



The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 9, 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
Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk

1. Acceptance of Council Agenda

Resolution 20-14-01

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 June 9, 2020 as presented.

Carried

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

3. Closed Session

Resolution 20-14-02

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton enter into Closed Session at 7:02 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 -**Parking Fee**
- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board - **East Ridge Business Park Offer**
- 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 Advice**
- 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
- 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

Resolution 20-14-03

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

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

Carried

Resolution 20-14-04

Moved By: Tim Elphick

Seconded By: Dan Gieruszak

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby authorizes the letter of support for EPCOR's application to the Ontario Energy Board be prepared by the Chief Administrative Officer; and further by way of this support letter Council approves an exemption of pipe taxes for up to 10 years.

Carried

Resolution 20-14-05

Moved By: Steve Adams

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 2020-070 - Seawaves Development Services Inc. Agreement of Purchase and Sale By-Law
- By-Law 2020-071 - MB Civil Design Group Inc. Agreement of Purchase and Sale By-Law

Carried

4. Public Meetings Required Under the Planning Act

5. Delegations

6. Minutes

6.1 Council Minutes - May 26, 2020

Resolution 20-14-06

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton adopt the minutes of the May 26, 2020 Council Meeting as presented.

Carried

7. Business Arising From the Minutes

8. Reports

8.1 May 2020 Water and Waste Water Maintenance Report

Resolution 20-14-07

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number UT2020-08 - May 2020 Water and Wastewater Maintenance Report, prepared by Gregg Furtney, Director of Operations, for information purposes.

Carried

8.2 Grey Bruce Pride Flag Raising Request

Fiona Hamilton, Clerk, will bring forward the Flag Raising Policy to be amended at a future meeting to authorize the Grey Bruce Pride Flag being flown for a one (1) week period in the month of June 2020 on an annual basis.

Resolution 20-14-08

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CLK2020-19 – Grey Bruce Pride Flag Raising Request, prepared by Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk and in doing so approves flying the Pride Flag on the Community Flag Pole for a one (1) week period in the month of June 2020.

Carrie

8.3 Tax Arrears Update

Resolution 20-14-09

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number FIN2020-21 - Tax Arrears Update, prepared by Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer for information purposes.

Carried

8.4 Downtown Temporary Parkette

Council commended staff on bringing forward measures to assist downtown businesses and stimulate financial recovery.

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services, responded to questions from Council about the time periods when the park and washrooms would be accessible to individuals and the cleaning schedule for the portable washrooms.

Resolution 20-14-10

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CAO2020-08 – Downtown Temporary Parkette, prepared by Sonya Watson, CAO and Mark Coleman, Director of Operations and in so doing authorizes staff proceeding with a temporary opening of the vacant lot at 312 Durham Street until October 31st, 2020.

Carried

8.5 Pandemic Policies

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, responded to questions from Council about the level of discretion related to requiring staff to produce medical information to respond to other pandemic situations.

Resolution 20-14-11

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CAO2020-09 - Pandemic Policy, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and by doing so approves a By-Law coming forward to amend the Pandemic Absence from Work Policy, Pandemic Sick Leave Short-Term Disability Policy and the Pandemic Self-Screening Tool and further that Council approves a By-Law coming forward to adopt the Pandemic Meetings with Customers/Contractors/Consultants Policy as presented.

Carried

8.6 COVID-19 Municipal Response – June 9, 2020 Update

Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services, responded to questions from Council about the location of the portable washroom facilities.

Resolution 20-14-12

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CLK2020-20 – COVID-19 Municipal Response – June 9, 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

8.7 COVID-19 Summer Day Camp

Council discussed whether the decision to cancel the summer day camps could be delayed until the next meeting given the announcements from the Provincial government about reopening measures. Council weighed the safety and logistical challenges against the need to provide support for families and businesses. Council debated the merits of proceeding with additional measures in place and the need to prioritize safety.

Resolution 20-14-13

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dan Gieruszak

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton defer the decision to consider whether to cancel summer days camps until a special meeting to be held on June 16, 2020.

Carried

Resolution 20-14-14

Moved By: Dean Leifso

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2020-06 – COVID-19 Summer Day Camp, prepared by Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services and in doing so approves the cancellation of the Summer Day Camp for 2020 due to the uncertainty of re-opening dates for facilities, challenges satisfying the health and safety guidelines and negative budget impacts.

Tabled

8.8 Municipal Modernization Grant Project Scope

Council discussed the project and the potential to use a Committee-of-Council to review the use of facilities rather than using an external consultant for that purpose. Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, confirmed the funding details and the initial application that was approved by Council.

Council defeated the motion as presented, and Fiona Hamilton, Clerk, requested additional direction from Council as the Application had been approved and the funding received. Council decided to reconsider the portion of the motion authorizing a Planning and Development Review. Council also requested that staff consider other potential uses for the funds, noting a preference for a smaller scope and tangible deliverables to directly benefit residents.

