

County Council

Agenda

October 23, 2025

10:00 a.m.

Council Chambers - Grey County Administration Building

	Pages
1. Call to Order	
2. O Canada	
3. Roll Call	
4. Land Acknowledgement	
5. Declaration of Interest	
6. Adoption of Minutes	
6.a County Council and Committee of the Whole minutes dated October 9, 2025	3
That the minutes of the County Council meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting dated October 9, 2025, and the resolutions contained therein, be adopted as presented.	
6.b Closed Committee of the Whole and Budget and Finance Committee meeting minutes dated October 9, 2025	
That the closed session Committee of the Whole meeting minutes dated October 9, 2025 and the closed session Budget and Finance Committee minutes dated September 24, 2025, be adopted as provided.	
7. Closed Meeting Matters	
8. Reports	
There were no reports.	
9. By-laws	15
That By-law 5254-25 be introduced and be taken as read a first, second and third time, finally passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and engrossed in the by-law book.	
i. 5254-25 - A By-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council	
10. News and Celebrations	

11. Adjournment

Minutes Council

October 9, 2025

Call to Order

Grey County Council met at the call of the Warden on the above date at 10:01 a.m. at the County Administration Building. The Warden called Council to order and assumed the Chair.

O Canada

The Warden invited members of Council to stand for O Canada.

Roll Call

The Clerk called the Roll with all members present with the exception of Councillor Mackey. Councillor Bordignon and Councillor Hutchinson participated electronically.

Randy Scherzer, Chief Administrative Officer; Tara Warder, Clerk; and Brittany Rier, Deputy Clerk were also in attendance.

The following staff members were also participating:

Niall Lobley, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; Anne Marie Shaw, Director of Community Services; Jennifer Cornell, Director of Long-Term Care; Jennifer Moreau, Director of Human Resources; Kevin McNab, Director of Paramedic Services; Mary Lou Spicer, Director of Finance/Treasurer; Pat Hoy, Director of Transportation Services; Savanna Myers, Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Culture; Scott Taylor, Director of Planning; Markus Hawco, Manager of Finance, Long-Term Care; Garrett Reed, Manager of Accounting; Cassondra Dillman, Intermediate Planner; Tara Cockerill, Early Learning and Child Care Program Manager; and Robert Hatten, Communications Manager.

Sue Murray, Deputy Treasurer, and Geraldine Cole, Labour Relations Manager, participated electronically.

Land Acknowledgement

The Warden read the land acknowledgement.

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations.

Adoption of Minutes

County Council and Committee of the Whole minutes dated
September 25, 2025

CC67-25

Moved by: Councillor Greig

Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

That the minutes of the County Council meeting and Committee of the Whole meeting dated September 25, 2025, and the resolutions contained therein, be adopted as presented.

Carried

Closed Committee of the Whole meeting minutes dated
September 25, 2025

CC68-25

Moved by: Councillor Milne

Seconded by: Councillor Kentner

That the closed session Committee of the Whole meeting minutes dated September 25, 2025, be adopted as provided.

Carried

Long-Term Care Committee of Management meeting minutes
September 18, 2025

CC69-25

Moved by: Councillor Paterson

Seconded by: Councillor Carleton

That the Long-Term Care Committee of Management meeting minutes dated September 18, 2025, be adopted as presented; and

That the following resolutions contained therein be endorsed:

- i. **That report LTCR-CM-13-25 regarding a Long-Term Care Director Update be received for information.**

- ii. **That Report LTCR-CM-14-25 regarding the Long-Term Care Operational Report dated June 15 - August 14, 2025, be received for information.**

Carried

Long-Term Care Redevelopment Planning Task Force minutes dated September 24, 2025

CC70-25

Moved by: Councillor Dobreen

Seconded by: Councillor McQueen

That the Long-Term Care Redevelopment Planning Task Force meeting minutes dated September 24, 2025 be adopted as presented and the following resolutions contained therein be endorsed:

