



The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

## Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 11, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

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

**Council Present:** Chris Peabody, Mayor  
Dan Gieruszak, Deputy Mayor  
Steve Adams, Councillor  
Tim Elphick - Councillor  
Kym Hutcheon, Councillor  
James Lang, Councillor

**Council Absent** Dean Leifso, Councillor

**Staff Present:** Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer  
Fiona Hamilton, Clerk  
Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer  
Sharon Bross, Brockton Child Care Centre Supervisor  
Mike Murphy, Fire Chief  
Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations

### 1. Acceptance of Council Agenda

Mayor Peabody called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion: 20-06-01

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton accept the Agenda for the regular Council Meeting on February 11, 2020 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

### 5. Minutes

5.1 Special Council Minutes – January 21, 2020

5.2 Council Minutes – January 21, 2020

Motion: 20-06-02

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Dan Gieruszak

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton adopt the minutes of the Special Council Meeting on January 21, 2020 and Regular Council Meeting on January 21, 2020 as presented.

**Carried**

**6. Business Arising From the Minutes**

**6.1 Ministry of Transportation - Draft Transportation Plan for Southwestern Ontario**

Mayor Peabody provided an update to Council about the County of Bruce's response to the Ministry of Transportation, prompted in part by discussions about how the service provided by the Saugeen Mobility Regional Transit may change based on the Ministry of Transportation's Plan for Southwestern Ontario.

**6.2 Resolution - Smoking at Hinks Street and Fischer Dairy Road in Walkerton**

Councillor Adams provided context, background and his justification for bringing the motion.

Motion: 20-06-03

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton does hereby agree to reconsider and amend resolution 19-19-20 carried on September 10, 2019 directing staff to rely only on the provisions of the Smoke Free Ontario Act, 2017 to prohibit smoking cannabis or tobacco in the Municipality of Brockton only to the extent that such resolution applied to the intersection of Fischer Dairy Road and Hinks Street in Walkerton.

**Carried**

Motion: 20-06-04

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Dan Gieruszek

Whereas the Walkerton District Community School (WDCS) is located in the former Town of Walkerton in the Municipality of Brockton, Ontario;

And whereas the easterly boundary of the school is directly across from both a seniors residential community and newly constructed homes for many young families,

And whereas the Municipality of Brockton Council supports the principles of the smoking related restrictions spelled out in the *Smoke-Free Ontario Act, 2017*,

And whereas the prohibition against smoking within twenty (20) meters from school boundaries has resulted in negative unintended consequences at the intersection of Hinks Street and Fischer Dairy Road in the former Town of Walkerton where students smokers have been forced from a safe, hidden away location on the edge of the school property;

And whereas, since students have been forced off school property, neighbouring residents routinely find student smokers loitering on their lawns, along the municipal right of way and the roadway;

And whereas the affected property owners routinely have to clean up cigarette butts, left behind trash and graffiti,

And whereas the affected property owners have had numerous run-ins with the student smokers,

And whereas some residents feel uncomfortable even walking by the makeshift student smoking area such that their security is compromised,

And whereas, with winter road conditions, snowplowing efforts, general car and truck travel have routinely made for both student safety and vehicle operations safety risk,

And whereas neither the Bluewater School Board, the Walkerton District Community School or the Grey-Bruce Health Unit have been able to come up with a suitable solution to the on-going problem loitering and safety concerns,

And whereas the Municipality of Brockton needs to take any and all action to keep residents safe,

Be it resolved that the Municipality of Brockton investigate implementing a local bylaw which will provide immediate relief for the affected residents.

**Carried**

## **7. Reports**

### **7.1 Brockton Child Care Centre Family Locations**

Council discussed the number of families using the centre and whether the Brockton Child Care Centre Committee should be consulted about the use of the centre by families that do not reside or work in Brockton, or whether adding an additional surcharge may exacerbate the numbers of families on the waiting list.

**Action: Council directed staff to consult the Brockton Child Care Centre Committee about potentially charging a surcharge for families using the Centre and not residing in Brockton.**

Motion: 20-06-05

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number BCCC2020-01 – Brockton Child Care Centre Family Locations, prepared by Sharon Bross, Brockton Child Care Centre Supervisor for information purposes.

**Carried**

### **7.2 Firefighter Recruitment Update**

Motion: 20-06-06

Moved By: Tim Elphick

Seconded By: Dan Gieruszak

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number FIRE2020-01 - Firefighter Recruitment Update, prepared by Mike Murphy, Fire Chief, for information purposes.

