

Minutes
Council meeting
Municipality of West Grey

Tuesday, December 17, 2024, 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 Geoffrey Shea
 Councillor Doug Townsend

Staff present: Michele Harris, Chief Administrative Officer
 Jamie Eckenswiller, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk
 Kerri Mighton, Director of Finance/Treasurer
 Geoff Aitken, Director of Infrastructure and Public Works
 Ashley Noble, Communications Coordinator
 Krista House Langdon, Legislative Services Coordinator

1. Call to order

Mayor Eccles called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. Moment of reflection

Mayor Eccles called for a moment of reflection.

3. Declarations of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Delegations/presentations

There were no delegations/presentations.

5. Public meetings

There were no public meetings.

6. Comment period

There were no comments.

7. Unfinished business

There was no unfinished business.

8. Adoption of minutes

8.1 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on December 3, 2024

R-241217-001

Moved by Councillor Townsend

Seconded by Councillor Foerster

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on December 3, 2024, be adopted."

Carried

9. Committee and board reports

9.1 Minutes of the Saugeen Municipal Airport Commission Meeting held on November 20, 2024

R-241217-002

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Nuhn

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

Carried

10. Correspondence

10.1 Correspondence received for which direction of Council is required

There was no correspondence for which direction of Council was required.

10.2 Correspondence received which is presented for the information of Council

R-241217-003

Moved by Councillor Shea

Seconded by Councillor Hutchinson

"THAT Council receives all correspondence not otherwise dealt with."

Carried

11. Staff reports

11.1 Director of Infrastructure and Public Works

11.1.1 IPW-2024-40 – Victoria Street

The Director of Infrastructure and Public Works provided an overview of the report.

R-241217-004

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Shea

"THAT in consideration of staff report 'IPW-2024-40 – Victoria Street, Council directs staff to place the \$90,000 allocated for Victoria Street in the 2024 budget into reserves."

Carried

11.2 Director of Legislative Services/Clerk

11.2.1 Sale of Municipal Lands – Khanani

The Director of Legislative Services/Clerk provided an overview of the report.

R-241217-005

Moved by Councillor Townsend

Seconded by Councillor Hutchinson

"THAT in consideration of staff report 'Sale of Municipal Lands – Khanani, Council:

- 1. Directs staff to bring forward a bylaw to stop up and close the subject lands identified in the report;**

2. **Directs staff to bring forward a bylaw to authorize the sale of the subject lands to Khanani Developments Inc.; and**
3. **Authorizes the Mayor and Clerk to execute all documents necessary to give effect to the transaction."**

Carried

12. Questions

There were no questions.

13. Bylaws

13.1 Bylaw No. 2024-104

"A bylaw to confirm the proceedings of the public and regular meetings of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey."

13.2 Bylaw No. 2024-105

"A bylaw to authorize alternative voting methods for municipal and school board elections and by-elections."

13.3 Bylaw No. 2024-106

"A bylaw to appoint members to the Committee of Adjustment for the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey."

R-241217-006

Moved by Councillor Nuhn

Seconded by Councillor Foerster

"THAT Bylaw Numbers 2024-104, 2024-105, and 2024-106 be passed and enacted."

Carried

14. New business

There was no new business.

15. Announcements

Councillor Forester advised that the Ayton Firefighters Association will host a New Year's Breakfast from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on January 1, 2025. Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the door; the cost is \$15 for adults and \$10 for children.

Deputy Mayor Hutchinson thanked everyone who helped organize and support the Toronto Maple Leafs alumni game on December 14, 2024. The event was a huge success, and all funds raised will support the three schools in municipality.

Mayor Eccles also acknowledged the success of the Toronto Maple Leafs alumni game.

Council recessed at 9:21 a.m. and reconvened at 9:38 a.m.

16. Closed session

R-241217-007

Moved by Councillor Hutchinson

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

"THAT Council now goes into closed session to discuss:

- a. **Minutes of the closed session of the regular Council meeting held on November 19, 2024; and**

- b. **One matter regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose respecting the Saugeen Municipal Airport."**

Carried

17. Report from closed session

Mayor Eccles advised that in closed session, Council:

- Reviewed minutes of the closed session of the regular Council meeting held on November 19, 2024; and
- Discussed one matter regarding advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose respecting the Saugeen Municipal Airport, and direction was given.

18. Adjournment

The business contained on the agenda having been completed, Mayor Eccles adjourned the meeting at 10:16 a.m.

Mayor Kevin Eccles

Jamie M. Eckenswiller, Clerk