



**Minutes**  
**Council meeting**  
**Municipality of West Grey**

**Tuesday, August 15, 2023, 9 a.m.**  
**West Grey municipal office, council chambers and virtual**

Members present: Mayor Kevin Eccles  
Deputy Mayor Tom Hutchinson  
Councillor Scott Foerster  
Councillor Doug Hutchinson  
Councillor Joyce Nuhn  
Councillor Doug Townsend

Members absent: Councillor Geoffrey Shea

Staff present: Jamie Eckenswiller, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk  
Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer  
Karl Schipprack, Director of Infrastructure and Development/CBO  
Geoff Aitken, Manager of Public Works  
Kodey Hewlett, Corporate and Community Initiatives Officer  
Sile Ferguson, Communications Coordinator  
Sarah Bothman, Legislative Services Coordinator

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**1. Call to order**

Mayor Eccles called the meeting to order at 9:11 a.m.

**2. Moment of reflection**

Mayor Eccles called for a moment of reflection.

Staff reviewed instructions for members of the public to participate via Zoom or telephone, and how to contact staff for assistance if disconnected. It was noted that this meeting will be livestreamed to the West Grey YouTube channel.

**3. Declarations of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4. Delegations/presentations**

**4.1 Presentation - Wilfrid Laurier University Lazaridis School of Business and Economics - Tourism and Marketing Strategic Plan**

Brian Garel, Katherine Halsall, and Alireza Jalali, Wilfrid Laurier University Lazaridis School of Business, provided a presentation respecting the West Grey Tourism and Marketing Strategic Plan.

The Corporate and Community Initiatives provided a brief background on the project, advising that staff have been working with the MBA team with Wilfrid Laurier University since February. Mr. Hewlett advised that the tourism and marketing strategy developed by the MBA team focuses on tangible, attainable efforts that West Grey can use to promote itself as a tourism hub. Mr. Hewlett noted that the project focuses on quantitative research, best practices, comparative municipalities, and reports designed by Grey County and the Economic Development Council of Ontario.

Mr. Garel provided an overview of the project, noting that when developing an economic strategic plan, it must entail a thriving tourism community. Mr. Garel advised that the focus was on step one of a multi-step process to overall comprehensive economic development by prioritizing tourism development. Mr. Garel noted that the goal is to create tourism as a pillar of the community and create actionable and measurable goals that are attainable for the community to operationalize and reap the benefits of in the end.

Mr. Garel highlighted that the vision is to become a tourism hub and improve people's quality of life by building a vibrant and sustainable local economy. Mr. Garel advised that the mission is to grow the tourism strategy in West Grey and contribute to the economic development of the Municipality through tourism leading to business development and revenue generation.

Ms. Halsall provided an overview of the organizational structure and the Strategic Management Office (SMO) noting that the different administrative roles within the organizational structure form three tiers of a workplan. Group one focuses on core processes of SMO, group two focuses on desirable processes of SMO, and group three focuses on integrative processes of SMO.

Ms. Halsall advised that when developing the plan, the team reviewed the factors influencing tourism which were grouped under three categories consisting of personas and traveler types, tourism best practices, and marketing strategies.

Mr. Jalali provided an overview of the goals, objectives, initiatives, and evaluations (KPIs) for the plan as well as summarized the steps for the road to tourism maturity.

Mr. Garel advised that there are 21 initiatives that the team has recommended for the short, medium, and long-term that will produce outcomes that will lead to a well developed and intentional tourism offering. Mr. Garel further advised that an important step in the operationalizing of the plan is place branding which is the concept of creating an identity for what the tourism offering is and what the community specifically is. As a result of a well-established place brand being created, that will help attract specific industries that fit well within that tourism brand. Place branding is a combination of activity, physical setting, and the meaning.

Ms. Halsall concluded the presentation by providing an example of a short-term initiative, highlighting the objective, task, and outcome of the initiative.

#### **4.2 Presentation - Janice Atwood and Jeffrey Abrams, Principles Integrity - Integrity Commissioner's Periodic Report**

Jeffrey Abrams, Principles Integrity, provided a presentation respecting the Integrity Commissioners Periodic Report.

