

# MUNICIPALITY OF ARRAN-ELDERSLIE Council Meeting AGENDA

Monday, September 12, 2022, 9:00 a.m.
Council Chambers and via Teleconference
1925 Bruce Road 10, Chesley, ON

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#### **MUNICIPALITY OF ARRAN-ELDERSLIE**

# Special Council Meeting MINUTES

Meeting No. 18-2022 Thursday, July 21, 2022, 9:00 a.m. Council Chambers and via Teleconference 1925 Bruce Road 10, Chesley, ON

Council Present: Mayor Steve Hammell

**Deputy Mayor Mark Davis** 

Councillor Doug Bell Councillor Brian Dudgeon Councillor Melissa Kanmacher

Councillor Ryan Greig - Present Electronically

Councillor Ryan Nickason

Staff Present: Sylvia Kirkwood - CAO

Christine Fraser-McDonald - Clerk

#### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Hammell called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. A quorum was present.

#### 2. Adoption of Agenda

The Mayor requested that an additional personal matter about an identifiable individual be added to Closed Session.

Council agreed to the addition.

Council passed the following resolution:

235-18-2022

Moved by: Councillor Nickason

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

Be It Resolved that the agenda for the Special Council Meeting of Thursday, July 21, 2022 be received and adopted, as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried

## 3. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

## 4. Delegation(s)

# 4.1 Harold Elston - Integrity Commissioner

Mr. Elston presented his report to Council.

He discussed the Council Code of Conduct and his role of Integrity Commissioner and how he must apply the code to any incidents.

He did not receive sufficient evidence from the employee to substantiate the allegations, and therefore dismissed the complaint.

Subsequent to further discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

#### 236-18-2022

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Davis

Seconded by: Councillor Dudgeon

That Council receives and adopts the report and recommendations of the Integrity Commissioner dated July 12, 2022 as it relates to the matter of a complaint lodged against Councillor Melissa Kanmacher.

Carried

## 5. Closed Session (if required)

The Mayor advised that Council go into Closed Session at 9:32 a.m. for the purpose of matters identified in the motion below.

#### 237-18-2022

Moved by: Councillor Dudgeon

Seconded by: Councillor Kanmacher

Be It Resolved, That the Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie does now go into closed session to discuss an item(s) which relates to:

- () the security of the property of the municipality or local board
- (X) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees
- (X) proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of real property
- () labour relations or employee negotiations
- () litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board
- () advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose
- () a matter in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body has authorized a meeting to be closed under another act

() education or training of members of Council

<u>Staff Authorized to Remain:</u> CAO Sylvia Kirkwood and Clerk, Christine Fraser-McDonald

Carried

#### 6. Resolution to Reconvene in Open Session

Mayor Hammell confirmed that Council discussed only those matters identified in the above motion.

Council passed the following resolution:

238-18-2022

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Nickason

Be It Resolved That Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie does now return to the Open Session at 11:18 a.m.

Carried

# 7. Adoption of Recommendations Arising from Closed Session (If Any)

Direction was given to staff in Closed Session for items 2 and 3.

#### 8. Confirming By-law

Council passed the following resolution:

239-18-2022

Moved by: Councillor Dudgeon

Seconded by: Councillor Ryan Greig -

Present Electronically

Be It Resolved that By-law No. 47-2022 be introduced and read a first, second and third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation, and engrossed in the By-law Book.

By-law 47-2022 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Special Council meeting of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie held Thursday, July 21, 2022.

Carried

#### 9. Adjournment

| Council passed the following resolution:  |                    |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 239-18-2022   |                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Moved by:   | Councillor Dudgeon |  |  |  |  |  |
| Seconded by:  | Deputy Mayor Davis |  |  |  |  |  |
| Be It Resolved that the meeting be adjourned to the call of the Mayor at 11:22 a.m. |                    |  |  |  |  |  |
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Christine Fraser-McDonald, Clerk

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Steve Hammell, Mayor



#### MUNICIPALITY OF ARRAN-ELDERSLIE

# Special Council Meeting

### **MINUTES**

Meeting No. 20-2022 Monday, August 15, 2022, 9:00 a.m. Council Chambers and via Teleconference 1925 Bruce Road 10, Chesley, ON

Council Present: Mayor Steve Hammell

Deputy Mayor Mark Davis

Councillor Doug Bell Councillor Brian Dudgeon Councillor Melissa Kanmacher

Councillor Ryan Greig Councillor Ryan Nickason

Staff Present: Sylvia Kirkwood - CAO

Christine Fraser-McDonald - Clerk Julie Hamilton - Deputy Clerk

Scott McLeod - Public Works Manager

Tracey Neifer - Treasurer

#### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Hammell called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. A quorum was present.

### 2. Adoption of Agenda

Council passed the following resolution:

250-20-2022

**Moved by:** Deputy Mayor Davis

Seconded by: Councillor Greig

Be It Resolved that the agenda for the Council Meeting of Monday, August 15, 2022 be received and adopted, as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried

## 3. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

The Deputy Mayor declared a pecuniary interest regarding the closed session as his sister is the "buying realtor" for the purchasers.

#### 4. Staff Reports

#### 4.1 Public Works

#### 4.1.1 SRW.22.22 Arran-Elderslie Sidewalk Tender

Works Manager, Scott McLeod responded to questions from Members of Council.

This report was previously presented to Council. As per Council's recommendation to ask for an extension, correspondence was sent to the Ministry as well as the MP. The project was retendered and opened on August 11, 2022.

Staff is recommending to continue to ask for an extension for the deadline completion date.

Subsequent to further discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

#### 251-20-2022

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Nickason

Be It Resolved that Council hereby,

- 1. Directs Staff to continue to pursue the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario to grant an extension to the CCRF grant completion timeline; and
- 2. Postpones the Arran-Elderslie Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project until funding and project timelines support project completion.

Carried

#### 5. Closed Session (if required)

The Mayor advised that Council go into Closed Session at 9:10 a.m. for the purpose of matters identified in the motion below.

#### 252-20-2022

Moved by: Councillor Dudgeon

Seconded by: Councillor Kanmacher

Be It Resolved, That the Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie does now go into closed session to discuss an item(s) which relates to:

( ) the security of the property of the municipality or local board

- ( ) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees
- (X) proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of real property sale of surplus lots
- () labour relations or employee negotiations
- () litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board
- () advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose
- () a matter in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body has authorized a meeting to be closed under another act
- () education or training of members of Council

<u>Staff Authorized to Remain:</u> CAO Sylvia Kirkwood, Clerk Christine Fraser-McDonald, Treasurer Tracey Neifer, Peter Kritz (Coldwell Banker) and Brian Wardell (ReMax)

Carried

## 6. Resolution to Reconvene in Open Session

Mayor Hammell confirmed that Council discussed only those matters identified in the above motion.

Council passed the following resolution:

253-20-2022

Moved by: Councillor Nickason

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

Be It Resolved That Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie does now return to the Open Session at 9:44 a.m.

Carried

# 7. Adoption of Recommendations Arising from Closed Session (If Any)

Deputy Mayor Davis declared a pecuniary interest as the buying realtor is his sister.

Council passed the following resolution:

253-20-2022

Moved by: Councillor Kanmacher

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

Be it Resolved that Council hereby,

- Accepts the offer to purchase the property known as 187 Balaklava Street, Paisley, Roll #410341000102200, from IWBE Rentals c/o Rick and Julie Knapp in the amount of \$181,000; and
- 2. Directs Staff to proceed with finalizing the offer for the sale and transfer of the above mentioned parcel; and
- 3. That the revenues received from sale of these surplus land be deposited it into account # 01-0000-2110, Land Sales.

Carried

#### 254-20-2022

Moved by: Councillor Nickason

Seconded by: Councillor Greig

Be it Resolved that Council hereby,

- 1. Declines the offer presented for the purchase and sale of Vacant Lot, PCL STREETS-1 SEC 3M106 North Street; and
- 2. Directs Staff to continue to market the subject land for sale under MLS #40300054.

Carried

# 8. Confirming By-law

## 8.1 Confirming By-law 49-2022

Subsequent to further discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

#### 255-20-2022

Moved by: Councillor Kanmacher

Seconded by: Councillor Dudgeon

Be It Resolved that By-law No. 49-2022 be introduced and read a first, second and third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation, and engrossed in the By-law Book.

By-law 49-2022 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Special Council meeting of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie held Monday, August 15, 2022.

#### Carried

# 9. Adjournment

Subsequent to further discussion, Council passed the following resolution:

256-20-2022

**Moved by:** Deputy Mayor Davis

Seconded by: Councillor Nickason

Be It Resolved that the meeting be adjourned to the call of the Mayor at 10:00

a.m.

Carried

# 10. List of Upcoming Council meetings

September 12, 2022

September 26, 2022

October 11, 2022

Steve Hammell, Mayor Christine Fraser-McDonald, Clerk



#### MUNICIPALITY OF ARRAN-ELDERSLIE

#### **Council Meeting**

#### **MINUTES**

Meeting No. 19-2022 Monday, August 8, 2022, 9:00 a.m. Council Chambers and via Teleconference 1925 Bruce Road 10, Chesley, ON

Council Present: Mayor Steve Hammell

**Deputy Mayor Mark Davis** 

Councillor Doug Bell
Councillor Brian Dudgeon
Councillor Melissa Kanmacher
Councillor Ryan Nickason

Council Absent: Councillor Ryan Greig

Staff Present: Sylvia Kirkwood - CAO

Christine Fraser-McDonald - Clerk Julie Hamilton - Deputy Clerk

Scott McLeod - Public Works Manager

Tracey Neifer - Treasurer

Carly Steinhoff - Recreation Manager

Pat Johnston - Chief Building Official - Present Electronically

Steve Tiernan - Fire Chief

# 2. Mayor's Announcements (If Required)

Alex Ruff held the first annual constituency BBQ and Platinum Jubilee Awards on July 24th.

Judith D. McKinnon, nominated by Arran-Elderslie Council, was one of the recipients of the award.

Other Arran-Elderslie Recipients were Mae Smith for Community Service and Mary Trelford for her work with the Royal Canadian Legion Branch #383.

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. Big Bruce will be lite up gold to support awareness. On September 30<sup>th,</sup> he will be lit up orange in support of National truth and Reconciliation Day.

The Paisley Bridge Closure is scheduled to take place on August 10<sup>th</sup>. The temporary bridge will be opened to traffic that day and barricading of the old

bridge will take place. There will be a Pop-Up Closure event starting at 7pm on August 10th on Queen St just north of the old bridge.

# 3. Adoption of Agenda

Council passed the following resolution:

240-19-2022

Moved by: Councillor Bell

**Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Davis

Be It Resolved that the agenda for the Council Meeting of Monday, August 8, 2022 be received and adopted, as distributed by the Clerk.

Carried

## 4. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None at this time.

#### 5. Unfinished Business

None.

### 6. Minutes of Previous Meetings

## 6.1 July 11, 2022 Regular Council Minutes

241-19-2022

Moved by: Councillor Dudgeon

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

Be It Resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie adopt the minutes of the Regular Council Session held July 11, 2022.

Carried

#### 6.2 July 21, 2022 Special Council Minutes

242-19-2022

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Davis

Seconded by: Councillor Nickason

Be It Resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie adopt the minutes of the Special Council Session held July 21, 2022 as amended.

**Tabled** 

# 7. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

# 8. Minutes of Sub-Committee Meetings

## 8.1 Paisley Teeswater Bridge Working Group Minutes

243-19-2022

Moved by: Councillor Bell

**Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Davis

Be it Resolved that Council hereby approves the minutes of the March 31, April 26, June 28 and July 27, 2022 meetings of the Paisley Teeswater Bridge Working Group.

**Carried** 

#### 9. Public Meeting(s)

None.

### 10. Delegations/Presentations

#### 10.1 LAS Enterprise - Matthew Enright

Mr. Enright made a presentation to Council regarding the Enterprise Fleet Management LAS program for municipalities.

The program provides a fleet leasing solution as an alternative to purchasing vehicles to gain some efficiencies for the Municipality.

They work with 1700 municipalities across North America. They help with acquisition, flexible funding and the retirement of the vehicles and the future sale of these vehicles.

At this time, 58% of the Municipality's fleet is over ten years old. Newer vehicles have lower maintenance costs as well as increased fuel efficiency and safety features.

The vehicles must come through a dealer and a local dealership can be chosen for the lease of the new vehicles.

Council thanked Mr. Enright for his presentation.

244-19-2022

Moved by: Councillor Dudgeon

Seconded by: Councillor Nickason

Be it Resolved.

That Council hereby directs Staff to provide a pre-budget report regarding municipal fleet and equipment needs for Council to consider and provide direction for the 2023 budget process.

Carried

#### 10.2 Grey Sauble Conservation Authority - Tim Lanthier

Mr. Lanthier was unable to attend Council.

## 11. Correspondence

## 11.1 Requiring Action

11.1.1 Arran-Tara Fall Fair - Half Day Holiday

Council passed the following resolution:

245-19-2022

Moved by: Councillor Dudgeon

Seconded by: Councillor Nickason

Be it Resolved,

That Council hereby declares a half-day holiday in the Village of Tara on September 14, 2022 in support of the Arran-Tara Fall Fair Parade.

Carried

#### 11.2 For Information

Council passed the following resolution:

246-19-2022

**Moved by:** Deputy Mayor Davis

Seconded by: Councillor Bell

Be It Resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie receives, notes, and files correspondence on the Council Agenda for information purposes.

Carried

# 12. Staff Reports

#### 12.1 CAO/Clerks

12.1.1 CAO Verbal Update

CAO Kirkwood noted that there is a pop-up event planned for the Teeswater Bridge on August 10, 2022. The group is planning a fireworks display for this event. The cost of the fireworks is \$2,500 which would be funded from the Mainstreet grant. Approval is necessary from Council as the Noise By-law prohibits fireworks and an exemption to this by-law would be required.

The CAO also noted that a map of Paisley had been created by Northern Flyer. The original quote was \$5,000, but there is now a request for an additional \$6,000 to complete and install the map. Council directed staff to prepare a report for the next available Council meeting. The CAO will speak to the artist regarding his invoice.

Council passed the following resolution:

#### 247-19-2022

Moved by: Councillor Kanmacher

**Seconded by:** Deputy Mayor Davis

Be It Resolved that the Council hereby directs Staff to work with the Where the Rivers Meet initiative as part of the event planning, that fireworks are not permitted to be displayed during the Farewell Popup/Event for the Paisley Teeswater Bridge Closure on the evening of August 10, 2022 and to work with Staff to determine if fireworks could be accommodated at the time of project completion/opening of the new bridge.

Carried

- 12.2 Finance
- 12.3 Public Works
- 12.4 Building/Bylaw
- 12.5 Facilities, Parks and Recreation
- 12.6 Emergency Services

12.6.1 SRFIRE.22.08 2nd Quarter Report (April 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022)

Fire Chief, Steve Tiernan, responded to questions from Members of Council regarding his information report.

There was a tour of the Lucknow Fire Hall to look at its design and the layout in preparation for a new Paisley Fire Hall.

There were three Paisley Firefighters that attended a competition and did exceptionally well.

#### 12.7 Economic Development and Planning

#### 13. Notice of Motion

None.

# 14. Members Updates

#### Davis:

Deputy Mayor Davis received a call regarding junk on a property in Paisley, and also received a call from a Paisley Rotary Member regarding insuring the campground. He also inquired about the new Big Bruce Plaque.

#### Bell:

Councillor Bell noted that there are some by-law enforcement issues that are continuing in Chesley, there is a tent on the rail trail, and he attended the Alex Ruff and Horticultural Society BBQ's.

#### Dudgeon:

Councillor Dudgeon had nothing to report.

#### Kanmacher:

Councillor Kanmacher noted that she attended a Teeswater Bridge meeting, attended the tour of the Lucknow Fire Hall, and was asked by a ratepayer about an alert siren for tornadoes etc.

#### Nickason:

Councillor Nickason attended a BASRW meeting to discuss a potential new contract,

#### Hammell:

Mayor Hammell attended the Alex Ruff BBQ, attended the Special Council meeting, attended the tour of the Lucknow Fire Hall, and attended a meeting with MPP Rick Byers. He was also informed that Rick Mikula would like to hold a Children's Summer Safety camp on June 24, 2023.

#### 15. New Business

None.

#### 16. By-laws

None.

#### 17. Closed Session (if required)

Not Required.

