
2017 Warden's Forum
April 20, 2017, 4:00 p.m.

Cobble Beach Golf Resort
221 McLeese Drive, Kemble

Present: Warden Barfoot; Councillors Barb Clumpus, Harley Greenfield, Shirley Keaveney, Steven Bartley, Mike Poetker, Dwight Burley, Sue Carleton, Tom Wiley, Paul Sutherland, Paul McQueen, Stewart Halliday, Cathy Little, Terry Mokriy, Peggy Harris, Sue Paterson, Ed King, Hazel Pratt-Paige, Selwyn Hicks, Arlene Wright, Denyse Morrissey, Travis Dodd, Marion Keopke, Bob Pringle, Liz Thompson, Jim Frew, Barbara Dobreen, John Woodbury, Anna-Marie Fosbrooke, Christine Gordon, Norm Jack, Gail Ardiel, Bob Gamble, Michael Martin, Kevin Eccles, John Bell, Brian Camble, Rebecca Hergert

Staff

Present: Kim Wingrove, Randy Scherzer, Sharon Vokes, Kevin McNab, Pat Hoy, Anne Marie Shaw, Grant McLevy, Kevin Weppler, Barb Fedy, Mike Muir, Savanna Myers, Rob Hatten, Larry Adams, Glenn Walker, Dave Milliner, Liam Gott, Joanne Hyde, Jim Ellis, Ken Becking, Tim Nicolls Harrison, Brian Tocheri, Rob Adams, Rick Winters, Cassandra Rocca and Penny Colton – Recording Secretary

Others: Michael Barrett, Rob McLeese

Opening Remarks

Warden Barfoot welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending, and then provided a quick overview of the agenda for this evening.

Economic Development Update

Warden Barfoot introduced Grey County's Economic Development Manager Savanna Myers. Savanna provided an overview of the economic strategy for Grey County - Made

in Grey. Economic Development is a team effort throughout the County and various projects and accomplishments were reviewed.

Savanna also reviewed the upcoming Intelligent Community Forum tour with Louis Zacharilla. Grey County was identified as one of the Top7 Intelligent Communities of 2017. Savanna highlighted the areas throughout the county that provided input into the recognition.

The Bruce Power regional collaboration efforts were reviewed and Savanna advised of the impending positive impacts to general employment and trades. An inventory of land and buildings has been provided to Bruce Power along with local development contacts.

Grey County along with the nine municipalities are being well represented and the continued support from the local municipalities is essential.

Municipal Priorities and Pressures

Warden Barfoot introduced Michael Barrett, CEO South West Local Health Integrated Network (LHIN).

Mr. Barrett provided a background of the LHIN including the Patients First Journey and LHIN priorities.

The South West LHIN is one of 14 throughout the province, and one of the largest. The LHIN is responsible for the institutional side of health; mental health and addiction centres, hospitals, Community Care Access Centres (CCAC), community support services and long term care homes etc.

Consideration of facts when planning for Grey and Bruce include; percentage of the population that is Indigenous is the largest proportion which includes two First Nations, Mennonite/Amish populations, and transportation challenges. There are many provider partnerships in existence and the sub-region has a strong, well organized area provider table.

Mr. Barrett provided a history of the Patients First legislation, changes and what the impacts will be to Grey County.

Five goals:

- Effective integration of services and greater equity through sub-regions.
- Timely access to and better integration of primary care
- More consistent and accessible home and community care
- Stronger ties to population and public health
- Services that address the needs of indigenous people.

The South West LHIN has been divided into five sub-regions to better serve people and align with the CCAC's. This will also provide opportunities for partners to work more closely. The Ministry has asked for an 8% efficiency to the LHIN's budget, and these efficiencies will be turned back into front line patient care.

May 24th will begin the integration of the CCAC's with the LHIN's and will be completed by the end of June.

There will be 3 or 4 patient representatives participating on the advisory councils throughout the province. Mr. Barrett provided a background on the advisory council and advised information for representative application is available on the website.

Priorities of the SWLHIN include:

- Home and Community Care - one sector experience
- Enhanced residential assisted living supports for adults with complex needs

In regards to Long Term Care the South West LHIN is responsible to ensure the correct numbers of beds are in the right communities. Detailed analysis has been done for people over the age of 75 and the ratio of beds. This information can be found on the LHIN website.

Health Links – resource for patients with multiple complex conditions. They bring the partners to the patients. There has been great progress throughout the province.

Mr. Barrett also highlighted Markdale Hospital, Community Paramedicine projects, behavioural support units, peer support strategy, palliative care and indigenous cultural safety training.

Although there are boundaries among the LHIN's their goal is to have consistent care across all borders.

Barb Clumpus – Meaford is investigating having the Nurse Practitioners program supported by the LHIN's due to the difficulty in recruiting doctors. Michael is not aware of any new resources coming for Nurse Practitioners.

Stewart Halliday – Grey Highlands requested an update to LHIN's realignment of geographic boundaries to follow municipal boundaries Michael advised that there is nothing new to report on this yet, it is a decision to be made by the Minister. Suggested that delegations with ministers at upcoming conferences would be a good opportunity to request the realignment of boundaries.

Hazel Pratt Paige - Behavioural support units, are these units strictly for elderly or others? The Lee Manor unit is still in the planning process

Anna Marie Fosbrooke – Commented that the 211 service permits people to access a

wide range of information through one number. This service could provide an opportunity to collect database information and would be a great resource to the LHIN's.

Barb Fedy indicated that they are looking for positive one stop shopping for clients.

Meeting break 5:40 p.m. for dinner.

Reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

History and Update – Cobble Beach

Warden Barfoot introduced Rob McLeese, Cobble Beach. Mr. McLeese provided an interesting overview of the history and background of the Cobble Beach Golf Resort. The land was purchased in 1998, the course was designed in 2004 and play began in June 2007.

Questions:

Anna Marie Fosbrooke – welcomed an opportunity for CAO Kim Wingrove to provide an update on the County's Communications Strategy.

Kim Wingrove – provided the following update and advised the strategy was adopted six months ago. The strategy was meant to provide additional information into more people's hands and bring people together.

Some undertakings include moving to plain language and accessible reports, working on new communications projects, a summary of council initiatives are going out to the media following each meeting, also trying to move forward with the County's social media presence.

Staff continues to look at every opportunity to reach out to people, engage them in the County's work, and continue to evaluate what is working and build on it.

Staff has recently undergone training on new software, Envisio, in order to track strategic plan initiatives.

Kevin Eccles – any thought to making Cobble Beach Golf Resort a conference destination?

Rob McLeese – yes, but it requires a partner. Currently they have 20 rooms with a total of 41 beds.

Paul McQueen – How do we, as Grey County, promote that we are open for business?

Rob McLeese – thinks that the increase to the resorts social media budget has been a huge factor for Cobble Beach. Rob also indicated Improvement to transportation through the highway 10 corridor would be beneficial.

Warden Barfoot thanked everyone for their participating in the forum.

Meeting adjourned 7:30 p.m.