Mr. Abrams advised the report covers the period from June 2021 to May 31, 2023. Mr. Abrams highlighted that the purpose of an integrity commissioner's periodic report is to provide the public with the opportunity to understand the ethical well-being of the municipality's elected and appointed officials through the lens of their activities.

Mr. Abrams advised that the integrity commissioner's role falls into two principal areas consisting of *Municipal Act* functions and *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* functions. Mr. Abrams further advised that they provide consulting, advisory and educational functions, receive *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act* complaints and code complaints. Mr. Abrams noted that their most important role is the advisory role, where they provide advice that is legally binding. Mr. Abrams advised that most advice requests are with respect to the avoidance of conflicts of interest.

Mr. Abrams emphasized that the integrity commissioner's work is confidential which enables people to reach out for advice or with a complaint with confidence that everything won't be made public.

Mr. Abrams advised that the process for when a complaint is received is that it is reviewed and attempted to be resolved. If that is not accomplished, then a full investigation or a public report to council occurs.

Mr. Abrams advised that during the period covered by this report they responded to 18 requests for advice which fell into the first part of the report from last term and there have been no recent requests for advice. Mr. Abrams further advised that over the period of this report they responded to 8 complaints with 7 being resolved and one resulting in a full investigation and report to council in the previous term.

Mr. Abrams highlighted that Principles Integrity has 50 clients across the province. Mr. Abrams noted that one of the most important areas of ethical compliance for members of council is with respect to the avoidance of leaking confidential information as well as avoiding disrespect and disparagement. Mr. Abrams advised council members that if they have concerns, that they are to be raised respectfully and through the proper channels.

Mr. Abrams briefly reviewed Bill 5, Stopping Harassment and Abuse by Local Leaders Act which was intended to remove members of council from office if they were found to have committed harassment, which would require a report from the integrity commissioner and then an application by the integrity commissioner to the courts. Mr. Abrams noted that Bill 5 was not good at accomplishing the objective to improve relations with municipal staff and municipal councillors as Bill 5 was entirely dependent on the court process which is a lengthy process to resolve the matter.

In conclusion, Mr. Abrams advised that integrity commissioners are there to support council and that this periodic report was positive overall.

#### **4.3 Delegation - Stella Fergal and Nikki May, Earth Works West Grey - Recommendations for Official Plan Update**

Stella Fergal and Nikki May, Earth Works West Grey, provided a delegation respecting climate recommendations for the Official Plan update.

Ms. Fergal advised that the group was formed due to a concern for climate change and that they want to help everyone do what they can in West Grey to alleviate the effects of climate change. Ms. Fergal noted that there are eight core members of the group, with approximately 31 supporters.

Ms. Fergal advised that the planet is burning and that it is particularly hot in Canada. Ms. Fergal noted that heat records have been broken around the globe in June and July this year and that forest fires have already consumed millions of acres of forests and expectations are that many more will burn due to climate change.

Ms. Fergal advised that climate change happening in West Grey will mean longer droughts and heavier rainfalls, challenging farmers' ability to grow and bring in their crops, there will be strong lake effect snowfalls, snowfalls in winter will be less frequent which will mean regular thaws and lower accumulations which will affect the winter tourism industry, and that built water management infrastructure will adapt poorly to these extremes. Ms. Fergal noted that Southern Ontario is warming roughly twice as fast as the world and expect an average annual warming of three to six degrees Celsius by the end of the century.

Ms. Fergal highlighted that land use planning plays a crucial role in both mitigation of climate change and adaptation. Ms. Fergal advised that

mitigation uses nature-based solutions such as minimizing the destruction of wetlands, woodlands, grasslands, and farmlands as well as naturalizing open spaces, parks, and urban landscapes by planting trees, creating pollinator gardens, and reducing lawn mowing. Ms. Fergal advised that the second way to deal with greenhouse gases is through adaptation to incorporate key natural areas into planned landscapes. Ms. Fergal noted that protecting and enhancing natural assets is a way for West Grey to support the first two actions of the Grey County Climate Change Action Plan known as "Going Green in Grey."