#### 18. Resolution to Reconvene in Open Session

# 19. Adoption of Recommendations Arising from Closed Session (If Any)

# 20. Adoption of Closed Session Minutes

# 21. Confirming By-law

## 21.1 By-Law No. 48-2022

Council passed the following resolution:

248-19-2022

Moved by: Councillor Dudgeon

Seconded by: Councillor Nickason

Be It Resolved that By-law No. 48-2022 be introduced and read a first, second and third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation, and engrossed in the By-law Book.

By-law No. 48-2022 being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Council meeting of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie held Monday, August 8, 2022.

Carried

Carried

## 22. Adjournment

Council passed the following resolution:

249-19-2022

Moved by: Councillor Bell

Seconded by: Councillor Nickason

Be It Resolved that the meeting be adjourned to the call of the Mayor at 11:45 a.m.

| Steve Hammell, Mayor | Christine Fraser-McDonald, Clerk |
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# Paisley Teeswater Bridge Working Group August 4, 2022 1:00pm – 2:00pm Via Teams Minutes

Sylvia Kirkwood – CAO, Arran-Elderslie
Councillor Melissa Kanmacher, Paisley Ward, Arran-Elderslie
Scott McLeod, Public Works Manager
Julie Reid – Deputy Clerk, Arran-Elderslie
Carly Steinhoff, Manager of Parks, Facilities and Recreation, Arran-Elderslie
Tori Matichuk – Economic Development Officer, Bruce County
Mike Downing – OPP
Jen Christie, Paisley & District Chamber of Commerce & Business Owner

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Erik Downing – Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority
Sandra Crockard – My Main Street
Justin Hill – Looby Construction
James Colaco, PDCC

Chief Steve Tiernan, Arran-Elderslie Fire Chief

#### **Absent**

Amanda Froese – Bruce County Kelly Vader – B.M. Ross Chelsea Campbell – My Main Street Deputy Mayor Mark Davis, Arran-Elderslie

#### 1. Welcome

Sylvia opened the meeting at 1:05 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

- March 31, 2022
- April 26, 2022
- June 28, 2022
- July 27, 2022

The minutes were approved as circulated.

# 3. Bruce County Bridge Update - Amanda Froese/Kelly Vadar

Justin Hill from Looby provided an update on behalf of Bruce County. Traffic will be moved to the new bridge August 10<sup>th</sup>, weather dependant for Monday and Tuesday. This will take place mid afternoon following setup. Once moved to temp bridge, barricades will be placed and fencing erected. They plan to be off the road at 5:30. The pop-up event is then planned for the evening of August 10<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7 pm. The fences will be open for the event and some extension cords etc. will be left for use at the event.

A questioned was raised regarding anything that could hold up confirming the event. The weather is the only factor.

It was also mentioned that the old bridge would be reduced to one lane on Monday and Tuesday for work.

Chief Tiernan questioned if the jersey barrier by the firehall would be in place by Wednesday. Justin confirmed it would be in place next week and temporary barriers in place until that takes place.

The OPP have noted the road closures and will advise the detachment of the pop-up event.

## 4. Arran-Elderslie Public Works Update – Scott McLeod

There was no update from the Public Works Manager.

#### 5. Where the Rivers Meet Initiative

- Teeswater Bridge Marketing Campaign and Placemaking Report
- Bridge Closing Ceremony/Pop-Up Event
- Event Planning

Sylvia provided an overview of the report that was provided. The report outlines the marketing & communications activities, events and supporting materials

planned to deliver on the objectives outlined in the My Main Street placemaking grant and support the Paisley community during the Teeswater River Bridge Replacement.

A list of events that will be taking place has been created and a future one will be created for fall events. A map of all Paisley businesses has also been created.

Formerly called My Main Street and now branded as The Where the Rivers Meet Initiative, the campaign messaging will focus on people coming together to reconnect and engage with one another in the beautiful and creative village of Paisley while highlighting the assets in the village.

Careful attention is being paid to purchasing items that have a life that extends the length of the project and can become a municipally used asset following the project and dispersed throughout the municipality.

The Where the Rivers Meet Initiative is driven by a committee that consists of:

- Municipality of Arran-Elderslie
- Trinity Theatre
- Paisley Art Scape Society
- Paisley and District Chamber of Commerce
- Arran-Elderslie Youth Council

Reports outlining how the project is progressing will be provided at future meetings to ensure that the Working Group kept informed on portion of the project.

Councillor Kanmacher questioned who would be responsible for updating the Paisley Village Facebook page. It was noted that the Chamber is responsible for the social media area of sharing information. This item will be followed up with the Chamber.

Sylvia thanked those involved with the work involved in this initiative that has taken place so far.

It was recommended that the landscape architect be involved with the purchasing of the furniture and where it will be placed now and, in the future, following the projects completion. Also, the artwork that is being proposed for the old Thompson Bros furniture should be brought back to the group for approval before moving ahead.

As discussed previously, the pop-up event is scheduled for August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.

#### 6. Roundtable Updates from Attendees

SVCA – Continues to work with the contractors and modifying things as necessary

BCED – Tori added that the County would like to be involved in promoting the event through Explore the Bruce and other avenues they have available. She will reach out to those involved with the event to assist where possible. She also added that Spruce the Bruce funding may be able to assist with some of the signage and other needs.

Carly, AE Rec – Dry run of the Zamboni did not go well so they are working with Looby to come up with an appropriate solution.

Steve, AE Fire – The fire department will continue to monitor traffic back up at the temporary bridge entrance and work with the contractor if any issues arise.

#### 7. Next Meeting Date

August 17, 2022 at 1:00 pm.

- 8. Follow Up on Action Items
  - Landscape Design/Street Furniture
  - Parking Plan

# **GSCA BACKGROUND**

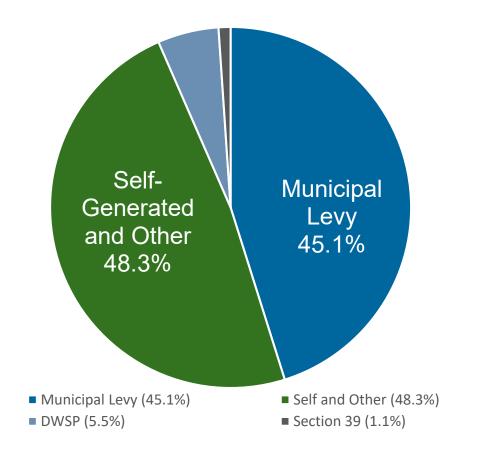
- 8 Member Municipalities
- 11 Board Members (all elected officials)
- > 3100 Square Kilometers
- > 155km of Shoreline
- ~28 Staff (fluctuates seasonally)
- \$3.5M Annual Budget
- GSCA plants or distributes between 50K-100K trees per year into the watershed
- Offers valuable environmental education programming and stewardship opportunities
- Protect people and properties through land-use planning, development review and flood forecasting and warning
- Manage 29,000 acres of natural areas for recreation, natural resources, biodiversity, and ecosystem services



# **GSCA 2022 Budget Breakdown**







# A Quick Overview of the Changes to the Conservation Authorities Act

- Changes to Transparency Requirements
- Potential Ministry Appointed Agricultural Representative
- Mandatory vs. Non-Mandatory Programs
- Changes to Budgeting Process
- Requires Transition Plans, Program/Service Inventories and MOU's



# **Transparency Requirements**

# Information Required on CA websites:

- Name and Contact information for all Directors of the Authority (ie: Board Members)
- Meeting Schedule, Agendas, Packages, Minutes and By-Laws
- List of all MOU'S or Agreements with Municipal Partners
- Audited Financial Statements
- Any other documents (ie: Strategic Plan) that is relevant in the opinion of the Authority
- Must be complete by December 31, 2022



# **Agricultural Representative**

The Act gives the Minister the power to appoint an agricultural representative to Authority Boards :

- Application process and appointment handled solely by the MECP
- All the powers of municipally appointed representative, except:
  - Cannot vote on resolution to enlarge, amalgamate or dissolve an Authority
  - Cannot vote on budgetary matters
    - Matters requiring a vote under the Budget Regulation (402/22)
    - Matters related to budget reallocations in a calendar year
    - Matters related to the annual financial audit



# **Mandatory v. Non-Mandatory**

# What does Mandatory mean?

Through recent changes to the CAA, the Province has defined Mandatory programs as programs and services related to:

- Natural Hazards Related Planning, Permitting, Flood Forecasting, Flood and Erosion Control
- Management of CA-Owned Lands passive and related amenities
- Drinking Water Source Protection
- Other Items Prescribed:
  - Core Watershed-Based Resource Management Strategy
  - Water Quality and Quantity Monitoring



**Grev Sauble** 

# **Budget and Apportionment (Levy) Regulation**

# **Current Budget Process:**

- Two (2) regulations to address this process
- Weighted collection of levy from all member municipalities for all program areas based on their percentage of Modified Current Value Assessment.
- Special project may be fee for service or special benefiting levy.
- Board approves for circulation, 30day circulation period, final Board approval

# **New Budget Process:**

- One regulation incorporates the previous two.
- Weighted collection of levy from all member municipalities for Category 1 programs and general operating expenses/capital costs.
- Municipal Services agreements to define fee for service for Category 2 programs.
- Agreements for Category 3 programs if apportionment required.
- Board approves for circulation, 30-day circulation period, final Board approval.

# Transition Plans, Inventories and MOU's

# Overview

- Transition Plan defines the timeline for getting agreements in place.
- GSCA's Transition Plan was circulated on December 22, 2021.
- Inventory of Programs and Services defines the work that GSCA does and the cost to provide that work.
- GSCA's Inventory of Programs and Services was circulated on January 28, 2022.
- MOU's or Agreements will be required between GSCA and each member municipality by December 31, 2023.



# **Transition Plan and Status Update**

| Year          | Status         | Task   | January | February | March    | April | May   | June | July | August | September | October | November | Docombor |
|---------------|----------------|--|---------|----------|----------|-------|-------|------|------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|
| rear          | ×              |  | January | rebruary | IVIAICII | April | iviay | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|               |                | Arrange Preliminary Visits to municipal councils   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | ×              | Attend municipal councils to discuss timelines from Consultation Guide   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | ×              | Develop Transition Plan Timeline   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| hase 1: 2021  | ×              | Draft Inventory Programs and Services  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | ×              | Assign FTE's to Programs and Services (Internal)   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | ×              | Establish/Confirm municipal staff leads/contacts   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 8             | ×              | Determine anticipated funding sources for each P&S   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| ~:            | ×              | Provide GSCA Board with list of P&S and Gantt Chart for circulation approval                                     |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | ×              | Circulate workplan, Gantt Chart and draft inventory to municipal partners  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          | †        |
| 38            | ×              | Meetings with municipal staff leads/contacts   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Ę             | ×              | Follow up meetings with municipal staff (if necessary)   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          | +        |
|               | - <del>-</del> | Follow up meetings with municipal scan (if necessary)  Follow up meetings with municipal councils (if requested) |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                |  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | ×              | Deadline for receiving comments on workplan, timeline and/or P&S inventory                                       |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | ×              | Final Transition Plan timeline approved by GSCA Board of Directors   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | ×              | Submit Transition Plan timeline to MECP  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | ×              | Transition Plan timeline made available to the public  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                |  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Year          | Status         | Task   | January | February | March    | April | May   | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|               | ×              | Prepare a revised draft Programs and Services Inventory  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| - 22          | ×              | Classify Programs and Services as Category 1, 2 or 3   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Phase 1: 2022 | ×              | Assign costs to Programs and Services  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| ;;            | ×              | Consult with Board of Directors on Programs and Services Inventory   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| e e           | ×              | Circulate Programs and Services Inventory to Municipalities  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| ĕ             |                | Seek final approval of Programs and Services Inventory from Board of Directors                                   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| =             | ×              |  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | ×              | Submit Inventory of Programs and Services to MECP  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | ×              | Consult with municipal staff on programs and services inventory  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | Support municipal staff at municipal council meetings to discuss programs and services                           |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | Update programs and services inventory as necessary based on consultation  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| ~             |                | Review and prepare amendments to existing 'Category 2' agreements as necessary                                   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 12            |                | Prepared internal drafts of MOUs/Agreements for 'Category 3' programs and services                               |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| ~             |                | Bring final draft of programs and services back to Board of Directors  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 5             |                | Update programs and services inventory as necessary based on Board feedback                                      |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 92            | ×              | Submit first quarterly report to MECP  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Phase 2: 2022 |                | Consult with municipal staff on draft agreements   |         |          |          |       |       | _    |      |        |           |         |          | 1        |
| _ =           |                | Bring first draft agreements to GSCA Board of Directors for initial review and comment                           |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | Submit second quarterly report to MECP   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | Update draft agreements as necessary based on Board feedback   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                |  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | Submit third quarterly report to MECP  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                |  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Year          | Status         | Task   | January | February | March    | April | May   | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|               |                | Support municipal staff at municipal council meetings to discuss draft agreements                                |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          | ļ        |
|               |                | Submit fourth quarterly report to MECP   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | Finalize agreements for Board of Directors' approval   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          | <u> </u> |
|               |                | GSCA Board of Directors' resolution to execute agreements  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | Execute final MOUs/Agreements  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| _             |                | Submit fifth quarterly report to MECP  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 53            |                | Consult with municipal staff on draft 2024 budget  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          | <u> </u> |
| 50            |                | Consult with Board of Directors on draft 2024 budget based on municipal discussions                              |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 2: 2023       |                | Submit sixth quarterly report to MECP  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| g             |                | Deadline to request an extension to timeline   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Phase         |                | Finalize draft budget for Board of Directors' approval to circulate  |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| ᅕ             |                | Circulate draft budget to municipal partners   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | Attend municipal Council meetings as requested to discuss the draft budget                                       |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | GSCA Board of Directors' resolution to approve the 2024 budget   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | Submit Inventory of Programs and services and copies of signed MOUs/Agreements to                                |         |          |          |       | ĺ     | ĺ    |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | participating municipalities   |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               |                | Submit Inventory of Programs and services and copies of signed MOUs/Agreements to MECP                           |         |          |          |       |       |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 1             |                | Posting of final MOUs/Agreements on GSCA website   | 1       | 1        |          |       |       | i    |      |        | 1         |         | 1        |          |



