



MINUTES
For the Regular Meeting of the
Council of the Municipality of West Grey
Held on Monday, April 2, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.
At the Council Chambers – West Grey Municipal Office

<u>Council</u>	Mayor Kevin Eccles, Deputy Mayor John A. Bell, Councillor Bev Cutting, Councillor Rebecca Hergert, Councillor Doug Hutchinson, Councillor Rob Thompson
<u>Absent</u>	Councillor Carol Lawrence
<u>Staff</u>	Laura Johnston, CAO/Deputy Clerk; Mark Turner, Clerk. Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer - during report.

Moment of Reflection

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest – Councillor Thompson submitted a written declaration of pecuniary interest relating to By-law Number 45-2018, as his daughter Melissa Thompson works for the Owen Sound Police & Fire Dispatch Service.

Closed Session

Thompson-Bell, Whereas, the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, Section 239 (2), as amended, authorizes Councils of municipalities to close to the public a meeting or part of a meeting for dealing with certain subject matters,

Now therefore be it resolved that, the Council of the Municipality of West Grey, does now go into a closed session of Council at 9:03 a.m., with the CAO/Deputy Clerk, Clerk, and Director of Infrastructure and Public Works, to discuss items that relate to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, and litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board. #96-18 **Carried.**

Cutting-Bell, Be it resolved that, the Council of the Municipality of West Grey hereby returns to Open Session of Council at 10:02 a.m. #97-18 Carried.

(Mayor Eccles confirmed that only closed session items identified were discussed in closed session)

Matters Arising from the Closed Session – None

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Public Meetings – None

Part I - Consent Agenda

Hergert-Thompson, Be it resolved that, Items A1 to B1 inclusive, contained in Part 1 – Consent Agenda, be adopted, as printed, save and except the March 19, 2018 Council minutes; And further that, authorization be given for the action to be taken as may be necessary to give effect to the recommendations contained therein. #98-18 Carried.

Adoption of Minutes

Council:

A1 West Grey Committee of the Whole Meeting – March 26, 2018
(draft)

Committees:

A2 Neustadt Recreation Advisory Committee – February 13, 2018
Normanby Recreation Advisory Committee – February 28, 2018

Other

A3 Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority – February 13, 2018
West Grey Public Library Board – February 20, 2018
Saugeen Municipal Airport – February 21, 2018 – resolution
#99-18

**Thompson-Bell, Be it resolved that, the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on March 26, 2018; be adopted, as printed;
Further that, the Minutes of the West Grey Committees – A2, be received, as circulated;
And further that, the Minutes of the Other Committees – A3, be received, as circulated. #99-18 Carried.**

Routine Department Reports

B1 Clerk – Report #CC 04/02/18 – resolution #100-18, #101-18,
#102-18, #103-18

Bell-Hutchinson, Be it resolved that, the Council of the Municipality of West Grey hereby approves utilizing the Capital Reserve to pay for the Durham Walkway Bridge budget overage, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. #100-18 Carried.

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Hutchinson-Thompson, Be it resolved that, the Council of the Municipality of West Grey hereby approves utilizing the Winter Control Reserve and the Accumulated Surplus Reserve to pay for the 2017 Public Works Department operational budget overages respecting Winter Control, Loose Top Maintenance, and Hard Top Maintenance, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. #101-18 Carried.

Thompson-Hutchinson, Be it resolved that, the Council of the Municipality of West Grey hereby authorizes the Director of Infrastructure and Public Works to seek Requests for Proposals for the potential replacement of the Kennedy Bridge, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. #102-18 Carried.

Hutchinson-Thompson, Be it resolved that, the Council of the Municipality of West Grey hereby authorizes the CAO/Deputy Clerk and Fire Chief to draft a letter noting concerns with the proposed changes to the Fire Protection and Prevention Act 1997, to be forwarded to the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, the Ontario Fire Marshall's Office, and local MPPs., as recommended by the Committee of the Whole. #103-18 Carried.

Miscellaneous Correspondence (For Information Only - Not Circulated but Available for Viewing at Meeting)

C1 Minister of Senior Affairs – invitation to submit nominations for the 2018 Senior of the Year Award

Future Committee Meetings

D1 West Grey Committee of Adjustment – April 9, 2018, 1:00 p.m., West Grey Municipal Office

Part II - Regular Agenda

Communications from the Mayor and Council

Mayor Eccles, and Councillors Hutchinson and Hergert, reported on past activities and events since the last regular meeting of Council, and on upcoming events and activities.

