



The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 27, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Electronic Meeting

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

Staff Present: Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer
Fiona Hamilton, Clerk
Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer
Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services
Dieter Weltz, Building and Planning Manager
Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations

1. Acceptance of Council Agenda

Resolution 21-13-01

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton accept the Agenda for the regular Council Meeting on April 27, 2021 as presented.

Carried

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None disclosed at this time.

3. Retirement Recognition Certificate

Mayor Peabody thanked Rick Reich, Parks and Recreation Facility Attendant for his years of service and presented him with the Certificate of Recognition.

Council passed along well wishes to Mr. Reich on his retirement.

4. Public Meetings Required Under the Planning Act

5. Delegations

5.1 Peter Sykanda, Farm Policy Analyst, Ontario Federation of Agriculture - Green House Gas Pricing

Mr. Sykanda provided an overview of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture and the organization's position on the federal carbon tax regulations for agriculture.

Mr. Sykanda noted that the federal carbon tax would reach a maximum of \$170/tonne by 2030 with the goal of reducing carbon pollution by 30% below 2005 levels by 2030.

According to Mr. Sykanda, the OFA recognizes that climate change is occurring and requires multi-level programs and policies, but takes the position that no provincial or federal regulation should negatively impact the agricultural sector. As a result, the OFA believes that the federal carbon tax is an ineffective instrument to reduce emissions in the agricultural sector because the price of the fuel source has very little effect on the quantity of demand for food production. As agricultural products are marketed globally, there is no ability for farmers to pass along the increased costs to consumers and still remain competitive.

The proposed carbon tax contains an exemption for farming, but notes that the exemption does not apply to property used for heating or cooling buildings, such as large animal barns or grain dryers. The greenhouse sector will also be significantly impacted with additional costs.

As a result, OFA has made recommendations to the federal government about expanding the exemptions under the carbon tax regime such that the negative impacts to the agricultural sector would be minimized. These lobbying efforts also include recommendations that the federal government address the indirect costs to farmers resulting from the carbon tax in the form of a cost-share to assist with equipment upgrades and other programs.

Mr. Sykanda responded to questions from Council about innovations in farming to reduce the use of the carbon fuels overall, and how Brockton Council can assist the OFA in its lobbying efforts. Councillor Adams provided notice that he would bring a motion to the next meeting to support the efforts of the OFA.

6. Minutes

6.1 Council Minutes - April 13, 2021

Resolution 21-13-02

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton adopt the minutes of the April 13, 2021 Council Meeting as presented.

Carried

7. Business Arising From the Minutes

8. Reports

8.1 Lippert Limited Service Agreement

Fiona Hamilton, Clerk responded to questions from Council clarifying that the intention was to initiate an agreement directly with Mr. Lippert only.

Resolution 21-13-03

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number BLDG2021-10 – Lippert Limited Service Agreement, prepared by Dieter Weltz, Building and Planning Manager/CBO and in doing so approves bringing forward a By-law for the Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton to enter into agreement with Adam Lippert for the purposes of a Limited Service Agreement.

Carried

8.2 Cargill Lawn Bowling Club Agreement

Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services, responded to questions from Council and confirmed that each Lawn Bowling Club had its own equipment. The intention of staff was to bring the level of the greens back up as close to the required level as possible, noting that it they had not been maintained over the past year due to volunteer shortages and COVID-19 challenges.

Resolution 21-13-04

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2021-09– Cargill Lawn Bowling Club Agreement, prepared by Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services doing so approves bringing forward a By-law for the Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton to enter into agreement with the Cargill Lawn Bowling Club for the purposes of operating lawn bowling greens facility as a municipal facility for the use of the public;

And Further that Council approves staff providing maintenance and repair services to the lawn bowling greens at the Cargill Community Centre for the balance of 2021 within the budget resources of the approved CDCF budget.

Carried

8.3 Walkerton Lawn Bowling Club Agreement

Resolution 21-13-05

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2021-08– Walkerton Lawn Bowling Club Agreement, prepared by Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services and in doing so approves bringing forward a By-law for the Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton to enter into agreement with the Walkerton Lawn Bowling Club for the purposes of operating lawn bowling greens facility as a municipal facility for the use of the public.

