

Township of Georgian Bluffs

Council Minutes

September 8, 2021, 5:00 p.m. Council Chambers / Virtual Township Administration Offices 177964 Grey Road 18, RR#3, Owen Sound ON N4K 5N5

- Members Present: Mayor Dwight Burley Deputy Mayor Sue Carleton Councillor Carol Barfoot Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn Councillor Grant Pringle Councillor Paul Sutherland Councillor Ryan Thompson
- Staff Present: Brittany Drury, Clerk Kassandra Rocca, Director of Finance / Treasurer Steven Dollmaier, Director of Operations Al Meneses, Township CAO Janet Hilts, HR Manager Carly Craig, Deputy Clerk

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1. Call to Order

Mayor Dwight Burley called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mayor Dwight Burley opened the meeting with the land acknowledgement statement.

3. Approval of Agenda/Additions to the Agenda

Moved By: Councillor Paul Sutherland Seconded By: Councillor Ryan Thompson

That By-law 2021-061, being a by-law to appoint an Interim CAO, be added to the agenda, as item 15.2.2, and

That closed session discussions, included as agenda item 19.1, be deferred for discussion at the September 9, 2021 special meeting of Council, and

That a discussion regarding cell phone policy be added to New Business – cell phone policy.

That the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

5. Minutes of Previous Meetings

5.1 Council - August 25, 2021

RES2021-153 Moved By: Councillor Grant Pringle Seconded By: Councillor Carol Barfoot

That the minutes of the Council meeting held on August 25, 2021, be adopted.

Carried

5.2 Special Council - August 30, 2021

RES2021-154 Moved By: Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn Seconded By: Councillor Ryan Thompson That the minutes of the Special Council meeting held on August 30, 2021, be adopted.

Carried

5.3 Special Council - September 2, 2021

RES2021-155 Moved By: Deputy Mayor Sue Carleton Seconded By: Councillor Carol Barfoot

That the minutes of the Special Council meeting held on September 2, 2021, be adopted.

Carried

6. Announcements

Nil

7. Public Hearings

Nil

8. Delegations

Nil

9. Consent Agenda

RES2021-156 Moved By: Councillor Ryan Thompson Seconded By: Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn

That Council of the Township of Georgian Bluffs adopt the Consent Agenda for information, as circulated.

Carried

9.1 Correspondence for Council's Information

Nil

- 9.2 Minutes
 - 9.2.1 Council Remuneration Committee August 20, 2021
 - 9.2.2 Climate Action Committee August 13, 2021
- 9.3 Resolutions From Other Municipalities

Nil

10. Consideration of Items Separated from Consent Agenda

Nil

11. Correspondence

Nil

12. Committee Reports

12.1 Committee of Whole

RES2021-157 Moved By: Councillor Paul Sutherland Seconded By: Councillor Grant Pringle

That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole meeting held on September 1, 2021 be adopted, including recommendations COW2021-086 to COW2021-092.

Carried

12.1.1 LEG2021-26 Council and Committee Electronic Participation

COW2021-086 Moved By: Deputy Mayor Sue Carleton Seconded By: Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn

That report LEG2021-25, Closed Session Audio and Video Recording, be received, and

That policy COU-01-2021: Recording of Council and Committees of Council Closed Meetings, attached to this report as Appendix A, is hereby approved, and That the appropriate and necessary amendments to Township Procedure By-law 2019-125 and Records Retention policy, be presented at a future Council meeting for authorization.

Approved

12.1.2 LEG2021-27 2022 Council and Committee Meetings Calendar

COW2021-088 Moved By: Councillor Grant Pringle Seconded By: Deputy Mayor Sue Carleton

That report LEG2021-27, 2022 Council and Committee Meetings Calendar, be received, and

That the 2022 Council and Committee meetings calendar be approved.

Approved

12.1.3 FIN2021-19 GrantMatch Agreement

COW2021-089 Moved By: Councillor Carol Barfoot Seconded By: Councillor Grant Pringle

That report FIN2021-19, GrantMatch Agreement, be received, and

That Committee hereby directs staff to execute the Agreement with GrantMatch for the provision of a proactive government funding application process for the Township.

Approved

12.1.4 OPS2021-43 Pottawatomi Water System 2021 Annual Inspection

COW2021-090 Moved By: Councillor Grant Pringle Seconded By: Councillor Carol Barfoot

That report OPS2021-043 be received for information.