Resolution 20-14-14

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CAO2020-10 - Municipal Modernization Grant Project Scope, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, Fiona Hamilton Clerk and Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services and in doing so approves the proposed Project Scope for the Facilities Review and the Development and Planning Review.

Defeated

Resolution 20-14-15

Moved By: Steve Adams
Seconded By: Dan Gieruszak

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton reconsider the portion of motion 20-14-14 relating to the acceptance of Report Number CAO2020-10 - Municipal Modernization Grant Project Scope Outline, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services and the approval of the Project Scope for the Development and Planning Review.

Carried

Resolution 20-14-16

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak
Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CAO2020-10 - Municipal Modernization Grant Project Scope, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, Fiona Hamilton Clerk and Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services and in doing so reconsiders and approves the proposed Project Scope for the Development and Planning Review with the addition of improved customer service and lower costs for the Municipality of Brockton.

Carried

8.9 Addendum to REC2020-06 COVID-19 Summer Day Camp

This item was removed from the Agenda to be considered at the Special Council Meeting called for June 16th, 2020 prior to the motion being read, moved or seconded.

Resolution

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2020-07 – Addendum to REC2020-06 COVID-19 Summer Day Camp, prepared by Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services and in doing so receives as information and provides further direction to staff regarding the Splash Pad, _____, and Lobie’s Park Campground_____

Deferred

9. Public Notification

- 9.1 Notice of Impending Lane Closures - Lobies Bridge Repair
- 9.2 Bruce County - Notice of Bruce Road 3 Construction
- 9.3 Brockton Canada Day Community Video

10. Accounts

- 10.1 Accounts - \$216,018.44

Resolution 20-14-17

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak
Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton approve payment of the accounts in the amount of \$216,018.44.

Carried=

11. Correspondence Requiring Action

11.1 Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Annual Conference

Council directed staff to request a delegation with the Minister of Energy to support natural gas projects in the Municipality of Brockton.

12. Information

Council discussed the recycling model of the Bruce Area Solid Waste Recycling and what changes may occur in the future.

Resolution 20-14-18

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives all items provided in Section 12. Information.

Carried

12.1 Bruce Area Solid Waste Recycling - 2019 Financial Statements

12.2 Grey Bruce Health Unit - Media Release COVID-19 and Anti-Racism Rallies

12.3 Northumberland County Resolution - Provincially Significant Wetlands Designation

12.4 Town of Puslinch Resolution - Support for Conservation Authorities

12.5 Town of Puslinch Resolution - Provincial Review of Farm Property Class Tax Rate Programme

13. By-Laws

Resolution 20-14-19

Moved By: Steve Adams

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 2020-067 - Adopt Pandemic Meetings with Customers/Contractors/Consultants Policy By-Law
- By-Law 2020-068 - Amend Pandemic Policies By-Law
- By-Law 2020-069 - Ballantyne (SMURK Inc.) Site Plan Agreement By-Law

Carried

14. Committee Minutes

Resolution 20-14-20

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

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

- Elmwood Community Centre Board Minutes - November 5, 2019
- Elmwood Community Centre Board Minutes - March 3, 2020
- Brockton Heritage Committee Minutes - March 2, 2020

15. New Business Brought Forward

1. Committee Meetings

Councillor Lang noted that some Committees-of-Council had not met in some time and could benefit from a meeting. Fiona Hamilton, Clerk confirmed the direction from the Municipal Emergency Control Group and advised that any requested meetings could be arranged using the Zoom video conferencing platform.

Action: Fiona Hamilton, Clerk would arrange for meetings of Committees-of-Council when requested.

2. Community Break-ins

Councillor Lang noted that the number of break-ins and thefts had continued to increase and would need to be discussed at the next Police Services Board meeting.

Noted.

3. Durham Street Facade

Councillor Adams expressed satisfaction at the number of young entrepreneurs increasing the visible appeal of the streetscape along Durham Street in Walkerton.

Noted.

4. Downtown Patios

Councillor Elphick noted that the revised provincial reopening guidelines allowed for outside patios and inquired whether staff had considered ways to assist the downtown businesses in this regard.

Action: Staff will bring forward a report about supporting downtown businesses in expanding patios at a future Council meeting.

15.1 Notice of Motion -Report to Council on Summer Day Camp

Councillor Elphick requested that items 15.1 and 15.2 be discussed alongside the consideration of the Summer Day Camp Program at the Special Meeting and that the dates of the motions be amended accordingly.

