The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

Special Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 30, 2019, 4:00 p.m.
Walkerton Fire Hall
510 Napier Street East, Walkerton, Ontario

Council Present: Chris Peabody, Mayor
Dan Gieruszak, Deputy Mayor
Kym Hutcheon, Councillor
James Lang, Councillor

Council Absent: Steve Adams, Councillor
Dean Leifso, Councillor
Chris Oberle, Councillor

Staff Present: Fiona Hamilton, Clerk
Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer
Julie Farrell, Human Resources Generalist
Mike Murphy, Acting Director of Recreation
Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations

1. Acceptance of Special Council Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Mayor Chris Peabody

Resolution 19-16-01
Moved By: Kym Hutcheon
Seconded By: Dan Gieruszak

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton accept the Agenda for the Special Council Meeting on July 30, 2019 as presented.

Carried

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

3. Closed Session

Council debated whether the agenda should be amended or whether the notice pertaining to Special Meetings precluded adding items at the last minute. Council decided to accept the agenda as presented to ensure transparency for the public.

Resolution 19-16-02
Moved By: James Lang
Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton enter into Closed Session at 4:05 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees - Staffing Update
- 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 - Regulatory Plan Carried

Resolution 19-16-03
Moved By: James Lang
Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon
That Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby accepts with regret the resignation of Lindsey Watson as Tax Collector/Deputy Treasurer and further approves the direction provided to staff in the Closed Session. Carried

4. Delegations

4.1 Ryan Litwinow - Senior Manager, Industrial and Major Project, EPCOR Utilities Inc.

Mayor Peabody introduced Ryan Litwinow, Project Manager, Industrial and Major Projects with EPCOR Utilities Inc. and Andres Zumbado, P. Eng, Project Manager, Project Development Commercial Services with EPCOR Utilities Inc. and noted that they were available to answer any questions about the Model Franchise Agreement or the Southern Bruce Natural Gas Project.

Mr. Litwinow and Zumbado confirmed that EPCOR had made a request to the Ontario Energy Board to allow residents within 500 metres of the pipeline to be constructed the ability to hook up and receive natural gas service. Enbridge Gas challenged that request in EPCOR's Leave to Construct Application and the request was denied by the Ontario Energy Board. EPCOR could consider a business case for providing natural gas to Brockton in the future, but that may require additional studies and application and would not occur any time prior to 2021.

Mr. Litwinow and Zumbado responded to questions from Council about when natural gas service could be connected to other parts of Brockton, and explained that EPCOR was committed to reviewing the business projections and regulatory scheme related to the provision of natural gas throughout Brockton, including the smaller hamlets. However, it was noted that depending on the length of pipeline needed, an additional Environmental Assessment may be required. The representatives from EPCOR confirmed that the company was committed to exploring any potential avenues to expedite the process, but that construction could take up to seven years to complete.

Council inquired about how to better help with communication. EPCOR was receptive to this suggestion, and agreed that sending a letter to residents along the pipeline, particularly those that would not be able to connect at this time, would assist with improving communication.

Action: Staff to follow-up with Mr. Litnow regarding sending a letter to residents along the pipeline. Fiona Hamilton will provide addresses for residents along the route.
5. Consideration of Business for Which Notice Was Given

5.1 EPCOR Natural Gas Leave to Construction Application – Ontario Energy Board Decision

Resolution 19-16-04
Moved By: Kym Hutcheon
Seconded By: Dan Gieruszak

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CLK2019-19 – EPCOR Natural Gas Leave to Construct Application – Ontario Energy Board Decision, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Clerk for information purposes and approves bringing forward the By-law to authorize the Model Franchise Agreement for third and final reading.

Carried

5.2 Arena Road Replacement and Optimist Park Project Tender

Council voiced concerns about the Optimist Club's fundraising capability. Staff explained that there is an agreement with the Optimist Club, and that they will be fully funding the equipment, Fiona Hamilton, Clerk explained that staff were recommending that the road reconstruction proceed regardless of whether the equipment fundraising occurs.

Council inquired about the accessible equipment. Brian Folmer, Walkerton and District Optimist Club member, explained that the entire project is accessible, including accessible matting, and accessible parking spaces.

Resolution 19-16-05
Moved By: James Lang
Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2019-16 - Arena Road Replacement and Optimist Park Project Tender, prepared by Mike Murphy, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation and in doing so accepts the tender submission of The Murray Group Limited in the total amount of $213,717.57 and further approves a By-law coming forward entering into an agreement with The Murray Group Limited.

Carried

5.3 Brockton Playground Surfacing Replacement - Accept Request-For-Proposals

Resolution 19-16-06
Moved By: James Lang
Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2019-17 - Brockton Playground Surfacing Replacement - Accept Request-For-Proposals, prepared by Mike Murphy, Interim Director of Parks and Recreation, and in doing so accepts the tender of ABC Recreation Ltd. in the amount of $97,874.94 plus H.S.T. and further approves a By-Law coming forward.

Carried
6. **By-Laws**

**Resolution 19-16-07**
Moved By: Dan Gieruszak  
Seconded By: James Lang

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

- By-Law 2018-074 - EPCOR Natural Gas Franchise Agreement

_Carried_

**Resolution 19-16-08**
Moved By: Dan Gieruszak  
Seconded By: James Lang

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 2019-084 - Optimist Park Playground Resurfacing Tender Acceptance By-Law
- By-Law 2019-085 - Walkerton Community Centre and Optimist Park Roadway Site Work Tender Acceptance By-Law

_Carried_

**Resolution 19-16-09**
Moved By: Dan Gieruszak  
Seconded By: James Lang

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 2019-086 - Appoint Lisa Gibson as Animal Control and By-Law Enforcement Officer By-Law

_Carried_

7. **Confirmation of Proceedings**

**Resolution 19-16-10**
Moved By: Kym Hutcheon  
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 2019-087 - July 30, 2019 Confirmatory By-Law

_Carried_
8. **Adjournment**

**Resolution 19-16-11**  
Moved By: Kym Hutcheon  
Seconded By: Dan Gieruszak

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton does now adjourn at 4:40 p.m. to meet again on August 13, 2019.

**Carried**

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Mayor - Chris Peabody

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Clerk – Fiona Hamilton