# **Programs and Services Inventory**

| Program Area   | Program / Service Provision  | Program / Service Description   | Legislative<br>Reference  | Category (1) Mandatory;<br>(2) Municipal; (3) Other | Annual Operating<br>Funding Amount (2022) | Funding Mechanisms and<br>Percentage of Funding Source<br>(Operating Costs)  | Annual Capital Funding<br>Amount (5-Year<br>Average) | Funding Mechanisms and<br>Percentage of Funding Source<br>(Capital Costs)                        | Approximate Annual<br>Funding Needs | Agreement<br>Requirements | Comments   |
|--|--|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Administration, Finance, HR                          | Corporate Services Financial Services Legal Expenses Governance        | Administrative, furman resources, employee bealth and safely, operating and<br>capital costs which are not directly related to the delivery of any specific program<br>or service, but are the overhead and supplic costs of a conservation authority.<br>Accounting and payroll<br>Costs related to agreements/contracts, administrative by-law updates or other<br>strillar legal expenses.<br>Supporting CA Boards, Avisery Committees and the Office of the CAO | Enabling Service Enabling Service Enabling Service Enabling Service | 1 1   | \$598,750                                 | Municipal Levy (92.4%)     Service Agreements (4.7%)     Self-Generated (2.3%)     Provincial Transfer Payment (0.3%)     Grants (0% - variable)     Donations (0.3% - variable) | \$59,000   | Municipal Levy (7.9%)     Self-Generated (92.1%)   | \$657,750                           | No<br>No<br>No            | Collectively, these are enabling<br>program costs that are required to<br>run the organization.  |
|  | Asset Management   | Asset management planning, facilities, fleet and property management  | Enabling Service<br>Enabling Service                                | -   | 1   |  |  |  |                                     | No<br>No                  | -  |
|  | Natural Hazards Communications,  | Promoting public awareness of natural hazards including flooding, drought, and  | Reg. 686/21 s.1(2)  | 1   |   |  |  |  |                                     | No.                       |  |
|  | Outreach and Education   | erosion. Public events, materials. Social media services. Media relations.  | Reg. 686/21 s.1(3)3,4   | -   | J   |  |  | 1. Grants (11.6%)  |                                     |                           |  |
|  | Communications and Marketing   | General communications and marketing support for the organization   | Enabling Service<br>Reg. 686/21 s.1(2) &                            | 1   | \$85,875                                  | 1. Municipal Levy (100%)   | \$3,440  | 2. Self-Generated (88.4%)  | \$89,315                            | No                        |  |
|  | Education and Community Events   | Community event development, execution and support  | s.1(3)3,4   | 1   |   |  |  |  |                                     | No                        |  |
| Communications                                       | Partnership Building and Support                                       | Management and enhancement of mutually beneficial community partnerships<br>with partners, stakeholders, committees and 'friends of' groups. These vital<br>partnerships allow GSCA to provide substantial value in the delivery of programs<br>and services.   | CAA s.21(1)(n)  | 3   | \$4,816                                   | 1. Municipal Levy (100%)   | \$0  | nía  | \$4,816                             | Yes                       |  |
|  | Public awareness and Communications                                    | General communications, marketing and awareness campaigns for non-<br>mandatory programs and services (support for private forestrylplanting, day<br>camp, stewardship)   | CAA s.21(1)(q)  | 3   | \$5,635                                   | 1. Municipal Levy (100%)   | \$0  | nla  | \$5,635                             | Yes                       |  |
|  | Section 29 Minister's regulation for<br>Conservation Areas             | Conservation areas enforcement/compliance   | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)4   | 1   |   |  |  |  |                                     | No                        |  |
|  | Strategy for CA owned or controlled lands<br>and management plans      | Guiding principles, objectives, including for an authority's land acquisition and<br>disposition strategy, land use categories on conservation authority owned land,<br>recommended management principles for different land categories, etc.   | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)1   | 1   |   |  |  |  |                                     | No                        |  |
|  | Development and Maintenance of a Land<br>Inventory                     | Development and maintenance of an inventory of every parcel of land that the<br>"Authority owns or controls including, location, surveys, site plans, maps,<br>acquisition date, and how the parcel was acquired.   | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)3   | 1   | \$475.248                                 | Municipal Levy (64.8%)     Self-Generated (35.2%)*  *any surplus self-generated revenue is   | \$94.457   | 1. Maricipal Levy (11 2%)<br>2. Self-Cenerated (88 2%)<br>3. Grants (2%)<br>4. Donations (17.4%) | \$569,705                           | No                        | The total cost of operating these<br>mandatory programs and<br>services is heavily offset by self-<br>generated revenue.   |
|  | Management, operation and Maintenance of<br>CA owned lands             | Management and Maintenance of CA owned lands including stewardship,<br>restoration, and ecological monitoring   | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)2   | 1   | \$475,248                                 | tranferred to reserves.  | 904,437  |  |                                     | No                        |  |
|  | Passive Recreation Use, Infrastructure and                             | Management and maintenance of CA owned recreational assets including trails,  | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)1   | 1   |   |  |  |  |                                     | No                        |  |
|  | Management Planning  | parking, washroom facilities, pavilions and other capital assets.  The development of one or more policies governing land acquisitions and land   |   |   | ļ   |  |  |  |                                     |                           |  |
|  | Land Acquisition and Disposition Policy                                | dispositions  | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)1   | 1   |   |  |  |  |                                     | No                        |  |
|  | Forestry – Hazard Tree and Biodiversity<br>Management                  | Management of hazard/diseased trees and the management of biodiversity and<br>invasive species on Conservation Authority owned lands  | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)2   | 1   |   |  |  |  |                                     | No                        |  |
| Conservation Lands                                   | Land Acquisition and Disposition                                       | Acquisition and management of lands containing important natural heritage<br>features or strategically aligned with existing GSCA land holdings. Disposition of<br>lands considered surplus to the vision, mandate and strategic goals of GSCA.   | CAA s.21(1)(c)  | 3   | \$10,000                                  | 1. Self-Generated (100%)   | \$0  | nía  | \$10,000                            | No                        | In 2021, approximately \$10,000 in<br>staff time and legal service fees<br>went into the acquisition of<br>donated properties. ROI was<br>800%   |
|  | Partnership Building and Support                                       | Management and enhancement of mutually beneficial community partnerships<br>with partners, stakeholders, committees and 'friends of' groups. These vital<br>partnerships allow GSCA to provide substantial value in the delivery of programs<br>and services.   | CAA s.21(1)(n)  | 3   | \$15,000                                  | 1. Self-Generated (100%)   | \$0  | n/a  | \$15,000                            | No                        | Partnership building is the key to<br>not-for-profit success. We are<br>able to leverage these<br>partnerships into volunteer time,<br>donations, and general good-will.   |
|  | Land Lease and Agreement Management                                    | Management of current and future land leases and property agreements. These<br>leases and agreements help drive land based revenues to offset the costs<br>associated with management and maintenance of GSCA's land holdings.  | CAA s.21(1)(c)&(d)  | 3   | \$10,000                                  | 1. Self-Generated (100%)   | \$0  | n/a  | \$10,000                            | No                        | This portion of the program is self-<br>sustaining, bringing in over<br>\$60,000 in annual revenues which<br>help to offset other in-program<br>costs.   |
|  | Paid Parking Management  | Management of the Authority's paid parking program, including staff time and all associated fees and expenses.  | CAA s.21(1)(m)  | 3   | \$78,500                                  | 1. Self-Generated (100%)   | \$0  | n/a  | \$78,500                            | No                        | This portion of the program is self<br>sustaining, bringing in over<br>\$250,000 in annual revenues<br>which help to offset other in-<br>program and capital costs.  |
|  | Grey County Property Management  | Service contract with the County of Grey for GSCA to manage all County forest traits and the CP Rail Trail  | CAA s.21(1)(n)  | 2   | \$80,358                                  |  | \$0  |  |                                     | Yes                       | Provided for the Corporation of  |
|  | Grey County By-Law Management  | Service contract with the County of Grey for GSCA to oversee the Grey County  | CAA s.21(1)(n)  | 2   | \$120.537                                 | Service Agreement(s)(100%)   |  | n/a  | \$200,895                           | Yes                       | the County of Grey: Agreement<br>Date: December 31, 2019   |
|  | ,  | Forest Management By-Law  | (-)(-)  |   |   |  |  |  |                                     |                           | This is a new program/service  |
| Core Watershed-based Resource<br>Management Strategy | Strategy Development   | Collate/compile existing resource management plans, watershed plans, studies<br>and data.<br>Strategy development.<br>Implementation and annual reporting   | Reg. 686/21 s.8<br>Reg. 686/21 s.12(1)3<br>Reg. 686/21 s.12(4)      | 1   | \$0                                       | Al   | \$0  | n/a  | \$0                                 | No                        | area that is mandated by the<br>Province that will draw staff time<br>from all other program areas. No<br>specific dollar amount is being<br>allocated at this time.   |
| Drinking Water Source Protection                     | Source protection authority role as set out<br>in the Clean Water Act. | Source Protection Area/Region, tech support, SPC support, SPA reports and<br>meetings, activities required by the Clean Water Act and regulations.  | Reg. 686/21 s.13  | 1   | \$188,660                                 | Provincial Transfer Payment (100%)   | \$0  | nía  | \$188,660                           | No                        |  |
| Drinking Water Risk Management                       | Drinking Water Source Protection Risk<br>Management Official Services  | Provision of Risk Management Services to 14 municipatities throughout the<br>Source Protection Region on a fee-for-service basis.   | Clean Water Act<br>s.47(1) & s.48(1)<br>CAA s.21(1)(a)&(n)          | 2   | \$67,460                                  | Service Agreements (100%)  | \$0  | n/a  | \$67,460                            | Yes                       | See Appendix for Municipalities<br>and Agreement Dates   |
|  | Curriculum delivery  | Program development & delivery  | CAA s.21(1)(a)&(q)  | 3   | \$0                                       | Service Agreement(s)(100%)   | \$0  | nía  | \$0                                 | No                        | May want to consider agreements  |
| Environmental Education                              | Day Camp Programming   | Program development and execution for GSCA's summer day camp program  | CAAs.21(1)(a)&(q)   | 3   | \$67,108                                  | Self-Generated (95.5%)* *Any surplus transferred to reserves     Grants (4.5%) - variable  | \$0  | n/a  | \$67,108                            | No                        | for this in the future This program is designed to be self-sufficient through user fees. Expansion of this program at the request of one or more municipalities may necessitate additional funding and service agreements. |



# **Programs and Services Inventory - Details**

|                                    | Annual Op                | erating Costs (2022)         | Five -Year    | Average Capital Costs       | Approximately Total Annual Costs |                 |  |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|--|
|                                    | Dollar Amount            | Percentage of Operating Cost | Dollar Amount | Percentage of Capital Costs | Dollar Amount                    | Percentage of 1 |  |
| Total Funding Cost:                | \$3,245,231 <sup>*</sup> | 100.0%                       | \$241,347     | 100.0%                      | \$3,486,578                      |                 |  |
| Category 1 Portion:                | \$2,444,261              | 75.3%                        | \$241,347     | 100.0%                      | \$2,685,608                      | 77.0%           |  |
| Category 2 Portion:                | \$268,355                | 8.3%                         | \$0           | 0.0%                        | \$268,355                        | 7.7%            |  |
| Non-Levy-Based Category 3 Portion: | \$471,642                | 14.5%                        | \$0           | 0.0%                        | \$471,642                        | 13.5%           |  |
| Levy-Based Category 3 Portion:     | \$60,973                 | 1.9%                         | \$0           | 0.0%                        | \$60,973                         | 1.7%            |  |

- Agreements only required for those Category 3 Programs require municipal funding.
- These programs include some communications work, stewardship, and watershed monitoring
- As noted above, in 2022, this equates to \$61K across eight municipalities
- This is just 1.7% of GSCA's total annual budget
- Arran-Elderslie's share of this is ~\$1,650 per year



# **Next Steps**

**Moving from Discussion to Agreement** 



# **Next Steps**

As we move forward through this transition, the following immediate and longer-term actions are necessary:

- · Over the past few months, we have met with Senior municipal staff
- Over the next six months we will be meeting with municipal councils.
- Make any necessary changes to the P/S Inventory.
- Review and amend, as necessary, any existing Category 2 agreements.
- Negotiate, draft and execute Category 3 agreements with municipal partners by ~August 31, 2023.
- Create first draft budget under new regulations: ~August 2023
- Implement approved budget under new regulations: January 1, 2024





# **THANK YOU**



# Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Transition Plan

Conservation Authority Act Amendments
Mandatory and Non-Mandatory Programs and
Services and Functional Workplan

January 26, 2022



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# GSCA Transition Plan: Conservation Authorities Act Changes

#### **Transition Period**

The purpose of the transition period is to prepare conservation authorities and municipalities for the change to the budgeting process based on the delivery of mandatory and non-mandatory programs and services by January 1, 2024. This Transition Plan will lay out the two phases of the Transition Period and will establish a rough timeline for the carrying out of these activities.

There are two phases to the Transition Period (Figure 1). The first phase requires the development of this Transition Plan which consists of a workplan/timeline, as well as an inventory of programs and services. The Transition Plan portion is required to be submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) and to be made available to the public by December 31, 2021. The associated inventory of programs and services must be provided to the MECP no later than February 28, 2022.

This document has been revised for the January 26, 2022 Board Meeting to include the required Inventory of Programs and Services.

The second phase of the Transition Period includes developing and finalizing the conservation authority/municipal agreements in accordance with any regulations governing municipal programs and services. These agreements must be complete and in place by the transition date of January 1, 2024.





Phase 1: Programs and Services Inventory – February 28, 2022

Phase 2: MOU/ Agreements Transition Date – January 1, 2024

# Legislative Requirements for the Transition Plan

The applicable legislative requirements for the Transition Plan are shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Requirements for a Transition Plan (see 21.1.4 (2)) of the *Conservation Authorities Act* and Corresponding Sections in this Guidance document

| <b>Prescribed Dates</b>        | Key Deliverables   |
|--------------------------------|--|
| December 31, 2021              | Transition Plan  |
| February 28, 2022              | Inventory of Programs and Services   |
| July 1, 2022 - October 1, 2023 | Quarterly Progress Reports: Status of Inventory and Agreement Negotiations |
| October 1, 2023                | Request for Extension Deadline   |
| January 1, 2024                | Transition Date: All required MOU's/Agreements to be implemented           |
| January 31, 2024               | Final Report: Final Inventory and Statement of Compliance Re: Agreements   |
| December 31, 2024              | Mandatory Programs and Services Deliverables to be completed               |

# Workplan/Timeline and Consultations

### Background

As outlined in Ontario Regulation 687/21: Transition Plans and Agreements for Programs and Services Under Section 21.1.2 of the Act, the Transition Plan is to include a work plan and timeline outlining the steps a conservation authority plans to take to develop and enter into agreements with its participating municipalities. The Transition Plan is to include the consultation process with participating municipalities on the inventory of all the Authority's programs and services and the steps to be taken to enter into agreements where municipal levy is required to fund non-mandatory programs and services. See Figure 2 for further details.

# Figure 2: Description of CA Programs and Service Categories as per MECP (for inventory)

- Mandatory programs and services (Category 1): municipal levy can be used without any agreement
- 2. **Municipal programs and services (Category 2)**: non-mandatory programs and services at the request of a municipality, with municipal funding provided through a MOU/agreement.
- 3. Other programs and services (Category 3): non-mandatory programs and services an authority determines are advisable. Use of municipal levy for these programs requires a MOU/agreement with participating municipalities.

The workplan/timeline and inventory of programs and services will support 2024 budget discussions including the newly proposed categorization of CA programs and services as Categories 1, 2, or 3 and with specification of the funding mechanism as per Figure 2. It should be recognized that some municipal partners may have an overlap of more than one conservation authority's jurisdiction within their municipal boundaries and the specific process between authorities may not align perfectly. GSCA has created its programs and service inventory to align with its annual budget documents.



# **Gantt Chart Timeline**

Grey Sauble Conservation Authority has prepared a Gantt Chart to outline the proposed timelines associated with Phases 1 and 2 of the Transition Period. These are shown below in Tables 2, 3 and 4.

| Year         | Task   | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|--------------|--|---------|----------|-------|-------|-----|------|------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|
|              | Arrange Preliminary Visits to municipal councils                             |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|              | Attend municipal councils to discuss timelines from Consultation Guide       |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|              | Develop Transition Plan Timeline   |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|              | Draft Inventory Programs and Services  |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|              | Assign FTE's to Programs and Services (Internal)                             |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 021          | Establish/Confirm municipal staff leads/contacts                             |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 20           | Determine anticipated funding sources for each P&S                           |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| <del>;</del> | Provide GSCA Board with list of P&S and Gantt Chart for circulation approval |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Se           | Circulate workplan, Gantt Chart and draft inventory to municipal partners    |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Phas         | Meetings with municipal staff leads/contacts                                 |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| _ ≥          | Follow up meetings with municipal staff (if necessary)                       |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|              | Follow up meetings with municipal councils (if requested)                    |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|              | Deadline for receiving comments on workplan, timeline and/or P&S inventory   |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|              | Final Transition Plan timeline approved by GSCA Board of Directors           |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|              | Submit Transition Plan timeline to MECP                                      |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|              | Transition Plan timeline made available to the public                        |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |

Table 2: 2021 Workplan Timeline

| Year          | Task   | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|---------------|--|---------|----------|-------|-------|-----|------|------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|
|               | Prepare a revised draft Programs and Services Inventory                                |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Phase 1: 2022 | Classify Programs and Services as Category 1, 2 or 3                                   |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | Assign costs to Programs and Services  |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | Consult with Board of Directors on Programs and Services Inventory                     |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | Circulate Programs and Services Inventory to Municipalities                            |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | Seek final approval of Programs and Services Inventory from Board of Directors         |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | Submit Inventory of Programs and Services to MECP                                      |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | Consult with municipal staff on programs and services                                  |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | Support municipal staff at municipal council meetings to discuss programs and services |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | Update programs and services inventory as necessary based on consultation              |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 7             | Review and prepare amendments to existing 'Category 2' agreements as necessary         |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 202           | Prepared internal drafts of MOUs/Agreements for 'Category 3' programs and services     |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| : 2           | Bring final draft of programs and services back to Board of Directors                  |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 7             | Update programs and services inventory as necessary based on Board feedback            |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Ise           | Submit first quarterly report to MECP  |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| ha            | Consult with municipal staff on draft agreements                                       |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| <u> </u>      | Bring first draft agreements to GSCA Board of Directors for initial review and comment |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | Submit second quarterly report to MECP   |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | Update draft agreements as necessary based on Board feedback                           |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|               | Submit third quarterly report to MECP  |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |

Table 3: 2022 Workplan Timeline

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| Year    | Task   | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|---------|--|---------|----------|-------|-------|-----|------|------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|
|         | Support municipal staff at municipal council meetings to discuss draft agreements      |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|         | Submit fourth quarterly report to MECP   |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|         | Finalize agreements for Board of Directors' approval                                   |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|         | GSCA Board of Directors' resolution to execute agreements                              |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|         | Execute final MOUs/Agreements  |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|         | Submit fifth quarterly report to MECP  |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 23      | Consult with municipal staff on draft 2024 budget                                      |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 20      | Consult with Board of Directors on draft 2024 budget based on municipal discussions    |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| 5:      | Submit sixth quarterly report to MECP  |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| ė,      | Deadline to request an extension to timeline   |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| Jas     | Finalize draft budget for Board of Directors' approval to circulate                    |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
| <u></u> | Circulate draft budget to municipal partners   |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|         | Attend municipal Council meetings as requested to discuss the draft budget             |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|         | GSCA Board of Directors' resolution to approve the 2024 budget                         |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|         | Submit Inventory of Programs and services and copies of signed MOUs/Agreements to      |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|         | participating municipalities   |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|         | Submit Inventory of Programs and services and copies of signed MOUs/Agreements to MECP |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |
|         | Posting of final MOUs/Agreements on GSCA website                                       |         |          |       |       |     |      |      |        |           |         |          |          |

Table 4: 2023 Workplan Timeline

Note: Red lines within the Tables 1, 2 and 3 represent the deadlines identified in Table 1.

