

Minutes Council

April 10, 2025

Call to Order

Grey County Council met at the call of the Warden on the above date at 10:00 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, except Councillor Paul McQueen. Councillor Nielsen and Bordignon participated electronically.

Councillor Allwood attended as alternate for Councillor McQueen.

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

The following staff members were also participating:

Randy Scherzer, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Community Services; Jennifer Cornell, Director of Long-Term Care; Jody MacEachern, Director of Information Technology; Kevin McNab, Director of Paramedic Services; Mary Lou Spicer, Director of Finance/Treasurer; Pat Hoy, Director of Transportation Services; Savanna Myers, Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Culture; Scott Taylor, Director of Planning; and Robert Hatten, Communications Manager, Linda Swanston, Climate Change Initiatives Manager

Land Acknowledgement

The Warden read the land acknowledgement.

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Adoption of Minutes

County Council and Committee of the Whole minutes dated March 27, 2025

CC23-25

Moved by: Councillor Hutchinson

Seconded by: Councillor Dickert

That the minutes of the County Council meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting dated March 27, 2025, and the resolutions contained therein, be adopted as presented.

Carried

Closed Long-Term Care Redevelopment Task Force and Closed Committee of the Whole meeting minutes dated March 26 and March 27, 2025

CC24-25

Moved by: Councillor Carleton

Seconded by: Councillor McKay

That the closed session Long-Term Care Redevelopment Task Force and Committee of the Whole meeting minutes dated March 26 and March 27, 2025 respectively, be adopted as provided.

Carried

Special Joint Meeting minutes dated March 21, 2025

CC25-25

Moved by: Councillor Dobreen

Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

That the Special Joint Meeting minutes dated March 21, 2025 be adopted as presented.

Carried

Long Term Care Redevelopment Planning Task Force meeting minutes dated March 26, 2025

CC26-25

Moved by: Councillor Hutchinson

Seconded by: Councillor Paterson

That the Long Term Care Redevelopment Planning Task Force minutes dated March 26, 2025 be adopted as presented and the following resolution contained therein be endorsed:

- **That Report CAOR-RP-02-25 be received; and**

That Grey County commit to providing an initial financial contribution to West Grey for an upset limit of \$1.7 million (excluding HST) over the next two years to allow the project to proceed; and

That based on the project tender results, an updated cost sharing agreement between the Municipality of West Grey and Grey County be prepared for the South Street East project and brought back for Council's consideration.

Carried

Board of Health minutes dated January 24, 2025

Dr. Arra indicated that two cases of the measles had been confirmed, and that staff are working to identify the individuals who were in contact.

CC27-25

Moved by: Councillor Eccles

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

That the Board of Health minutes dated January 24, 2025, be received for information.

Carried

Closed Meeting Matters

There were no closed meeting matters.

Reports

There were no reports.

By-laws

CC28-25

Moved by: Councillor Hutchinson

Seconded by: Councillor Dickert

That By-law 5228-25 to 5230-25 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. **5228-25 - A By-law to Establish Tax Policy and Levy Taxes for Upper Tier Purposes for the Year 2025**
- ii. **5229-25 - A By-law to Adopt Amendment No. 23 to the County of Grey Official Plan affecting various lands throughout Grey County**
- iii. **5230-25 - A By-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council**

Carried

News and Celebrations

The Warden referred to the Warden's Economic Development Leader's Luncheon that occurred on Friday, April 4th. Savanna Myers, Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Culture highlighted the success of the event and thanked those for attending.

Linda Swanston, Manager of Climate Change Initiatives, indicated that the Youth Climate Action Fund deadline has been extended until April 30th and encouraged those eligible to apply. Furthermore, she referred to all the events occurring around the County for Earth Month. She invited individuals to attend the County Administration Building on April 22nd, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., as staff are hosting the Transform the Lawn naturalization project.

Councillor Carleton noted that Saturday, April 12th is the Kemble Maple Tour and encouraged individuals to attend. Deputy Warden Milne indicated that Maplefest is scheduled for this upcoming weekend in Holstein.

Councillor Keaveney shared the success of Sonya Mount, Mary Soloman, and Brian Docherty, who each received the King Charles III Coronation Medal. She further highlighted that Bogner Community Centre is hosting a Craft Show on Saturday, April 12th.

Councillor Allwood noted that the South Bruce Chamber of Commerce has their Annual General Meeting scheduled for April 16th at the Flesherton Arena, beginning at 7:00 p.m. He further highlighted the Home and Garden show scheduled for April 26th and 27th at the Flesherton Arena.

Councillor Nielsen indicated that the Yuk Yuk Comedy Show is scheduled for Saturday, April 12th at the Markdale Arena as a fundraiser for the Markdale Fall Fair.

Councillor McKay noted his attendance at the recent Ontario Good Roads Conference. He noted that he has been re-elected as Director for another two years and encouraged individuals to reach out with any concerns or suggestions.

Adjournment

On motion by Councillors McKay and Allwood, Council adjourned at 10:39 a.m. to the call of the Warden.

Andrea Matrosovs, Warden

Tara Warder, Clerk