



The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

## Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 8, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

Bruce County Council Chambers - 30 Park Street, Walkerton, ON

**Council Present:** Chris Peabody, Mayor  
Dan Gieruszak, Deputy Mayor  
Dean Leifso, Councillor  
Steve Adams, Councillor  
Chris Oberle, Councillor  
James Lang, Councillor  
Kym Hutcheon, Councillor

**Staff Present:** Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer  
Fiona Hamilton, Clerk  
John Strader, Roads Supervisor  
Julie Farrell, Human Resources Generalist

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Peabody.

**1. Acceptance of Council Agenda**

**Resolution 19-01-01**

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Chris Oberle

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton accept the Agenda for the regular Council Meeting on January 8, 2019 as presented.

**Carried**

**2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

None disclosed at this time.

**3. Public Meetings Required Under the Planning Act**

**4. Delegations**

4.1 James Scognack, Executive Vice President, Corporate Affairs and Operational Services - Bruce Power Update

James Scognack, Bruce Power's Executive Vice President, Corporate Affairs and Operational Services introduced David Abbot, Bruce Power's new Director of Community and Indigenous Relations to Council and explained that Mr. Abbott would be playing a key role in Bruce Power's economic development. Mr. Scognack then summarized the five key areas in which Bruce Power provides value to the residents of the Municipality of Brockton, namely: 1) providing affordable electricity; 2) assisting in the phase-out of coal as a source of electricity; 3) creating jobs and economic growth throughout the region; 4) investing in a nuclear innovation institute to bring updated technology to current infrastructure and 5) producing medical isotopes used for treating brain cancers and sterilizing life-saving equipment.

Mr. Scognack confirmed to Council that Bruce Power's 13 billion investment in systemically refurbishing the reactor units to extend the life of the site was well under way, as Bruce Power was committed to completing the project on time and on budget. Otherwise, Mr. Scognack informed Council that in 2019 Bruce Power would be expanding the production of medical isotopes and focusing on information and sustainability.

Council was encouraged to hear that Bruce Power was committed to partnering with local businesses on these projects and continuing to support local community groups.

Council expressed their appreciation of Bruce Power's generosity and confirmed their willingness to attend a tour of the Bruce Power facility in the Spring.

**5. Minutes**

5.1 Council Minutes - December 17, 2018

**Resolution 19-01-02**

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton adopt the minutes of the December 17, 2018 Council Meeting as presented.

**Carried**

## 6. Business Arising From the Minutes

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, confirmed to Council that she would communicate with the County of Bruce about the Walkerton Courthouse Building in the future.

## 7. Reports

### 7.1 Chepstow Sidewalk Equipment Purchase

John Strader, Roads Supervisor, confirmed that the equipment had been purchased, arrangements had been made for proper storage of the equipment, and that interviews for operators were underway.

#### **Resolution 19-01-03**

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2019-01, Chepstow Sidewalk Equipment Purchase, prepared by Jamie Morgan, Director of Operations for information purposes.

**Carried**

### 7.2 Refrain from Using Engine Break Signage

Council directed John Strader, Roads Supervisor, to purchase three (3) of the signs described in Report Number PW2019-02, Refrain from Using Engine Break Signage, two (2) of which to be installed on Airport Road with the remaining sign to be installed on Concession 2, Brant Township.

#### **Resolution 19-01-04**

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2019-02, Refrain from Using Engine Break Signage and approves the purchase of increased signage on Airport Road and Marl Lake/ Lake Rosalind Road Area.

**Carried**

### 7.3 Ontario Good Roads Association Long Service Awards

Council indicated support for the recommendation that \$600.00 should be spent to allow an employee who had recently retired after forty-one years with the

organization to attend a long-standing service awards ceremony and noted that not many municipalities have such long-standing employees.

**Resolution 19-01-05**

Moved By: Dean Leifso

Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2019-03, Ontario Good Roads Association Long Service Awards, prepared by John Strader, Roads Superintendent and further approves the expenses to a maximum of \$600.00 for a recent retiree to attendance at the Ontario Good Roads Association Conference to receive Long Service Recognition

**Carried**

7.4 Building Permit Summary Report 2016 – 2018

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, responded to questions from Council and confirmed that the report was for information purposes only, as the number of building permits often varied greatly from year to year. Council noted that it would be helpful to receive the number of building permits issued in neighbouring municipalities for comparison purposes.