# Transition Period Timeline – June 2021 – January 2024

# Phase 1: Transition Plan and Inventory of Programs and Services

## Second Quarter, 2021 (April – June)

1. Meet with municipal councils to provide initial information on the changes to the Act, the regulatory consultation guide, and to explain the general process.

# Third Quarter, 2021 (July – September)

- 1. Develop draft workplan/timeline for developing inventory and reaching agreements (Transition Period).
- 2. Develop draft programs/services inventory, including identification of mandatory versus non-mandatory status and proposed funding sources.
- 3. Seek preliminary approval from GSCA Board of Directors on Draft workplan and programs/services inventory.
- 4. Determine municipal staff leads and arrange meetings to discuss the programs, the process and the next steps.

## Fourth Quarter, 2021 (October – December)

- 1. Circulate workplan/timeline and programs and services inventory to municipalities.
- 2. Meet with municipal staff to discuss changes, transition period and to determine initial steps necessary to draft and execute agreements (eg: internal review; legal review; Council meeting dates; etc).
- 3. Attend council meetings if/as requested.
- 4. Receive final comments back from municipal staff, if any, on timeline.
- 5. Seek final approval of the Transition Plan from GSCA Board of Directors.
- 6. Submit Transition Plan to MECP.
- 7. Post Transition Plan on GSCA's public facing website.

# First Quarter, 2022 (January – March)

- 1. Prepare revised draft of Programs and Services Inventory. This inventory will include:
  - a. A list of all of the programs and services that GSCA is providing as of February 28, 2022, and any programs and services GSCA intends to provide after February 28, 2022,
  - b. An estimate of the annual cost of providing the program or service, the sources of funding, and the percentage of the total that each source of funding accounts for.

- c. Classification of each program or service as Category 1, 2 or 3.
- 2. Consult with the GSCA Board of Directors on the list of programs and services.
- 3. Circulate the programs and services inventory to municipalities.
- 4. Seek final approval of the inventory of programs and services from GSCA Board of Directors.
- 5. Submit Inventory of Programs and Services to MECP.

# Phase 2: MOUs/Agreements

# Second Quarter, 2022 (April – June)

- 1. Consult with municipal staff on programs and services inventory, including discussions about service provision.
- 2. Attend municipal council meetings to support municipal staff reports.
- 3. Update programs and services as necessary based on consultations.
- 4. Prepare amendments and internal drafts of existing municipal service agreements, consistent with the requirements for non-mandatory municipal services (Category 2 programs and services).
- 5. Prepare internal drafts of MOUs/Agreements for non-mandatory other programs and services that require levy dollars (Category 3 programs and services).
- 6. Bring final draft of programs and services inventory back to GSCA Board of Directors.
- 7. Update programs and services inventory based on GSCA Board of Directors feedback.
- 8. Submit first quarterly report to MECP.

# Third Quarter, 2022 (July – September)

- 1. Consultation with municipal staff on draft agreements.
- 2. Bring first draft of agreements to GSCA Board for comment.
- 3. Update draft agreements as necessary based on GSCA Board feedback
- 4. Submit second quarterly report to MECP.

# Fourth Quarter, 2022 (October – December)

1. Submit third quarterly report to MECP.

# First Quarter, 2023 (January – March)

- 1. Attend municipal council meetings to support municipal staff reports on draft agreements.
- 2. Submit fourth quarterly report to MECP

# Second Quarter, 2023 (April – June)

- 1. Finalize agreements for Board of Directors' approval.
- 2. Commence with execution of final MOUs/Agreements.

3. Submit fifth quarterly report to MECP.

#### Third Quarter, 2023 (July – September)

- 1. Finalize execution of final MOUs/Agreements.
- 2. Consultation with municipal partners on draft 2024 budget.
- 3. Consult with Board of Directors on draft 2024 budget based on municipal discussions.
- 4. Submit sixth quarterly report to MECP.

# OCTOBER 1, 2023 – DEADLINE FOR REQUESTS FOR EXTENSIONS TO MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT, CONSERVATION AND PARKS

### Fourth Quarter, 2023 (October – December)

- 1. Finalize draft budget for Board of Directors' approval to circulate.
- 2. Circulate draft budget to municipal partners for 30-day review period.
- 3. Attend municipal council meetings as requested to discuss the budget, the agreements, and GSCA's programs and services.
- 4. GSCA Board of Directors resolution to approve the 2024 Budget.
- 5. Submit inventory of programs and services and copies of signed MOUs/Agreements to participating municipalities.
- 6. Submit inventory of programs and services and copies of signed MOUs/Agreements to MECP.
- 7. Posting of final MOUs/agreements on CA website.

# January 1, 2024 – Transition Period ends

All required conservation authority/municipal MOUs/agreements need to be in place, and the transition to the new funding model is reflected in the 2024 budget in compliance with the new legislation.

# Grey Sauble Conservation Authority: Programs and Services Inventory (Version 1.0) Prepared: January 2022

# **APPENDIX 1**

| Program Area   | Program / Service Provision  | Program / Service Description  | Legislative<br>Reference                                       | Category (1) Mandatory;<br>(2) Municipal; (3) Other | Annual Operating<br>Funding Amount (2022) | Funding Mechanisms and<br>Percentage of Funding Source<br>(Operating Costs)   |          | Funding Mechanisms and Percentage of Funding Source (Capital Costs)                       | Approximate Annual Funding Needs | Agreement<br>Requirements | Comments  |
|--|--|--|--|---|---|---|----------|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
|  | Corporate Services   | Administrative, human resources, employee health and safety, operating and capital costs which are not directly related to the delivery of any specific program or service, but are the overhead and support costs of a conservation authority.      | Enabling Service   | 1   |   | Municipal Levy (92.4%)     Service Agreements (4.7%)     Self-Generated (2.3%)  |          | 1. Municipal Levy (7.9%)  |                                  | No                        | Collectively these are enabling   |
| Administration, Finance, HR                          | Financial Services   | Accounting and payroll   | Enabling Service   | 1   | \$598,750                                 | Provincial Transfer Payment (0.3%)  | \$59,000 | 2. Self-Generated (92.1%)   | \$657,750                        | No                        | Collectively, these are enabling<br>program costs that are required to  |
|  | Legal Expenses   | Costs related to agreements/contracts, administrative by-law updates or other similar legal expenses   | Enabling Service   | 1   |   | 5. Grants (0% - variable)   |          |   |                                  | No                        | run the organization.   |
|  | Governance   | Supporting CA Boards, Advisory Committees and the Office of the CAO  | Enabling Service   | 1   |   | 6. Donations (0.3% - variable)  |          |   |                                  | No                        | ]   |
| Communications                                       | Asset Management   | Asset management planning, facilities, fleet and property management   | Enabling Service   | 1   |   |   |          |   |                                  | No                        |   |
|  | Natural Hazards Communications, Outreach<br>and Education              | Promoting public awareness of natural hazards including flooding, drought, and erosion. Public events, materials. Social media services. Media relations.  | Reg. 686/21 s.1(2)<br>Reg. 686/21 s.1(3)3,4                    | 1   |   |   |          |   |                                  | No                        |   |
|  | Communications and Marketing   | General communications and marketing support for the organization  | Enabling Service   | 1   | \$85,875                                  | 1. Municipal Levy (100%)  | \$3,440  | 1. Grants (11.6%)<br>2. Self-Generated (88.4%)  | \$89,315                         | No                        |   |
|  | Education and Community Events   | Community event development, execution and support   | Reg. 686/21 s.1(2) &<br>s.1(3)3,4                              | 1   |   |   |          |   |                                  | No                        |   |
| Communications                                       | Partnership Building and Support                                       | Management and enhancement of mutually beneficial community partnerships with partners, stakeholders, committees and "friends of" groups. These vital partnerships allow GSCA to provide substantial value in the delivery of programs and services. | CAA s.21(1)(n)   | 3   | \$4,816                                   | 1. Municipal Levy (100%)  | \$0      | n/a   | \$4,816                          | Yes                       |   |
|  | Public awareness and Communications                                    | General communications, marketing and awareness campaigns for non-mandatory programs and services (support for private forestry/planting, day camp, stewardship)   | CAA s.21(1)(q)   | 3   | \$5,635                                   | 1. Municipal Levy (100%)  | \$0      | n/a   | \$5,635                          | Yes                       |   |
|  | Section 29 Minister's regulation for<br>Conservation Areas             | Conservation areas enforcement/compliance  | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)4  | 1   |   |   |          |   |                                  | No                        |   |
|  | Strategy for CA owned or controlled lands and management plans         | Guiding principles, objectives, including for an authority's land acquisition and disposition strategy, land use categories on conservation authority owned land, recommended management principles for different land categories, etc.              | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)1  | 1   |   |   |          |   |                                  | No                        |   |
|  | Development and Maintenance of a Land Inventory                        | Development and maintenance of an inventory of every parcel of land that the<br>Authority owns or controls including, location, surveys, site plans, maps, acquisition<br>date, and how the parcel was acquired.                                     | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)3  | 1   | 4   | 1. Municipal Levy (64.8%)<br>2. Self-Generated (35.2%)*   | 201.157  | 1. Municipal Levy (11.2%) 2. Self-Generated (68.2%) 3. Grants (3.2%) 4. Donations (17.4%) | 2500 705                         | No                        | The total cost of operating these mandatory programs and services is heavily offset by self-generated revenue.  |
|  | Management, operation and Maintenance of<br>CA owned lands             | Management and Maintenance of CA owned lands including stewardship, restoration, and ecological monitoring   | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)2  | 1   | \$475,248                                 | *any surplus self-generated revenue is tranferred to reserves.  | \$94,457 |   | \$569,705                        | No                        |   |
|  | Passive Recreation Use, Infrastructure and                             | Management and maintenance of CA owned recreational assets including trails,   | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)1  | 1   | 1   |   |          |   |                                  | No                        |   |
|  | Management Planning  | parking, washroom facilities, pavilions and other capital assets.  The development of one or more policies governing land acquisitions and land  |  |   | +   |   |          |   |                                  |                           | -   |
|  | Land Acquisition and Disposition Policy                                | dispositions   | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)1  | 1   |   |   |          |   |                                  | No                        |   |
|  | Forestry – Hazard Tree and Biodiversity<br>Management                  | Management of hazard/diseased trees and the management of biodiversity and invasive species on Conservation Authority owned lands  | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)2  | 1   |   |   |          |   |                                  | No                        |   |
| Conservation Lands                                   | Land Acquisition and Disposition                                       | Acquisition and management of lands containing important natural heritage features or strategically aligned with existing GSCA land holdings. Disposition of lands considered surplus to the vision, mandate and strategic goals of GSCA.            | CAA s.21(1)(c)   | 3   | \$10,000                                  | 1. Self-Generated (100%)  | \$0      | n/a   | \$10,000                         | No                        | In 2021, approximately \$10,000 in<br>staff time and legal service fees<br>went into the acquisition of donated<br>properties. ROI was 800%   |
|  | Partnership Building and Support                                       | Management and enhancement of mutually beneficial community partnerships with partners, stakeholders, committees and "friends of" groups. These vital partnerships allow GSCA to provide substantial value in the delivery of programs and services. | CAA s.21(1)(n)   | 3   | \$15,000                                  | 1. Self-Generated (100%)  | \$0      | n/a   | \$15,000                         | No                        | Partnership building is the key to not-<br>for-profit success. We are able to<br>leverage these partnerships into<br>volunteer time, donations, and<br>general good-will.   |
|  | Land Lease and Agreement Management                                    | Management of current and future land leases and property agreements. These leases and agreements help drive land based revenues to offset the costs associated with management and maintenance of GSCA's land holdings.                             | CAA s.21(1)(c)&(d)   | 3   | \$10,000                                  | 1. Self-Generated (100%)  | \$0      | n/a   | \$10,000                         | No                        | This portion of the program is self-<br>sustaining, bringing in over \$60,000<br>in annual revenues which help to<br>offset other in-program costs.   |
|  | Paid Parking Management  | Management of the Authority's paid parking program, including staff time and all associated fees and expenses.   | CAA s.21(1)(m)   | 3   | \$78,500                                  | 1. Self-Generated (100%)  | \$0      | n/a   | \$78,500                         | No                        | This portion of the program is self-<br>sustaining, bringing in over<br>\$250,000 in annual revenues which<br>help to offset other in-program and<br>capital costs.   |
|  | Grey County Property Management  | Service contract with the County of Grey for GSCA to manage all County forest trails   | CAA s.21(1)(n)   | 2   | \$80,358                                  |   |          |   |                                  | Yes                       | Provided for the Corporation of the   |
|  | Grey County By-Law Management  | and the CP Rail Trail Service contract with the County of Grey for GSCA to oversee the Grey County Forest Management By-Law  | CAA s.21(1)(n)   | 2   | \$120,537                                 | -1. Service Agreement(s)(100%)  | \$0      | n/a   | \$200,895                        | Yes                       | County of Grey: Agreement Date : December 31, 2019  |
| Core Watershed-based Resource<br>Management Strategy | Strategy Development   | Collate/compile existing resource management plans, watershed plans, studies and data.  Strategy development.  Implementation and annual reporting   | Reg. 686/21 s.8<br>Reg. 686/21 s.12(1)3<br>Reg. 686/21 s.12(4) | 1   | \$0                                       | All   | \$0      | n/a   | \$0                              | No                        | This is a new program/service area that is mandated by the Province that will draw staff time from all other program areas. No specific dollar amount is being allocated at this time.                                      |
| Drinking Water Source Protection                     | Source protection authority role as set out in<br>the Clean Water Act. | Source Protection Area/Region, tech support, SPC support, SPA reports and meetings, activities required by the Clean Water Act and regulations.  | Reg. 686/21 s.13   | 1   | \$188,660                                 | Provincial Transfer Payment (100%)  | \$0      | n/a   | \$188,660                        | No                        |   |
| Drinking Water Risk Management                       | Drinking Water Source Protection Risk Management Official Services     | Provision of Risk Management Services to 14 municipalities throughout the Source<br>Protection Region on a fee-for-service basis.  | Clean Water Act s.47(1)<br>& s.48(1)<br>CAA s.21(1)(a)&(n)     | 2   | \$67,460                                  | Service Agreements (100%)   | \$0      | n/a   | \$67,460                         | Yes                       | See Appendix for Municipalities and<br>Agreement Dates  |
|  | Curriculum delivery  | Program development & delivery   | CAA s.21(1)(a)&(1)   | 3   | \$0                                       | 1. Service Agreement(s)(100%)   | \$0      | n/a   | \$0                              | No                        | May want to consider agreements   |
| vironmental Education                                | Day Camp Programming   | Program development and execution for GSCA's summer day camp program   | CAA s.21(1)(a)&(q) CAA s.21(1)(a)&(q)                          | 3   | \$67,108                                  | Self-Generated (95.5%)*  *Any surplus transferred to reserves Grants (4.5%) - variable  **Transferred to reserves  **Transfe | \$0      | n/a   | \$67,108                         | No                        | for this in the future This program is designed to be self- sufficient through user fees. Expansion of this program at the request of one or more municipalities may necessitate additional funding and service agreements. |