Ms. Fergal advised that the latest draft of the January 2023 Official Plan included two new sections on climate change and natural systems, however asked that policies that protect natural assets such as woodlands and wetlands be incorporated directly into the sections on growth and land development, that West Grey develop and incorporate bylaws that explicitly protect natural assets in new and in-fill developments, and that policies for densified and walkable communities be included in appropriate sections of the plan.

Council recessed at 10:05 a.m. and reconvened at 10:14 a.m.

## **5. Public meetings**

R-230815-001

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

**"THAT West Grey council recess at 10:15 a.m. for the purpose of proceeding into a public meeting, pursuant to section 34 of the *Planning Act* to review a proposed amendment to West Grey zoning by-law no. 37-2006."**

**Carried**

**5.1 OPA 15 & ZA01.2023 - DJ Land Developments (Cobide Engineering Inc.)**

**5.2 OPA 14 & ZA02.2023 - 1993934 Ontario Inc. (Cobide Engineering Inc.)**

The public meetings having been completed, council reconvened at 10:53 a.m.

## **6. Comment period**

Marian Ratcliffe, resident, commented on two of the presentations from earlier respecting the Tourism and Marketing Strategic Plan and the Earth Works West Grey and their need for inclusion of more language in the Official Plan and voiced her support for both.

Bev Falco, resident, spoke to the first presentation advising that she found it interesting that it said our main asset is our natural landscape and our natural infrastructure which the delegation from Earth Works stated that one of their main goals is to protect those areas.

## **7. Unfinished business**

There was no unfinished business.

## **8. Adoption of minutes**

**8.1 Minutes of the regular council meeting held on July 4, 2023**

R-230815-002

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Hutchinson

**"THAT the minutes of the regular council meeting held on July 4, 2023 as presented be adopted."**

**Carried**

## **8.2 Minutes of the special council meeting held on July 6, 2023**

R-230815-003

Moved by Councillor Townsend

Seconded by Councillor Foerster

**"THAT the minutes of the special council meeting held on July 6, 2023 as presented be adopted."**

**Carried**

## **8.3 Minutes of the special council meeting held on August 1, 2023**

R-230815-004

Moved by Councillor Nuhn

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

**"THAT the minutes of the special council meeting held on August 1, 2023 as presented be adopted."**

**Carried**

## **9. Committee and board reports**

**9.1 Saugeen Municipal Airport - May 17, 2023 minutes**

**9.2 Saugeen Municipal Airport - May 25, 2023 minutes**

**9.3 Saugeen Municipal Airport - June 7, 2023 minutes**

**9.4 Saugeen Municipal Airport - June 21, 2023 minutes**

**9.5 Saugeen Municipal Airport - June 28, 2023 minutes**

**9.6 West Grey Police Services Board - June 12, 2023 minutes**

R-230815-005

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Foerster

**"THAT the minutes of committees and boards are hereby received."**

**Carried**

## **10. Correspondence**

**10.1 Correspondence received for which direction of council is required**

**10.1.1 Municipality of Grey Highlands Re: South Grey Doctor Recruitment and Retention Committee**

R-230815-006

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Hutchinson

**"THAT in consideration of correspondence received from the Municipality of Grey Highlands respecting the South Grey Doctor Recruitment and Retention Committee, council receives the correspondence for information purposes."**

**Carried**

**10.1.2 Roberts Farm Equipment Re: Gord Bamford "Canadian Dirt Tour" event request for municipal significance**

Deputy Mayor Hutchinson left the council chambers at this time.

R-230815-007

Moved by Councillor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Foerster

**"THAT in consideration of correspondence received from Sarah Veinotte, Roberts Farm Equipment, respecting a declaration of municipal significance for the Gord Bamford Canadian Dirt Tour being held on September 23, 2023 at the Neustadt Arena, council declares the event to be of municipal significance."**

**Carried**

Deputy Mayor Hutchinson returned to the council chambers at this time.