Carried

8.4 Walkerton Agricultural Society Agreement

Resolution 21-13-06

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2021-07 – Walkerton Agricultural Society Agreement, prepared by Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services and in doing so approves bringing forward a By-law for the Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton to enter into agreement with the Walkerton Agricultural Society.

Carried

8.5 Skating Oval Usage Statistics

Council expressed support for the service and thanked Bruce Power again for its generous support. Council also noted that the statistics demonstrate widespread interest that could be used as an economic driver in the future.

Resolution 21-13-07

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number REC2021-06 – Skating Oval Usage Statistics, prepared by Mark Coleman, Director of Community Services, for information purposes.

Carried

8.6 Amended Flag Etiquette and Protocol Policy

Council favoured continuing to raise the National Flag on the community flag pole.

Resolution 21-13-08

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CLK2021-13 - Amended Flag Etiquette and Protocol Policy, prepared by Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk and Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and in doing so approves a By-Law coming forward to amend the Flag Etiquette and Protocol Policy,

And further approves ordering a Brockton Municipal flag to be displayed at the community flag pole located at the intersection of Jackson and Yonge Streets in Walkerton.

Defeated

8.7 Brockton Police Services Board Update

Fiona Hamilton, Clerk, provided an overview of the meeting with the representatives for the other municipalities serviced by the South Bruce O.P.P detachment and outlined the proposed structure for the Revised Police Services Board that the other municipalities would be recommending prior to the June 7, 2021 deadline.

Council expressed the need for a stand-alone police services board due to the significant costs paid by Brockton for policing services and the public interest in having strong policing oversight.

Fiona Hamilton, Clerk, confirmed that the request for the exemption would be circulated to MPP Lisa Thomson as well.

Resolution 21-13-09

Moved By: Steve Adams

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CLK2021-12 - Police Services Board Update, prepared by Sarah Johnson, Jr. Deputy Clerk and Fiona Hamilton, Clerk and in doing so approves sending a letter to the Ministry of the Solicitor General requesting an exemption under the *Community Safety and Policing Act, 2019* to allow the Municipality of Brockton to maintain the Brockton Police Services Board as a singular Board as requested by the Brockton Police Services Board.

Carried

8.8 Concession 10 Reconstruction Tender Results

Resolution 21-13-10

Moved By: Dean Leifso

Seconded By: James Lang

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number PW2021-11 - Concession 10 Reconstruction Tender Results, prepared by Gregg Furtney, Director of Operations, and in doing so approves awarding the project, as recommended by BM Ross and Associates to Cedarwell Excavating Limited in the amount of \$1,741,280.85, including HST.

Carried

8.9 Walker West Water Booster Pumping Station Tender Results

Resolution 21-13-11

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton directs that the motion dealing with Report Number UT2021-08 - Walker West Water Booster Pumping Station Tender Results, prepared by Gregg Furtney, Director of Operations, be tabled until the next meeting of Council.

Carried

Resolution 21-13-11.1

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Confidential Report Number 07 – Tender Results For The Walker West Water Booster Pumping Station, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer, and Gregg Furtney, Director of Operations, and in doing so approves awarding the project, as recommended by BM Ross and Associates, to Stone Town Construction Limited in the amount of \$1,329,981.84, including HST, conditionally on the resolution of

1.) the Bell Tower Easement Agreement being finalized

And 2.) upon the receipt of the securities as per the subdivision agreement.

Tabled

8.10 East Ridge Business Park Expansion Update

Council expressed support for expanding additional areas of the East Ridge Business Park as an investment in Brockton's future and to maintain the sales and development momentum experienced over the past few years.

Council discussed the potential detour route when the main bridge in Walkerton was replaced, and whether Brockton should be lobbying the County of Bruce to provide some funds to improve the detour route.

Resolution 21-13-12

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CAO2021-07 - East Ridge Business Park Expansion Update, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and in doing so approves proceeding to issue a tender for construction of "Road D", the "Stormwater Management Pond"

as previously approved in Report Number CAO2021-04 and additionally Road “A” Phase 2 B estimated in the amount of \$685,000.