- i. **That Report LTCR-RP-17-25 regarding the Single Sourcing of Beds, Bedside and Overbed Tables, Lifts and Tubs and Sole Source of Food Production Management Support for the new Rockwood Terrace, be received; and**
- ii. **That staff be directed to initiate procurement of items as set out in report LTCR-RP-17-25 from the identified companies.**
- iii. **That Report LTCR-RP-18-25 regarding Rockwood Terrace Operational Readiness 2026 Estimated Budget Impacts be received; and**
- iv. **That the estimated budget impact of \$800,000 for operational readiness activities related to staffing, supplies and coordination as outlined in the report be included in the draft 2026 budget; and**
- v. **That the operational readiness costs be funded from the One Time Funding Reserve.**
- vi. **That Report CAOR-RP-13-25 regarding an update on the tender results and cost sharing breakdown for the South Street East Project – Downstream Stormwater Upgrades associated with the new Rockwood Terrace be received; and**

That Grey County's total share of the South Street East project is \$1,223,170.65 excluding HST over the next two years which is less than the \$1.7 million upset limit previously approved by Council for the County's share; and

That a by-law be brought forward to authorize the execution of the updated cost-sharing agreement between the Municipality of West Grey and Grey County.

Carried

Closed Meeting Matters

There were no closed meeting matters.

Reports

There were no reports.

By-laws

CC71-25

Moved by: Councillor Dickert

Seconded by: Councillor Eccles

That By-laws 5252-25 and 5253-25 be introduced and be taken as read a first, second and third time, finally passed, signed by the Warden and the Clerk, sealed with the seal of the Corporation and engrossed in the by-law book.

- i. **5252-25 - A By-law to Amend the Infrastructure, Responsibility and Cost Sharing Agreement for the Rockwood Terrace Early Works**
- ii. **5253-25 - A By-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council**

Carried

News and Celebrations

Director of Planning, Scott Taylor, congratulated Cassondra Dillman, Intermediate Planner for Grey County, on passing the Registered Professional Planner exam.

Tara Cockerill, Early Learning and Child Care Program Manager from the Housing Department, shared that the team hosted 300 team members from the early learning sector for a day of learning on September 26th for the third annual Growing Grey't Kids event. She also noted that Early Childcare Education (ECE) Appreciation Day is coming up on October 21st and encouraged everyone to thank ECE's for all they do.

Councillor Kentner shared that Meaford will be getting a new Kindergarten to Grade 3 school to meet the needs of the growing community.

Councillor McKay wished Councillor Mackey well on his road to recovery.

Councillor Boddy welcomed Ontario Lieutenant Governor Dumont as she arrived in Owen Sound aboard the HMCS Canadian Navy Ship at the harbour.

Councillor McQueen congratulated the Toronto Blue Jays win last night in New York and noted the opportunity for unity in Canada to support the single ball team.

Councillor Milne congratulated the Toronto Maple Leafs on their win last night.

Councillor Bordignon shared that the physician recruitment group successful has been successful in welcoming Dr. Bali to the Blue Mountains Community Health Centre in Thornbury.

Councillor Dobreen shared that Southgate is enjoying a Diwali event tomorrow evening at Dundalk Legion. This is a free event from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. with all welcome to attend.

Councillor McKay shared that the Township of Chatsworth will be meeting with the Minister of Transportation and invited all Council members to direct any questions to the Minister through him.

Adjournment

On motion by Councillors Milne and Nielsen, Council adjourned at 10:43 a.m. to the call of the Warden.

Andrea Matrosovs, Warden

Tara Warder, Clerk

Minutes

Committee of the Whole

October 9, 2025

Call to Order

Grey County Council met on the above date at the County Administration Building. Warden Matrosovs assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order at 10:43 a.m. with all members present with the exception of Councillor Scott Mackey. Councillor Bordignon and Councillor Hutchinson participated electronically.

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Business Arising from Minutes

Notice provided by Councillor Greig at the meeting held
September 25, 2025

CW127-25

Moved by: Councillor Greig

Seconded by: Councillor Dobreen

Whereas Part 2 of the Municipal Act generally confers broad authority on the municipality to enable the municipality to govern its affairs as it considers appropriate and to enhance the municipality's ability to respond to municipal issues; and

Whereas community safety is of foremost concern to residents; and

Whereas automated speed traffic cameras assist in responding to resident concerns;

Now Therefore Be it Resolved That this council asks MPP Vickers and MPP Saunderson to support this position in opposing any provincial legislation introduced to prohibit the use of automated speed enforcement; and

That this resolution be circulated to each municipality within Grey County requesting their endorsement; and

That the resolution be sent to Premier Ford, Minister of Transportation Prabmeet Sarkaria, MPP Vickers and MPP Saunderson.