Action: Staff will bring forward a report comparing the number of building permits in the Municipality of Brockton to the number of buildings permits in the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, the Municipality of South Bruce and the Town of Hanover.

**Resolution 19-01-06**

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number BLDG2019-01- Building Permit Summary 2016-2018, prepared by Terry Tuck, Chief Building Official for information purposes.

**Carried**

## 7.5 Retail Sale of Cannabis in Brockton

Given the important and unique nature of the issue being decided, Mayor Peabody provided each Council with the opportunity to summarize their position. Council noted that the survey results indicated strong community support for allowing retail cannabis stores in the Municipality of Brockton, but also expressed concerns with the limited jurisdiction granted to local municipalities by the Province of Ontario with respect to land-use decisions regulating retail cannabis.

Council also noted discussions that had taken place with surrounding municipalities and the County of Bruce about the potential to develop a County-wide policy regarding locations where cannabis use would be prohibited. The intention of the policy would be to ensure consistency and assist in the enforcement of any such prohibition by the Grey Bruce Health unit.

Action: Staff will bring forward a report in the future with information relating to a potential county-wide policy prohibiting cannabis use in certain locations.

Council requested a Recorded Vote:

### **Resolution 19-01-07**

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CAO2019-01 – Retail Sale of Cannabis in Brockton, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and Fiona Hamilton, Clerk; and

Further that the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby directs staff to notify the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario that the Municipality of Brockton is willing to opt in to be a host Municipality for private retail cannabis stores; and

Further that the Council direct Staff to prepare a Municipal Cannabis Policy to establish criteria for the Municipality of Brockton's response to a potential Retail Store Authorization application for the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario.

Recorded Vote

<b>Member of Council</b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Nay</b>
Adams, Steve	1	
Gieruszak, Dan	1	
Hutcheon, Kym	1	
Lang, James	1	
Leifso, Dean	1	
Oberle, Chris	1	
Peabody, Chris	1	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7</b>	

**Carried**

**8. Public Notification**

Mayor Peabody noted the dates, times and locations of the Special Meetings that were scheduled for consideration of the 2019 Municipal Budget. Mayor Peabody also informed Council and members of the general public in attendance that the next Council Meeting would include a presentation about Bridge No. 11 (Concession 20, Greenock).

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer confirmed that the public meeting regarding Bridge 11 (Concession 20, Greenock) would include a presentation about the potential options for that bridge.

**9. Accounts**

9.1 Accounts - \$371,080.48

**Resolution 19-01-08**

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: James Lang

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton approve payment of the accounts in the amount of \$371,080.48.

**Carried**

**10. Correspondence Requiring Action**

## 11. Information

### **Resolution 19-01-09**

Moved By: Dean Leifso

Seconded By: James Lang

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives all items provided in Section 11. Information.

**Carried**

- 11.1 Notice of Public Meeting - Z-69-18.36 JDR Developments co Davidson
- 11.2 Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing - Housing Supply Action Plan
- 11.3 Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee Minutes - July 25, 2018
- 11.4 Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee Minutes - July 31, 2018
- 11.5 Physician Recruitment Retention Committee Meeting Minutes - September 26, 2018
- 11.6 Physician Recruitment Retention Committee Meeting Minutes - October 11, 2018
- 11.7 City of Hamilton Resolution - Maintaining the Voters List for Municipal Elections

## 12. By-Laws

### **Resolution 19-01-10**

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton authorize that the following by-laws be read, enacted, signed, sealed, and numbered as follows:

- By-Law 2018-052 - Lang Municipal Drain By-Law
- By-Law 2019-001 - Interim Tax Levy By-Law
- By-Law 2019-002 - Sale of Municipal Lands to 1535323 Ontario Ltd. By-Law
- By-Law 2019-003 - Sale of Municipal Lands to D.A.C. Checker Produce Ltd. By-Law

**Carried**

## 13. Committee Minutes

Deputy Mayor Gieruszak noted in the Brockton Child Care Committee Minutes that the Committee had discussed possible options to recover outstanding child care fees once the child was no longer attending the facility. Council then

discussed whether the outstanding fee could be added to an individual's property taxes, or considering a refundable deposit prior to accepting children.