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| Part of Company Assemble (1998)   Part of Company (1998)   Part of Co   | Program Area           | Program / Service Provision                  | Program / Service Description  | Legislative<br>Reference | Category (1) Mandatory;<br>(2) Municipal; (3) Other | Annual Operating<br>Funding Amount (2022) | Funding Mechanisms and<br>Percentage of Funding Source<br>(Operating Costs) |          | Funding Mechanisms and Percentage of Funding Source (Capital Costs) | Approximate Annual Funding Needs | Agreement<br>Requirements | Comments   |
|--|------------------------|--|--|--------------------------|---|---|---|----------|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Amount of the control of the contr   |                        |  | inspections, communication with applicants, agents, and consultants. This program  | Reg. 686/21 s.8          | 1   |   | (Operating Costs)   |          |   |                                  | No                        | Planning Department is set up as a user pays system. However, users      |
| Part      |                        | Review under Other Legislation               | principally related to natural hazards, wetlands, watercourses and Sec 28 permit   | Reg. 686/21 s.6          | 1   |   |   |          |   |                                  | No                        | due to work required that is either specifically for a municipality or   |
| Performance      | Environmental Planning | Municipal Plan Input and Review              | Technical information and advice to municipalities on circulated municipal land use planning applications (Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments, Subdivisions, Condominium, Site Plan Approvals, Consents, Minor Variances, etc.) and Input to municipal land-use planning documents (OP, Comprehensive ZB, Secondary plans) | Reg. 686/21 s.7          | 1   | \$414,298                                 | 1. Self-Generated (78.5%) 2. Municipal Levy (20.8%)                         | \$0      | n/a   | \$414,298                        | No                        | phone calls, broader policy review,                                      |
| Part      |                        |  | of systems to collect and store data and to provide spatial geographical   | Reg. 686/21 s.1          |   |   |   |          |   |                                  | No                        |  |
| Material Process   Material Pr   |                        | Plan Review not Related to Natural Hazards   | Technical information and advice to municipalities on circulated municipal land use planning applications (Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments, Subdivisions, Consents, Minor Variances) related to Natural heritage and water resources, not   | CAA s.21(1)(n)           | 2   |   |   |          |   |                                  | Yes                       | separated out. There is no additional cost to municipalities for         |
| Part      |                        | Natural Heritage                             |  | CAA s.21(1)(n)           | 2   |   |   |          |   |                                  | Yes                       |  |
| Part      | Fleet and Equipment    | Fleet and Equipment                          | Management and maintenance of the Authority's fleet and equipment assets.  | Enabling Service         | 1   | \$83,500                                  | 1. Self-Generated (100%)  | \$39,110 | 1. Self-Generated (100%)  | \$122,610                        | No                        | service that is funded through chargebacks to individual                 |
| Part   Content   | Forestry               |  | Forestry services, planting and/or woodlot management on Conservation Authority land   | Reg. 686/21 s.9(1)2      | 1   | \$141,959                                 | 1. Self-Generated (100%)  | \$0      | 1. Self-Generated (100%)  | \$141,959                        | No                        | investigated based on sustainability, mandatory program definitions, and |
| March   Marc   |                        | sales, and forestry services (MFTIP, Advice, | Forestry services, planting and/or woodlot management for private landowners   | CAA s.21(1)(g)&(o)       | 3   | \$249,602                                 |   | \$0      | 1. Self-Generated (100%)  | \$249,602                        | No                        | amount of grant money from various partners to assist with this          |
| Processed Processed Services and Services    | GIS/IT/IM              | Information Technology Management/ GIS       |  | Reg. 686/21 s.1(3)       | 1   | \$277.404                                 | 1. Municipal Levy (99.3%)   | \$42.540 |   | \$204.024                        | No                        | This is an enabling program/service                                      |
| Second Description and Restrictions and Restrictions and Restrictions and Restriction and Re   |                        |  | of systems to collect and store data and to provide spatial geographical   | Reg. 600/21 S.5(1)1      | 1   | Ψ211, <del>151</del>                      | 2. Self-Generated (0.7 %)   | Ψ13,340  |   | Ψ291,00 <del>°</del> 4           | No                        |  |
| Place   Folice acting of warming   Conditions on control and waterbell controllers.   Folice word (notice)   Fol   | Stewardship            | Watershed Stewardship and Restoration        |  | CAA s.21(1)(g)&(o)       | 3   | \$62,776                                  |   | \$0      | n/a   | \$62,776                         | Yes                       | amount of grant money from various partners to assist with this          |
| Lear value response   Registrice   Control registrice state   Septiment   Se   |                        | Flood Forecasting and Warning                | forecasts and watershed conditions. Flood event forecasting. Flood warning and   | Reg. 686/21 s.2          | 1   |   |   |          |   |                                  | No                        |  |
| Position Function State State   Position State State   Position State    |                        | Low water response                           | Response Team representing major water users and decision makers, who recommend drought response actions.  | Reg. 686/21 s.3          | 1   | \$140,177                                 |   | \$0      | 1. Municipal Levy (100%)  | \$140,177                        | No                        |  |
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| Pools and Explaint or Minimagement   Valer & Amosion control infrastructure and two flow augmentations.   Rog. 680/21 a.5   1   \$9.400   1. Nurricipal Levy (100%)   \$31,800   2. Provincing Control (1-5%)   \$82.350   No  | radi managomon         | Ice Management Plans                         |  | Reg. 686/21 s.4          | 1   | \$0                                       | 1. Municipal Levy (100%)  | \$0      |   | \$0                              | No                        | payment cuts in 2018, GSCA stopped providing budget dollars to           |
| Provincial Water Casility Moritoring Network   |                        |  | Water & erosion control infrastructure and low flow augmentation.  | Reg. 686/21 s.5          | 1   | \$9,450                                   | Municipal Levy (77.6%)     Provincial Transfer Payment (22.4%)              | \$31,800 | 2. Provincial Grant (6.3%)  | \$62,350                         | No                        |  |
| POW/MIN  CA lakes water samples. MECP does law-alysis and data management   Rog. 68/21 s.12(3)   S7,750   1. Mursicipal Levy (100%)   S7,750      |                        | Other Dams                                   | Maintenance of other dam infrastructure for flow augmentation, liability management at   |                          | 1   | \$21,100                                  |   |          |   |                                  | No                        |  |
| Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network (PGMN)  A long-standing (20+ year) CAMECP partnership for groundwater level and quality Reg. 68021 s.12(2)  BGSCA Water Quality Monitoring Network Chemistry  GSCA Water Quality Monitoring Network Berthic  GSCA Water Quality Monitoring Network Berthic Biological Monitoring Network Berthic Biolo |                        |  | CA takes water samples; MECP does lab analysis and data management   |                          | 1   | <b>\$7.75</b> 0                           | 1 Municipal Levy (100%)   | \$0      | Provincial Grant (100%)   | \$7.750                          | No                        |  |
| GSCA Water Quality Monitoring Network— Chemistry  Watershed Monitoring  Watershed Monito |                        |  | monitoring. CA maintains equipment, data transfer to MECP, water sampling; MECP  |                          | 1   | φ1,130                                    | T. Mailulpai Levy (10076)   | φυ       |   | ψ1,130                           | No                        |  |
| SCSCA Water Quality Monitoring Network - Benthic collected annually and processed/identified by GSCA staff. This process evaluates surface water quality using macro-invertebrates (insect larvae, etc.) living in streams and supports Watershed Report Cards and Watershed Report Cards and Watershed Watershed Scota on smaller Health Checks    CAA s.21(1)(a)   3   |                        |  | Surface water quality sampling at 25 additional sites at key locations to better<br>understand the watershed conditions and to support Watershed Report Card   | CAA s.21(1)(a)           | 3   |   |   |          |   |                                  | Yes                       |  |
| Documentation of stream crossings type and size, baseflow, water temperature and fish presence  Use of data loggers to classify fish communities as cold-water, cool water or warmwater. This information supports long-term review of nand watershed health.  Watershed Report Cards and Watershed Health Checks  Water view of the entire GSCA area. Watershed report cards provide an overview of the entire GSCA area. Watershed health checks focus on smaller  | Watershed Monitoring   |  | collected annually and processed/identified by GSCA staff. This process evaluates surface water quality using macro-invertebrates (insect larvae, etc.) living in streams  | CAA s.21(1)(a)           | 3   |   |   |          | 1 Municipal Lawy  |                                  | Yes                       |  |
| Thermal Stream Classification warmwater. This information supports long-term review of natural heritage information and watershed health.  Watershed Report Cards and Watershed Watershed Health Checks  Water quality, forest cover and wetland cover. Watershed report cards provide an overview of the entire GSCA area. Watershed health checks focus on smaller  CAS s.21(1)(a) 3  Report backs to the community on the current state of the watershed(s) based on water quality, forest cover and wetland cover. Watershed report cards provide an overview of the entire GSCA area. Watershed health checks focus on smaller  |                        | size, baseflow, water temperature and fish   | planning and permit applications   | CAA s.21(1)(a)           | 3   | \$29,178                                  | 1. Municipal Levy (100%)  | \$0      | 2. Grant  | \$29,178                         | Yes                       |  |
| Watershed Report Cards and Watershed Health Checks water quality, forest cover and wetland cover. Watershed report cards provide an overview of the entire GSCA area. Watershed health checks focus on smaller CAA s.21(1)(a)  3  CAA s.21(1)(a)  3  |                        | Thermal Stream Classification                | warmwater. This information supports long-term review of natural heritage information and watershed health.  | CAA s.21(1)(a)           | 3   |   |   |          |   |                                  | Yes                       |  |
|  |                        |  | water quality, forest cover and wetland cover. Watershed report cards provide an overview of the entire GSCA area. Watershed health checks focus on smaller  | CAA s.21(1)(a)           | 3   |   |   |          |   |                                  | Yes                       |  |

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|                                    | Annual Op     | erating Costs (2022)         | Five -Year    | Average Capital Costs       | Approximately Total Annual Costs |                  |  |
|------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------|--|
|                                    | Dollar Amount | Percentage of Operating Cost | Dollar Amount | Percentage of Capital Costs | Dollar Amount                    | Percentage of To |  |
| Total Funding Cost:                | \$3,245,231   | 100.0%                       | \$241,347     | 100.0%                      | \$3,486,578                      |                  |  |
| Category 1 Portion:                | \$2,444,261   | 75.3%                        | \$241,347     | 100.0%                      | \$2,685,608                      | 77.0%            |  |
| Category 2 Portion:                | \$268,355     | 8.3%                         | \$0           | 0.0%                        | \$268,355                        | 7.7%             |  |
| Non-Levy-Based Category 3 Portion: | \$471,642     | 14.5%                        | \$0           | 0.0%                        | \$471,642                        | 13.5%            |  |
| Levy-Based Category 3 Portion:     | \$60,973      | 1.9%                         | \$0           | 0.0%                        | \$60,973                         | 1.7%             |  |



# **Listing of Existing Category 2 Service Agreements**

#### **APPENDIX 2**

| Municipality             | Planning<br>Agreement in Place<br>(Y/N) | Agreement Date    | Risk Management<br>Agreement in Place<br>(Y/N) | Agreement Date     | Participating<br>Municipality<br>(Y/N) |
|--------------------------|---|-------------------|--|--------------------|--|
| Arran-Elderslie          | Υ*                                      | September 5, 2019 | Υ  | January 1, 2021    | Υ                                      |
| Blue Mountains           | Υ                                       | June 22, 2007     | Υ  | September 13, 2021 | Υ                                      |
| Brockton                 | N                                       | n/a               | Υ  | January 1, 2021    | N                                      |
| Chatsworth               | Y                                       | July 24, 2007     | Υ  | November 10, 2020  | Υ                                      |
| Georgian Bluffs          | Υ                                       | January 8, 2020   | Υ  | November 25, 2020  | Υ                                      |
| Grey Highlands           | Y                                       | June 22, 2007     | Υ  | January 20, 2021   | Υ                                      |
| Kincardine               | N                                       | n/a               | Υ  | October 14, 2020   | N                                      |
| Meaford                  | Y                                       | March 26, 2007    | Υ  | January 1, 2021    | Υ                                      |
| Northern Bruce Peninsula | Υ*                                      | September 5, 2019 | Υ  | August 9, 2021     | N                                      |
| Owen Sound               | Y                                       | June 15, 2020     | Υ  | March 20, 2017     | Υ                                      |
| Saugeen Shores           | N                                       | n/a               | Υ  | January 1, 2021    | N                                      |
| South Bruce              | N                                       | n/a               | Υ  | November 10, 2020  | N                                      |
| South Bruce Peninsula    | Υ*                                      | September 5, 2019 | Υ  | January 1, 2021    | Υ                                      |
| West Grey                | N                                       | n/a               | Υ  | April 5, 2021      | N                                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Planning agreements in Bruce County are with the County of Bruce acting on behalf of the lower tier municipalities



# **SENT BY EMAIL**

Mayor Hammell and Members of Council Municipality of Arran-Elderslie 1925 Bruce Road 10 Chesley ON NOG 1L0

Attention: Ms. Fraser-McDonald

Dear Mayor Hammell and Members of Council:

Re: Integrity Commissioner - Notice of Retirement and Delegation

After much reflection, I am writing to you today to tell you of my plans to retire as your integrity commissioner. While it has been my honour and privilege to serve you, with the approaching hiatus between nomination and election days, and as we near the end of your term, I believe that this is the right moment to help you transition to a new commissioner.

As you may know, in addition to the work I do as an integrity commissioner, I also maintain a very busy planning and municipal law practice, which is my first passion and priority. As much as I have enjoyed my integrity commissioner assignments and trust that I have been able to provide you with some measure of assistance, they have become increasingly demanding of my time and energy and, in all good conscience, I must say that I am anxious to devote my efforts full-time to the practice of law. I trust that you will understand.

Under the terms of our agreement, my term will expire on December 31, 2022, shortly after the next Council takes office. My preference is to delegate my authority until the end of my term under section 223.3 (3) of the *Municipal Act, 2001,* S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, to the law firm of Aird & Berlis LLP, and have my retirement become effective immediately. Aird & Berlis is one of Canada's leading law firms and has an exceptional group of municipal lawyers. The firm is also the integrity commissioner for many municipalities in Ontario. I know that you will be in good hands with this firm, should you accept my delegation to them.

Berlis at your earliest convenience, and let me know if I should be making the delegation. Alternatively, I am happy to provide a list of other integrity commissioners, for you to consider appointing. In any event, I will remain as your commissioner, until the transition is complete.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Integrity Commissioner. Thank you.

Yours very truly,

H.G. Elston

c.c. John Mascarin, Aird & Berlis LLP

From: Nathan Rhody < nathan.rhody@gmail.com >

**Sent:** September 9, 2022 12:23 PM

**To:** Mark Davis <<u>mdavis@bmts.com</u>>; Steve Hammell <<u>stevehammell@rocketmail.com</u>>; Doug Bell <<u>chesley@arran-elderslie.ca</u>>; Ryan Greig <<u>tara@arran-elderslie.ca</u>>; Brian Dudgeon <<u>elderslie@arran-elderslie.ca</u>>; Ryan Nickason <<u>arran@arran-elderslie.ca</u>>; Melissa Kanmacher <<u>paisley@arran-elderslie.ca</u>> elderslie.ca>

**Cc:** Carly Steinhoff < <a href="mailto:recreation@arran-elderslie.ca">recreation@arran-elderslie.ca</a>; Katrina Eke < <a href="mailto:programs@arran-elderslie.ca">programs@arran-elderslie.ca</a>> **Subject:** Dave Spencer Memorial Pavilion - serving alcohol

Good afternoon everyone,

I was in contact with Katrina this morning in regards to renting the Dave Spencer Memorial Pavilion for Boog Hepburn's celebration of life on Sunday, October 2nd. The facility is free that day, which is great, but the family would like alcohol as part of this event. Upon reaching out to Katrina about this subject further she informed me that current rules don't allow me as a business (Rhody Family Funeral Home Inc.) from serving alcohol. My business would be renting the facility, obtaining the proper license and insurance, fencing off the area and serving alcohol. I realize Katrina is just the messenger and therefore I have included several members of the council in my request.

I literally did the same thing (celebration of life at the Elmwood Pavilion - with alcohol) a few weeks ago for Dianne Ahrens. In this case, I dealt with the Municipality of Brockton (who have more guidelines than Arran-Elderslie) and ran the event of over 250 people with no issues. I realize the moment alcohol is involved in any event, the risks increase dramatically, however, I struggle to think that what can be done in one community can't be done in the other.

