assumption / deletion by-laws for Council's consideration, be postponed indefinitely.

Carried

CW49-26

Moved by: Councillor Milne

Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

That Council direct staff to prepare a comprehensive report based on member municipality feedback and the discussion and direction of Council in respect to report TR-CW-10-26 to be discussed by the Road Exchange Task Force; and

That Council support Task Force members in bringing up to two members of their municipal staff to the next Task Force meeting to support discussion; and

That the Task Force be directed to bring forward recommendations for potentially a late 2026/early 2027 Roads Exchange.

Carried

A recorded vote was requested on the motion.

In Favour: S. Mackey 4; T. McKay 3; S. Carleton 6; G. Pringle 5; S. Paterson 4; W. Dickert 3; R. Kentner 6; S. Keaveney 5; S. Greig 8; B. Milne 4; B. Dobreen 3; A. Matrosovs 7; K. Eccles 6; T. Hutchinson 6

Opposed: P. McQueen 6; D. Nielsen 5; I. Boddy 8

Absent: P. Bordignon 7;

The motion was Carried 70-19

Closed Meeting Matters

There were no closed meeting matters.

Other Business

There was no other business.

Notice of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillors Hutchinson and Milne, Committee of the Whole adjourned at 12:42 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Andrea Matrosovs, Warden

Tara Warder, Clerk

Corporation of the County of Grey

By-law 5277-26

A By-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council

WHEREAS Section 5 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, states that the powers of a municipality shall be exercised by its Council;

AND WHEREAS Section 5 (3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that municipal powers shall be exercised by by-law;

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

1. The actions of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Grey at its meetings held from March 26, 2026, to date, in respect of each recommendation contained in the Reports to Committee of the Whole, and each motion and resolution passed, and any other actions taken by Council at these meetings are hereby adopted and confirmed as if such proceedings were expressly embodied in this By-law.
2. The Warden and proper officers of the Corporation of the County of Grey are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action, to obtain approvals where required and to execute all documents necessary in that behalf.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 9th day of April 2026.

WARDEN: Andrea Matrosovs

CLERK: Tara Warder