

**Minutes**

**Public meeting**

**Municipality of West Grey**

**Tuesday, February 18, 2025, 2 p.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 Geoffrey Shea  
 Councillor Doug Townsend

Members absent: Councillor Joyce Nuhn

Staff present: Jamie Eckenswiller, Director of Legislative Services/Clerk  
 Karl Schipprack, Director of Community and Development Services/CBO  
 Geoff Aitken, Director of Infrastructure and Public Works  
 David Smith, Manager of Planning and Development  
 Kalind Patel, Planning Technician  
 Ashley Noble, Communications Coordinator  
 Krista House Langdon, Legislative Services Coordinator

**1. Call to order**

Mayor Eccles called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. OPA 21 and Zoning Amendment No. ZA16.2024 - 6724 Highway 89**

Mayor Eccles opened the public meeting and read the following comments:

- The purpose of this public meeting is to receive input from the public.
- Every person who attends a statutory public meeting required under the Planning Act shall be given an opportunity to make representations in respect of the proposed Bylaw.
- All submission materials for this application are available at the West Grey Municipal Office during regular business hours.
- Recent amendments to the Planning Act by the province now limit appeal rights on zoning bylaw amendment applications to the applicant, public bodies, and specified persons who made oral or written submissions to the municipality prior to a decision being made. Specified persons generally include energy, railroad, and telecommunication providers, as well as NAV Canada.
- This meeting is an essential part of the decision-making process. Feedback received will be considered in the decision of West Grey Council.
- An explanation of how the public and agency comments factored into the decision will be included in the notice of passing of the bylaw.

- Where changes made in the proposed bylaw after the holding of the public meeting, Council will determine if any further notice will be given respecting the proposed bylaw, and the determination of council as to the giving of further notice is final and not subject to the review in any court, no matter the extent of the change made in the proposed bylaw.

The Director of Legislative Services/Clerk advised that notice of the public meeting was circulated in accordance with the Planning Act.

The Director of Legislative Services/Clerk advised that personal information is collected under the authority of the Planning Act and that the information collected will be used to complete the zoning bylaw and official plan amendment process and will form part of the public record.

The Director of Legislative Services/Clerk advised that any person wishing to receive notice of this decision of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey on the proposed zoning bylaw amendment application must make a written request to the Municipality of West Grey.

The Manager of Planning and Development provided an overview of Zoning Amendment No. ZA16.2024 - 6724 Highway 89 and the proposal contained therein. Mr. Smith noted that a County of Grey Official Plan Amendment (No. 21) is also underway.

Mr. Smith noted that no concerns were identified by internal agencies or neighbouring jurisdictions, and that comments received from MTO focused on the permits required to modify an entrance. No comments or concerns had been raised by the public, neighbouring property owners, the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority, or the Grey County Ecologist. Mr. Smith noted that Grey County staff are continuing to review the Official Plan Amendment and that additional detailed comments will be provided to West Grey staff and the applicant following the Public Meeting.

Derek McMurdie, Grey County, provided an overview of the application and the Official Plan amendment process and next steps.

Kristine Loft, agent for the applicant, provided an overview of the application.

There were no comments from the public.

There being no further comments, the public meeting concluded.

PM-250218-001

Moved by Councillor Foerster

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT in consideration of staff report 'ZA16.2024 – Martin (Loft)', Council directs staff to bring forward a bylaw to amend bylaw 37-2006 as it relates to ZA16.2024."**

**Carried**

#### **4. OPA 24 and Zoning Amendment No. ZA28.2024 – 140 McFarlin Drive**

Mayor Eccles opened the public meeting and read the following comments:

- The purpose of this public meeting is to receive input from the public.
- Every person who attends a statutory public meeting required under the Planning Act shall be given an opportunity to make representations in respect of the proposed Bylaw.
- All submission materials for this application are available at the West Grey Municipal Office during regular business hours.

- Recent amendments to the Planning Act by the province now limit appeal rights on zoning bylaw amendment applications to the applicant, public bodies, and specified persons who made oral or written submissions to the municipality prior to a decision being made. Specified persons generally include energy, railroad, and telecommunication providers, as well as NAV Canada.
- This meeting is an essential part of the decision-making process. Feedback received will be considered in the decision of West Grey Council.
- An explanation of how the public and agency comments factored into the decision will be included in the notice of passing of the bylaw.
- Where changes made in the proposed bylaw after the holding of the public meeting, Council will determine if any further notice will be given respecting the proposed bylaw, and the determination of council as to the giving of further notice is final and not subject to the review in any court, no matter the extent of the change made in the proposed bylaw.

The Director of Legislative Services/Clerk advised that notice of the public meeting was circulated in accordance with the Planning Act.

The Director of Legislative Services/Clerk advised that personal information is collected under the authority of the Planning Act and that the information collected will be used to complete the zoning bylaw and official plan amendment process and will form part of the public record.

The Director of Legislative Services/Clerk advised that any person wishing to receive notice of this decision of the Corporation of the Municipality of West Grey on the proposed zoning bylaw amendment application must make a written request to the Municipality of West Grey.

The Manager of Planning and Development provided an overview of Zoning Amendment No. ZA28.2024 – 140 McFarlin Drive and the proposal contained therein. Mr. Smith noted that a County of Grey Official Plan Amendment (No. 24) is also underway.

Mr. Smith noted that no concerns were identified by internal agencies or neighbouring jurisdictions, and only standard comments had been received. No comments or concerns had been raised by the public, neighbouring property owners, the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority, or Grey County.

Derek McMurdie, Grey County, provided an overview of the application and the Official Plan amendment process and next steps.

Don Scott, agent for the applicant, spoke to the application.

There were no public comments.

There being no further comments, the public meeting concluded.

PM-250218-002

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

Seconded by Councillor Townsend

**"THAT in consideration of staff report 'ZA28.2024 – 140 McFarlin Drive (Plume)', Council directs staff to bring forward a bylaw to amend bylaw 37-2006 as it relates to ZA28.2024."**

**Carried**

**5. Adjournment**

The business contained on the agenda having been completed, Mayor Eccles adjourned the meeting at 2:51 p.m.

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Mayor Kevin Eccles

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Jamie M. Eckenswiller, Clerk