



# **Township of Georgian Bluffs**

## **Committee of the Whole Minutes**

**January 11, 2023, 5:00 p.m.**  
**Council Chambers**  
**Township Administration Offices**  
**177964 Grey Road 18, RR#3, Owen Sound ON N4K 5N5**

**Members Present:** Mayor Sue Carleton  
Deputy Mayor Grant Pringle  
Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn  
Councillor Ryan Thompson  
Councillor Rick Winters  
Councillor Tobin Day  
Councillor Isaac Shouldice

**Staff Present:** Cynthia Fletcher, Chief Administrative Officer  
Carly Craig, Acting Clerk  
Samantha Buchanan, Acting Director of Corporate Services/Treasurer  
Jenn Burnett, Senior Planner  
Rayburn Murray, Legislative Services Coordinator

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### **1. Call to Order**

Deputy Mayor Grant Pringle called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

### **2. Approval of Agenda/Additions to the Agenda**

Moved By: Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn  
Seconded By: Councillor Ryan Thompson

**That the agenda be approved as presented.**

Approved

Committee of the Whole gave tribute to Milton Bellamy, former Reeve and Warden of Grey County in 1984. Mayor Sue Carleton spoke to Mr. Bellamy's accomplishments and contributions to the community. Committee took a moment of silence to pay their respects.

**3. Land Acknowledgment Statement**

Deputy Mayor Grant Pringle opened the meeting with the land acknowledgement statement.

**4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**

None declared.

**5. Public Hearings**

**5.1 Z-16-22 Carolyn and Rob Hicks**

COW2023-001

Moved By: Councillor Isaac Shouldice

Seconded By: Councillor Rick Winters

**That the regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole be recessed to hold a Public Hearing for application Z-16-22 for Carolyn and Rob Hicks.**

Approved

**5.1.1 Public Meeting Report Z-16-22 for Carolyn and Rob Hicks**

The Acting Clerk outlined that notice of the public hearing was given by ordinary mail to all property owners within 120 metres (400 feet) of the subject property, by email to all the prescribed bodies on November 4, 2022, posted at the subject property and posted on the Township of Georgian Bluffs website

The Planner overviewed the intent of the application, which proposes to rezone the property from PD- Planned Development to Residential - R1 and permit a detached garage to be built in the

front yard 95 feet from the front lot line. This will locate the garage 13 feet in front of the dwelling.

The Applicants, Carolyn and Rob Hicks were present to speak to any questions of the Committee.

No members of the public registered to speak in support of or in opposition to the proposed application.

The Committee had no questions or concerns regarding the application.

The public hearing was adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

COW2023-002

Moved By: Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn

Seconded By: Councillor Ryan Thompson

**It has been demonstrated that the proposed application is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement 2020, the County Official Plan, the Township of Georgian Bluffs Official Plan, and the Township of Georgian Bluffs Zoning By-law 2020-020. It is recommended that Zoning By-law Amendment Application Z-16-22 for lands described as Con 1 Pt Lot 10 RP16R6368 Pt 1, be approved.**

Approved

## **6. Delegations/Public Question Period**

### **6.1 Items On the Agenda**

None.

### **6.2 Items Not On the Agenda**

#### **6.2.1 J.L. Richards Planning Consultants - Official Plan Update**

David Welwood, Planner, J.L. Richards, presented an update on information regarding the Township of Georgian Bluffs Official Plan refresh. Topics included: climate change, housing, services, development charges, parkland, cannabis growing, and the engagement of Indigenous Communities.

Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn provided comments regarding the protection of farmland and whether this needed to be included in

the update. The Senior Planner noted that there is a desire to avoid duplication in policy between approval bodies, and that protection of farmland is addressed in the Grey County Official Plan.

