

The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 23, 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
- Council Absent Dean Leifso, Councillor
- Staff Present:Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer
Fiona Hamilton, Clerk
Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer
Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations
Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk
Paulette Peirol, Community Development Coordinator
Sharon Bross, Brockton Child Care Centre Supervisor

1. Acceptance of Council Agenda

Resolution 20-16-01 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 23, 2020 as presented.

Carried

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

3. Public Meetings Required Under the Planning Act

4. Closed Session

Resolution 20-16-02 Moved By: Dan Gieruszak Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton enter into Closed Session at 7:04 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 **Neighbour Dispute**

- 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 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 20-16-03 Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Steve Adams

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

Carried

5. Delegations

5.1 Greg Nancekivell, Dietrich Engineering Ltd - Koelen Municipal Drain Engineer's Report

Greg Nancekivell, Dietrich Engineering Ltd., summarized the report related to the Koelen Municipal Drain. Mr. Nancekivell provided a description of the properties involved and the procedural steps that had occurred to date. It was noted that the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority has reviewed the report with no concerns, but a permit would be required to alter the watercourse. Dietrich Engineering Ltd. has already applied for the applicable permit.

Mr. Nancekivell then described the relevant allowances for each property, including the amount attributable to the Municipality of Brockton.

5.2 Harry Koelen - Koelen Municipal Drain

Mayor Peabody invited Mr. Koelen to speak and Mr. Koelen noted that he had no questions and was satisfied with the engineering report.

6. Minutes

Resolution 20-16-04 Moved By: Dan Gieruszak Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton adopt the minutes of the June 9, 2020 Council Meeting and June 16, 2020 Special Council Meeting as presented.

Carried

7. Business Arising From the Minutes

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

Council discussed the intent of the motion, but questioned how it would be implemented in the Municipality of Brockton. Fiona Hamilton, Clerk, clarified that the motion directed staff, the community and council to adopt the principle of preventing racism and acts of racial violence in all decision-making within the Municipality of Brockton. Council discussed the need to implement concrete measures to combat racism in the Municipality.

Resolution 20-16-05

Moved By: Steve Adams Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

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 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.

Carried

7.2 Motion - Advocacy for Regionalized Lifting of Restrictions

Council discussed the current number of positive cases of Covid-19 and the need to respect the recommendations made by the Grey Bruce Health Unit and the need for a proactive plan.

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, responded to questions from Council and confirmed the attendees of the Municipal Emergency Control Group meetings and the topics discussed at those meetings.

Resolution 20-16-06 Moved By: Steve Adams Seconded By: Tim Elphick

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.

Carried

8. Reports

8.1 Koelen Municipal Drain Engineer's Report

Resolution 20-16-07 Moved By: Dan Gieruszak Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number DRAIN2020-02 – Koelen Municipal Drain Engineer's Report, prepared by Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk and Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and in doing so approves a By-Law coming forward provisionally adopting the Koelen Municipal Drain.

Carried

8.2 Riversdale Bridge Correspondence

Mr. Furtney was asked to summarize his report, and it was noted that the purpose of the report was to ensure that Council was made aware of all correspondence directed to Council of the Municipality of Brockton relating to the closure of the Riversdale Bridge. Mr. Furtney explained that concerned residents had asked for the engineering firm to consider whether the bridge could be reopened with a load restriction in place, and that the engineering firm confirmed that the Riversdale Bridge should remain closed and that a load restriction would not be appropriate at this time due to the concerns with the structural integrity of the bridge. Mr. Furtney responded to questions from Council and summarized the Environmental Impact Assessment process and the increased catchment area for any future communications to be sent to residents.

Resolution 20-16-08 Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2020-17 - Riversdale Bridge Correspondence, prepared by Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations for information purposes.

Carried

8.3 McGivern Street Rehabilitation Tender

Mr. Furtney was asked to provide a summary of the report and reasons why the project was tendered much higher than originally estimated. Council discussed the previous projects of the engineering and construction companies and confirmed whether a public meeting would be held prior to the construction beginning.