Please know, that I am not looking for differential treatment in this request. Our staff has smart serve, I would fence off the entire area as to keep the alcohol in the desired area, and have more than enough insurance to cover the Municipality's needs. Honestly, I see myself as no different than a caterer or restaurant (whom I understand can serve alcohol in the pavilion) in this situation. Likewise, to think that this event is the equivalent risk to the Municipality as Julyfest or even the Legion fundraiser of a few weeks ago, would be absurd.

The pavilion is a fabulous asset within our community and the last thing I want to do is direct families elsewhere depending on their wishes. Add a surcharge for alcohol, or create additional rules that make it more difficult for people to achieve permission to proceed... but to just say no to anyone other than a caterer or service club just seems wrong in my opinion.

Obviously, I would be more than happy to come to council to talk about this topic further or would even volunteer to help spearhead what should or should not be included if alcohol was to be included in a rental. However, these discussions will not help the Hepburn family and our planning for October 2nd.

Unfortunately in this circumstance, I need an answer fairly quickly as it will likely dictate where the event is held. Therefore, if I could ask for an answer (either way) in this situation by Monday (September 12th) I would appreciate it.

Thank you!

Nathan Rhody

# SAUGEEN MOBILITY

#### and REGIONAL TRANSIT

#### **GENERAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Friday, June 24, 2022, 9:30 a.m. Classroom, P&H Centre, Hanover, ON

Board Members Present: Councillor Warren Dickert, Town of Hanover Councillor, Board President

Councillor Beth Hamilton, Municipality of West Grey, Board Vice-President Vice Deputy Mayor Mike Myatt, Town of Saugeen Shores, Board Past President

Councillor Doug Bell, Municipality of Arran-Elderslie Councillor Dave Cuyler, Municipality of Kincardine Councillor Jim Frew, Township of Southgate Councillor Dean Leifso, Municipality of Brockton Mayor Scott Mackey, Township of Chatsworth Councillor Ed McGugan, Township of Huron-Kinloss

**Board Members Absent:** None

Others Present: Catherine McKay, Recording Secretary

#### 1. Call to Order

President Warren Dickert called the meeting order at 9:30 a.m.

#### 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None declared.

#### 3. Approval of the Agenda

Motion #2022-040

Moved by Doug Bell; Seconded by Dean Leifso

That the agenda for June 24, 2022 be accepted as circulated.

Carried

#### 4. Minutes of Previous Meeting – May 27, 2022

Motion #2022-041

Moved by Scott Mackey; Seconded by Ed McGugan

That the minutes of the May 27, 2022 General Board Meeting be accepted as circulated.

Carried

#### 5. Business Arising from the Minutes

#### A. Loucks and Loucks Presentation

The President advised that this matter would be on the Board's agenda for its next meeting.

#### **B.** Covid Policy Update

The President noted that the provincial masking mandate has been lifted and so SMART needs to decide whether to change its masking requirements or keep them as hospitals and other health care settings have done. He added that there has been some "push back" from clients on the requirement to wear a mask and driver compliance has not been 100%. He invited comments from Board members on the matter. Beth Hamilton noted that drivers can have a client call the office to clarify the requirements if the client does not want to wear a mask. She added that the office reminds clients about the masking requirement when booking the ride. Scott Mackey said he understands keeping masking requirements in hospital and congregate settings, but it is difficult to maintain if the rest of society is not doing it, and he does not see the need to keep SMART's masking requirement. Ed McGugan agreed with Scott Mackey, but said that people with vulnerabilities should be able to wear a mask if they want and their decision should be respected. Dean Leifso noted that his office

requests clients be masked, but it is not mandatory. He believes that clients should be able to request that their driver be masked and that such requests be respected. Doug Bell noted that elsewhere in the P&H Centre, a class was taking place where all those attending were wearing masks. He said that when he was recently in a health care facility, the staff's opinion was that masking would continue, and the health care workers said that they have been less sick as a result of wearing masks. His opinion in that masking should be a choice.

#### Motion #2022-042

Moved by Scott Mackey; Seconded by Ed McGugan

That masking for SMART clients be optional not mandatory, and that masks be kept in vehicles to accommodate client requests that a driver wear a mask.

Carried

#### **New Business**

#### A. BWDSB and GBCDSB Request for Service

The President explained that SMART currently provides rides to a BWDSB student living in Huron Kinloss which is a member of the SMART partnership. The rate is \$96.00, but it is not clear how this amount was arrived at. The issue is whether to continue this service as well as a request to include service for a student that lives in South Bruce. (South Bruce is not a member). In response to a question from Ed McGugan, it was noted that the headquarters of the BWDSB is in Chesley, and the Catholic Board is in Hanover, both of which are members of the SMART partnership. The President noted that the price is likely above cost recovery, but with the recent increases in the price of gas, that may no longer be the case. Scott Mackey suggested that SMART should provide rides to support a child going to school, but should not lose money in the process, and ideally should make some profit. He suggested that the service could be declined if SMART is not covering its costs. Beth Hamilton said she would be more comfortable if this service were part of a written agreement. Dean Leifso suggested that the rate is likely the same as that paid to the school bus companies. The President asked if the Board agrees that he should pursue the issue further with the goal of providing service at a rate above cost recovery. Scott Mackey suggested that this is an opportunity to increase SMART's exposure in Grey Bruce and every person helped matters.

#### Motion #2022-043

Moved by Scott Mackey; Seconded by Doug Bell

That the President pursue the issue of providing service to the Bluewater District School Board and the Grey Bruce Catholic School Board on an "above cost recovery" basis.

Carried

#### Staff Recognition Event and Introduction of New Manager

The President noted that positive support has been demonstrated by SMART staff during this transition period and suggested holding a special event to recognize them and introduce the new Manager. He suggested that a Sunday would be best as drivers will be available. Scott Mackey asked what the budget for such an event would be and the President noted that planning had not yet gone that far. Scott Mackey suggested that a barbecue be held at a maximum cost of \$500.00.

#### Motion #2022-044

Moved by Scott Mackey; Seconded by Dave Cuyler

That the SMART Board host a staff appreciation barbecue with a maximum budget of \$500.

Carried

#### 7. Closed Session

#### Motion #2022-045

Moved by Jim Frew; Seconded by Dean Leifso

That the Board of Directors of SMART move into Closed Session at 10:00 a.m. to consider personal matters about an identifiable individual and employee negotiations.

Carried

The Board of Directors of SMART reconvened in open session at 3:39 p.m. and the President confirmed that the Board had gone in closed session and discussed personal matters about an identifiable individual and employee negotiations and that no other matters were discussed.

#### Motion #2022-046

Moved by Mike Myatt; Seconded by Ed McGugan

That the Board of Directors of SMART confirm direction given to the President in closed session with regard to the recruitment of a Manager.

Carried

#### 8. Adjournment

Motion

Moved by Ed McGugan; Seconded by Beth Hamilton

That the Board of Directors of SMART adjourn at 3:40 p.m.

Carried

Warren Dickert, President

Catherine McKay, Recording Secretary



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# GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION AUTHORITY MINUTES

Full Authority Board of Directors Wednesday, July 27, 2022, at 1:15 p.m.

The Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (GSCA) Board of Directors' meeting was held in a hybrid format of in-person at the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Administrative Office and virtually via the meeting application, WebEx.

#### 1. Call to Order

Chair Scott Greig called the meeting to order at 1:16 p.m., welcomed all those present in person and virtually, and made a land acknowledgement declaration.

<u>Directors Present In-Person:</u> Chair Scott Greig, Dwight Burley, Paul Vickers, Marion Koepke, Scott Mackey, Harley Greenfield, Ryan Greig

<u>Directors Present Virtually:</u> Vice Chair Andrea Matrosovs, Cathy Little, Cathy Moore Coburn, Paul McKenzie

Regrets: None

<u>Staff Present:</u> CAO, Tim Lanthier; Administrative Assistant, Valerie Coleman; Network Administrator, Les McKay; Manager of Information Services, Gloria Dangerfield, Manager of Environmental Planning, Mac Plewes, Water Resources Coordinator, John Bittorf

#### 2. <u>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest</u>

The Directors were reminded to disclose any pecuniary interest that may arise during the course of the meeting. No disclosures of pecuniary interest were expressed at the time.

# 3. <u>Call for Additional Agenda Items</u>

Nothing at this time.

### 4. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No.: Moved By: Scott Mackey FA-22-060 Seconded By: Dwight Burley

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the agenda of July 27, 2022.

Carried

#### 5. Approval of Minutes

Motion No.: Moved By: Marion Koepke FA-22-061 Seconded By: Paul Vickers

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the Full Authority minutes of June 22, 2022.

Carried

#### 6. <u>Business Out of Minutes</u>

Nothing at this time.

#### 7. Consent Agenda

Motion No.: Moved By: Dwight Burley FA-22-62 Seconded By: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT in consideration of the Consent Agenda Items listed on the July 27, 2022, agenda, the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receives the following items: (i) Environmental Planning – Section 28 Permits – June 2022; (ii) Administration – Receipts & Expenses – June 2022; (iv) Conservation Ontario Council Meeting Minutes June 20, 2022; (vi) Recent Media Articles

Carried

#### 8. Delegation

### i. Kate Lazier - Talisman Development

Chair Scott Greig welcomed Dr. Kate Lazier to the meeting and noted that, in accordance with GSCA Administrative By-Laws, Dr. Lazier had ten minutes to speak to the Members of the Board.

Dr. Lazier introduced the Protecting Talisman Lands Association as a coalition of concerned local groups with the aim to preserve lands on the previous Talisman site.

Dr. Lazier led a presentation outlining their concerns of potential future catastrophic flooding on the Beaver River, the affect of development on the previous Talisman Ski Hill lands, and the steps they feel that GSCA should take.

Dr. Lazier noted that the last Floodplain Mapping Report for the area was conducted in 1995 and feels that it is no longer accurate. Concern was raised that the report did not include any climate change modelling.

Dr. Lazier pointed to two specific recommendations made in an independent review of the Ontario flooding events of 2019. One that, the MNRF update floodplain mapping technical and implementation guidelines and two that, the province updates its technical guides pertaining to floods and natural hazards.

Dr. Lazier, on behalf of the coalition, asked for GSCA to conduct a comprehensive floodplain study of the Talisman section of the Beaver River, and put a moratorium on any new development until the flood plain study has been completed.

Chair Greig thanked Dr. Lazier and her colleagues for their presentation.

There was discussion regarding the process that GSCA follows when a development has been proposed, the steps and documentation required to be provided by a developer, and the regulations and standards that GSCA adheres to.

As the area in question includes a dam structure, GSCA's Water Resources Coordinator, John Bittorf, was asked to clarify the communication relationship between GSCA and Ontario Power Generation (OPG). John explained that OPG notifies GSCA staff if there are to be any changes to the flow of the dam.

Chair Greig thanked the group for their presentation.

### Member Marion Koepke left the meeting at 1:59 p.m.

#### 9. Business Items

#### i. Board Orientation

### a. GIS and Mapping at GSCA

The Manager of Information Services, Gloria Dangerfield, provided a presentation to the Board on the GIS (Geographic Information Systems) department. Gloria explained what GIS is and how GSCA staff use the information.

The GIS department continues to grow and incorporate new data sources and technology.

Geospatial Technician, Kris Robinson, presented an overview of the projects that staff are working on, including watershed report cards, flood plain mapping, and data collection.

It was expressed that the technology that the GIS department is working on has beneficial impacts for several departments within the GSCA.

A Member asked if the goal was to have all operational staff have the technology with them when in the field.

Gloria responded that it would be the ideal scenario to have all staff trained and equipped when in the field.

Staff invited Members to try some of the tools and educational pieces that the department uses.

The CAO thanked the staff and commended staff on the work that they do in moving the authority and its departments forward.

A Member asked with regard to succession planning for the GIS department staff, taking into consideration the specialized skills, knowledge, and training required.

The CAO replied that staff are working on succession planning across the organization by ensuring that various technical job functions are learned by other existing staff.

#### ii. Administration

#### a. GSC Foundation Representative Update

Member Little has tendered her resignation from the GSC Foundation Board of Directors and spoke to her decision to resign from the GSC Foundation Board of Directors.

Chair Greig acknowledged and thanked Member Little for her support of and work with the Foundation over the past years.

Chair Greig expanded on the particulars of the GSC Foundation Board of Directors meetings, projects, and membership.

A Member asked if the terms of reference stipulate the requirement of having 2 members on the Board. The CAO replied that the GSCA Board would be reappointing Members at the 2023 GSCA AGM.

The Board discussed the options and opted to postpone appointing an additional representative until the 2023 GSCA AGM.

Motion No.: Moved By: Dwight Burley FA-22-063 Seconded By: Scott Mackey

WHEREAS Member Little has decided to step down as the GSCA appointee to the Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation Board of Directors:

THAT the GSCA Board of Directors postpone the appointment of a Member to the Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation Board of Directors until new appointments are made at the GSCA 2023 AGM

Carried

Member Ryan Greig left the meeting at 2:44 p.m.

### b. Board Input on Programs and Services Inventory

The CAO, Tim Lanthier, provided an update on the progress of GSCA's Program and Services Inventory. It was noted that most member municipalities have opted to wait until after the Fall 2022 Municipal election to bring the Programs and Services Inventory to council.

The CAO reviewed the Transparency Requirements that GSCA must meet and noted that many of the individual requirements have been met already.

The CAO reviewed the details around the Agricultural Representative, how they are selected and what restrictions are placed on the position.

A Member asked if there were any updates regarding the filling of this position. The CAO replied that GSCA staff have not heard anything as of the start of the meeting.

The CAO provided an overview of mandatory and non-mandatory programs and services and the details of each category.

A Member asked what percentage of the programs and services that GSCA provides falls within the mandatory class.

The CAO answered that 75% of programs and services costs are within the mandatory category and only 1.7% of programming costs fall within the levy-based category 3 program areas, based on the 2022 budget.

The CAO explained the changes to the budget process and apportionment (levy).

The CAO detailed GSCA's current status regarding the required transition plans, inventories, and MOUs. Through the process of meeting with senior municipal staff regarding the inventory of programs and services, municipal staff identified some programs and services that GSCA does not currently provide but would be welcomed. MOUs are required to be in place by December 31, 2023.

A Member asked if the MOU agreements can be revisited or amended should circumstances or needs change. The CAO replied that agreements are signed for a maximum of five (5) years and that wording would be included to allow for changes.

A Member asked what communication GSCA will have with the counties with regards to programs and services.

Staff have stayed in contact with both counties, however; these agreements would fall outside of the requirement as the counties do not contribute to the levy. Any agreements between the GSCA and counties would be fee for service based.

A Member asked if the inventory is a complex accounting process.

The CAO answered that it is unknown at the time, however; staff have taken steps to align the programs and services inventory with the budget format to provide clarity through the budget discussion process.

Motion No.: Moved By: Dwight Burley FA-22-064 Seconded By: Paul McKenzie

WHEREAS on October 4, 2021, the Province of Ontario released Ontario Regulation 687/21 – Transition Plans and Agreements for Programs and Services Under Section 21.1.2 of the Act, requiring that conservation authorities develop an Inventory of Programs and Services to guide discussions on cost-apportioning agreements,

AND WHEREAS on January 26, 2022, the GSCA Board of Directors approved GSCA's Inventory of Programs and Services for circulation,

THAT the GSCA Board of Directors receive Staff Report 001-2022, GSCA Inventory of Programs and Services as information.

AND THAT the GSCA Board of Directors provide staff with any relevant feedback or direction.

Carried

# iii. Water Management

Nothing at this time.

#### iv. Environmental Planning

Nothing at this time.

#### v. Operations

Nothing at this time.

#### vi. Conservation Lands

Nothing at this time.

#### vii. Forestry

Nothing at this time.

#### viii. Communications/Public Relations

Nothing at this time.

#### ix. Education

Nothing at this time.

#### x. GIS/IT

#### a. Regulation Mapping Update

The Manager of Information Services, Gloria Dangerfield, gave a brief update on Environmental Planning Regulation Mapping updates. These updates are provided to the Board on an annual basis for information purposes. The Board approved the process for the changes in 2017.

Staff will provide the updates to upper and lower tier municipalities for inclusion in their online mapping platforms. GSCA will also update its online mapping platform to include this information.

#### xi. DWSP

Nothing at this time.

#### 10. New Business

Nothing at this time.