## **7. Correspondence**

7.1 Grey Sauble Conservation Authority- 2023 Draft Budget

## **8. Staff Reports**

8.1 Planning Department

8.1.1 PL.2023.02 - Request for Extension of Draft Approval 42-CDM-2013-03

COW2023-003

Moved By: Councillor Isaac Shouldice

Seconded By: Councillor Tobin Day

**That correspondence from Design Plan Services regarding the request for an extension of draft approval for Plan of Condominium 42-CDM-2013-03 for Georgian Villas Inc. (Blue Bay Villas) be received; and**

**That Council support the request for a three-year extension of draft approval to February 18, 2026 for Plan of Condominium 42-CDM-2013-03 for Georgian Villas Inc.; and**

**That staff be directed to forward the motion in support of the request to the County of Grey.**

Approved

8.1.2 PL.2023.06 - Update to Council re appeal of By-law 2022-052 Bob Nicol

COW2023-004

Moved By: Councillor Ryan Thompson

Seconded By: Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn

**That Council direct staff to not retain legal counsel to attend the appeal and let the Ontario Land Tribunal appeal proceedings evaluate Zoning Amendment Application Z-12-22 for Bob Nicol.**

8.2 Clerks Department

8.2.1 LEG2023-01 - Council Committee and Board Appointments

COW2023-005

Moved By: Councillor Isaac Shouldice

Seconded By: Councillor Rick Winters

**That Council hereby appoints members to Township Committees and Boards as follows:**

- 1. Councillor Ryan Thompson be appointed to the Owen Sound & North Grey Union Public Library Board.**
- 2. Mayor Sue Carleton and Councillor Tobin Day be appointed to the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board.**
- 3. Councillor Rick Winters be appointed to the Inter-Township Fire Department Joint Board of Management.**
- 4. Councillor Ryan Thompson be appointed to the Grey County Farm Safety Association Committee and that Councillor Isaac Shouldice be appointed as an alternate.**
- 5. Deputy Mayor Grant Pringle be appointed to the Bruce Peninsula & District Veterinary Committee and that Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn be appointed as an alternate.**
- 6. Councillor Isaac Shouldice be appointed to the Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee and that Councillor Tobin Day be appointed as an alternate; and**

**That a by-law be presented at the January 18, 2023, meeting of Council to formalize appointments to Committees and Boards for a two-year period ending in December of 2024 with the exception of the Owen Sound & North Grey Union Public Library Board for a four-year period; and**

**That Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn be appointed as an alternate on Grey County Council for the duration of the 2022-2026 Council term; and**

**That staff be directed to advertise for eligible members of the public to be appointed as appropriate; and**

**And further that staff be directed to bring forward a report to a future meeting regarding the Shallow Lake Village Project Board and potential alternatives.**

Approved

**8.3 Operations**

**8.3.1 OPS2023-01 - Sidewalk Winter Maintenance**

COW2023-006

Moved By: Councillor Ryan Thompson

Seconded By: Councillor Isaac Shouldice

**That staff be authorized to strike an agreement with T.N.T. Property Maintenance to clear the sidewalks in Shallow Lake, Cobble Beach, and the walkway between Sutacriti Street and Presqu'ile Road at a price of \$850.00 per trip for all three locations for the remainder of this winter season plus a 4-year extension adjusted annually by the CPI increase for Ontario.**

Approved

**9. Unfinished Business**

Nil

**10. New Business**

Nil

**11. Notice of Motion**

Councillor Rick Winters provided a Notice of Motion on the inclusion of monthly water compliance reports from the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA) on the Consent Agenda.

Councillor Rick Winters also provided a Notice of Motion regarding quarterly reporting on action items resulting from meetings of Council.

Mayor Sue Carleton brought forward a Notice of Motion regarding proposed revisions to the Council Remuneration Policy.

**12. Closed Session**

COW2023-007

Moved By: Councillor Ryan Thompson

Seconded By: Councillor Cathy Moore Coburn

**That Council of the Township of Georgian Bluffs move into closed session at 6:20 p.m. in the Council Chambers with the CAO, Acting Clerk, and HR Manager remaining in the room to discuss:**

**12.1 Labour relations or employee negotiations - Collective Bargaining**

**12.2 A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board - Potential property negotiation in the former Township of Keppel**

Committee of the Whole returned to open session at 7:17 p.m.

Council went into closed session under open meeting exemption “d” and “k” of Section 239(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*. Deputy Mayor Grant Pringle reported out of closed session, noting that direction was presented to staff on both items 12.1 and 12.2.

Approved

**13. Date of Next Regular Meeting/Adjournment**

Council will meet again for a Special Council meeting on January 16, 2023, and as regularly scheduled on January 18, 2023, 5:00 p.m.

Moved By: Councillor Tobin Day

Seconded By: Mayor Sue Carleton

**That the meeting be adjourned at 7:18 p.m.**

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Mayor, Sue Carleton

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Acting Clerk, Carly Craig