Carried

Delegations

There were no delegations.

Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

There were no items on the consent agenda pulled for further discussion.

Consent Agenda

CW128-25

Moved by: Councillor Boddy

Seconded by: Councillor Nielsen

That the following Consent Agenda items be received; and

That staff be authorized to take the actions necessary to give effect to the recommendations in the staff reports; and

That the correspondence be supported or received for information as recommended in the consent agenda.

Carried

Support for the Municipality of Bluewater - Closure of Before and After School Programs

That the correspondence from the Municipality of Bluewater regarding the closure of before and after school programs be received for information.

PDR-CW-59-25 Active Ontario Land Tribunal File List

That report PDR-CW-59-25 regarding the Ontario Land Tribunal file list, be received for information purposes.

PDR-CW-58-25 Information Report - 42T-2025-05 - 372 Grey Road 21 Subdivision (Rhemm Properties)

That report PDR-CW-58-25 regarding an overview of draft plan of subdivision application 42T-2025-05 known as the 372 Grey Road 21 subdivision, on lands legally described as Pt. Lt. 149 PL 529 Collingwood Pt. 1 & 2, 16R801; S/T R226078; Town of The Blue Mountains, be received for information.

Items For Direction and Discussion

Council took a brief recess from 11:02 a.m. to 11:12 a.m.

PSR-CW-06-25 Tender Award Feversham Paramedic Base

CW129-25

Moved by: Councillor Nielsen

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

That report PSR-CW-06-25 be received; and

That Domm Construction Ltd. be awarded RFP-PS-04-25 Design Build for the new Paramedic Services base in Feversham at a cost of \$2,155,000 (excluding HST); and

That the project be funded by debenture as approved in the 2025 Paramedic Services Capital budget; and

That Council authorize staff to proceed with preparations of CCDC 14 – 2013 Design Build Stipulated Price Contract prior to formal Council approval as per Section 26.6 (b) of the Procedural By-Law.

Carried

PSR-CW-07-25 Additional Funding to Support SOS and Extended Services

CW130-25

Moved by: Councillor Dickert

Seconded by: Councillor Milne

That report PSR-CW-07-25 being a report on Additional Funding to Support SOS and Extended Services, be received; and

That funds be flowed to partner agencies as outlined in the funding agreement that ends March 31, 2026.

Carried

Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes dated September 18, 2025

CW131-25

Moved by: Councillor Greig

Seconded by: Councillor Dobreen

That the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting minutes dated September 18, 2025 be adopted as presented and the following resolutions contained therein be endorsed:

That Report CCR-JAAC-09-25 Grey County 2025 Accessibility Compliance Report, be received; and

That the 2025 Accessibility Compliance Report be endorsed as presented for submission to the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility as legislated.

That report TR-JAAC-29-25 Grey Road 12 Reconstruction – Markdale be received and that the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee provide review and comment on the proposed design of the pedestrian facilities and rest areas.

That the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee receive Report LTCR-JAAC-15-25; and

That the Committee review and provide comment on the proposed renovations and updated lease.

That The Municipality of West Grey Multi-Year Accessibility Plan 2025-2029 be presented to the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee for review and comment.

Carried

Budget and Finance Committee minutes dated September 24, 2025

CW132-25

Moved by: Councillor Carleton

Seconded by: Councillor Keaveney

That the Budget and Finance Committee meeting minutes dated September 24, 2025 be adopted as presented and the following resolutions contained therein be endorsed:

- i. That Report FR-BFC-18-25 regarding the 2026 and 2027 Budget Assumptions and Timelines be received; and**
- ii. That report CAOR-BFC-14-25 Staffing Request 2026 – 2027 be received; and**

