



The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 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
Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations
John Strader, Roads Supervisor
Chris Wells, Director of Fire and Emergency Services
Dieter Wertz, Building and Planning Manager

1. Acceptance of Council Agenda

Resolution 21-10-01

Moved By: Dean Leifso

Seconded By: James Lang

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton accept the Agenda for the regular Council Meeting on March 23, 2021 as presented.

Carried

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Councillor Lang declared a conflict of interest in relation to an item in the closed session for professional reasons.

3. Public Meetings Required Under the Planning Act

4. Delegations

5. Minutes

5.1 Council Minutes - March 9, 2021

Resolution 21-10-02

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton adopt the minutes of the March 9, 2021 Council Meeting as presented.

Carried

6. Business Arising From the Minutes

6.1 Township of Georgian Bluffs Resolution - Support Grey Highlands on Insurance Rates

Council discussed the increases associated with obtaining cost effective municipal insurance.

Resolution 21-10-03

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby supports the Township of Georgian Bluffs and Municipality of Grey Highlands resolutions regarding increasing municipal insurance rates, and in doing so supports the Municipality of Grey Highlands' request for the Province to review the recommendations outlined by the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Premier of Ontario, Minister of Finance, Attorney General of Ontario, MPP Lisa Thompson and MPP Bill Walker, AMO, and the Municipality of Grey Highlands.

Carried

7. Reports

7.1 Johnson Woodworks Site Plan Control Agreement Amendment

Resolution 21-10-04

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number BLDG2021-07 - Johnson Woodworks Site Plan Control Agreement Amendment, prepared by Dieter Weltz, Building and Planning Manager/CBO and in doing so approves bringing forward a By-law to amend "Schedule B" as recommended by staff.

Carried

7.2 Riversdale Bridge Environmental Assessment Option 3 Decision

Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations, responded to questions from Council and confirmed that there were limited grant opportunities, regardless of whether a one or two lane bridge was selected. Council discussed the additional safety benefits of a two lane bridge as needing to be balanced against the significant cost difference. Mr. Furtney confirmed that discussions that had occurred with the municipal engineers and the County of Bruce with respect to the potential need to redirect traffic in the future. Mr. Furtney confirmed that if updated pricing comes back significantly higher in the future, the Municipality of Brockton could revert to a one lane bridge if required.

Resolution 21-10-05

Moved By: Dean Leifso

Seconded By: James Lang

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2021-07 - Riversdale Bridge Environmental Assessment Option 3 Decision, prepared by Gregg Furtney, Director of Operations, and in doing so approves a two lane bridge to replace the existing Riversdale Bridge in order to close out the Schedule 'B' Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) Process.

Carried

7.3 Concession 10 (Queen Street) Elmwood Road Reconstruction Project

Council discussed the benefits of extending the sidewalk to the Elmwood Community Centre to improve safety along that corridor and recognize the Centre as a community hub. Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations, explained the engineering challenges that would result in the sidewalk buttressing the new road without an additional boulevard. John Strader, Road Supervisor, responded to questions from Council about the challenges of larger shoulders and the snow-clearing plan for the proposed sidewalks. Council approved the sidewalk extension to the Elmwood Community Centre.

Resolution 21-10-06

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2021-06 - Concession 10 (Queen Street) Elmwood Road Reconstruction Project, prepared by Gregg Furtney, Director of Operations, and in doing so approves Option one.

Carried

7.4 2020 Year End Fire and Emergency Services Report

Resolution 21-10-07

Moved By: Dean Leifso

Seconded By: James Lang

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number FIRE2021-01 - 2020 Year End Fire and Emergency Services Report prepared by Chris Wells, Director of Fire and Emergency Services for information purposes.

Carried

7.5 Brockton Regional Training Centre

Council recognized the efforts of staff in bringing forward the initiative.

Resolution 21-10-08

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby accepts Report Number FIRE2021-02 – Brockton Regional Training Centre, prepared by Chris Wells, Director of Fire and Emergency Services,

and in doing so approves bringing a By-Law forward entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) formalizing the partnership between the Bruce Power Fire Training Facility and the Brockton Regional Training Centre;

and further approves bringing forward an amended Fees and Charges By-Law to approved the additional fees associated with the BRTC course offerings;

and further approves the creation of a BRTC Independent Reserve Fund to manage the collection of fees and the payment of instructors as part of the operations of the BRTC.

Carried

7.6 Establish and Regulate Walkerton Fire Department By-Law Update

Chris Wells, Fire Chief, responded to questions from Council about the proposed probationary period, noting that the nine (9) month period includes a minimum call attendance to ensure all recruits had sufficient exposure to the requirements of the position.

Resolution 21-10-09

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number FIRE2021-03 – Establish and Regulate Walkerton Fire Department By-Law Update, prepared by Chris Wells, Director of Fire and Emergency Services and in doing so approves a By-Law coming forward to amend the Establish and Regulate Walkerton Fire Department By-Law accepting the proposed changes to the original 2015 By-Law.

Carried

7.7 Fire Safety Grant

Resolution 21-10-10

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number FIRE2021-04 – Fire Safety Grant, prepared by Chris Wells, Director of Fire and Emergency Services and in doing so ratifies the decision of the Director of Fire and Emergency Services to apply for the Fire Safety Grant.

Carried

7.8 Hanover Growth Management

Resolution 21-10-11

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby Report Number CAO2021-06 - Hanover Growth Management Report, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, for information purposes.

Carried

7.9 Tile Drain Loan Application - Concession 13 Greenock

Resolution 21-10-12

Moved By: Dean Leifso

Seconded By: James Lang

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CLK2021-10 – Tile Drain Loan Application – Concession 13 Greenock, prepared by Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk and Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and in doing so approves a By-Law coming forward to accept the application and issue debentures for the loan.

