The Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley

COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, November 8, 2016
6:00 P.M.
Council Chambers
5 Main Street N.

MINUTES

The Town of Grand Valley Council met in Council Chambers of the Municipal Office at 5 Main Street North, Grand Valley on November 8, 2016 commencing at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor Steve Soloman
Deputy-Mayor Rick Taylor
Councillor John Ince
Councillor Philip Rentsch
Councillor Elizabeth Taylor
C.A.O./Clerk-Treasurer Jane Wilson
Deputy Clerk Jeff Bunn
Public Works Superintendent Glenn Sterrett
Planner Tracey Atkinson

1. Call to Order

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

#2016-11-01

Moved By: E. Taylor Seconded By: J. Ince

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council adopts the Agenda dated November 8, 2016 as circulated.

Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor Ince declared a conflict of interest with item 10.3 as it pertains to his employer.
4. Approval of previous Minutes
4.1. October 25, 2016 Council Meeting

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#2016-11-02
Moved By: P. Rentsch  Seconded By: R. Taylor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the Minutes of the October 25, 2016 Council Meeting as circulated.
Carried.
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5. Public Question Period
Dale and Olive Montgomery and Rita Bricker were in attendance to ask Council who instructed public works staff to remove decorated bikes from private property. The Public Works Superintendent apologized to the residents and noted that miscommunication led to the bikes being removed.

6. Unfinished Business
Councillor Taylor provided Council with an update on the potential Town welcome centre. Councillor Taylor indicated that she will search for other options for this project.

7. Staff Reports
7.1. CAO/Clerk-Treasurer
    7.1.1. Drainage Superintendent Services
    7.1.2. Draft Economic Development Advisory Committee Terms of Reference

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#2016-11-03
Moved By: R. Taylor  Seconded By: P. Rentsch

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the Economic Development Advisory Committee Terms of Reference, as presented.
Carried.
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7.1.3. Livestock Claims 2016-10-02, 2016-11-01

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#2016-11-04
Moved By: J. Ince  Seconded By: E. Taylor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve the payment of livestock claims:
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7.2. Public Works Superintendent

The Public Works Superintendent provided Council with a verbal update on ongoing projects. Council was informed that the Town has reached out to a resident close to bridge 1 and asked whether he would be interested in clearing the snow from the bridge; a response will be provided at the next meeting.

Council was provided an update on the turn lane by Melody Lane. It was noted that there has been some concerns with Drexler Construction, which has caused delays in getting the project complete.

Council was informed that leaf collection ended on November 7th. Concerns were raised with leaves being moved onto the road and obstructing traffic. Piles of leaves should be on the residents’ property, but close to the curb. The Public Works Superintendent will investigate what other municipalities do.

8. Public Meeting

#2016-11-05

Moved By: E. Taylor    Seconded By: J. Ince

BE IT RESOLVED THAT we do now adjourn this Council Meeting to hold a Public Meeting under the planning Act at 6:30 pm.

Carried.

8.1. Zoning Amendment Z5-2016 (6:30 p.m.)

The Planner provided Council with an overview of the planning report. Specific concerns were raised with respect to the drive way which passes over environmentally protected land. It was noted that this issue may become a problem if the driveway continues to
erode. The residents have been advised of remedies to avoid causing concern. Specific wording had been included in the By-Law to alert the next reviewer of the particular concerns raised by the Grand River Conservation Authority regarding the driveway.

Dean Smith was in attendance to raise concerns for his father, who owns the property to the South. In particular, Mr. Smith was concerned with who would pay for the replacement of a drainage culvert, should it be required.

The applicant, Scott Pilkey, indicated that the majority cost would go the resident who receives the most benefit from the culvert.

Moved By: E. Taylor          Seconded By: J. Ince

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council reconvene their regular meeting of Council at 6:40 pm.

Carried.

Moved By: R. Taylor          Seconded By: P. Rentsch

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council approve zoning amendment application Z5-2016.

Carried.

9. Planner’s Report

9.1. Parking in Downtown Commercial Zones

9.2. Transportation Master Plan

Council received the draft Transportation Master Plan. The Planner noted that this was the first version of the document and that many changes will be made before a final draft is brought forward to Council for consideration. Council was asked to provide the Planner with any comments on the content of the draft.