Carried

9. Public Notification

9.1 Notice of Public Information Centre #2 - County of Bruce Master Transportation Plan

9.2 Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Community Engagement Survey

10. Accounts

10.1 Accounts - \$540,518.25

Resolution 21-13-13

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 \$540,518.25.

Carried

11. Correspondence Requiring Action

11.1 Association of Municipalities of Ontario - Request for 2021 AMO Conference Delegation Meetings

Council advocated to request delegations on the Walkerton Courthouse with the Ministry of the Solicitor General, the Grey Bruce hospice with the Minister of Health, and the importance of agriculture, including carbon tax and farm receipts within Brockton as a driver within the County of Bruce with the Minister of Agriculture. Mayor Peabody, Deputy Mayor Gieruszak and Councillor Lang volunteered to attend the AMO virtual Conference.

Fiona Hamilton, Clerk informed Council of an additional correspondence item received inviting a Council member to provide feedback to the Ministry regarding potential changes to the Code of Conduct, noting that a response was required by May 6, 2021. Deputy Mayor Gieruszak volunteered to participate in the invitation.

12. Information

Resolution 21-13-14

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

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

Carried

12.1 Notice of Public Meeting - Zoning By-Law Amendment Z-2021-018

12.2 Elmwood Community Hub Subcommittee Terms of Reference

12.3 Ontario Power Generation - Community Update April 2021

12.4 Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority - Spring 2021 Newsletter

12.5 Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Minutes - March 18, 2021

12.6 Saugeen Valley Source Protection Authority Minutes - January 22, 2021

- 12.7 Municipality of Calvin Resolution - Support Norfolk County on Carbon Tax for Primary Agricultural Producers
- 12.8 City of Cambridge Resolution – Request for Paid Sick Leave

13. By-Laws

Resolution 21-13-15

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 2021-053 - 2021 Tax Rates By-Law
- By-Law 2021-054 - 2021 Borrowing from Capital Expenditures By-Law
- By-Law 2021-055 - Cargill Lawn Bowling Club Agreement By-Law
- By-Law 2021-056 - Walkerton Lawn Bowling Club Agreement By-Law
- By-Law 2021-057 - Walkerton Agricultural Society Memorandum of Understanding By-Law
- By-Law 2021-058 - Lippert Limited Service Agreement By-Law as amended

Carried

14. Committee Minutes

Resolution 21-13-16

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:

- Brockton Police Services Board Minutes - March 18, 2021
- Elmwood Community Centre Board Minutes - March 2, 2021
- Elmwood Community Hub Subcommittee Minutes - March 12, 2021
- Elmwood Community Hub Subcommittee Minutes - March 24, 2021

Carried

15. New Business Brought Forward

1. Carbon Credit Inquiry

Mayor Chris Peabody advised that the Escarpment Bio Conservancy has inquired whether Council would consider including 100 acres into their carbon credit program. Mayor Peabody provided Notice of Motion to Council that would be brought forward on this matter.

16. Closed Session

Resolution 21-13-17

Moved By: Dan Gieruszak

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton enter into Closed Session at 8:04 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 - **Committee Recruitment, Local Board Request**
- A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board - **Property Disposal Update**
- Labour relations or employee negotiations - **Staffing Update**
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board - **Property Fencing Matter**
- 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 - **Drainage Matter**
- 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 21-13-18

Moved By: James Lang

Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approve the direction provided to staff in Closed Session and in doing so acknowledges the promotion of Greg Turnbull as Lead Hand, the hiring of Jazmine Weber as Non-Early Childhood Education (ECE) Supply – Contract, and the hiring of Day Camp Summer Students for the 2021 season.

Carried

Resolution 21-13-19

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 2021-061 - Amend Council Committee Appointment By-Law
- Carried**

17. Confirmation of Proceedings

Resolution 21-13-20
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 2021-062 - April 27, 2021 Confirmatory By-Law
- Carried**

18. Adjournment

Resolution 21-13-21
Moved By: James Lang
Seconded By: Dean Leifso

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton does now adjourn at 9:25 p.m. to meet again on May 11, 2021.

Carried

Mayor - Chris Peabody

Clerk – Fiona Hamilton