Approved

12.1.5 OPS2021-44 Shallow Lake Water System 2021 Annual Inspection

COW2021-091 Moved By: Deputy Mayor Sue Carleton Seconded By: Councillor Carol Barfoot

That report OPS2021-044 be received for information.

Approved

12.1.6 Closed Session

COW2021-092 Moved By: Councillor Ryan Thompson Seconded By: Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn

That Committee of the Whole move into closed session at 5:35 p.m. with the CAO, Clerk and Director of Finance to discuss:

13.1 Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board

Approved

13. Staff Reports

Nil

14. Public Question Period

The Clerk noted that no members of the public registered for public question period.

15. By-laws

15.1 Zoning By-laws

Nil

15.2 Other By-laws

15.2.1 By-law 2021-060

Further to report PL.2019.09 and resolution number RES2019-080, passed at the March 20, 2019 meeting of Council.

Report PL.2019.09:

https://calendar.georgianbluffs.ca/council/Detail/2019-03-20-1900-Council-Meeting/fec979fa-d364-40ee-8166-aa1100f878b1 Being a By-law to authorize execution of documents to accept conveyance of lands required for the municipal public highway system, and to assume Spencer (Colin) Drive, Colin (Alice) Drive and Big Rock Road as roadways in the municipal public highway system.

The Director of Operations spoke to the road assumption and noted that the survey and applicable documentation had been received from the developer.

RES2021-158 Moved By: Deputy Mayor Sue Carleton Seconded By: Councillor Ryan Thompson

That By-law 2021-060, being a By-law to authorize execution of documents to accept conveyance of lands required for the municipal public highway system, and to assume Spencer (Colin) Drive, Colin (Alice) Drive and Big Rock Road as roadways in the municipal public highway system, be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation, and engrossed in the By-law Book.

Carried

15.2.2 By-law 2021-061

The Clerk noted that the by-law will not take effect until September 18, 2021.

RES2021-159 Moved By: Councillor Carol Barfoot Seconded By: Councillor Paul Sutherland

That By-law 2021-061, being a By-law to appoint an Interim CAO, be read a first, second and third time, and finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation, and engrossed in the By-law Book.

Carried

16. Unfinished Business

Nil

17. New Business

17.1 Municipal Recognition of September 30th as National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, and New Municipal Resource Materials

Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn gave a brief overview of the materials provided by AMO, related to the motion.

There was a discussion regarding lowering Township flags to half mast in recognition of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

The motion was amended to include:

That Township flags be lowered in honor of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

RES2021-160 Moved By: Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn Seconded By: Councillor Carol Barfoot

WHEREAS the Truth and Reconciliation Commission released its final report on June 2, 2015, which included 94 Calls to Action to redress the legacy of residential schools and advance the process of Canadian reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS the recent discoveries of remains and unmarked graves across Canada have led to increased calls for all levels of government to address the recommendations in the TRC's Calls to Action;

AND WHEREAS all Canadians and all orders of government have a role to play in reconciliation;

AND WHEREAS Recommendation #80 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission called upon the federal government, in collaboration with Aboriginal peoples, to establish, as a statutory holiday, a National Day for Truth and Reconciliation to ensure that public commemoration of the history and legacy of residential schools remains a vital component of the reconciliation process;

AND WHEREAS the Federal Government has announced September 30th, 2021, as the first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) and a statutory holiday; and

That Township flags be lowered in honor of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Township of Georgian Bluffs does hereby commit to recognizing September 30th, 2021, as the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (National Orange Shirt Day) by sharing the stories of residential school survivors, their families, and communities.

Carried

17.2 Corporate Cell Phone Policy

There was brief discussion regarding the Township's corporate cell phone policy, new phone system, and efforts taken to provide all staff with a phone who required one.

18. Notice of Motion

Nil

19. Closed Session

Deferred under agenda item 2.

20. Confirming By-law

The Clerk noted that the by-law number has been amended to reflect addition of By-law 2021-061, being a by-law to appoint an Interim Chief Administrative Officer.

RES2021-161 Moved By: Councillor Carol Barfoot Seconded By: Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn

That By-law 2021-062, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of Council on September 8, 2021, be read a first, second and third time, finally passed, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and engrossed in the By-law Book.

Carried

21. Date of Next Regular Meeting/Adjournment

Committee of the Whole – September 15, 2021, 5:00 p.m.

Committee of the Whole will meet as regularly scheduled on September 15, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

Moved By: Councillor Carol Barfoot Seconded By: Councillor Paul Sutherland

That the meeting be adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Carried

Mayor, Dwight Burley

Clerk, Brittany Drury