



The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

## Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 26, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

Electronic Meeting

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

**Staff Present:** Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer  
Fiona Hamilton, Clerk  
Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer  
Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services  
Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations

### 1. Acceptance of Council Agenda

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

**Resolution 20-13-01**

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton accept the Agenda for the regular Council Meeting on May 26, 2020 as presented.

**Carried**

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

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

### 4. Delegations

### 5. Minutes

#### 5.1 Council Minutes - May 12, 2020

**Resolution 20-13-02**

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton adopt the minutes of the May 12, 2020 Council Meeting as presented.

**Carried**

### 6. Business Arising From the Minutes

### 7. Reports

7.1 COVID-19 Municipal Response – May 26, 2020 Update

Council supported the Recovery Subcommittee described in the report. Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, responded to questions from Council about reopening the daycare and whether any alternate locations would be required.

Council thanked staff for their efforts in responding to the Covid-19 pandemic.

**Resolution 20-13-03**

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CLK2020-17 – COVID-19 Municipal Response – May 26, 2020 Update, prepared by Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk and Fiona Hamilton, Clerk for information purposes and further confirms and ratifies all operational decisions, procedures, and cancellations put in place by staff, and the Municipal Emergency Control Group in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Carried**

7.2 Parks and Recreation Departmental Activities January-April 2020

**Resolution 20-13-04**

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2020-04 – Parks and Recreation Department Activities January-April 2020, prepared by Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services for information purposes.

**Carried**

7.3 Proposed Virtual Canada Day

Council discussed the funds required for the Virtual Canada Day and whether the funds should be drawn out from a reserve fund. Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services responded to questions from Council about the granting parameters. Council decided to amend the motion and use funds from the Canada Day Deferred Revenue Account.

**Resolution 20-13-05**

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: James Lang

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby amend the resolution to direct that the expenses associated with Virtual Canada Day Celebration be funded from the Canada Day Deferred Revenue Account.

**Carried**

**Resolution 20-13-06**

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2020-03 – COVID-19 Proposed Virtual Canada Day Celebrations, prepared by Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services and in doing so endorses the Canada Day Committee and Recreation Staff proceeding with preparations of a Virtual Canada Day Celebration in Brockton for 2020.

**Carried**

#### 7.4 Arena Ice Plant Condenser Replacement

Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services, responded to questions from Council and confirmed that the price offered by the proposed sole source supplier was competitive within the marketplace for similar products and that the product was likely to last approximately twenty (20) years with the appropriate maintenance schedule. Mr. Coleman also confirmed that the condenser could possibly be repurposed to another facility, but it would depend on the overall operating system of any such facility.

**Resolution 20-13-07**

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report REC2020-05 - Arena Ice Plant Condenser Replacement prepared by Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services and in doing so requests and exemption to the Purchasing and Procurement Policy as per section 13.1 to accept the quote from Black and McDonald as a single source procurement for the purchase and installation of a new VC1-110 Evaporative Condenser in the amount of \$67,800.00 plus H.S.T.

**Carried**

#### 7.5 Lobies Bridge Rehabilitation Project Tender

**Resolution 20-13-08**

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number PW2020-14 – Lobies Bridge Rehabilitation Project Tender, prepared by Gregg Furtney, Director of Operations and in doing so awards the tender to McLean Taylor Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$258,392.70 plus H.S.T.

**Carried**

#### 7.6 Notice of Commencement – MCEA for Saugeen Riverbank Erosion Study

**Resolution 20-13-09**

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2020-15 – Notice of Commencement – MCEA for Saugeen Riverbank Erosion Study, prepared by Gregg Furtney, Director of Operations, for information purposes.

**Carried**

#### 7.7 2019 Tax Arrears

Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer, responded to questions from Council about the rate of tax arrears in the Municipality of Brockton. Council requested more information about the number of households having difficulty paying taxes and how the overall tax arrears compared to communities of a similar size.

**Action: Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer, will bring forward more information about the number of households with tax arrears and how the rate of tax arrears compared to communities of a similar size.**

**Resolution 20-13-10**

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number FIN2020-20 - 2019 Tax Arrears, prepared by Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer for information purposes.

**Carried**

7.8 Tile Drain Loan Application – Concession 7 Brant

**Resolution 20-13-11**

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CLK2020-18 – Tile Drain Loan Application – Concession 7 Brant, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk and in doing so accepts the Tile Drain Loan Application, and further approves a By-Law coming forward to accept the application and issue debentures for the loan.