#### 11. CAO's Report

The CAO, Tim Lanthier, updated the Board on the finalization of the NDMP project between GSCA, The Town of the Blue Mountains, and Grey County to undertake flood assessments. Greenland International Inc will be incorporating the LiDAR data into the project with an estimated final cost to GSCA of approximately \$9,000, to be drawn from reserves.

On June 25<sup>th</sup>, the CAO presented the Inglis Falls Management Plan to The Sustainability Project AGM at the Inglis Falls Arboretum Pavilion.

The CAO invited Members to attend the August 7<sup>th</sup> Hibou Family Fun Day. The event is being hosted by the Friends of Hibou and will be free for all attendees. There will be several exhibits,

including Sciensational Sssnakes (sic), a Monarch Butterfly display with Audrey Armstrong, the Junior Optimists Club, and many more. As well the Sydenham and District Optimist Club will be running a fundraising BBQ.

The CAO updated the Board on the progress of the Administration building designs. GSCA staff met with Lebel & Bouliane on June 23<sup>rd</sup> for an initial meeting and tour of the building. Additionally, the Board's Administration Building Ad Hoc Committee met virtually with Lebel & Bouliane on July 19<sup>th</sup> to review preliminary design concepts. The committee will be meeting again to discuss these initial designs in preparation for staff responding back to the architects.

On July 13<sup>th</sup>, the CAO attended the DSWP Region Management Committee meeting. Project Manager, Carl Seider provided a program status update, including new wells at Scott's Point and Chesley, Lake Rosalind WHPA-E, Lake Eugenia water quality, and Source Protection Committee appointments. It was noted that the MOU between GSCA, SVCA, and NBP will need to be updated and renewed. Staff are reviewing now.

The CAO gave a status update on the Planning Fee Review Consultation process. An online survey went live on July 11<sup>th</sup>. It was sent to all member municipal CAOs and planning staff, both Counties, and the neighbouring CAs. GSCA Planning staff are also sending the survey to planning consultants and developers. Once the consultation process has been completed, staff will bring a report forward to the Board. The CAO estimates this could be in September.

#### 12. Chair's Report

Chair Greig had nothing new to report at this time.

#### 13. Other Business

Nothing at this time.

#### 14. Resolution to Move into Closed Session

Motion No.: Moved By: Scott Mackey FA-22-065 Seconded By: Harley Greenfield

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors proceed into closed session at 3:28 pm to discuss matters related to the following:

- i. Minutes of the Closed Session of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held on June 22, 2022; and,
- ii. Minutes of the Confidential Closed Session of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held on October 27, 2021; and
- iii. To discuss a Human Resources item closed as it relates to personal matters about an identifiable individual including Authority directors or Authority employees (GSCA Administrative By-Law, Section 4(xvii)(b))

AND FURTHER THAT CAO, Tim Lanthier; Administrative Assistant, Valerie Coleman; and, Gloria Dangerfield, Manager of Information Services will be present.

Carried

| 15. | Resolution that the Board of Director's has Resumed Open Session |  |
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Motion No.: Moved By: Scott Mackey FA-22-066 Seconded By: Harley Greenfield

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors resume open session.

Carried

## 16. Resolution Approving the Closed Session Minutes

Motion No.: Moved By: Cathy Little FA-22-067 Seconded By: Dwight Burley

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the June 22, 2022, Closed Session minutes as presented in the closed session agenda.

Carried

### 17. Resolution Approving the Confidential Closed Session Minutes

Motion No.: Moved By: Harley Greenfield FA-22-068 Seconded By: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the October 27, 2021, Confidential Closed Session minutes as presented in the closed session agenda.

Carried

#### 18. Reporting out of Closed Session

Direction was provided by the Board of Directors to staff.

### 19. Next Full Authority Meeting

Wednesday August 24th, 2022

#### 20. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Motion No.: Moved By: Dwight Burley FA-22-069 Seconded By: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT this meeting now adjourn.

Carried

Scott Greig, Chair

Valerie Coleman Administrative Assistant

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# **Livestock Guardian Dog use in Ontario**

Predation is a significant cost and ongoing threat to sheep flocks in Ontario. Preventative measures are the first line of defense for producers. Livestock Guardian Dogs are one of the most effective preventative measures available because they are actively protecting the flock 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Livestock Guardian Dogs have been used in Ontario since the 1960's. Their use has increased in the past 40 years as the province's coyote population has increased and expanded throughout the entire province. Livestock Guardian Dog are now used by a great majority of sheep producers in Ontario to protect their flocks from predation by (primarily) coyotes, but also wolves, bears and other wildlife.

Livestock Guardian Dogs live with the sheep flock.

They provide protection to the flock by patrolling pastures, marking the perimeter of their territory. They also bark, run at, and try to intimidate any threats to the livestock they are protecting, which in this case is sheep.

Barking is one of the primary means by which livestock guardian dogs provide protection to the sheep flock. It is their way of communicating with other canines, and the guarding bark warns predators to avoid the area. Because dogs' sense of smell and hearing are many times more acute than that of humans, they often appear to be "barking" at nothing, when in fact, they hear, or smell something that humans are not able to.

Except perhaps for sheep flocks totally confined to barns with no access to outdoors, very few sheep flocks would survive predation attacks if it weren't for the effectiveness of livestock guardian dogs.

Ontario Sheep Farmers (OSF) considers the use of livestock guardian dogs to provide protection to livestock against predation as a normal farm practice.

The Farm and Food Production Protection Act (administered by Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs) defines normal farm practice as a farming practice which:

- is consistent with proper, acceptable customs and standards of similar operations; or
- uses innovative technology according to proper, advanced farm management practices.

The Farm and Food Production Protection Act was established to promote and protect agricultural uses and normal farm practices in agricultural areas, in a way that balances the needs of the agricultural community with provincial health, safety and environmental concerns.





On behalf of Ontario's 2700 sheep farmers, I am reaching out to begin a dialogue with your municipality on the increasing challenge livestock farmers face in dealing with problem predators, and the role that Livestock Guardian Dogs (LGD) and your municipal dog control bylaws play in helping our farmers protect their sheep.

Problem predators are an increasing challenge and cost for Ontario livestock farmers requiring considerable effort and resources on the part of farmers and the Ontario Sheep Farmers (OSF). The financial cost of predation not only costs farmers, in terms of preventative measures, such as fencing and LGD; it also costs Ontario taxpayers, with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) paying farmers over \$717,000 in the 2021 FY for losses of livestock caused by wildlife. This cost does not include the cost borne by municipalities and OMAFRA in sending investigators out to farms and administering the program. Nor does this cover the costs of veterinarians to help those maimed by predators to recover, the production losses of animals who are stressed from predation and the mental health toll predation takes on the farmer. Without being able to properly protect livestock from predation, taxpayers should expect to see an increased incidence of predation and increased costs.

Livestock guardian animals are one of the most common forms of predation prevention control used by Ontario sheep producers. These include Livestock Guardian Dogs (LGDs), donkeys, and llamas, with LGD being the most popular choice. However, there are instances when municipal by-laws hinder the efficient use of LGDs on farming operations as the by-laws are intended primarily for dogs kept for companionship, breeding, or non-working purposes. We have reviewed work done by several Ontario municipalities where LGDs have been specifically addressed when creating or revising existing by-laws. Below are some of the primary areas of concern and suggested options for consideration by your municipality.

# Add Definition of Livestock Guardian Dogs (LGDs) and Herding Dogs to by-laws We propose that:

"Livestock Guardian Dog" (LGD) be defined as a dog that works and/or lives with domestic farm animals (e.g. cattle, sheep, poultry) to protect them while repelling predators and is used exclusively for that purpose.

"Herding Dog" means a dog that has been trained and is actively being used in a bona fide farming operation for the purposes of controlling livestock on the farm.

There are different breeds of LGDs of which the most popular breeds in Ontario include Great Pyrenees, Akbash, Kuvasz, Maremma and Anatolian Shepherd and crosses between these breeds. Although not an exhaustive list, dogs generally used for herding include Border Collies, Australian Shepherds, Blue & Red Heelers and Huntaways.



#### **Dog Registration/Licensing Requirements**

Paying annual dog registration/license fees for numerous working farm dogs can become a significant cost for sheep producers. We would encourage municipalities to exempt LGDs and herding dogs from annual license fees as is done in many jurisdictions for assistance/service dogs and working police dogs. The definition of

#### Requirement for Dogs to Wear a Collar and Tag

LGDs' instincts are to guard and follow the flock, sleeping and working outdoors in all kinds of weather. Collars can become snagged on branches or fences and become a skin irritant in hot or wet weather. We suggest that municipal by-laws allow owners to remove the collar and license tag (if applicable) from a guardian or herding dog while the dog is being actively used in farming practices provided that the owner uses an alternative means of identification linking the animal to the name and address of the owner, e.g. either a tattoo or microchip containing the required information.

#### Requirements for Kennel Licensing and/or Limitation on Number of Dogs Kept

In some areas bylaw requires a person with more than three dogs at the same premises to secure a kennel license. Coyotes are very smart and will lure the dogs away while the remaining coyotes kill the sheep or lambs from behind or will attack the dogs directly. It is not uncommon for farmers to have more than two LGDs, especially when they are training younger dogs. This is especially true in areas where there is heavy predation. As well, larger sheep flocks in Ontario (several over 1500 animals), require numerous dogs to provide adequate protection especially where higher numbers of predators are present.

We would propose for your consideration that a person may keep more than three dogs at a premise without obtaining a kennel license provided:

- the person is keeping sheep (or other livestock) upon the same premises.
- the premises is on land that is zoned rural and agricultural.
- the person provides proof of producer registration issued in the name recorded by the Ontario Sheep Farmers, Beef Farmers of Ontario, Ontario Goat,
- the dogs are registered/licensed annually in accordance with relevant municipal by-laws (if required)
- and that the dogs are LGDs and or herding dogs.

#### **Running At Large**

A dog shall not be running at large if it is a LGD and is on their leased or owned property.

#### **Barking Restrictions**

LGD are exempt from barking restrictions if actively engaged in guarding livestock against predators. Under the Farming and Food Production Protection Act farmers are protected from nuisance complaints made by neighbours provided they are following normal farming practices. The use of LGD on sheep farms is a widely used practice in Ontario and other sheep producing jurisdictions.

#### Aggressive/ Dangerous Dog designation

LGD act aggressively and show aggression towards things they view as a threat to the livestock they are protecting. As such, an exemption, like that for police dogs should be considered.

OSF wishes to work cooperatively with you to ensure that municipal bylaws take into consideration the use of LGD when developing their bylaws. We would be pleased to communicate with the appropriate municipal officials to review with you Ontario sheep producers' needs and concerns in this area.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

John Hemsted,

Chair

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Looking for job opportunities in a vibrant, growing, rural community? Employment opportunities are abundant in the Saugeen Area and Saugeen Connects is here to help!

Our employers value skilled, dedicated employees who are keen to learn, and the Saugeen area welcomes newcomers through support in settlement services to help you and your family feel at home here. Please contact a Saugeen Connects member or directly with the employers listed on the Saugeen Connects website;

www.saugeenconnects.com



#### **EDITORS COMMENTS**

The Saugeen area remains steady during the first half of 2022. Most economic indicators broke through the yearover-year numbers. New vehicle sales, new build permits and average price of homes all continued to grow. Growth was also experienced through an increase in population for each of the 10 municipalities, suggesting a strong 2nd half of 2022 for the Saugeen Area

The Saugeen Économic Development Corporation continues to offer the Business Resurgence Program as a free service providing local businesses tailored advice, consulting and mentorship. The Business Resurgence Program offers 6 different options. The program will run until March 31, 2023. If you know a business that could benefit from this free service or you own a business and would like to take part in the program, please visit the SEDC website to fill out an application or call Andrea Rowntree. 519-799-5750 ext 301.

### COVID-19 INDICATORS





**Real Estate Sales** 

**New Motor Vehicle Sales** 

Lower Unit Sales, Higher Prices

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Values Spike

Social Assistance

Post-Pandemic Increase



Unemployment Return to Pre-Covid Numbers

**Population Growth** 

On The Rise



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# THE SAUGEEN **ECONOMY**

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Saugeen Economic Development Corporation in Partnership with the Regional **Advisory Committee** 

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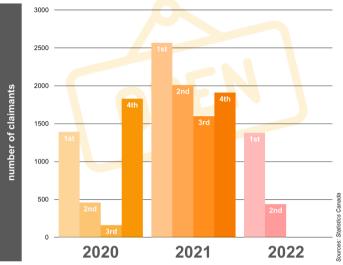


# Unemployment

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The average number of claimants comparable to pre-covid 2019/2020

At the end of June 2022, there were 440 claimants for unemployment insurance in the Saugeen catchment area down 1570 or 257% from June 2021. By comparison, there was a 487% decrease Ontario-wide.



# **New Motor Vehicle Sales** Saugeen

LOCAL SALES EDGE PROVINCE In the 1st half of 2022, local sales were reported at 2,488

units versus 2,403 units in 2021. This represents an increase of 85 units or 3.5% in 2022. By comparison, Ontario-wide sales saw a 19,447 unit or 6% decrease over the same time period.



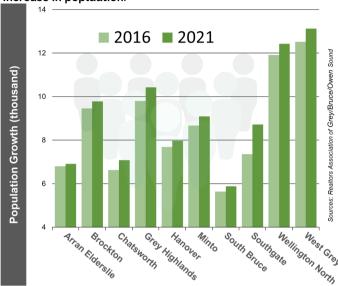


# **Population Growth**

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**Population Changes** 

The Saugeen catchment area had a slight increase in population over the 5 year period between 2016 & 2021. During that time, the area reported 91,410 residents or 5.7% increase in popluation.



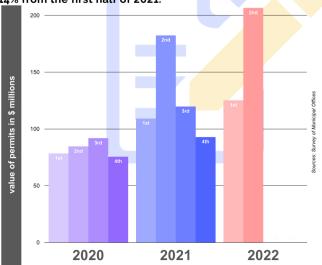
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# **Building Permits**

# Saugeen

#### **NUMBER OF PERMITS & VALUES ON THE RISE**

The value of building permits issued at the end of the first half of 2022 was reported at \$332 million, Up \$40 million or 14% from the first half of 2021.

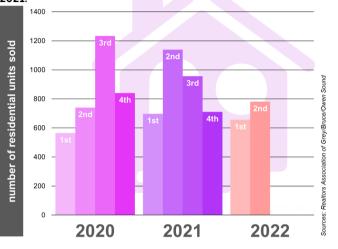




# Real Estate Sales6

# Grey/Bruce/Owen Sound

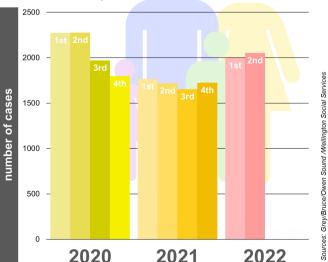
Average Price Higher Yet Again In the first half of 2022, the number of homes sold totalled 1.437 units, down 28% from the same period in 2021. The average price of homes sold during the 1st half of 2022 was \$734,964 up 16% from the same time period in 2021. The total value of Agricultural properties sold between Jan and Jun of 2022 is \$68 million, down 21% from the same period in 2021.





Grey/Bruce/Owen Sound/ Wellington County\* \*Not including the city of Guelph CASELOADS CLIMB

In the first half of 2022, the average caseloads were reported as 2053. This represents a caseload increase of 334 or 19% when compared to the 1st half of 2021.





August 19, 2022

#### For Immediate Release

#### **Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation Awards 2022 Scholarship**

The Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation awards an annual \$2000 scholarship to a graduating secondary school student entering a post-secondary program in an environmental or resource management related field. The scholarship is named in honour of Malcolm Kirk, who passed away in 2012. Mr. Kirk was instrumental in acquiring a substantial portion of the lands that Grey Sauble Conservation Authority owns and manages today.

This year, the recipient of the Malcolm Kirk Environmental Scholarship is Darryl Blair, a student from St. Mary's High School in Owen Sound who will be pursuing post-secondary education in Environmental Engineering at the University of Guelph.

In the recommendation letter for this scholarship, Darryl is described by a high school teacher as a diligent student and a very creative, conscientious, and resourceful person. He was also acknowledged for having a keen understanding of numerous scientific fields of study, including physics, chemistry, and biology.

Darryl's goals for the future include a career in the environmental field and increasing green spaces in urban areas. He currently has a specific interest in working with municipalities to implement cost-effective strategies that reduce the environmental impact of urbanization. Darryl credits growing up in Grey County as the source of his love and respect for the outdoors, which inspired him to pursue a career that would allow him to help protect and conserve our natural resources.