Resolution 20-16-09 Moved By: Steve Adams Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number PW2020-16 - McGivern Street Rehabilitation Tender, prepared by Gregg Furtney, Director of Operations, and in doing so awards the tender to Kurtis Smith Excavating in the amount of \$1,308,000.00 (excluding H.S.T.); and in doing so authorizes and approves the following funding allocation:

- Roads: \$190,388 from OCIF funding and \$462,146 from Roads Reserve Fund
- Sanitary: \$93,404 from Utilities Reserve Fund
- Water: \$164,231 from Utilities Reserve Fund

Carried

8.4 Brockton Child Care Centre Reopening

Council thanked staff for their efforts in organizing the reopening. Sharon Bross, Brockton Child Care Centre Supervisor provided a summary of the reopening plan, including the size and number of the permitted cohort groups, as well as the number of children enrolled in the school age program.

Resolution 20-16-10 Moved By: Dan Gieruszak Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number BCCC2020-05 Brockton Child Care Centre Reopening, prepared by Sharon Bross, Brockton Child Care Centre Supervisor for information purposes and confirms and ratifies the decisions made by staff with respect to the Brockton Child Care Centre reopening.

Carried

8.5 Walkerton Industrial Park Sign RFP

Council discussed the details of the particular designs that were proposed, as well as the need for an LED sign in this location. Council also discussed whether the project should proceed this year given the financial difficulties being faced by the Municipality of Brockton, noting that it was located in a highly visible location and was beginning to look worn.

Paulette Peirol, Community Development Coordinator, described the background and intention of the Request for Proposals that was circulated, noting that the goal was to allow for creativity on the part of the vendors.

Resolution 20-16-11 Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number ED2020-07 - Walkerton Industrial Park Sign RFP, prepared by Paulette Peirol, Community Development Coordinator and in so doing accepts the proposal of Cox Signs Ltd. to replace the Walkerton Industrial Park Sign with a new illuminated sign at a cost of \$15,398, with optional skirting added for \$345.

Carried

8.6 Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Inc. 2020 Donation Request

Council discussed whether to continue funding the organization given that neighbouring municipalities were no longer doing so. The contributions of the organization as a tool for the local police service was noted as an important consideration. Council discussed whether the organization would continue to serve the entire catchment area regardless of whether the municipality funded it. Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer, clarified the funds remaining in the donation budget and noted that a number of other organizations had made requests that were being deferred until later in the year when the financial situation could be reviewed. Ms. Serratore recommended using the Brockton Police Services Board Reserve Fund. It was recommended that the Police Services Board include an amount for the donation every year in the proposed budget for Council's consideration.

Resolution 20-16-12 Moved By: Steve Adams Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number FIN2020-23 – Crime Stoppers of Grey Bruce Inc. 2020 Donation Request, prepared by Trish Serratore Chief Financial Officer and Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk and in doing so provides the following direction to staff regarding the donation request: \$2,000.00 to be funded from the Brockton Police Services Board budget.

Carried

8.7 Amended Pandemic Incoming Document Handling Policy

Council discussed the potential of providing paper to Council members as a cost savings measure, as well the need to ensure that all members of Council had access to the information required to make decisions. Council also discussed printing for Committee members and tabled the motion to allow staff an opportunity to complete some research on potential options.

Resolution 20-16-13 Moved By: Dan Gieruszak Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CLK2020-21 – Amended Pandemic Incoming Document Handling Policy, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and in doing so authorizes a By-Law coming forward adopting the amended Pandemic Incoming Document Handling Policy.

Carried

Resolution 20-16-14

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves that Council or Committee/Local Board agenda items will only be printed for Council and/or Committee/Local Board members on request during the remainder of the COVID-19 pandemic and that following the completion of the pandemic no documentation will be printed for any Council or Committee/Local Board member except for requests required for accessibility and the budget documents.

Tabled

8.8 Walker West Estates Inc. Subdivision Agreement Amendment

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, summarized the proposal outlined in the report and confirmed the type of fencing to be installed to Council.

Resolution 20-16-15 Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CAO2020-11 – Walker West Estates Inc. Subdivision Agreement Amendment, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and in so doing approves the amendments to the Subdivision Agreement for Walker West Estates Inc. as outlined and authorizes the amending by-law coming forward.

Carried

8.9 Sidewalk Patio Application and Requirements

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, responded to questions from Council and confirmed that all fees would be waived for Sidewalk Patio Applications for 2020.

