



**Minutes  
Meeting of the Council  
Municipality of West Grey  
Tuesday, July 7, 2020, 10:00 a.m.  
electronically**

Council members present: Mayor Christine Robinson  
Deputy Mayor Tom Hutchinson  
Councillor Rebecca Hergert  
Councillor Beth Hamilton  
Councillor Doug Hutchinson  
Councillor Geoffrey Shea  
Councillor Stephen Townsend

Staff members present: CAO/Deputy Clerk Laura Johnston  
Clerk Genevieve Scharback  
Director of Infrastructure and Public Works Vance Czerwinski  
Director of Finance/Treasurer Kerri Mighton  
Recreation Supervisor Kodey Hewlett  
Chief Building Official Karl Schipprack  
Manager Planning and Development Lorelie Spencer  
Co-ordinator Office of the CAO Jonathan Zettel  
Administrative Assistant, Clerk's Office Lindsey Glazier

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**1. Call to order**

Mayor Robinson called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**2. Moment of reflection**

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

None.

**4. Closed session**

None.

**5. Matters arising from closed session**

Not applicable.

**6. Comment period**

Marian Ratcliffe, resident, requested that the Treasurer's vouchers be made available to the public and that information on how to participate in the electronic meetings be provided and clarified on the meeting agenda.

## 7. Public Meeting

None.

## 8. Consent agenda

### 8.1 Adoption of minutes

The Economic development committee meeting date of July 16, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. was added to the section 8.4 Future committee meetings on the consent agenda.

#### **Resolution No. 152-20**

**Moved:** Councillor Townsend

**Seconded:** Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

That consent agenda items 8.1.1, Council minutes of June 16, 2020 and 8.1.2 Clerk Recruiting Committee minutes of May 6, 8, 12 and 29, 2020 are hereby approved, as amended; and

That items 8.2, 8.3.12, 8.3.13, 8.14 to be addressed immediately following the consent agenda; and further

That consent agenda items 8.2 to 8.4, inclusive, be received for information.

**Disposition: Carried**

### 8.2 Routine department reports

Director Czerwinski confirmed the condition of the Concession 2 Bentinck road is part of the restoration program, West Grey is working with Enbridge to come up with a plan that is amenable to both parties.

Director Czerwinski will bring forward a report at a future meeting.

#### **Resolution No. 153-20**

**Moved:** Councillor Hergert

**Seconded:** Councillor Hutchinson

That council approves the recommendation from committee of the whole to adjust the budget to rehabilitate bridge 17 in 2020 by transferring a portion of funds allocated to bridge 46; and further

That the remaining 2020 budget for bridge 46 be used to complete the preliminary work in 2020, with the surplus carried forward to the 2021 budget for bridge 46 allowing it to be "shovel ready" in 2021.

**Disposition: Carried**

### 8.3 Miscellaneous correspondence

#### 8.3.12 Music in the Park Council Request

**Resolution No. 154-20**

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

**Seconded By** Councillor Hutchinson

Be it resolved that Councillor Hutchinson be appointed to attend a meeting with the appropriate staff and members of Music in the Park regarding the location to place hydro service in the park; and

That Council endorse in principle the Music in the Park program at Riverside Park, pending the approval of Public Health; and

That the clerk prepares and brings forward an appointment bylaw to reflect the citizen appointment changes.

**Disposition: Carried**

#### 8.3.13 Request to Waive Re-application Fees for Second Bylaw Amendment

**Resolution No. 155-20**

**Moved By** Councillor Hamilton

**Seconded By** Councillor Hergert

That staff bring forward a report to the committee of the whole on July 28, 2020 regarding this request.

**Disposition: Carried**

#### 8.3.14 Request to Raise Straight Pride Flag

Councillor Hamilton requested a recorded vote.

**Resolution No. 156-20**

**Moved By** Councillor Hergert

**Seconded By** Councillor Townsend

That council hereby approve and direct staff to fly the straight pride flag as long as the other pride flag.

<b>Recorded</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>
Councillor Hergert	X	
Councillor Hamilton		X
Councillor Hutchinson		X
Deputy Mayor Hutchinson		X
Mayor Robinson		X
Councillor Shea		X
Councillor Townsend	X	

**Disposition: Defeated**

**9. Communications from the mayor and council**

Council shared updates regarding activities and reported on past activities and events since the last regular meeting of council, and on upcoming events and activities.

Council recessed at 11:45 a.m. Council reconvened at 12:15 p.m.

**10. Delegations/Presentations**

None.

**11. Business arising from the previous meeting**

None.

**12. Staff reports**

**12.1 2019 Budget Variance Report**

CAO Johnston noted that the supporting documents are inaccessible which is why they are not included in the minutes. Staff are looking for solutions to make the documents accessible.