**10.1.3 Bentinck Plowmen's Association Re: Donation Request**

R-230815-008

Moved by Councillor Nuhn

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT in consideration of correspondence received from the Bentinck Plowmen's Association respecting a request for a donation, council receives the correspondence for information purposes."**

**Carried**

**10.1.4 Grey Bruce Hospice Inc Re: Request for financial support**

R-230815-009

Moved by Councillor Hutchinson

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

**"THAT in consideration of correspondence received from the Grey Bruce Hospice Inc. respecting a request for financial support, council receives the correspondence for information purposes."**

**Carried**

**10.1.5 West Grey Public Library Re: Request to recognize Ontario Library Week**

R-230815-010

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT in consideration of correspondence received from Kim Storz, West Grey Public Library CEO/Chief Librarian, respecting a request to recognize October 16-20, 2023 as Ontario Library Week, council recognizes October 16-20, 2023 as Ontario Library Week."**

**Carried**

**10.1.6 Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Re: Category 3 Cost Apportioning Agreements**

R-230815-011

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Nuhn

**“THAT in consideration of correspondence received from Jennifer Stephens, Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer respecting Category 3 Cost Apportioning Agreements, council directs staff to request a delegation from the SVCA on category 3 cost apportioning agreements.”**

**Carried**

**10.1.7 Royal Canadian Legion Branch 308, Durham Re: Request to fly Legion flag**

R-230815-012

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT in consideration of correspondence received from Brian Carr, Royal Canadian Legion Branch 308 Durham, respecting a request to fly the Legion flag at the West Grey municipal office for Legion week, council approves the request to fly the Legion flag for Legion week at the West Grey municipal office from September 18-23, 2023."**

**Carried**

**10.2 Correspondence received which is presented for the information of council**

R-230815-013

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Councillor Nuhn

**"THAT council receives all correspondence not otherwise dealt with."**

**Carried**

**11. Staff reports**

**11.1 Manager of Public Works**

**11.1.1 IPW-2023-06 - 2022 Wastewater Annual Reports**

The Manager of Public Works provided an overview of the report.

R-230815-014

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Hutchinson

**"THAT in consideration of staff report “IPW-2023-06 – 2022 Wastewater Annual Reports” council receives the Durham Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) 2022 Annual Report and the Neustadt Lagoons 2022 Annual Report for information purposes."**

**Carried**

**11.1.2 IPW-2023-08 - 2022 Landfill Annual Monitoring Reports**

The Manager of Public Works provided an overview of the report.

R-230815-015

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT in consideration of staff report "IPW-2023-08 – 2022 Annual Landfill Monitoring Reports", council receives the report for information purposes."**

**Carried**

### **11.1.3 IPW-2023-09 - West Grey Drinking Water Systems - Inspection Reports**

The Manager of Public Works provided an overview of the report.

R-230815-016

Moved by Councillor Nuhn

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

**"THAT in consideration of staff report "IPW-2023-09 – West Grey Drinking Water Systems Inspection Reports", council receives the report for information purposes."**

**Carried**

The Corporate and Community Initiatives Officer left the meeting at this time.

## **12. Questions**

Deputy Mayor Hutchinson inquired when the West Grey Flag Policy would be brought forward for discussion.

The Director of Legislative Services/Clerk advised that this is on the work plan and staff will be bringing something forward in time for the 2024 budget.

Councillor Hutchinson inquired if there was an update or report for smoke tests for infiltration being done.

The Manager of Public Works advised that there is nothing budgeted for 2023. Mr. Aitken further advised that staff have identified several manholes that were showing in flow and infiltration but have made most of the repairs and continue to work on those repairs. At the end of year, in preparation of budget, staff will look for leaking or in flow and infiltration through the manholes and if there is nothing obvious then next steps such as smoke testing will need to be investigated.

Councillor Hutchinson inquired if smoke testing was done previously which had to do with residents draining their eavestroughs into the wastewater.

The Manager of Public Works advised that is something he would need to look into and get back to council with.

Councillor Foerster inquired if there was an update respecting the notice of motion regarding declaring items surplus and the sale of those items.

The Director of Legislative Services/Clerk advised that staff have been working with an online auction vendor and staff are now cataloguing inventory. Mr. Eckenswiller also noted that something will be brought forward in September or October for a launch on the auction.