Carried

8. **Public Notification**

9. Accounts

9.1 Accounts - \$241,712.28

Resolution 21-10-13

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 \$241,712.28.

Carried

10. Correspondence Requiring Action

10.1 Grey Bruce Labour Council - Request to Raise Day of Mourning Flag

Resolution 21-10-14

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approve raising the Grey Bruce Labour Council's Day of Mourning Flag on the community flag pole located on Jackson Street and Yonge Street in Walkerton for a period of one week beginning April 26 until April 30, 2021 in recognition of the Day of Mourning on April 28, 2021.

Carried

11. Information

Councillor Leifso expressed his disappointment that the Elmwood Resource Centre was closed without sufficient notice or consultation.

Council discussed item 11.3 and the concerns expressed by the Police Service Board with respect to putting together a proposal to ensure adequate representation for Brockton residents in relation to combining Police Service Boards.

- 11.1 Bruce Power and Grey Bruce Health Unit Community Update - Powering Ontario Through COVID-19
- 11.2 Notice of Public Hearing - Minor Variance Application A-2020-077
- 11.3 Office of the Solicitor General - Update on OPP Detachment Boards Under the Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019
- 11.4 South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment Commander's Report - February 2021
- 11.5 Ontario Power Generation - Bruce County Community Update March 2021
- 11.6 West Grey Library Board - Closure of Elmwood Resource Centre
- 11.7 Bruce Area Solid Waste Recycling Minutes - January 21, 2021
- 11.8 Town of Plympton-Wyoming Resolution - Support Norfolk County on Carbon Tax
- 11.9 Niagara Region Resolution - Homelessness, Mental Health and Addiction in Niagara
- 11.10 Municipality of Tweed Resolution - Advocacy for Reform of Joint and Several Liability

Resolution 21-10-15

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 21-10-16

Moved By: Dean Leifso

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 2021-030 - Rescind Appointment of Nicole Mullin as Animal Control and By-Law Enforcement Officer By-Law
- By-Law 2021-031 - Appoint Dieter Weltz as Provincial Offences Officer By-Law
- By-Law 2021-032 - Appoint Dominic Paquette as Provincial Offences Officer By-Law
- By-Law 2021-033 - David Alexander Tile Drain Loan By-Law
- By-Law 2021-034 - Amend Darryl and Sharon Johnson Site Plan Agreement By-Law
- By-Law 2021-035 - Amend Establish and Regulate Walkerton Fire Department By-Law
- By-Law 2021-036 - Brockton Regional Fire College Training Centre Agreement By-Law
- By-Law 2021-037 - Amend 2021 Fees and Charges By-Law
- By-Law 2021-038 - Amend Elmwood Community Centre Kitchen Renovation Financing Agreement By-Law
- By-Law 2021-039 - OILC Borrowing to Meet Expenditures for Ongoing Capital Works Agreement By-Law

Carried

13. Committee Minutes

Resolution 21-10-17

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:

- Cargill and District Community Fund Minutes - December 15, 2020
- Brockton Police Services Board Minutes - February 18, 2021

Carried

14. New Business Brought Forward

14.1 Brockton Police Services Board Resolution - False Alarm By-Law

Councillor Elphick provided some background on the by-law suggested for reducing false alarms and the associated costs as recommended by the South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment Commander.

Council directed staff to draft a potential by-law and bring forward a staff report.

Resolution 21-10-18

Moved By: Tim Elphick

Seconded By: Steve Adams

That Council of the Municipality of Brockton directs staff to prepare a draft false alarm by-law and accompanying staff report for consideration in the future.

Carried

2. Greenock Landfill Opening

Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations, noted that the Greenock Landfill site had reopened in the past week.

3. Establishing and Regulating By-Law

Councillor Lang shared that the Walkerton Fire Department had been established for 150 years.

4. Collegiality

Mayor Peabody thanked and recognized his fellow Council members for remaining professional and collegiate in the face of difficult decisions.

15. Closed Session

Council discussed whether the motion should be amended to allow for discussion of a local board matter arising out of the minutes. Council discussed whether the matter was timely such that it required discussion as opposed to the need to ensure sufficient accountability and transparency for the public.

Resolution 21-10-19

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton enter into Closed Session at 7:48 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 - **Committee Recruitment**
- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board
- Labour relations or employee negotiations - **Staffing Update, Staffing Proposals**
- 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 or 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 21-10-19.1

Moved By: Tim Elphick

Seconded By: Steve Adams

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby amend the motion to enter into the closed session to allow for discussion about personal matters about an identifiable individual – local board matter arising from the minutes from the previous closed session.

Defeated

Resolution 21-10-20

Moved By: Dean Leifso

Seconded By: James Lang

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approve the direction provided to staff in Closed Session and in doing so acknowledges the resignation of Jenna Lemieux as Early Childhood Education (ECE) Supply Teacher – Contract effective March 11, 2021, and acknowledges the hiring of Sarah Fielding as Early Childhood Education Teacher Level II – Contract effective April 6, 2021.

Carried

Resolution 21-10-21

Moved By: Steve Adams

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 2021-040 - Adopt Amended Salary Administration Policy By-Law
- By-Law 2021-041 - Amend 2018-2022 Council Committee Appointments By-Law

Carried

16. Confirmation of Proceedings

Resolution 21-10-22

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 2021-042 - March 23, 2021 Confirmatory By-Law

Carried

17. Adjournment

Resolution 21-10-23

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton does now adjourn at 8:55 p.m. to meet again on April 13, 2021.

Carried

Mayor - Chris Peabody

Clerk – Fiona Hamilton