Clerk Scharback confirmed that moving forward if additional information is available on the agenda, but it is unable to be attached due to accessibility restrictions, it will be clearly identified on the agenda that there are supporting documents available upon request.

Director Czerwinski will bring a report forward to an August council meeting regarding staff overages in public works.

Director Mighton confirmed the Q1-Q2 budget variance report will be brought to a future Committee of the Whole meeting. A projected cost column will be added to the report.

**Resolution No. 157-20**

**Moved By** Councillor Hamilton

**Seconded By** Councillor Townsend

That council receive 2019 Budget Variance Report for information.

**Disposition: Carried**

## **12.2 2020 Strategic Vision Plan Q2 Update**

**Resolution No. 158-20**

**Moved By** Councillor Hamilton

**Seconded By** Councillor Hergert

That council receive and file report 2020 Strategic Vision Plan Q2 Update for information, as amended.

**Disposition: Carried**

## **12.3 Approval of Accounts**

**Resolution No. 159-20**

**Moved By** Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

**Seconded By** Councillor Hutchinson

That council approve voucher no. 11-2020 in the amount of \$658,705.60

**Disposition: Carried**

## **13. Bylaws**

### **13.1 Bylaw No. 49-2020 - Confirming bylaw**

**Resolution No. 160-20**

**Moved By** Councillor Townsend

**Seconded By** Deputy Mayor Hutchinson

That the West Grey Council gives first, second and third and final reading to bylaw No. 49-2020, being a bylaw to confirm matters addressed at the July 7, 2020 regular council meeting.

**Disposition: Carried**

## **14. New business**

Director Czerwinski advised that some of the wood from the large elm tree on Highway 6 that is being cut down by the Ministry of Transportation is being brought to a sawmill to be cut into lumber for future use by the municipality.

Council requested Director Mighton to bring a report to a future meeting regarding the ability to use funds from the Mighton Estates Fund to proceed with creating safer and accessible stairs to access the ball diamond.

**15. Addendum**

None.

**16. Notice of motion/direct motions**

**16.1 Moved: Councillor Hamilton**

**Resolution No. 161-20**

**Moved By** Councillor Hamilton

**Seconded By** Deputy Hergert

Whereas West Grey council condemns the unjust treatment, oppression, and racism of those who identify as black, indigenous, and people of colour; and

Whereas council acknowledges that systemic racism exists and persists in every community and institution in Canada, including West Grey, creating social and economic disparities from education, to healthcare, to housing, to employment, and justice; and

Whereas council supports the Bruce Grey Poverty Task Force belief that everyone deserves to live free of systematic oppression or racialized violence; and

Whereas the report by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada contains 'Calls to Action' several of which are actionable by local governments including Call 57: "We call upon federal, provincial, territorial, and municipal governments to provide education to public servants on the history of Aboriginal peoples, including the history and legacy of residential schools, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Treaties and Aboriginal rights, Indigenous law, and Aboriginal–Crown relations. This will require skills-based training in intercultural competency, conflict resolution, human rights, and anti-racism."; and

Whereas council is committed to anti-racism as demonstrated in the foundation of our 2020 Vision Plan whereby we set goals to listen to our community, value diverse voices, and build partnerships;

Therefore be it resolved that the Municipality of West Grey will actively work towards anti-racism and anti-oppression at every opportunity beginning with annual training for council, committee members, and employees for anti-racism, anti-oppression, diversity and inclusion, and the history of Aboriginal peoples; and

Further that this resolution be circulated to media, lower tier municipalities in Grey and Bruce; Grey County; Bruce County; West Grey Public Library,

West Grey Police Service, Grey Bruce Public Health Unit; Bluewater District School Board; and Bruce Grey Catholic District School Board.

**Disposition: Carried**

**17. Closed session - incomplete items only**

Not applicable.

**18. Matters arising from closed session**

Not applicable.

**19. Question period**

Marian Ratcliff, resident, thanked council for the resolution regarding racism and for the continual dialogue regarding the needs of the dark sky committee. She asked if personal information is included in correspondence to council, if there is a flag policy and if a date for returning to in-person meetings was set. The Clerk advised that correspondence to council is public; however individuals can request personal information be redacted prior to publishing. Mayor Robinson advised that the flag policy is being developed. There is no date set for in person meetings, they will continue to be electronic.

Bev Falco, resident, submitted comments noting that she supports Councillor Hamilton's comments regarding the pride flag and comments regarding the request that pertain to raising the straight flag. She noted she supports the anti-racism motion.

**20. Municipal act - notices**

None.

**21. Adjournment**

**Resolution No. 162-20**

**Moved By** Councillor Townsend

**Seconded By** Councillor Hutchinson

That we do now adjourn at 2:49 p.m., to meet again on July 21, 2020 or at the call of the chair.

**Disposition: Carried**