**Carried**

7.9 June 2020 Council Meeting Rescheduling

Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, responded to questions from Council about the proposed meeting dates and the matters that would likely be brought forward for Council's consideration.

**Resolution 20-13-12**

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approve Report Number CLK2020-16 – June 2020 Council Meeting Rescheduling, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and in doing so approve that the June 2020 Council Meeting dates be rescheduled to June 9, 2020 and June 23, 2020.

**Carried**

7.10 Walker West Estates Inc. Subdivision Agreement

Council expressed support for the Subdivision Agreement and praised all the parties involved in working together to reach an agreement.

**Resolution 20-13-13**

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CAO2020-07 - Walker West Estates Inc. Subdivision Agreement, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer for information purposes and further approves a by-law coming forward to authorize signing the subdivision agreement with Walker West Estates Inc.

**Carried**

**8. Public Notification**

8.1 Notice of Impending Lane Closures - Lobies Bridge Repair

8.2 Bruce County - Notice of Bruce Road 3 Construction

**9. Accounts**

9.1 Accounts - \$271,599.59

**Resolution 20-13-14**

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton approve payment of the accounts in the amount of \$271,599.59.

**Carried**

**10. Correspondence Requiring Action**

**11. Information**

11.1 Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit - 2020 First Quarter Operational Report

11.2 Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit Board Minutes - April 7, 2020

11.3 Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Special Minutes - April 2, 2020

11.4 Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Minutes - April 2, 2020

11.5 Municipality of Callander Resolution - Support for Conservation Authorities

11.6 Town of Fort Erie Resolution - Support Armour on High Speed Internet Connectivity in Rural Ontario

11.7 City of Kitchener Resolution - Universal Basic Income

**Resolution 20-13-15**

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

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

**Carried**

**12. By-Laws**

**Resolution 20-13-16**

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 2020-064 - Walker West Estates Inc. Subdivision Agreement By-Law
- By-Law 2020-065 - Carl Frook Tile Drain Loan By-Law

**Carried**

**13. Committee Minutes**

**Resolution 20-13-17**

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

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 - April 15, 2020

**Carried**

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

##### **1. Saugeen River Access**

Councillor Lang noted that he had received a number of comments from residents about the County of Bruce closure of the Saugeen River Access points, noting that many individuals were choosing unsafe or unauthorized access points. Mayor Peabody provided additional information to Council and read the proposed motion for Council's consideration. Council discussed the proposed motion and confirmed whether the Grey Bruce Health Unit had made any relevant recommendations. Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, confirmed why the County of Bruce had closed the trails and informed Council that the County of Bruce Municipal Emergency Control Group would be considering the river access points later in the week.

##### **2. Lake Rosalind Road 5**

Councillor Adams noted the condition of the pavement on Lake Rosalind Road 5 and expressed his preference to plan for that road to be repaved in the upcoming years.

##### **3. Small Business Town Hall**

Mayor Peabody noted that he had received a number of inquiries from businesses that would likely not be permitted to reopen until phase 3, which he passed along to the MPP's involved in the Small Business Town Hall. Mayor Peabody encouraged Council to continue thinking about measures that could be taken to support those businesses. Council noted that a similar event could be organized with a focus on the agricultural community.

##### **Resolution 20-13-18**

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

Whereas the County of Bruce has established and maintained a series of well-known access points for the general public to use the Saugeen River for recreational activities;

And whereas the County of Bruce closed these access points at the beginning of May in response to the Covid-19 pandemic;

And whereas the closure of these access points has resulted in some recreational users using more dangerous access points or trespassing on adjacent properties to access the Saugeen River;

And whereas the Province of Ontario has started to ease restrictions to allow recreational activities that can allow for appropriate physical distancing;

Be it resolved that the Council of the Municipality of Brockton directs staff to write to the Chief Administrative Officer and formally request that the County of Bruce reopen all access points to the Saugeen River that are maintained or owned by the County of Bruce no later than Friday, May 29, 2020.

**Carried**

#### **15. Closed Session**

#### **16. Confirmation of Proceedings**

**Resolution 20-13-19**

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

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 2020-066 - May 26, 2020 Confirmatory By-Law

**Carried**

**17. Adjournment**

**Resolution 20-13-20**

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton does now adjourn at 7:38 p.m. to meet again on June 9, 2020.

**Carried**

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Mayor - Chris Peabody

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Clerk – Fiona Hamilton