**Carried**

### **7.3 OFSAA A Girls' Volleyball Donation Request**

Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer, provided information about the use of the tables and chairs that was not included in the report.

Motion: 20-06-07

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number FIN2020-02 – Donation Request, prepared by Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer and in doing so approves the following donation:

- \$450.00 to OFSAA A Girls' Volleyball;
- use of the tables (\$170.00) and chairs (\$68.00);
- Waiver of the staff delivery fee for the tables and chairs (\$50.00)

**Carried**

**7.4 South Grey Bruce Youth Literacy Council Donation Request**

Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer, responded to questions from Council and confirmed that she had not reviewed the financial statements of user numbers from South Grey Bruce Youth Literacy.

Motion: 20-06-08

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number FIN2020-03 – South Grey Bruce Youth Literacy Council Donation Request, prepared by Trish Serratore, and in doing so approves the following donation:

- \$300.00 to the South Grey Bruce Youth Literacy Council

**Carried**

**7.5 January Water and Wastewater Maintenance Report**

Motion: 20-06-09

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number UT2020-02 - January Water and Wastewater Maintenance Report, prepared by Gregg Furtney, Director of Operations, for information purposes.

**Carried**

**7.6 Resident Request for Easement and to Dig in the Municipal Right of Way – Egypt Side Rd, Greenock**

Motion: 20-06-10

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2020-01 - Resident Request for an Easement and to Dig in the Municipal Right of Way – Egypt Side Road, Greenock, prepared by Gregg Furtney, Director of Operations and further grants approval for the Municipality of Brockton to enter into a legal Easement Agreement with the resident; and further grants the contractor permission to dig within the Municipal Right of Way to allow for a residential Hydro One hookup.

**Carried**

**7.7 Amended 2018-2022 Council Committee Appointment By-Law**

Council discussed some of the proposed changes to the Committees that each member of Council would be sitting on.

Motion: 20-06-11  
Moved By: Kym Hutcheon  
Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CLK2020-05 – Amended 2018-2022 Council Committee Appointment By-Law, prepared by Sarah Johnson, Junior Deputy Clerk and in doing so approves a By-Law coming forward to adopt the amended 2018-2022 Council Committee Appointments.

**Carried**

**7.8 Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Engagement Survey**

Motion: 20-06-12  
Moved By: Kym Hutcheon  
Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CLK2020-04 – Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Engagement Survey, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Clerk for information purposes.

**Carried**

**8. Public Notification**

8.1 Special Council Meeting (2020 Municipal Budget) - Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Bruce County Council Chambers

8.2 Human Trafficking Community Awareness Session - Thursday, February 20, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Walkerton Clean Water Centre

**9. Accounts**

9.1 Accounts - \$338,163.94

Motion: 20-06-13  
Moved By: James Lang  
Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton approve payment of the accounts in the amount of \$338,163.94.

**Carried**

**10. Correspondence Requiring Action**

**11. Information**

Motion: 20-06-14  
Moved By: Tim Elphick  
Seconded By: Dan Gieruszk

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

**Carried**

11.1 Bruce County Museum and Cultural Centre - Archives Awareness Week  
Municipal Leaders Tour

11.2 Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs - Proposal to Streamline Drainage Act Approval Processes

- 11.3 Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services - Poverty Reduction Strategy Survey
- 11.4 Town of Orangeville Resolution - Environmental Awareness and Action
- 11.5 Town of Collingwood Resolution - Conservation Authorities
- 11.6 Township of Madoc Resolution - Support Amherstburg on Joint and Several Liability Consultation
- 11.7 Village of Merrickville-Wolford Resolution - Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation
- 11.8 Rainy River District Municipal Association Resolution - Railway Right-of-Ways Property Taxation Revenue
- 11.9 City of Sarnia Resolution - OPG Deep Geological Repository Project
- 11.10 Municipality of South Bruce - NWMO Site Selection Process Update
- 11.11 Township of South Frontenac Resolution - Support Warwick on Safety on Family Farms
- 11.12 Township of South Frontenac Resolution - Conservation Authorities
- 11.13 Municipality of Strathroy-Caradoc Resolution - Watershed Management Programs
- 11.14 Municipality of West Grey Resolution - Support Southgate on Amalgamating Transit Services with Grey and Bruce Counties

