



Minutes
Municipality of West Grey Special Committee
of the Whole Meeting
Held on Monday, October 24, 2016 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 Doug Hutchinson, Councillor Carol Lawrence, Councillor Don B. Marshall, Councillor Rob Thompson
<u>Staff</u>	Larry C. Adams, CAO/Deputy Clerk; Mark Turner, Clerk; Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer. Phil Schwartz, Fire Chief; Randy Murray, Facilities Manager; Tom Culliton, Facilities Manager; Brent Glasier, Director of Infrastructure and Public Works – during reports.

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof
– None

Items of Business

1) 2017 Preliminary Budget

The Committee of the Whole reviewed a first draft of the Fire, Recreation, and Public Works 2017 Budgets.

The Committee of the Whole requested staff to invite West Grey Firefighter Association representatives to a future Council or Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss the possibility of providing for twice yearly payouts, with the last payment based on the month ending in October.

The Fire Chief informed the Committee of the Whole that the cable on the radio tower was replaced due to deterioration, at an approximate cost of \$2,300. Some of the cross pieces on the radio tower are also damaged, and will have to be replaced.

Randy Murray requested the Durham ball diamond expense (summer programs) to be increased by \$500.00. The Committee consented to this request.

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The Committee of the Whole discussed the proposed new playground equipment at the Durham ball diamonds. The Durham Ball Diamond sub-committee wants this project to be completed next year, and they have raised approximately \$15,000, although they don't want to commit all of this money to the playground equipment project. The Committee of the Whole requested that Randy Murray obtain confirmation that the Durham Ball Diamond sub-committee is willing to contribute \$10,000 towards the approximate \$30,000 cost of the project. The Committee of the Whole requested the Director of Finance/Treasurer to determine if there are available funds for West Grey to utilize from either development charges or parkland dedication fees. The Director of Finance/Treasurer was requested to determine if the estimated cost of \$15,000 for the LED lighting – Tennis Courts capital project is the net cost that includes any eligible rebate.

The Elmwood Community Centre Board has requested that Brockton and West Grey each establish a \$10,000 reserve for a proposed kitchen renovation capital project at the Elmwood Community Centre. The Committee of the Whole also noted that the existing Elmwood Community Centre Agreement should be reviewed. The Elmwood Community Centre Board is also asking for \$15,000 from Brockton and West Grey, instead of \$12,500 that is stipulated in the existing agreement. The Committee of the Whole agreed to allocate \$10,000 from the Elmwood Hydro Reserve for the proposed kitchen renovation capital project at the Elmwood Community Centre, and consented to increasing the total levy amount from \$12,500 to \$15,000, subject to similar approval by the Municipality of Brockton.

The Committee of the Whole agreed to allocate \$2,500 in a reserve for the purchase of a commercial dishwasher at the Normanby Centennial Hall.

The Committee of the Whole requested that a review of recreation rates and licensing of municipal facilities be discussed at a future Committee of the Whole meeting.

Neustadt Parks – resolution #COW 70-16, #COW 71-16

Lawrence-Bell, Resolved that, the Committee of the Whole hereby recommends Council approves the quotation from Botanical Design in the amount of \$4,809.37 plus HST, for the

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replacement of the pond at the Neustadt Lions Park with a rock garden;

And further that, the remaining usable interest from the Anna Herr Estate be utilized for this project.

... #COW 70-16

Carried.

Thompson-Hutchinson, Resolved that, the Committee of the Whole hereby approves the refurbishing of the soccer pitch at the Neustadt Lions Park to be fully funded through fundraising by the Neustadt Recreation Advisory Committee.

... #COW 71-16

Carried.

The Committee of the Whole temporarily adjourned for lunch at 12:40 p.m., and reconvened at 1:25 p.m.

The Committee of the Whole supported the proposal from the Director of Infrastructure and Public Works to charge back an appropriate rate per tonne of gravel per job rate for gravel extracted from the West Grey gravel pit. The Director of Infrastructure and Public Works will calculate the value of the gravel at the West Grey gravel pit. The Committee of the Whole decided not to make any decisions regarding potential bridge replacement projects until the completion of the traffic/bridge study in approximately two weeks.

The Committee of the Whole indicated the "Durham Waste Water Plant insulation (\$2,000) and "Neustadt Lift Station Repair" (\$5,000) line items should be "user fees", and not part of the levy. The Director of Finance/Treasurer will amend accordingly.

The next Special Committee of the Whole (Budget) meeting is slated for November 21, 2016, 9:00 a.m., at the West Grey Municipal Office.

Adjournment

Hutchinson, Resolved that, the Special Committee of the Whole Meeting hereby adjourns at 3:57 p.m., to meet again as a Committee of the Whole on October 31, 2016, at 9:00 a.m.

Carried.

(Signed)
Kevin Eccles, Mayor

(Signed)
Larry C. Adams, CAO/Deputy Clerk