

Minutes

Committee of the Whole

April 11, 2024

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 10:13 a.m. with all members present.

Declaration of Interest

Councillors Dickert, Paterson and Hutchinson and Alternate Councillor D. Hutchinson will be declaring a conflict of interest on closed session matters.

Business Arising from Minutes

Committee of the Whole – March 28, 2024 – Notice of Motion –
Councillor Dobreen

CW32-24

Moved by: Councillor Dobreen

Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

WHEREAS the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) brings a collective voice and advocates to the Province for almost all of Ontario's 444 municipalities on Provincial policy matters to achieve shared goals and address common challenges; and

WHEREAS Grey County Councillor Barbara Dobreen was appointed to the AMO Board, County Caucus in March 2023 for the balance of the term ending August 2024;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the County of Grey nominates County Councillor Barbara Dobreen for the position of Director on County Caucus on the AMO Board of Directors for the 2024-2026 term.

Carried

Delegations

Bruce King & Stephen Couchman - Kolapore Wilderness Trail Association

Bruce King and Stephen Couchman attended to celebrate the 50 years of the Kolapore Wilderness Trail Association. They spoke of the evolution of the trail and the six kilometers of the trail that is in the County's forest. The Kolapore area provides an opportunity for all generations of trail users. The value of volunteers was acknowledged. Mr. Couchman thanked Grey County for providing support to the effective management of the area.

Peter Dunbar & Doug Symonds - Road Safety at Grey Road 4 and Sideroad 35 in Grey Highlands

Peter Dunbar attended to speak about road safety at Grey Road 4 and Sideroad 35 in Grey Highlands. Mr. Dunbar spoke of accidents at this intersection and outlined potentially contributing factors. The delegation recommended daylighting at the intersection by removing bushes affecting stop sign visibility, adding advance notice of stop signs on both approaches, increasing the size of the stop signs, illuminating the signs with solar power, and adding rumble strips.

Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Councillor Greig requested item 6 (a) Correspondence from the Municipality of Brighton about ride share services be pulled for further discussion.

Consent Agenda

CW33-24

Moved by: Councillor McKay

Seconded by: Councillor Carleton

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.

Correspondence - The Natural Learning Initiative - Benefits of Connecting Children with Nature

That the correspondence from the Natural Learning Initiative regarding the benefits of connecting children with nature be received for information.

Correspondence - Grand Watershed Trails Network - Closure of Grand River Conservation Authority Nature Centres

That the correspondence from the Grand Watershed Trails Network regarding the closure of five Grand River Conservation Authority Nature Centres be received for information.

Correspondence - Nuclear Innovation Institute - New Growth and Developments

That the correspondence from the Nuclear Innovation Institute regarding new growth and developments be received for information.

Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes dated March 21, 2024

That the minutes of the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting dated March 21, 2024, be adopted as presented; and

That the following resolutions contained therein be endorsed:

- i. That Catherine Sholtz be nominated as Chair of the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee for 2024.**
- ii. That Councillor Matrosovs be nominated as Vice Chair of the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee for 2024.**
- iii. That in consideration of staff report 'West Grey Splashpad', the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee receives the report for review and comment.**
- iv. That the correspondence from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport regarding the Grey Roots Museums and Archives Accessibility Plan Evaluation be received for information.**
- v. That the correspondence from Accessible Playgrounds Ontario regarding their new website be received for information.**
- vi. That the correspondence from the Georgian Bluffs regarding a Community Improvement Plan (CIP) Focus Group be received for information.**
- vii. That the correspondence from Andrew Edgcumbe regarding accessible transportation in Grey County be received for information.**

PDR-CW-12-24 - Gutzke Plan of Subdivision 42T-91011 Draft Plan Extension Request

That report PDR-CW-12-24 be received; and

That all written submissions received on plan of subdivision 42T-91011 known as the Gutzke subdivision were considered; the effect of which helped make an informed recommendation and decision; and

That in consideration of the draft plan extension request, with the Municipality of West Grey's recommended draft plan conditions update, and the matters to have regard for under subsection 51(24) of the Planning Act, the Grey County Committee of the Whole hereby approves the revised plan of subdivision to create a total of forty-three (43) single detached residential lots, sixteen (16) townhouse blocks, as well as blocks for roads, stormwater management, open space, and future development, on lands described as Part Lots 1 and 2, Concession 13, geographic village of Neustadt, now in the Municipality of West Grey, subject to the revised conditions set out in Appendix 1 to this report.