### 13. Bylaws

#### 13.1 Bylaw No. 2023-076 - Confirming the proceedings of council

R-230815-017

Moved by Councillor Nuhn

Seconded by Councillor Hutchinson

**"THAT bylaw 2023-076, being a bylaw to confirm the proceedings council, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

#### 13.2 Bylaw No. 2023-077 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - 2164947 Ontario Inc Pioneer Gas Bar

R-230815-018

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Foerster

**"THAT bylaw 2023-077, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with 2164947 Corporation Inc. carrying on business as Pioneer Gas Bar for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

#### 13.3 Bylaw No. 2023-078 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - 13882390 Canada Inc Ultramar Durham

R-230815-019

Moved by Councillor Townsend

Seconded by Councillor Nuhn

**"THAT bylaw 2023-078, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with 13882390 Canada Inc. carrying on business as Ultramar Durham for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

#### 13.4 Bylaw No. 2023-079 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Ayton Auto Limited

R-230815-020

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT bylaw 2023-079, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Darryl and Amelia Patterson carrying on business as Ayton Auto Limited for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

#### 13.5 Bylaw No. 2023-080 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Ayton Food Market Inc

R-230815-021

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Nuhn

**"THAT bylaw 2023-080, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Payal Patel carrying on business as Ayton Food Market**

**Inc. for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.6 Bylaw No. 2023-081 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Beckenhauer's Garage**

R-230815-022

Moved by Councillor Nuhn

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT bylaw 2023-081, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Scot Beckenhauer carrying on business as Beckenhauer's Garage for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.7 Bylaw No. 2023-082 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Eckhardt's Shell and Variety Durham**

R-230815-023

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Councillor Hutchinson

**"THAT bylaw 2023-082, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Art Eckhardt carrying on business as Eckhardt's Shell and Variety Durham for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.8 Bylaw No. 2023-083 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Heritage Corner Variety**

R-230815-024

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Nuhn

**"THAT bylaw 2023-083, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Joe Kim carrying on business as Heritage Corner Variety for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.9 Bylaw No. 2023-084 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Home Hardware Store Markdale**

R-230815-025

Moved by Councillor Nuhn

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT bylaw 2023-084, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Tom and Peggy Levitt carrying on business as Markdale Home Hardware for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.10 Bylaw No. 2023-085 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Circle K - 10/4 Junction**

R-230815-026

Moved by Councillor Nuhn

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT bylaw 2023-085, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Rag Tribedi carrying on business as Circle K – 10/4 Junction for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.11 Bylaw No. 2023-086 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Refill Gas Inc**

R-230815-027

Moved by Councillor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Foerster

**"THAT bylaw 2023-086, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Jayesh Patel carrying on business as Refill Gas Inc. for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.12 Bylaw No. 2023-087 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Robert's Farm Equipment Mount Forest**

R-230815-028

Moved by Councillor Nuhn

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

**"THAT bylaw 2023-087, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Bruce and Brian Osterdorff carrying on business as Robert's Farm Equipment for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.13 Bylaw No. 2023-088 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Weber Family Holdings Inc**

R-230815-029

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Councillor Nuhn

**"THAT bylaw 2023-088, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Weber Family Holdings Ltd. carrying on business as Neustadt Springs Brewery for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.14 Bylaw No. 2023-089 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Welbeck Sawmill Ltd**

R-230815-030

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT bylaw 2023-089, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Brandon Seager carrying on business as Welbeck**

**Sawmill Ltd. for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.15 Bylaw No. 2023-090 - Construction, demolition and change of use permits, inspections and related matters pursuant to the Building Code Act**

R-230815-031

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

**"THAT bylaw 2023-090, being a bylaw respecting construction, demolition and change of use permits, inspections and related matters pursuant to the Building Code Act, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.16 Bylaw No. 2023-091 - Stop up and close municipal road allowance being part of PIN 37223-0157(LT)**

R-230815-032

Moved by Councillor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Foerster

**"THAT bylaw 2023-091, being a bylaw to stop up and close a portion of the unopened road allowance legally known as part 1 of part of road allowance between concessions 2 and 3 WGR being part of PIN 37223-0157(LT) in the geographic Township of Bentinck, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.17 Bylaw No. 2023-092 - Sale of Municipal Land being part of PIN 37223-0157(LT) to Simon Mellor**