Action: Alternatives including adding to taxes, recreation fees and collections were noted. The matter will be referred to the CFO to confer with the Child Care Supervisor. .

**Resolution 19-01-11**

Moved By: Chris Oberle

Seconded By: Dan Gieruszak

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton receive the minutes of the following committees and or boards as presented:

- Hanover-Walkerton Waste Management Committee Minutes - November 14, 2018
- Elmwood Community Centre Board Minutes - November 20, 2018
- Walkerton BIA Board Minutes - November 14, 2018
- Brockton Child Care Committee Minutes - September 11, 2018
- Brockton Child Care Committee Minutes - November 13, 2018

**Carried**

**14. New Business Brought Forward**

**14.1 Hanover/Walkerton Landfill Agreement**

Council requested an update on the Hanover/Walkerton Landfill Agreement and Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, confirmed that she would make arrangements to continue negotiations in the future. Councilor Adams and Mayor Peabody indicated their willingness to assist with the negotiations.

Action: Noted

**14.2 Strategic Plan**

Councilor Leifso encouraged staff to make provision for a new Strategic Plan in the proposed 2019 Budget, and commented that it would be helpful to consider a housing needs assessment in the future. Councilor Leifso also commented that Council may want to consider a two (2) or three (3) year budget cycle.

Action: Staff will review the requests prior to budget deliberations.

**14.3 Police Services Board**

Councilor discussed the fact that there were still two (2) vacant spots on the Police Services Board for provincial appointees and noted that this was a widespread problem that would need to be addressed by the Province of Ontario



in due course. Council also confirmed that the legislative regime did not permit a joint police services board.

Action: Noted

4. Sidewalk Snow Removal Equipment

Councilor Lang noted that he had received negative feedback from residents in that the equipment that was required to clear the snow from the sidewalks in Chepstow had not been purchased in accordance with the tender process. Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, noted that the tight timeline involved in purchasing and having the delivery delivered warranted a departure from the tender process. It was also noted that the Director of Operations did receive multiple quotes from different vendors prior to proceeding with the purchase.

Action: Noted

5. Mayor's Breakfast

Mayor Peabody informed Council that he would be hosting a breakfast on February 12, 2019 at the Best Western from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. with the intentions of speaking with community leaders. Mayor Peabody also noted the recent news articles about the standard of care at Brucelea Haven, a long-term care facility located in Walkerton, and informed Council he would provide regular updates.

Action: Noted

15. **Closed Session**

**Resolution 19-01-12**

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Chris Oberle

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton enter into Closed Session at 8:00 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- Security of the property of the municipality or local board
- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees **Staffing Matters**
- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board
- 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 may hold a closed meeting under another
- Information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them
- A trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board, which, if disclosed could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization
- A trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial information that belongs to the municipality or local board and has monetary value or potential monetary value
- A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiation carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board
- The meeting is held for the purpose of educating or training the members and at the meeting, no member discusses or otherwise deals with any matter in a way that materially advances the business or decision-making of the council, local board.

**Carried**

**Resolution 19-01-13**

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Chris Oberle

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton accepts with regret the resignation of Jamie Morgan as Director of Operations and further approves the direction provided to staff in the Closed Session.

**Carried**

**16. Confirmation of Proceedings**

**Resolution 19-01-14**

Moved By: Chris Oberle

Seconded By: Dan Gieruszak

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton authorize that the following by-law be read, enacted, signed, sealed, and numbered as follows:

- By-Law 2019-004 - January 8, 2019 Confirmatory By-Law

**Carried**

**17. Adjournment**

**Resolution** 19-01-15

Moved By: Dean Leifso

Seconded By: James Lang

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton does now adjourn at 8:38 p.m. to meet again on January 22, 2019.

**Carried**

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Mayor - Chris Peabody

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Clerk– Fiona Hamilton