PDR-CW-15-24 - Plan of Subdivision 42T-2023-06 - Beaver Valley Development Group Subdivision Information Report

That Report PDR-CW-15-24 regarding a proposed plan of subdivision application (County file number 42T-2023-06), known as the Beaver Valley Development Group subdivision, on lands legally described as Lots 6, 11, 12, 13, 20, 21, and 22 and Part of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and Part of McLean Street and Part of Purdy Steet, Registered Plan No. 168 and Part of Lot 7 Concession 5, geographic township of Euphrasia, now in the Municipality of Grey Highlands, be received for information.

PDR-CW-17-24 - 2023 Ontario Federation of Trail Riders and Gates Open Trials on the CP Rail Trail

That Report PDR-CW-17-24 regarding the 2023 Ontario Federation of Trail Riders and Gates Open Trials on the CP Rail Trail be received for information.

TR-CW-16-24 - Award of Tender RFT-TS-12-24 for Supply and Delivery of Road Salt

That report containing the tender results for RFT-TS-12-24 regarding Supply and Delivery of Road Salt be received; and

That Cargill be awarded the tender for a total amount of \$1,805,440.00, excluding HST.

Carried

Items For Direction and Discussion

CAOR-CW-10-24 - Climate Change Initiatives Update April 2024

CW34-24

Moved by: Councillor Pringle

Seconded by: Councillor McKay

That Report CAOR-CW-10-24 regarding an update on climate change projects, including the Tri-County Green Development Standards project, Experimental Acres Program, the Climate Change Adaptation Plan, and investigating potential opportunities associated with the Green Economy Hub, be received for information; and

That staff be directed to forward information on the Green Economy Hub to Grey County member municipalities, as well as neighbouring counties and municipalities, to inform and gauge interest regarding the Green Economy Hub.

Carried

FR-CW-10-24 - 2023 Year-End Transfers

Warden Milne declared a brief recess, following which Committee of the Whole resumed.

CW35-24

Moved by: Councillor Mackey

Seconded by: Councillor Dickert

That Council receive FR-CW-10-24 titled 2023 Year-End Transfers and approve the recommendations as contained and estimated in the report; and

That Council approve any surplus/deficit arising in the 2023 budget being transferred to/(from) the respective departmental reserves.

Carried

FR-CW-13-24 - Asset Retirement Policy

CW36-24

Moved by: Councillor Keaveney

Seconded by: Councillor Paterson

That report FR-CW-13-24 Asset Retirement Policy be received; and

That the attached draft Asset Retirement Policy be approved.

Carried

PDR-CW-16-24 - Recommendation Report for County Official Plan Amendment 20

CW37-24

Moved by: Councillor Carleton

Seconded by: Councillor Nielsen

That all written and oral submissions on Official Plan Amendment Number 20 were considered and helped to make an informed recommendation and decision; and

That report PDR-CW-16-24 be received; and

That Amendment Number 20 to the County of Grey Official Plan to permit the redesignation of 'Rural' and 'Hazard Lands' to 'Primary Settlement Area', for the purposes of permitting future residential development on a portion of lands legally described as Part of Lot 229, Concession 3 South West of the Toronto Sydenham Road, in the Geographic Township of Proton being, being Part 1 of Reference Plan 16R-8057 now in the Township of Southgate, be supported, and a by-law to adopt the County Official Plan Amendment be prepared for consideration by County Council.

Carried

Consent Agenda Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Correspondence - Municipality of Brighton - Rideshare Services

CW38-24

Moved by: Councillor Greig

Seconded by: Councillor Carleton

That the correspondence from the Municipality of Brighton regarding rideshare services be supported by the Council of the County of Grey.

Carried

Closed Meeting Matters

Warden Milne declared a recess for lunch following which Committee of the Whole resumed.

CW39-24

Moved by: Councillor Boddy

Seconded by: Councillor Nielsen

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

- i. **Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (PDR-CW-11-24 - Blue Meadows Appeal Update - Plan of Subdivision 42T-2022-02).**
- ii. **Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (PDR-CW-13-24 - Update on the Appeal of Thornbury Acres - Plan of Condominium 42CDM-2022-11).**
- iii. **Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board (PDR-CW-14-24 - Official Plan Amendment 11 Appeals Update).**

Carried

Committee of the Whole then went into closed session at 1:02 PM.

Committee of the Whole returned to open session at 2:24 PM.

Warden Milne confirmed that only those matters declared for the purpose of the closed meeting were discussed.

Councillors Paterson, Dickert, Hutchinson, and Alternate Councillor D. Hutchinson did not return to the meeting following the closed session.

Other Business

There was no other business.

Notice of Motion

Notice of Motion was provided by Councillor Boddy to request Grey County Council to declare support for TC Energy and SON proceeding with the proposed pump facility in Meaford subject to applicable approvals, assessments and approval of SON.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillor Bordignon and Alternate Councillor Allwood, Committee of the Whole adjourned at 2:25 PM to the call of the Chair.

Brian Milne, Warden

Tara Warder, Clerk