9.3. Allocation Policy
The Planner noted that the Allocation Policy will be brought forward to Council at the next meeting.

9.4. OPA #5 County Council Meeting
Council was informed that OPA#5 was on the next County Council agenda with a recommendation to approve. An update will be provided to Council once the OPA decision has been made.

9.5. Update on ongoing files

10. Deputations/Presentations

10.1. Community Centre Subcommittee (7:00 p.m.)

**#2016-11-08**

Moved By: P. Rentsch  
Seconded By: R. Taylor

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** leave be given to EDC Community Centre Subcommittee to address Council regarding their research report being submitted to Council.

Carried.

10.1.1. Report & Conceptual Drawings
Representatives from the Community Centre Subcommittee were in attendance to present Council with their final research report and recommendations. In summary, the report recommends that:

- The Town secure/designate additional land for improved sports and library facilities in Grand Valley. The land needs to be large enough to accommodate at a minimum; indoor pool, fitness centre, baseball diamond, soccer fields and playgrounds.
- Further work is done to better understand the catchment area for the new facility, capital and operating costs and possible partnership options.
- Implementation is phased based on actual growth and funding opportunities.
- The Town retain a consultant as a next step to undertake a feasibility study for a multi-use recreational facility in Grand Valley.

**#2016-11-09**

Moved By: E. Taylor  
Seconded By: J. Ince
BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive the Economic Development Committee Strategic Plan Community Centre Research Report, as information.
Carried.

10.2. Larry Acchione (7:45 p.m.)

#2016-11-10

Moved By: P. Rentsch Seconded By: R. Taylor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be given to Larry Acchione to address Council.
Carried.

Larry Acchione was in attendance to speak to the permitted uses listed on the Zoning By-Law for consideration. Mr. Acchione indicated that he was fine with the permitted and excluded uses listed on the By-Law.

10.3. Gord Feniak Re: Block 62 and 63 Remnant Lots Grading (8:00 p.m.)

#2016-11-11

Moved By: E. Taylor Seconded By: R. Taylor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be given to Gord Feniak, Katherine McLaughlin and Chris Simes to address Council regarding Block 62 and 63 Remnant Lots Grading.
Carried.

Councillor Ince declared a conflict of interest and removed himself from Council Chambers during the discussion of Block 62 and 63 remnant lots.

Gord Feniak, Katherine McLaughlin and Chris Simes were in attendance to provide Council with the result of their review of the grading for the Block 62 and 63 remnant lots. Mr. Feniak noted that there would be no concerns with the grading based on the surveys provided.

11. Pending Items List

11.1. Colbeck Hall
11.2. Parking/Ticketing
11.3. By-Law Enforcement
11.4. Inflow & Infiltration
11.5. Sewage Pumping Station
11.6. Bridge Maintenance

12. Correspondence

12.1. Township of North Frontenac Re: Request for Support for Ontario’s Electronic Bills
12.2. Township of Zorra Re: Autism Spectrum Disorder
12.3. Town of Latchford Re: Ontario’s Intensive Therapy Funding/Services for Children with Autism
12.4. Rural Education Symposium November 26, 2016
12.5. Municipality of Charlton and Dack Re: Municipal Election Reforms

#2016-11-12

Moved By: P. Rentsch  Seconded By: R. Taylor

WHEREAS the Ministry of Municipal Affairs has implemented a new requirement that anyone wishing to run for office on a council must submit the signatures of 25 voters supporting the nomination;

AND WHEREAS in many small municipalities it has become increasingly difficult to attract councillors and this requirement will discourage qualified and new candidates;

AND WHEREAS in rural communities accessibility is even more difficult and infringes Ontarians with Disabilities (AODA);

AND WHEREAS the Province has stated that they want to encourage more local decision making.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Grand Valley request the Province to re-evaluate this requirement and allow it to be an optional local decision to avoid negative consequences to many municipalities.

FURTHER THAT this resolution be circulated to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, the Critics for Municipal Affairs, and the Association of Municipalities.

