

# Minutes

## Committee of the Whole

October 12, 2023

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### Call to Order

Grey County Council met on the above date at the County Administration Building. Warden Milne assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order at 10:18 a.m. with all members present. Councillors Bordignon, Hutchinson, and Keaveney participated virtually.

### Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

### Business Arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

### Delegations

#### Darlene Lamberti - Centre Grey Health Services Foundation - Markdale Hospital Ambulatory Care Department Naming Opportunity

Darlene Lamberti presented to the Committee to review the Grey County's contribution to the hospital. She extended a naming opportunity with the Ambulatory Care Department at the new Markdale Hospital to recognise the County's contribution and partnership in community healthcare.

CW141-23

Moved by: Councillor McQueen

Seconded by: Councillor Dobreen

**That the Council of the County of Grey accept naming opportunity with the Ambulatory Care Department in recognition of the County's contribution to the new Markdale Hospital and partnership in community healthcare.**

Carried

## Nancy Johnston, McSweeney & Associates - Economic Development, Culture and Tourism Master Plan

Nancy Johnston from McSweeney & Associates presented to the Committee regarding the development of the proposed Economic Development, Culture and Tourism (EDCT) Master Plan. The presenter reviewed the County's role and context, the process followed in developing the Master Plan, including a review of past plans and documents, the situational analysis conducted, and the consultation process undertaken with internal and external stakeholders. Nancy Johnston discussed the analysis performed and identified themes and priority actions.

## EDTC-CW-16-23 - Economic Development, Tourism & Culture Master Plan

CW142-23

Moved by: Councillor Nielsen

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

**That report EDTC-CW-16-23 regarding the Economic Development, Tourism & Culture Master Plan be received; and**

**That the Economic Development, Tourism & Culture Master Plan be adopted as presented.**

Carried

## Janice Atwood-Petkovski, Principles Integrity - Integrity Commissioner Annual Report

Janice Atwood-Petkovski of Principles Integrity presented to the Committee regarding the annual Integrity Commissioner report. The presenter reviewed the role and functions of municipal Integrity Commissioners and noted that the framework is functioning as intended, providing education and advice, complaints reviewed or investigations conducted.

Tara Warder discussed the appointment of Principles Integrity in 2018 and confirmed that a report would follow in the coming months regarding reaffirming their agreement for another term.

The meeting recessed and reconvened at 11:35 a.m.

CW143-23

Moved by: Councillor Eccles

Seconded by: Councillor Matrosovs

**That the Integrity Commissioner Annual Report prepared by Principles Integrity and dated October 2023 be received for information.**

Carried

## **Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion**

Councillor Greig requested that item 6.a. regarding Correspondence - Municipality of West Grey & Town of Grimsby - Establishing a Guaranteed Livable Income on the consent agenda for this meeting be pulled for further discussion.

## **Consent Agenda**

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.

CW144-23

Moved by: Councillor Paterson

Seconded by: Councillor Dickert

**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 correspondence from the Township of Georgian Bluffs regarding the letter provided by the Georgian Bluffs Climate Action Team be supported by the Council of the County of Grey.**
- b. **That the correspondence from Elizabeth Marshall regarding speeding in Banks dated September 5, 2023, be received for information.**
- c. **That the Planning and Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting minutes dated September 29, 2023, be adopted as presented; and**

**That the following resolutions contained therein be endorsed:**

**That report EDTC-PEDAC-15-23 regarding the Economic Development, Tourism and Culture Master Plan Preface be received;**

and

**That the strategic themes of the Economic Development, Tourism and Culture Master Plan be endorsed; and**

**That the draft Economic Development, Tourism and Culture Master Plan be brought forward to Committee of the Whole for consideration; and**

**That any action items be included in the 2024 budget for consideration for implementation to begin in January 2024.**

Carried

## **Items For Direction and Discussion**

### **PDR-CW-45-23 - Condominium Exemption Requests Process Change**

CW145-23

Moved by: Councillor Carleton

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

**That report PDR-CW-45-23 be received; and**

**That County staff be given delegated authority to approve vacant land plans of condominium by amending the County's condominium exemption application form to delete the reference to "Proposals for Vacant Land Condominiums" under the heading of "Types of Exemptions not Accepted", as enabled by item 6(g) in by-laws 4421-07 and 3837-2000.**

Carried

### **TR-CW-21-23 - Grey Road 119 Speed Limit in Banks**

Moved by: Councillor Nielsen

Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

**That Report TR-CW-21-23 regarding Grey Road 119 Speed Limit in Banks be received; and**

**That staff be directed to bring forward modifications to the posted speed limit on Grey Road 119 as per Table 2 in this report during a future update to By-law 4788-13.**

CW146-23

Moved by: Councillor Matrosovs

Seconded by: Councillor Bordignon

**That the motion be amended to reflect a speed of 50 kilometers per hour from a point 300m West of Grey Road 119 at 4th Line to a point 365m East of Grey Road 119 at 4th Line (Banks - Town of the Blue Mountains).**