Each year through an application process, students can apply for this valuable scholarship, which is awarded to a graduating student in the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority watershed who plans to enroll in a post-secondary environmental program. The deadline for applications for next year's scholarship is May 31, 2023.

#### For more information:

Don Sankey, Chair Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation foundation@greysauble.on.ca

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September 1, 2022

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#### **Provincial Matters**

The Ontario Mental Health Secretariat is conducting a call for nominations for the Anti-Stigma Advisory Table to support the work of the Mental Health Collaborative Tables. Interested nominees are requested to complete an <u>informational survey</u> by September 9.

Applications are being accepted until September 16 for the <u>Federal Flood Hazard</u> <u>Identification and Mapping Program</u>. Up to 50% matched federal funding can be received for eligible flood mapping projects.

#### Eye on Events

AMO is continuing to provide training in asset management to municipal staff through the <u>Municipal Asset Management Program</u>, which is delivered by the Federation of Canada Municipalities and funded by the Government of Canada. Contact <a href="mailto:ccbf@amo.on.ca">ccbf@amo.on.ca</a> for more information.

As municipalities move from paper to electronic filing, authentication of files is a critical challenge. On <u>September 28 at 12 pm</u>, join AMO's partner, <u>Notarius</u>, and learn how ConsignO Cloud can reduce the signing time of documents and allow anyone to sign legally reliable documents electronically with a phone, a tablet, or a computer.

#### **ONE Investment**

ONE Investment brings back in person one-day training seminars. In Fall 2022, Investments 101 sessions will be held in Barrie, Kingston, London, and Milton. For registration or further details, please contact <a href="mailto:one@oneinvestment.ca">one@oneinvestment.ca</a>.

#### Municipal Wire\*

Registration is open for ORFA's <u>Fall Professional Development Program</u>, October 17-21. Take advantage of sessions on emerging issues, trends, and challenges, training courses, and a recreation industry focused tradeshow. Join ORFA in-person or connect virtually!

#### Careers

<u>Communications/Public Relations Officer - Municipality of South Bruce.</u> Works with the South Bruce Nuclear Exploration Project team. Email the cover letter and resume to: <u>rniesen@southbruce.ca</u> by September 9, 12:00 noon.

<u>Collections Clerk - Hastings County</u>. Maintains collection records adhering to policies and procedures for the monitoring and collection of outstanding accounts receivable. Closing Date: September 9, 4 pm.

<u>Manager Maintenance & Facilities - County of Simcoe.</u> Provides effective leadership and direction for all day to day operations related to all aspects of maintenance and facilities. <u>Apply online</u> by September 2.

<u>Director of Operations and Development - Town of Tillsonburg.</u> Responsible for the operation of the Department, and participates in the development of corporate policies and programs. <u>Apply online</u> by September 12.

<u>Director of Development Services - Township of South Frontenac.</u> Responsible for all strategy, services and policies related to planning, land use and development, Ontario Building Code enforcement, zoning compliance and economic development initiatives. <u>Apply online</u> by September 7.

<u>Director of Operations, Public Works - Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers.</u> Provides leadership and management of the Department and all related infrastructure. Apply to <u>awhalen@sables-spanish.ca</u> by September 29.

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### Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: September 12, 2022

Subject: SRW.22.26 2022 Road Sign Replacement Purchase

Report from: Scott McLeod, Public Works Manager

Appendices: None.

### **Recommendation**

Be It Resolved that Council hereby,

- 1. Award the road sign replacement project to Mechanical Advertising in the amount of \$16,082.77; and
- 2. That the funds for this project be drawn from capital ID #02-2529.

### Report Summary

The intent of this report is to receive approval of Council to proceed with the purchase of road signs requiring replacement throughout the Municipality.

### **Background**

In 2021, Public Works Staff performed a detailed analysis of the municipal road signs currently installed throughout the municipality. During this review, a large number of signs were found to be in non-compliance of the regulations for reflectivity and luminance. Staff developed a comprehensive list of the non-compliant signs and issued a Request for Quotation on August 18, 2022 to eight (8) sign suppliers. Quotations were received until September 6, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

### **Analysis**

Quotations were received from:

| Supplier               | Total inclusive of HST and shipping       | Timeline            |
|------------------------|---|---------------------|
| Cedar Signs            | \$25,224.23                               | 21 Days             |
| Mechanical Advertising | \$16,082.77                               | 15-20 Business Days |
| Maximum Signs          | \$22,392.36                               | 10-15 Business Days |
| Image Wraps            | \$38,349.40                               | 4-6 weeks           |
| BMR Mfg.               | \$18,863.87                               | 3-4 weeks           |
| Guelph Traffic Signs   | \$26,731.12 – No shipping,<br>Pickup only | TBD                 |

Staff recommend proceeding with the purchase of signs from Mechanical Advertising.

### Link to Strategic/Master Plan

6.1 Protecting Infrastructure, Recreation and Natural Assets

### Financial Impacts/Source of Funding/Link to Procurement Policy

The 2022 approved capital budget included \$25,400 to complete this project through capital ID #02-2529. The additional funds allocated to this account may be utilized to cover the cost of materials & post replacements deemed appropriate during the replacement process.



### Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: September 12, 2022

Subject: SRW.22.27 Award Tree Maintenance Contract

Report from: Scott McLeod, Public Works Manager

Appendices: None.

### **Recommendation**

Be It Resolved that Council hereby,

- Award the project to Beckett Tree Service; and
- 2. That the project be funded through the operating account ID #01-2513 Transportation Roadside as budgeted for in 2022.

### Report Summary

The intent of this report is to receive Council approval to proceed with a contract with a qualified arborist or tree specialist to remediate a number of dead or dying trees within the Municipality.

### **Background**

Throughout the Municipality, a number of trees, namely ash trees, are requiring attention to address their deteriorating condition. Municipal Staff have been performing on-going maintenance to the tree population but a number of the trees require the skills of a trained arborist or tree specialist as well as a bucket truck and chipper. Staff have been noting delays in securing someone to come and perform the work. In an effort to rectify the situation on a large scale, Staff issued a Request for Quotation (RFQ). The successful Contractor is required to provide a qualified arborist or tree specialist, bucket truck and chipper and the Municipality will provide Staff and equipment to support the cutting, falling and chipping of trees.

The project will guarantee the contractor with a minimum of two (2) weeks, 40 hours per week, of work, with the potential of up to five (5) weeks based on weather, pricing and budget limitations. Subject to Council approval, this project is anticipated to commence September 26, 2022.

### **Analysis**

Staff issued the Request for Quotation to eight (8) local tree companies. The following quotations were received by the deadline of September 6, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.:

| Contractor                     | Total Per Day                |
|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Transform Tree &<br>Shrub Care | \$1,800                      |
| Beckett Tree<br>Service        | \$1,200                      |
| Biemann Tree<br>Care           | N/A – Bucket Truck<br>Needed |

The lowest per day quote was \$1,200 per day which equates to approximately 16 days (\$19,200) to remain in line with budgeted funds. Staff believe this will provide sufficient time to complete the 2022 tree maintenance.

### <u>Link to Strategic/Master Plan</u>

6.1 Protecting Infrastructure, Recreation and Natural Assets

### Financial Impacts/Source of Funding/Link to Procurement Policy

The total operating budget for 2022, Department 01-2513 – Transportation – Roadside – Trees, was approved at \$109,374 which included tree related maintenance and equipment rental. Year-to-date expenses, as of September 6<sup>th</sup> are \$67,821, which provides a net surplus of \$41,553.

There are sufficient funds within this Department to facilitate the work identified within this report.



### Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: September 12, 2022

Subject: Chesley Firefighter Association Facility Request

Report from: Carly Steinhoff, Park, Facilities and Recreation Manager

Appendices: None.

### **Recommendation**

Be It Resolved that Council hereby,

- 1. Permit the Chesley Firefighter Association to utilize the Chesley Curling Club Floor or Chesley Arena Floor for the 2023 Annual Yard Sale;
- 2. Permit the Chesley Firefighter Association to utilize various areas of the Chesley Community Centre beginning in May 2023 to store Yard Sale items; and
- 3. That the Chesley Firefighter Association receives utilization of the facility at no cost.

### **Report Summary**

To follow up on a request from the Chesley Firefighter Association regarding utilization of the Chesley Community Centre for the 2023 Yard Sale.

### **Background**

On July 11, 2022, Council received a request from the Chesley Firefighter Association to utilize the Chesley Curling Club for the 2023 Annual Yard Sale. Various reasons for the request were cited including parking, safety, emergency access and growth. Council requested additional information regarding logistics.

#### **Analysis**

Staff met with members of the Chesley Firefighter Association following the Council meeting to discuss logistics of hosting the Yard Sale at the Community Centre. Staff have no issues with the event being hosted on either the Curling Club Floor or Arena Floor; however, the more favourable option is the Arena Floor because of its ease of entrance and proximity to washrooms. It was determined that to host the event at the Community Centre, facility staff would only require the same amount of involvement as previous years and the Association would complete setup, tear down and clean up as they normally would when the event was held at the Fire Hall.

Staff and the Association also discussed storing Yard Sale items beginning in May. It was determined that staff would work with Association members during the month of May to setup times that items could be dropped off. Delivery will only occur when staff are at the building. Storage will take place on one of the floors and the dressing rooms, if necessary. It is not anticipated that storing the items will affect any facility bookings prior to the Yard Sale. Association members indicated that if a booking were to occur, the Association would ensure that Yard Sale items are moved to an area that would not affect the booking. The Association also indicated that items are checked prior to storage so there is limited concern regarding the nature of what will be stored in the Community Centre.

### <u>Link to Strategic/Master Plan</u>

6.5 Engaging People and Partnerships

### Financial Impacts/Source of Funding/Link to Procurement Policy

The 2022 cost to rent the Chesley Curling Club Floor is \$521.98 plus HST and the arena floor cost is \$950.18 plus HST. It is anticipated that these fees will be increased in 2023. Should Council wish, staff can include these fees in the 2023 Operating Budget as part of the annual Council Donations.

It is recommended that the Chesley Firefighter Association reach out to their insurance company to determine a policy that is suitable for the location and storage change. The Association will be required the add the Municipality as additionally insured to the policy.



### Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: September 12, 2022

Subject: SRREC.22.12 Chesley Community Centre Zamboni Gate

Report from: Carly Steinhoff, Park, Facilities and Recreation Manager

Appendices: Peninsula Overhead Doors Quote

### <u>Recommendation</u>

Be It Resolved that Council hereby,

- Accept the quote from Peninsula Overhead Doors to replace the Zamboni Gate at the Chesley Community Centre, for the total invoiced amount of \$17,638.17 (includes HST).
- 2. Funds for this to be taken from the 2022 Capital Project ID # 3931 account in the amount of \$14,947.00 and the remaining funds and additional costs to be identified in the 2023 Capital Budget.

### **Report Summary**

To receive approval from Council to accept a quote for the replacement of the Zamboni Gate at the Chesley Community Centre.

### **Background**

The Zamboni gate in Chesley is a guillotine style door that is deteriorating and in need of replacement. This project was included within the 2021 Capital Budget and was carried forward as no quotes were received in 2021.

#### **Analysis**

The guillotine style door at the ice surface where the Zamboni enters and exits requires replacement. There are safety concerns with this door and it has been identified by staff as needing replacement. Staff have reached out to several companies, however only one (1) quote was received to complete this project.

Peninsula Overhead Doors provided a proposal to rebuild the frame mounting structure for the door. The proposal includes a new aluminum frame, counterbalance system and tracks. Not included within the proposal is replacement boards on the ice side. This will be a minimal cost that can be included within the 2023 Operating Budget.

### Link to Strategic/Master Plan

6.1 Protecting Infrastructure, Recreation and Natural Assets

### <u>Financial Impacts/Source of Funding/Link to Procurement Policy</u>

The quote received from Peninsula Overhead Doors is \$15,609.00, excluding applicable taxes. Within the 2022 Capital Budget, Project ID 3931 \$14,947.00 was allocated for this project. Due to timing of the upcoming ice season, Peninsula Overhead Doors will not complete this project until Spring 2023. Staff recommend accepting this quote with the inclusion of additional funds and costs to support this project be identified within the upcoming 2023 Capital Budget.



www.peninsulaoverheaddoors.com

1-800-934-2008

7182 Hwy #21 RR#2 Allenford, ON

### **Proposal**

| Date      | Estimate # |  |
|-----------|------------|--|
| 8/29/2022 | #446-3681  |  |

| Name / Address  | Customer Contact |
|---|------------------|
| Municipality of Arran Elderslie<br>1925 Bruce Rd. #10<br>P.O. Box 70<br>Chesley, Ontario<br>NOG 1L0 | Chesley Arena    |

| Customer Fax | Project | Terms            | Customer Phone |
|--------------|---------|------------------|----------------|
|              |         | Due Upon Receipt | 363-3039       |

| Description  | Qty | Rate      | Total                 |
|--|-----|-----------|-----------------------|
| Commercial service, 2 men & equipment to rebuild frame mounting structure at Zamboni door.  Material and labour  **New Aluminum Frame  **New Counter balance system  **New Tracks  **Municipality to provide replacement boards for ice side  HST on Sales | 1   | 15,609.00 | 15,609.00<br>2,029.17 |
|  | Sub | total     | \$15,609.00           |

| Please<br>sign to<br>accept<br>proposal |       |        | Total | \$17,638.17 |
|---|-------|--------|-------|-------------|
|   | Fax # | E-mail |       | Web Site    |

| Fax #        | E-mail           | Web Site                       |
|--------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| 519-934-2009 | pendoor@gbtel.ca | www.peninsulaoverheaddoors.com |

**Sales Tax Total** 

\$2,029.17

### THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ARRAN-ELDERSLIE

#### BY-LAW NO. 50-2022

### BEING A BY-LAW TO PERMANENTLY CLOSE A HIGHWAY (MARIA STREET UNOPENED ROAD ALLOWANCE) – PART 1, PLAN 3R-10644 (GEOGRAPHIC VILLAGE OF TARA)

WHEREAS Section 9 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, grants to municipalities the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act; and

WHEREAS Section 11(3)1. of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, authorizes lower tier municipalities to pass By-laws under the "Highways, including parking and traffic on highways" sphere of jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS Section 27(1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, allows a municipality to pass By-laws in respect of a highway only if it has jurisdiction over the highway; and

WHEREAS Section 34 (1) of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, C. 25, as amended, states that a By-law permanently closing a highway does not take effect until a certified copy of the By-law is registered in the property land registry office; and

Whereas the land described as Maria Street, Part 1, Plan 3R-10644, in the former Village of Tara, is a "highway" within the meaning of Section 26 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.15, as amended; and

Whereas the Highway has never been assumed by the municipality for public use, and the municipality wishes to close the Highway;

NOW THEREFORE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ARRAN-ELDERSLIE HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. THAT the Highway is hereby permanently closed.
- 2. THAT the Highway has been declared surplus through Resolution #127-10-2022.
- 3. THAT this By-law be registered in the Land Registry Office.
- 4. THAT this By-law shall come into force and take effect as of the final passing thereof.

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READ a FIRST and SECOND time this 12th day of September, 2022.

READ a THIRD time and finally passed this 12th day of September, 2022.

Steve Hammell, Mayor Christine Fraser-McDonald, Clerk

### THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ARRAN-ELDERSLIE

#### BY-LAW NO. 51-2022

# BEING A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ARRAN-ELDERSLIE HELD SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

WHEREAS by Section 5(1) of the Municipal Act 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, as amended, grants powers of a Municipal Corporation to be exercised by its Council; and

WHEREAS by Section 5(3) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, provides that powers of every Council are to be exercised by By-law unless specifically authorized to do otherwise; and

WHEREAS it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie for the period ending September 12, 2022, inclusive be confirmed and adopted by By-law.

NOW THEREFORE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ARRAN-ELDERSLIE HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The action of the Council of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie at its Regular Council meeting held September 12, 2022 in respect to each motion and resolution passed, reports received, and direction given by the Council at the said meetings are hereby adopted and confirmed.
- 2. The Mayor and the proper Officials of the Corporation are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action of the Council.
- 3. The Mayor and Clerk, or in the absence of either one of them, the Acting Head of the Municipality, are authorized and directed to execute all documents necessary in that behalf, and the Clerk is authorized and directed to affix the Seal of the Corporation to all such documents.

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READ a FIRST and SECOND time this 12th day of September, 2022.

READ a THIRD time and finally passed this 12th day of September, 2022.

| Steve Hammell, Mayor | Christine Fraser-McDonald, Clerk |
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