Resolution

Moved By: Tim Elphick

Seconded By: James Lang

Whereas the Ministry of Health in the Province of Ontario has released COVID-19 guidelines for Summer Day Camps;

And Whereas the guideline purpose statement reads: In order to support phased reopening of Ontario businesses, services and public spaces during the post-peak of the COVID-19 pandemic, certain summer day camps are permitted to operate during the months of July and August 2020;

And Whereas the Municipality of Brockton, in accordance with Provincial and Public Health guidelines, promotes the safe reopening of local businesses, services and public spaces;

And Whereas the Municipality of Brockton operates Summer Day Camp programming;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Municipal staff are directed to conduct an analysis of the COVID-19 Summer Day Camp guidelines and provide a report to Council by June 16, 2020 on the feasibility of delivering Summer Day Camp programming;

And Further Be It Resolved that such report shall include the Municipality's ability to ensure the health and safety of participants, staffing considerations, and preliminary programming options should the Summer Day Camp in 2020 be authorized to proceed by Council;

And Further Be It Resolved that such report also contain recommendations to Council on childcare programming alternatives to support families throughout a phased reopening of businesses in July and August 2020 should Council direct that traditionally Summer Day Camp programming not proceed.

15.2 Notice of Motion - Authorization to Proceed with Summer Day Camps in July and August 2020

Resolution

Moved By: Tim Elphick

Seconded By: James Lang

Whereas the Ministry of Health in the Province of Ontario has released COVID-19 guidelines for Summer Day Camps;

And Whereas the guideline purpose statement reads: In order to support phased reopening of Ontario businesses, services and public spaces during the post-peak of the COVID-19 pandemic, certain summer day camps are permitted to operate during the months of July and August 2020;

And Whereas the Municipality of Brockton, in accordance with Provincial and Public Health guidelines, promotes the safe reopening of local businesses, services and public spaces;

And Whereas the Municipality of Brockton operates Summer Day Camp programming;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that Municipal staff be directed to operate Summer Day Camp programming in accordance with Provincial and Public Health Guidelines in July and August 2020 in the Municipality of Brockton.

15.3 Notice of Motion - Zero Tolerance Against Racism and Condemn all Racism Acts of Violence

Resolution

Whereas on May 27, 2020 a horrific and racially motivated act of violence took place in Toronto, Ontario that led to the death of a 29 year old woman, Regis Korchinski-Paquet;

And Whereas on May 25, 2020 a horrific and racially motivated act of violence took place in Minneapolis, Minnesota that led to the death of a 46 year old man, George Floyd;

And Whereas further incidents of racially motivated acts of violence have taken place both locally and abroad;

And Whereas the Ontario Human Rights Code recognizes that every person has the right to be free from racial discrimination, including anti-black racism.

And Whereas the *Ontario Anti-Racism Act, 2017*, S.O. 2017, c. 15 advocates for strategies and initiatives that eliminate systemic racism, including initiatives to

identify and remove systemic barriers that contribute to inequitable racial outcomes, and initiatives to advance racial equity.

And Whereas we must join together as a community, province, and nation to condemn this type of hatred and racism;

Therefore Be It Resolved that Council for the Municipality of Brockton supports zero tolerance for racism of any kind, including nazi'ism and white supremacy;

And Further That the Council for the Municipality of Brockton encourages all Ontario Municipalities to pass a resolution to support zero tolerance against racism and condemn all racism acts of violence;

And Further That a copy of this resolution be sent to the City of Toronto, the City of Minneapolis, MPP Lisa Thompson and MPP Bill Walker, Premier of Ontario Doug Ford, the Ministry of the Solicitor General, the Ministry of the Attorney General, and the Ministry of Indigenous Affairs, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

15.4 Notice of Motion - Advocacy for Regionalized Lifting of Restrictions

Resolution

Whereas on April 27, 2020, the Ontario government released A Framework for Reopening our Province, outlining the criteria Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health and health experts will use to advise the government on the loosening of emergency measures, as well as guiding principles for the safe, gradual reopening of businesses, services and public spaces;

And Whereas the Framework also provides details of an outreach strategy, led by the Ontario Jobs and Recovery Committee, to help inform the restart of the provincial economy;

And Whereas the City of Kingston and KFL&A Public Health have developed a COVID-19 Lifting Restrictions Action Plan which provides an overview of emerging strategies for lifting restrictions imposed as part of public health emergency response measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19;

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Council for the Municipality of Brockton encourages the Province of Ontario to develop a regionalized approach to lifting restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic;

And Further That the Council for the Municipality of Brockton advocates for a Regionalized approach to reopening following the deterioration of the COVID-19 pandemic;

And Further That a copy of this resolution be sent to the County of Frontenac, the City of Kingston, KFL&A Public Health, the Grey Bruce Health Unit, MPP Lisa Thompson and MPP Bill Walker, Premier of Ontario Doug Ford, and the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

16. Confirmation of Proceedings

Resolution 20-14-21

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 2020-072 - June 9, 2020 Confirmatory By-Law

Carried

17. Adjournment

Resolution 20-14-22

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton does now adjourn at 9:58 p.m. to meet again on June 16, 2020.

Carried

Mayor - Chris Peabody

Clerk – Fiona Hamilton