- iii. **That staff be directed to include \$339,700 in the 2026 budget, and \$95,700 in the 2027 budget to accommodate 2026 full time staffing requests; and**
- iv. **That staff be directed to include the following full time staffing requests as part of the 2026 budget being,**
 - i. **Duty Supervisor (Float), Paramedic Services**
 - ii. **Mechanic, Transportation Services**
 - iii. **Law Clerk, Legislative Services, and**
 - iv. **Coordinator, Climate and Environmental Initiatives; and**
- v. **That staff be directed to include two new student positions in the 2026 budget; and**
- vi. **That staff be directed to include the following full time staffing positions within the forecast 2027 operating budget, being**
 - i. **Mechanic, Transportation Services**
 - ii. **Facilities Manager, Office of the CAO**
 - iii. **Manager Performance and Culture, Human Resources and,**
 - iv. **Business/Data Analyst, Technology and Information Services; and**
- vii. **That staff be directed to include two student positions within the 2027 forecast budget; and**
- viii. **That all positions forecast in the 2027 budget be subject to further review for necessity through the 2027 budget process.**

Carried

Joint Municipal Services Committee minutes dated September 26, 2025

Committee of the Whole took a brief recess from 12:00 p.m. to 12:47 p.m.

Councillor Paterson left the meeting at 1:05 p.m. and returned at 1:08 p.m.

CW133-25

Moved by: Councillor Eccles

Seconded by: Councillor Pringle

That the Joint Municipal Services Committee meeting minutes dated September 26, 2025 be adopted as presented and the following resolutions contained therein be endorsed:

- i. That staff be directed to investigate opportunity to utilize development charges to support health care and physician recruitment as part of the review of the Development Charges background study.
- ii. That Report CAOR-JMS-27-25 regarding scoping joint municipal service potential be received and that staff be directed to include \$250,000 in the 2026 Budget to be funded through a combination from the Waste Management Reserve and the One Time Funding Reserve to engage an external consultant to develop a Regional Waste Management Plan to consider opportunities for waste collection efficiencies across Grey County; and
- iii. That staff be directed to implement shared training opportunities where possible across Grey County municipalities in 2026; and
- iv. That staff be directed to collate a library of HR policies that can be accessed by Grey County municipalities to help inform policy development at member municipal levels; and,
- v. That staff be directed to bring back, before the end of 2026, a framework for secondments, mentoring and job shadowing between Grey County member municipalities; and,
- vi. That staff be directed to work collaboratively with Grey Bruce OHT and partners and bring back a comprehensive summary of ongoing work in healthcare and physician recruitment in Grey before the end of 2025; and
- vii. That the correspondence received from The Corporation of the Municipality of Tweed regarding Collaborative Action on Sustainable Waste Management in Ontario be received for information.

Carried

Closed Meeting Matters

Council proceeded into closed session at 1:21 p.m.

CW134-25

Moved by: Councillor Nielsen

Seconded by: Councillor McKay

That the Committee of the Whole does now go into closed session pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, to discuss:

- i. labour relations or employee negotiations (Social Services OPSEU Local 266)**

Carried

Council returned to open session at 1:31 p.m.

The Warden confirmed that only the items stated in the resolution to move into closed session were discussed.

Other Business

Councillor McQueen shared his participation at a recent Nottawasaga Conversation Valley meeting where a new system called the Arctic Over the Horizon Radar program is looking for sites to host the NORAD radar tracking system. Concern was expressed regarding the large amount of farm land that will be removed from production as a result.

Notice of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

Adjournment

On motion of Councillors Dobreen and Paterson, Committee of the Whole adjourned at 1:34 p.m. to the call of the Chair.

Andrea Matrosovs, Warden

Tara Warder, Clerk

Corporation of the County of Grey

By-law 5254-25

A By-law to confirm all actions and proceedings of the Council

WHEREAS Section 5 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, states that the powers of a municipality shall be exercised by its Council;

AND WHEREAS Section 5 (3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that municipal powers shall be exercised by by-law;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF
THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF GREY HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The actions of the Council of the Corporation of the County of Grey at its meetings held from October 9, 2025, to date, in respect of each recommendation contained in the Reports to Committee of the Whole, and each motion and resolution passed, and any other actions taken by Council at these meetings are hereby adopted and confirmed as if such proceedings were expressly embodied in this By-law.
2. The Warden and proper officers of the Corporation of the County of Grey are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action, to obtain approvals where required and to execute all documents necessary in that behalf.

ENACTED AND PASSED this 23rd day of October, 2025.

WARDEN: Andrea Matrosovs

CLERK: Tara Warder