Delegations

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Bill Chalmers, Secretary, Neustadt Lions Club

Bill Chalmers, Secretary, Neustadt Lions Club, and John Polfuss, came before Council to discuss the proposed picnic shelter at the Neustadt Lions Club Park.

Mr. Chalmers indicated the proposed picnic shelter will be slightly larger than the existing picnic shelter. Instead of a wood shelter, it will be constructed of steel, as recommended by the engineer. Drawings are completed.

Mr. Chalmers indicated the Lions Club wants to work with Council and staff. The Lions Club is looking for the municipality to take care of the demolition of the building, and all associated costs and permits for the demolition. The Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) permit would be applied for by West Grey, and the Lions Club will pay for the SVCA permit.

Council asked if the SVCA has been on site yet. Mr. Chalmers indicated they have not to date.

Council asked what the timeline for construction is for the proposed picnic shelter. Mr. Chalmers noted the Lions are proposing construction this year.

Council asked what size of picnic shelter is being proposed. Mr. Chalmers indicated approximately 35' x 46'.

Council asked how the Lions Club will deal with the difference in elevation. Mr. Chalmers stated steps won't be needed, and there have been no complaints regarding access to washrooms.

Mayor Eccles requested Mr. Chalmers to work with the CAO/Deputy Clerk as the lead staff person on the project.

Liz Zetlin

Liz Zetlin recited a poem regarding the Sunday gun hunting issue.

Ms. Zetlin requested that Council consider retaining one day a week (Sunday) that gun hunting is not permitted by rescinding the resolution that supported Sunday gun hunting in West Grey.

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Councillor Hutchinson noted he read many emails regarding the Sunday gun hunting issue, and thought Council may have acted hastily in passing the resolution to support Sunday gun hunting.

Councillor Hergert noted Council has received several emails about Sunday gun hunting both for and against, and agreed that it may have been better handled. Councillor Hergert noted Council does not have to hold a public meeting, but perhaps should have, and noted there were other issues of public safety dealt with at the same Council meeting (i.e. speed limits). Councillor Hergert opined that individuals should take safety precautions during any hunting season and any time of the week. Ms. Zetlin agreed that safety is an important issue, and indicated the public just needed an opportunity for input.

Councillor Cutting agreed that six days of week of gun hunting is sufficient.

Mayor Eccles clarified the procedure of Council, noting another delegation had made a similar request for support. The Procedure By-law does permit a motion to be moved after the conclusion of a delegation, so the resolution was passed in accordance with the Procedure By-law. There was a motion to table the resolution but a seconder was not provided for, and therefore, the motion was voted on. Mayor Eccles stated a notice of motion to rescind can be made. The Clerk has forwarded a letter to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry for approval of the Sunday gun hunting resolution that won't be dealt with until September. Mayor Eccles emphasized that Sunday gun hunting in West Grey is not approved until then.

Business Arising from the Previous Meeting - None

Staff Reports

Director of Finance/Treasurer - Report #FTR 04/02/18
Approval of Accounts, Voucher #8-2018 – resolution #104-18
Quotations for Normanby Arena Dehumidifier – resolution #105-18

Cutting-Hergert, Be it resolved that, the Director of Finance/Treasurer be authorized to pay the accounts presented as Voucher No. 6-2018 in the amount of \$1,695,962.89, of the Municipality of West Grey. #104-18 Carried.

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Bell-Thompson, Be it resolved that, the Council of the Municipality of West Grey hereby approves the quote from KORE Mechanical for replacement of the dehumidifier at the Normanby Arena in the amount of \$52,850 plus HST. #105-18 Carried.

Clerk – Report #CR 04/02/18

Compass Energy Consulting (Council noted concerns with proposed clear cutting on some of the properties, and directed the Clerk to submit comments regarding same. The letter is also to be circulated to the SVCA and Grey County.)

Proposed By-law to Regulate Election Signs in the Municipality of West Grey (Council did not support passing an Election Sign by-law, however, some comments regarding placement of election signs can be noted in the candidates election guide and election procedure manual.)