Carried.
12.6. Township of South-West Oxford Re: Resolution in Support of Elimination of Barriers for CCAs

12.7. Municipality of East Farris Re: Concurrent Session Regarding Community Hubs


12.9. Town of the Blue Mountains Re: Annual Ontario Small Urban Municipalities Conference

12.10. Township of Amaranth Re: Hydro One Structure Resolution

#2016-11-13

Moved By: E. Taylor Seconded By: J. Ince

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council supports the resolution passed by the Township of Amaranth, requesting that the Province re-evaluate the structure of hydro in terms of access and delivery, and implement structural changes to address the unfair practice of charging more for delivery for rural residents.

Carried.

12.11. Township of Amaranth Re: Grand Valley Public Library 2017 Budget

#2016-11-14

Moved By: R. Taylor Seconded By: P. Rentsch

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the correspondence listed on the agenda be here-by received.

Carried.

13. **County Council Report**

The Mayor provided Council with an update on business from County Council. Council was informed that the Town’s request for a lower speed limit on County Road 25 had been received and was being reviewed by County staff.

14. **Committee Reports**

14.1. Fire Board

14.2. Community Centre Board
14.3. Library Board
14.4. Police Services Board
14.5. Medical/Dental Board
14.6. Highland Youth for Christ Youth Centre (The Door)
14.7. Business Improvement Area (BIA)
14.8. Upper Grand Watershed Committee
14.9. Upper Grand Trailway
14.10. Grand River Conservation Authority
14.11. Accessibility Committee
14.12. Grand Valley Economic Development Committee
   14.12.1. October 4, 2016 Minutes

   Council was informed that an advertisement for four additional members had been
   placed in local newspapers. Applicants are invited to submit their resume to the Town
   Clerk on or before Friday, November 18th.

14.13. Source Protection Committee

15. New Business

   There was no new business.

16. Announcements/Notice of Motion

   There were no announcements or notices of motion.

17. By-Laws

   17.1. By-Law 2016-52, Being A By-Law To Amend By-Law 09-10, As Amended, Known As
   The Zoning By-Law For The Corporation Of The Town Of Grand Valley, To Rezone
   The Lands From The Agricultural (A) And To The Agricultural Exception Nineteen (A-19) Zone.

   #2016-11-15

   Moved By: J. Ince          Seconded By: E. Taylor

   BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be given to introduce a By-Law to Amend By-Law 09-10,
   As Amended, Known As The Zoning By-Law For The Corporation Of The Town Of
   Grand Valley, To Rezone The Lands From The Agricultural (A) And To The
Agricultural Exception Nineteen (A-19) Zone, and it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 2016-52.

Carried.

17.2. By-Law 2016-53, Being A By-Law To Amend By-Law O9-10, As Amended, Known As The Zoning By-Law For The Corporation Of The Town Of Grand Valley, To Rezone Part Of Lot 28, Concession 1 From The Commercial Vehicle (CV) Zone To The Rural Employment Exception Two (M2-2) Zone.

 Moved By: P. Rentsch  Seconded By: R. Taylor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT leave be given to introduce a By-Law to Amend By-Law O9-10, As Amended, Known As The Zoning By-Law For The Corporation Of The Town Of Grand Valley, To Rezone Part Of Lot 28, Concession 1 From The Commercial Vehicle (CV) Zone To The Rural Employment Exception Two (M2-2) Zone, and it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 2016-53.

Carried.

18. Closed Session

 Moved By: P. Rentsch  Seconded By: R. Taylor

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council proceed in closed session in order to address a matter pertaining to:

1. litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; and

2. personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.

at approximately 8:38 pm

Carried.
Seconded By: P. Rentsch

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** Council rise and report at approximately 8:57 pm.

Carried.

19. **Confirmatory By-Law**

19.1. By-Law 2016-54, A By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley at its meeting held on November 8, 2016

#2016-11-19

Moved By: E. Taylor  
Seconded By: J. Ince

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** leave be given to introduce a By-Law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Grand Valley and it be given the necessary readings and be passed and numbered 2016-54.

Carried.

20. **Adjournment**

#2016-11-20

Moved By: P. Rentsch  
Seconded By: R. Taylor

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT** we do now adjourn this Regular Meeting of Council at 8:58 p.m. to meet again on November 22, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. or at the call of the Mayor.

Carried.

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Steve Soloman, Mayor  
Jane M. Wilson, CAO/Clerk-Treasurer