



Minutes
Special Council meeting
Municipality of West Grey

Wednesday, September 18, 2024, 1 p.m.
West Grey municipal office, council chambers

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

Members absent: Mayor Kevin Eccles
 Councillor Geoffrey Shea

Staff present: Michele Harris, Chief Administrative Officer
 Jamie Eckenswiller, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
 Karl Schipprack, Director of Community and Development Services/CBO
 Geoff Aitken, Director of Infrastructure and Public Works
 Tim Cook, Supervisor, Rural Operations Infrastructure and Public Works
 Ashley Noble, Communications Coordinator

1. Call to order

Deputy Mayor Hutchinson called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

2. Declaration of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Presentations

3.1 Presentation from Triton Engineering Services Re: Bridge and Culvert Prioritization Program

The Chief Administrative Officer provided a background on the history of bridges in West Grey, and a high-level overview of the position that West Grey is in today as it relates to bridges.

Chris Clark and Mike Heath, Triton Engineering, provided a presentation on bridge and culvert prioritization in West Grey. Mr. Clark noted that there are 114 bridge structures in West Grey and provided an overview on the probability of failure for bridge structures, as well as the consequences of failure as it relates to emergency response times, and local access for residents in the area.

Mr. Clark highlighted the total probability and the consequence of closure/failure of bridges in Bentinck, Glenelg, and Normanby, as well as the total risk of a bridge failure.

Mr. Clark provided an overview of the years of service life for the highest risk structures and outlined a structure priority list with associated repair and

replacement costs derived from the highest risk ranking as well as estimated remaining service life from 2024 OSIM reports.

Mr. Clark noted several bridge structures that are candidates for permanent closure at the end of their service life based on their total consequence of closure/failure to the municipality.

Council asked questions about the bridge and culvert prioritization data and Triton Engineering provided responses.

4. **Bylaws**

4.1 **Bylaw No. 2024-079 - Confirming September 18 Meeting**

S-240918-001

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

"THAT Bylaw Number 2024-079 be passed and enacted."

Carried

5. **Adjournment**

The business contained on the agenda having been completed, Deputy Mayor Hutchinson adjourned the meeting at 2:07 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Tom Hutchinson

Clerk Jamie M. Eckenswiler