Town of Essex (received for information)

By-Laws – First, Second & Third Readings

- 45-2018 A By-law to enter into a Fire Service Dispatch Agreement between the Municipality of West Grey and the Owen Sound Police Services Board – resolution #104-18
- 46-2018 A By-law to assume Part Lot 90, Concession 2 SWTSR, Parts 5 & 7, Plan 17R3078 (PIN 37235-0398 (LT)) and Part 8, Plan 17R3078 (PIN 37235-0554 (LT)), Geographic Township of Glenelg, Municipality of West Grey, in the County of Grey, into the municipal roads system – resolution #105-18
- 47-2018 A By-law to repeal By-law Number 24-2018 – resolution #106-18
- 48-2018 A By-law to confirm the proceedings of the April 2, 2018 Council meeting – resolution #107-18

Bell-Hutchinson, Be it resolved that, By-law Number 45-2018, being a By-law enter into a Fire Service Dispatch Agreement between the Municipality of West Grey and the Owen Sound Police Services Board, be now read a third time, passed as amended and numbered and that the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and be engrossed in the by-law book. #104-18 Carried.

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Cutting-Hergert, Be it resolved that, By-law Number 46-2018, being a By-law to assume Part Lot 90, Concession 2 SWTSR, Parts 5 & 7, Plan 17R3078 (PIN 37235-0398 (LT)) and Part 8, Plan 17R3078 (PIN 37235-0554 (LT)), Geographic Township of Glenelg, Municipality of West Grey, in the County of Grey, into the municipal roads system, be now read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered and that the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and be engrossed in the by-law book. #105-18 Carried.

Thompson-Bell, Be it resolved that, By-law Number 47-2018, being a By-law to repeal By-law Number 24-2018, be now read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered and that the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and be engrossed in the by-law book. #106-18 Carried.

Hergert-Cutting, Be it resolved that, By-law Number 48-2018, being a bylaw to confirm the proceedings of the April 2, 2018 Council meeting, be now read a first, second and third time, passed and numbered and that the said by-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and be engrossed in the by-law book. #107-18 Carried.

New Business - None

Addendum - None

Notice of Motion/Direct Motions

Councillor Cutting read a Notice of Motion regarding the proposed rescinding of resolution #85-18 that supported Sunday gun hunting to be presented in the "New Business" section of the April 16, 2018 Council Agenda.

Closed Session – Incomplete Items Only – n/a

Matters Arising from Closed Session – Incomplete Items Only – n/a

Question Period

Christine Robinson asked for clarification regarding who brought forward the election sign by-law presented to Council. Mayor Eccles

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responded that the Clerk brought forward the draft election sign by-law for consideration by Council, and that Council is not in support of the by-law, and therefore, will not be brought forward for consideration at a future Council meeting.

Stephen Townsend noted it might have been prudent to note the election sign by-law was "for information only", and opined that there is a procedural flaw in the Council process for notification.

Bob Miller asked if Council will rescind resolution #85-18. Mayor Eccles stated he cannot say how Council will vote until the motion is introduced on April 16.

Dorle Eppler questioned how much Council will consider rescinding the motion, when there are three hunters on Council. Mayor Eccles indicated he can be objective as a hunter, noting he does not hunt on Sundays in the immediate area, and assumed other Council members will be objective as well, whether or not they are hunters.

Christine Forand stated she hears how hunters work and don't have enough time to hunt other than Sundays; but others that do not hunt are also busy and only have Sundays available for recreational purposes. Ms. Forand questioned at what cost it will be to local residents if Council continues to facilitate Sunday gun hunting for the minority. Ms. Forand opined that the police do not have sufficient resources to enforce all trespass issues, and cited instances of illegal hunting.

Marian Ratcliffe requested that at least one day per week (Sunday) be left that restricts Sunday gun hunting so residents feel safe being outside.

Bill Scriven indicated people, including hunters, usually get another day off in the week other than Sunday. Mr. Scriven noted concerns with hunters, usually non-locals, in Grey County forests, and being threatened by hunters and trespassing on his property. Mr. Scriven reiterated that allowing 7 day gun hunting is too permissive. Mr. Scriven suggested rescinding the resolution and placing a question regarding Sunday gun hunting as a question on the ballot during the election.

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Art Rivest also requested the question of Sunday gun hunting be put on the election ballot.

Municipal Act – Notices - None

Adjournment

Cutting-Hergert, Resolved that, we do now adjourn at 12:09 p.m., to meet again on April 16, 2018, 7:00 p.m., or at the call of the Mayor. Carried.

_____(Signed)_____
Kevin Eccles, Mayor

_____(Signed)_____
Mark Turner, Clerk