## **12. By-Laws**

Motion: 20-06-15

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

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

- By-Law 2018-082 - Russell Municipal Drain By-Law

**Carried**

Motion: 20-06-16

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

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 2020-013 - Wai Ching Wong Agreement By-Law
- By-Law 2020-015 - Amend 2018-2022 Council Committee Appointments By-Law
- By-Law 2020-016 - Appoint Committee of Adjustment By-Law

**Carried**

### **13. Committee Minutes**

Motion: 20-06-17

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

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

- Brockton Heritage Committee Minutes - December 2, 2019
- Brockton Environmental Advisory Committee Minutes - December 3, 2019
- Walkerton/Hanover Waste Management Committee Minutes - December 6, 2019
- Cargill and District Community Fund Minutes - December 10, 2019

**Carried**

### **14. New Business Brought Forward**

#### **14.1 AMO Resolution on Transition to Full Producer Responsibility**

Motion: 20-06-18

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

Whereas the amount of single-use plastics leaking into our lakes, rivers, waterways is a growing area of public concern;

Whereas reducing the waste we generate and reincorporating valuable resources from our waste stream into new goods can reduce GHG's significantly;

Whereas the transition to full producer responsibility for packaging, paper and paper products is a critical to reducing waste, improving recycling and driving better economic and environmental outcomes;

Whereas the move to a circular economy is a global movement, and that the transition of Blue Box programs would go a long way toward this outcome;

Whereas the Municipality of Brockton is supportive of a timely, seamless and successful transition of Blue Box programs to full financial and operational responsibility by producers of packaging, paper and paper products;

And Whereas the Association of Municipalities of Ontario has requested municipal governments with Blue Box programs to provide an indication of the best date to transition our Blue Box program to full producer responsibility;

Therefore Be It Resolved:

That the Municipality of Brockton transition its Blue Box program to full producer responsibility by December 31, 2025.

And That this decision is based on the following rationale:

1. That the Municipality of Brockton is a small rural Municipality that is a cooperative member/shareholder (includes 7 lower tier municipalities within Bruce County) of an existing non-profit recycling/environmental organization known as Bruce Area Recycling.
2. The Municipality of Brockton is under a Service Agreement with Bruce Area Recycling for the collection, sorting, and recycling of many existing Blue and Grey Box materials.

3. A Member of Municipal Council is on the Board of Directors for Bruce Area Recycling, and
4. The future operations of Bruce Area Recycling is now uncertain given the discussion surrounding Full Producer Responsibility

And Further That any questions regarding this resolution can be directed to the Municipality of Brockton's Director of Operations;

And Further That the resolution be forwarded to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

**Carried**

#### 14.2 Resolution - Municipal Office Location Cost Comparison

Council discussed the merits of dedicating staff resources to providing a cost estimate given that it would not be a detailed assessment of a thorough plan which may become outdated quickly.

Motion: 20-06-19

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: James Lang

Whereas the Municipality of Brockton municipal office is currently located in a facility that has been rented from the Canada Post Corporation since 1994;

And Whereas municipal staff have identified safety and other challenges with the current facility and have recommended renovations to address these challenges;

Now Therefore Be it Resolved:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton directs staff to research and bring forward a report comparing the costs of the current municipal office location with the potential cost of building a new municipal office facility to be located in the East Ridge Business Park.

**Defeated**

#### 14.3. Human Trafficking Community Awareness Seminar

Councillor Adams informed Council that very limited spots were available to attend the Human Trafficking Community Awareness Seminar on February 20, 2020 in Walkerton.

#### 14.4. LEAR Study

Mayor Peabody informed Council that the County of Bruce was completing a LEAR study about what types of developments should be permitted or encouraged in Brockton and throughout the County of Bruce.

### 15. Closed Session

Motion: 20-06-20

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton enter into Closed Session at 7:34 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

- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board - **Developer Request, East Ridge Business Park Offer**
- 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 - **Utility Legal Recommendation**
- A matter in respect of which a council, board, committee or other body may hold a closed meeting under another Act. 2001, c.25, s.239 (2)
- 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 - **Subdivision Agreement Negotiation**
- 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 or committee.

**Carried**

Motion: 20-06-21

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton approves the direction provided to staff in Closed Session.

**Carried**

## **16. Confirmation of Proceedings**

Motion: 20-06-22

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

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 2020-017 - February 11, 2020 Confirmatory By-Law

**Carried**

**17. Adjournment**

Motion: 20-06-23

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton does now adjourn at 8:27 p.m. to meet again on February 18, 2020.

**Carried**

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Mayor - Chris Peabody

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Clerk – Fiona Hamilton