Carried

CW147-23

Moved by: Councillor Nielsen

Seconded by: Councillor Mackey

**That report TR-CW-21-23 regarding Grey Road 119 Speed Limit in Banks be received; and**

**That staff be directed to bring forward modifications to the posted speed limit on Grey Road 119 as per Table 2 in this report, as amended, by reflecting a speed limit of 50 km per hour instead of 60km per hour from a point 300m West of Grey Road 119 at 4th Line to a point 365m East of Grey Road 119 at 4th Line (Banks - Town of the Blue Mountains) during a future update to By-law 4788-13.**

Carried

## HRR-CW-14-23 - Non-Union Compensation Policy

CW148-23

Moved by: Councillor Mackey

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

**That report HRR-CW-14-23 regarding a Non-Union Compensation Policy be received; and**

**That Council approve the Non-Union Compensation Policy - 1-39.**

Carried

## Committee of the Whole – September 28, 2023 – Deferred Motion – Proposed Housing and Green Space Project for the Georgian Bay Community School Track

Kim Wingrove confirmed that staff approached the Bluewater District School Board with the County's interest in the former Georgian Bay Community School Track property. The CAO stated that the school board was not interested in proceeding further with negotiations at this time and recognized the board's restrictions in their legislated

requirements to obtain fair market value for the lands. Randy Scherzer discussed the work being done at the County to explore options to best utilize County-owned surplus lands.

Moved by: Councillor Paterson

Seconded by: Councillor Dickert

**WHEREAS the Council of the County of Grey recognizes access to attainable and affordable housing is important to the community and supports that work in the County's Housing Action Plan, which includes additional actions centred on land use planning, policy, and community development approaches; and**

**WHEREAS the Bluewater District School Board declared the property located at 87 Aiken Street, PINs 37118-0051 and 37118-0062 in the Municipality of Meaford or commonly known as the Georgian Bay Community School Track, as surplus on October 18, 2022, and available for public sale on June 6, 2023; and**

**WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality of Meaford passed the following resolution requesting that Grey County purchase the property for a housing and greenspace project at their September 18, 2023, meeting:**

**That Council of the Municipality of Meaford:**

- 1. Ask the County of Grey to purchase the former GBCS track property for a future housing and green space project;**
- 2. Request that County Council direct county staff to prepare a summary of options for the development of a housing project on that property; and**
- 3. Commit \$500,000 towards the purchase of the property, in addition to the \$370,100 in County PILT funds previously allocated to a housing project in Meaford.**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the County of Grey hereby directs staff to enter into negotiations for the purchase of 87 Aiken Street in Meaford; and**

- 1. That the authority to negotiate the purchase of this property be delegated to the Chief Administrative Officer; and**
- 2. That staff prepare a report investigating options for a housing and green space project on the subject lands; and**
- 3. That funds be allocated from the remaining 2021 payment in lieu of taxes settlement (PILT), as earmarked for affordable or attainable housing projects within the Municipality of Meaford, to support this initiative as part of the 2024 budget process.**

CW149-23

Moved by: Councillor Keaveney

Seconded by: Councillor Kentner

**That the motion deferred from the September 28, 2023, meeting of Committee of the Whole regarding the proposed housing and green space project for the former Georgian Bay Community School Track property be withdrawn.**

Carried

CW150-23

Moved by: Councillor Kentner

Seconded by: Councillor McQueen

**That a letter be sent to the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to advise that Grey County and Meaford wish to purchase the former Georgian Bay Community School track property to support a housing project and further requests the province to intervene in the process that requires a school board to attain the highest fair market value when selling surplus land; and**

**That the province be requested to provide future relief from the provincial regulation requiring a school board to obtain fair market value for surplus land when the future use of the property is for a municipal affordable or attainable housing project.**

Councillor McQueen requested a recorded vote.

Carried unanimously on a recorded vote.

## **Items from Consent Requiring Separate Discussion**

**Correspondence - Municipality of West Grey & Town of Grimsby - Establishing a Guaranteed Livable Income**

Moved by: Councillor Matrosovs

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

**That the correspondence from the Municipality of West Grey and the Town of Grimsby regarding establishing a guaranteed livable income be supported by the Council of the County of Grey.**

CW151-23

Moved by: Councillor Greig

Seconded by: Councillor McKay

**That the motion regarding correspondence from the Municipality of West Grey and the Town of Grimsby be amended to be received for information.**

Carried

CW152-23

Moved by: Councillor Matrosovs

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

**That the correspondence from the Municipality of West Grey and the Town of Grimsby regarding establishing a guaranteed livable income be received for information.**

Carried

## **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 Bordignon and Hutchinson, Committee of the Whole adjourned at 12:34 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

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Brian Milne, Warden

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Tara Warder, Clerk