



Minutes Council

December 5, 2023

Call to Order

Grey County Council met on the above date at 5:00 p.m. at the County Administration Building for its inaugural meeting for the 2023-2024 year. Kim Wingrove, CAO, welcomed Council, staff, the viewing public and called the meeting to order.

O Canada

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

Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge with respect, the history, spirituality, and culture of the Anishinaabek, Six Nations of the Grand River, Haudenosaunee, and Wendat-Wyandot-Wyandotte peoples on whose traditional territories we gather and whose ancestors signed Treaties with our ancestors. We recognize also, the Metis and Inuit whose ancestors shared this land and these waters. May we all, as Treaty People, live with respect on this land, and live in peace and friendship with all its diverse peoples.

Roll Call

The Clerk called the Roll with all members present. Councillor Matrosovs participated electronically.

Kim Wingrove, Chief Administrative Officer; Tara Warder, Clerk; and Sarah Goldrup, Deputy Clerk were also in attendance.

The following staff members were also participating:

Randy Scherzer, Deputy CAO; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Community Services; Kevin McNab, Director of Paramedic Services; Mary Lou Spicer, Director of Finance; Pat Hoy, Director of Transportation; Savanna Myers, Director of Economic Development, Tourism & Culture; Scott Taylor, Director of Planning; Jody MacEachern, Director of Information Technology; Amanda Kokas, Provincial Offences Court Manager and Robert Hatten, Manager of Communications.

Opening Remarks

Tara Warder provided opening comments.

Motion to Elect Warden

The Clerk outlined the procedures for the election of the Warden as set out in the *Municipal Act, 2001*, and the County's Procedural By-law.

CC88-23

Moved by: Councillor Eccles

Seconded by: Councillor Greig

That the Warden of the County of Grey be elected for a one-year term in accordance with Grey County's Procedural By-law and Section 233 (1) of The Municipal Act, 2001.

Carried

Confirmation of Nominations

The Clerk stated that nominations for Warden of the County of Grey for the next term were received by November 28, 2023, in the following order:

- Councillor Brian Milne

CC89-23

Moved by: Councillor Matrosovs

Seconded by: Councillor Bordignon

That Councillor Milne be nominated for the Warden of the County of Grey.

Carried

Introduction of Candidates by Sponsors

The Clerk asked the intention of the candidates to run for the office of Warden for which they had been nominated.

Councillor Milne indicated their desire to stand for the position of Warden for 2023 to 2024.

Councillors Matrosovs and Bordignon, the nominators for Councillor Milne, spoke on their behalf.

Nominee Comments

Councillor Milne thanked their nominators and addressed Council.

Election of Warden

Councillor Milne was elected to the role of Warden by acclamation.

Declaration of Warden's Election

The Clerk declared Brian Milne Warden of Grey County for 2023 to 2024.

Swearing in of Warden

The Clerk administered the Declaration of Office to Warden Milne pursuant to the requirements of Section 233 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, and offered her congratulations to the Warden.

Presentation of the Chain of Office

Deputy Warden Paul McQueen presented Warden Milne with the chain of office.

Warden Assumes Chair

The Clerk invited Warden Milne to assume the Chair for the balance of the proceedings.

Warden's Address

Warden Milne thanked his nominators and presented his opening address to Council.

Motion to Adopt Warden's Address

CC90-23

Moved by: Councillor Dobreen

Seconded by: Councillor Eccles

That the Warden's Address be adopted as presented and engrossed in the minutes.

Carried

Motion to Destroy Ballots

As the Warden was acclaimed, there were no ballots to be destroyed.

Other Remarks and Introductions

Past Warden Duncan McKinlay introduced the attending past Wardens and wished the Warden and County Council success in meeting the challenges in the year ahead.

Warden Milne spoke about the importance of a family and recognized them for their support and inspiration in his work.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillors Paterson and Mackey, Council adjourned at 5:23 p.m. until their next meeting on Friday, December 8, 2023.

Brian Milne, Warden

Tara Warder, Clerk