Resolution 20-16-16 Moved By: Steve Adams Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CAO2020-12 – Sidewalk Patio Application and Requirements, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, Gregg Furtney Director of Operations and Cally Mann, Municipal Executive Coordinator and in doing so approves bringing a By-Law forward to adopt the Sidewalk Patio Requirements and Application Process as outlined and further approves the inclusion of a \$100 yearly Sidewalk Patio Fee in the Consolidated Fees By-Law; and further that any municipal fees for sidewalk patios in Brockton be waived for 2020 to support business recovery efforts.

Carried

8.10 Alterations to Former Walkerton Baptist Church

Fiona Hamilton, Clerk summarized the overall regime and the options outlined in the report.

Council discussed the options relating to the building and the importance of Brockton's heritage and the need to be balanced with the continued use of the building. Council discussed reviewing the currently designated properties and working with the owners to better understand the designated heritage property so that they would understand the requirements.

Resolution 20-16-17 Moved By: Dan Gieruszak Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CLK2020-22 - Alterations to Former Walkerton Baptist Church, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and further approves moving forward with option 2(b) relating to the proposed alteration to the building and option approved relating to the proposed parking plan and directs staff as follows in relation to the grant application: \$5,000.00

Carried

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 Bruce County Bruce Road 4 Construction
- 9.4 Brockton Virtual Canada Day Celebration

10. Accounts

10.1 Accounts - \$386,950.69

Resolution 20-16-18 Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton approve payment of the accounts in the amount of \$386,950.69.

Carried

11. Correspondence Requiring Action

12. Information

Resolution 20-16-19 Moved By: Steve Adams Seconded By: Tim Elphick

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

- 12.1 Town of Bracebridge Resolution Establish Municipal Financial Assistance Program
- 12.2 Grey County Resolution Broadband Internet Access
- 12.3 Municipality of Grey Highlands Resolution Universal Basic Income
- 12.4 Municipality of Kincardine Resolution Paramedicine in Bruce County
- 12.5 Township of Lake of Bays Resolution Support Armour on High Speed Internet Connectivity in Rural Ontario
- 12.6 Town of Orangeville Resolution Diversity Training Program

13. By-Laws

Resolution 20-16-20 Moved By: Dan Gieruszak Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

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

- By-Law 2020-074 Amend Flag Etiquette and Protocol Policy By-Law
- By-Law 2020-075 Amend Restrict Access to Brockton Parks By-Law
- By-Law 2020-076 Amend Pandemic Policies By-Law
- By-Law 2020-078 Amend Walker West Estates Inc. Subdivision Agreement By-Law

Carried

Resolution 20-16-21 Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton authorize that the following bylaw be read a first and second time and be provisionally adopted as follows:

• By-Law 2020-077 - Koelen Municipal Drain By-Law

Carried

14. Committee Minutes

Resolution 20-16-22 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:

- Brockton Police Services Board Minutes February 20, 2020
- Walkerton 150 Committee Minutes February 19, 2020
- Walkerton 150 Committee Minutes March 11, 2020

Carried

15. New Business Brought Forward

1. Greenock Landfill Reopening

Councillor Hutcheon asked when the Greenock Landfill may be reopening, and Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations, confirmed that it would likely occur in July.

2. Dangerous Weeds

Councillor Lang inquired about the Municipality of Brockton's policies for dealing with noxious weeds along trails and pathways, such as Hogweed and other plants.

3. Saugeen Municipal Airport Manager

Deputy Mayor Gieruszak informed Council that the Saugeen Municipal Airport Manager had resigned and that the Saugeen Municipal Airport Commission has planned an emergency meeting. Council requested an update in the closed session at the next Council meeting.

4. Tree Clearing for Stop Signs

Councillor Elphick requested information about the procedure to be followed for tree clearing around stop signs.

5. Ridout Speed Humps

Mayor Peabody requested additional information coming forward about the utility and efficacy of the speed humps on Thomas Street and Ridout Street. It was noted that the Police Services Board was looking at re-implementing the Black Cat Radar Unit.

16. Confirmation of Proceedings

Resolution 20-16-23 Moved By: Dan Gieruszak Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

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

• By-Law 2020-079 - June 23, 2020 Confirmatory By-Law

Carried

17. Adjournment

Resolution 20-16-24 Moved By: James Lang Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton does now adjourn at 9:28 p.m. to meet again on July 14, 2020

Carried

Mayor - Chris Peabody

Clerk – Fiona Hamilton