

Minutes Council

July 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 with the exception of Councillors Boddy and Carleton. Councillor Koepke attended as an alternate for Councillor Boddy. Councillor Bordignon participated electronically.

Randy Scherzer, Chief Administrative Officer; Tara Warder, Clerk; and Brittany Rier, Deputy Clerk were also in attendance.

The following staff members were also participating:

Niall Loble, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Jennifer Cornell, Director of Long-Term Care; Anne-Marie Shaw, Director of Community Services; Jennifer Moreau, Director of Human Resources; 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; Becky Hillyer, Intermediate Planner; Rob Hatten, Communications Manager; and Katrina Peredun, Communications Officer.

Sue Murray, Deputy Treasurer, participated electronically.

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 June 26, 2025

CC48-25

Moved by: Councillor McKay

Seconded by: Councillor Nielsen

That the minutes of the County Council meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting dated June 26, 2025, and the resolutions contained therein, be adopted as presented.

Carried

Closed Committee of the Whole meeting minutes dated June 26, 2025

CC49-25

Moved by: Councillor Paterson

Seconded by: Councillor Hutchinson

That the closed session Committee of the Whole meeting minutes dated June 26, 2025 regarding a training session on the Code of Conduct be adopted as provided to County Council.

Carried

CC50-25

Moved by: Councillor Dobreen

Seconded by: Councillor Eccles

Whereas during the June 26, 2025 Committee of the Whole meeting, there was a miscalculation of the recorded vote to hold a closed session for training on the code of conduct; and

Whereas the vote was declared as Carried when it should have been Lost;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved That Grey County Council release the minutes of the closed meeting held under section 239 (3.1) dated June 26, 2025, in recognition of the will of County Council to hold the training in open session.

Carried

Closed Meeting Matters

There were no closed meeting matters.

Reports

Board of Health minutes dated May 23, 2025

Dr. Arra highlighted the 25th year since the Walkerton tragedy and noted the lessons learned from this for future protection of residents.

Dr. Arra also shared that measles activity is trending favourably with 53 cases recovered, no current cases and no deaths. He noted that there could be a surge in the fall with the colder weather, but Public Health is prepared for the possible surge.

CC51-25

Moved by: Councillor Dickert

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

That the Board of Health minutes dated May 23, 2025, be received for information.

Carried

By-laws

CC52-25

Moved by: Councillor Keaveney

Seconded by: Councillor Milne

That By-laws 5240-25, 5241-25 and 5242-25 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. **5240-25 - A By-law to authorize a donation agreement between the Corporation of the County of Grey and the Township of Southgate to convey lands part of the CP Rail Trail to the Township of Southgate**
- ii. **5241-25 - A By-law to authorize the disposition of certain lands in the Municipality of West Grey to support a municipal well**
- iii. **5242-25 - A By-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council**

Carried

News and Celebrations

Warden Matrosovs noted the passing of past Grey County Warden Murray Betts on July 4th in his 89th year. He served as the Grey County Warden in 1975 and dedicated much of his life to public service.

Randy Scherzer took a moment to congratulate Grey Ag Services for their 25th anniversary and thanked them for being an essential non-profit resource educating generations of farmers within the area.

Councillor Kentner shared that next Friday July 18th starting at 10:00 a.m., the Municipality of Meaford is hosting a Freedom of the City ceremony recognizing the strong bond between the municipality and the military base. Following this event, there will be a public reception at the Community Centre.

He further shared that on Saturday July 19th, The Canadian Division Training Centre will be open to the public starting at 9:00 a.m. with a variety of activities.

Councillor Bordignon shared that on Saturday at 11:00 a.m., the Town of The Blue Mountains is hosting its annual Art Walk featuring local art from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

He also noted the Warden's Golf Tournament is scheduled tomorrow at Tomahawk Golf in Thornbury.

Councillor Keaveney shared that on Saturday starting at 9:00 a.m., the Meaford Hospital Foundation is hosting the 29th Annual Harbour 5K Run and Walk to support the hospital.

Adjournment

On motion by Councillors Dobreen and McQueen, Council adjourned at 10:24 a.m. to the call of the Warden.

Andrea Matrosovs, Warden

Tara Warder, Clerk