

MINUTES (DRAFT) West Grey Traffic Safety Working Group Wednesday, February 17, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Via Zoom Teleconferencing

Present: Deputy Mayor Tom Hutchinson, Coun. Stephen Townsend, Chair Robert MacKenzie, Members Robert Edwards, Jonah Friendly, and Vance Czerwinski; guest/delegation – Sean Wraight, Ministry of Transportation Ontario.

Absent: Robin Rich, Chief of Police Rob Martin

Call to Order: 10:10 a.m. (delay due to Zoom application)

Approval of Agenda: Approved with agreement deferring appointment of the new Secretary to start of next meeting's agenda.

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest (direct or indirect): None.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Moved by Townsend, Seconded by Friendly – Carried.

Delegations:

 Mr. Sean Wraight of MTO/Public Outreach & Education Office, London. Mr. Wraight provided an overview of services offered by his office and committed to providing whatever assistance possible to the working group in its goal of improving traffic safety in West Grey. He also outlined his role with the Grey Bruce Road Safety Coalition and provided information about potential funding sources for traffic safety projects.

Business Arising from the Previous Meeting:

 Speed limit reduction on Grey County Roads – information was brought forth by Deputy Mayor Hutchinson from the County indicating that it might be a requirement that a reduction of posted speed limits on County Roads must apply to the entire community in which the reduction is occurring. Director Czerwinski indicated follow-up would be required and Council would need to enact a bylaw, which he would begin preparing, to make the speed limit reduction happen. This is based on a recommendation previously made to West Grey Council that speed limits be reduced to 40 km/h on Grey County Roads and also provincial highways making up the main thoroughfares running through the communities of Durham, Ayton and Neustadt.

- Councillor Townsend noted that the meeting minutes should indicate quorum was lost at approximately 11:15 a.m. due to two participants leaving the Zoom meeting for technical reasons. Quorum was regained at 11:22 a.m. and the discussion resumed.
- Speed cushions discussion occurred regarding the creation of a pilot project to use speed cushions to slow traffic with the suggested location being Sadler Street East in Durham. This area has been discussed numerous times previously and it was identified as an ideal location for such a pilot project. The following motion was passed:

Moved by Coun. Townsend, seconded by Rob Edwards, "That the Working Group recommend that Council authorize staff to initiate a study to run a pilot project for speed cushions or similar traffic control measures on Sadler Street East in the Town of Durham to address speeding concerns." - Carried.

• Review of West Grey parking bylaw – a discussion ensued and it was decided to defer this issue until the next meeting of the Traffic Safety Working Group.

Ongoing Business: None.

New Business: None.

Correspondence: None.

Articles of Interest: News article on reported success of City of Toronto traffic enforcement cameras – received.

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 10 a.m.

Adjournment: Moved by Edwards, seconded by Hutchinson – carried.

,Chair

, Secretary