R-230815-033

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT bylaw 2023-091, being a bylaw to authorize the sale of lands legally known as part 1 of part of road allowance between concessions 2 and 3 WGR being part of PIN 37223-0157(LT) in the geographic Township of Bentinck to Simon Mellor, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

**13.18 Bylaw No. 2023-093 - ZA09.2023 - Tiffany Development Corporation (Broos)**

R-230815-034

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

**"THAT bylaw 2023-093, being a bylaw to amend Zoning Bylaw No. 37-2006 in accordance with ZA09.2023, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

### **13.19 Bylaw No. 2023-094 - Garbage Bag Tag Vendor Distribution Agreement - Young's Garden Restaurant**

R-230815-035

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

**"THAT bylaw 2023-094, being a bylaw to authorize a vendor distribution agreement with Henry Chiu carrying on business as Young's Garden Restaurant for the sale and distribution of West Grey garbage bag tags, be read a first, second and third and final time."**

**Carried**

### **14. New business**

There was no new business.

### **15. Announcements**

Councillor Hutchinson advised that Farmers Market and Music in the Park have been going well and have been successful programs.

Mayor Eccles advised that over the past weekend the Tara Longhorns, an under 15 baseball team, had a participant from the West Grey area that was on the team and were in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, and won the national championship for their category. Mayor Eccles further advised that the weekend prior to that the under 17 Tara Twins went to Fredericton, New Brunswick, where three players from West Grey played and were gold medal champions.

Deputy Mayor Hutchinson advised that a baseball co-ed team from Ayton recently went to Wingham and won, then went to Wasaga Beach this past weekend and won the Provincials.

Deputy Mayor Hutchinson also commended the Durham Firefighters Golf Tournament on July 22 and Durham Hospital Golf Tournament on August 12 which were both well run and successful.

Deputy Mayor Hutchison advised that Filomena and Murray are no longer the acting managers at the Saugeen Municipal Airport, and that Corey Caswell and his team have been contracted to take over the services of the Airport Manager.

Deputy Mayor Hutchinson advised that on September 9th, 2023, the Saugeen Valley Steelheads are hosting their golf tournament and are still looking for teams to join.

Deputy Mayor Hutchinson also advised that some council members are off to attend AMO this weekend.

Councillor Hutchinson inquired if the municipality is going to get back to handing out certificates to recognize accomplishments around the community. Councillor Hutchinson also advised he would like to see the municipality recognize it's volunteers once again.

Councillor Foerster advised that the 163<sup>rd</sup> Durham Fall Fair is coming up on September 1-3, 2023, and more information can be found on their Facebook page.

Councillor Foerster advised that the Dark Sky group is having an event on August 26th, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. at the Durham Community Centre where there will be a presentation with questions and answers and telescopes for after.

Councillor Nuhn inquired if there was a registry at the municipal office for logging local residents' accomplishments, or if this is something staff could incorporate and log as community members are recognized.

Councillor Townsend advised that another group to recognize is the under 7 West Grey Lacrosse team who won the Provincials and are Ontario champs.

The Director of Legislative Services/Clerk advised that the new Fees and Charges Bylaw officially takes effect on September 1, 2023, and further details can be found on the municipal website.

R-230815-036

Moved by Councillor Hutchinson

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

**"THAT council hereby approves going past curfew to 1:30 p.m. in accordance with the procedural bylaw."**

**Carried**

Council recessed at 12:25 p.m. and reconvened at 12:32 p.m.

**16. Closed session**

R-230815-037

Moved by Councillor Nuhn

Seconded by Councillor Foerster

**"THAT council now moves into closed session to consider:**

- a. Minutes of the closed session of the regular council meeting held on May 16, 2023; and**
- b. Two matters regarding personal matters about identifiable individuals respecting appointments to boards and committees."**

**Carried**

**17. Report from closed session**

Mayor Eccles advised that during closed session, council:

- reviewed the minutes of the closed session of the regular council meeting held on May 16, 2023; and
- discussed two matters regarding personal matters about identifiable individuals respecting appointments to boards and committees, and direction was provided to staff.

**18. Adjournment**

The business contained on the agenda having been completed, Mayor Eccles adjourned the meeting at 1:09 p.m.

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Mayor Kevin Eccles

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Jamie M. Eckenswiller, Clerk