



The Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

Electronic Meeting

Council Present: Chris Peabody, Mayor
James Lang - Deputy Mayor
Mitch Clark, Councillor
Tim Elphick, Councillor
Kym Hutcheon, Councillor
B. Carl Kuhnke, Councillor
Gregory J. McLean, Councillor

Staff Present: Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer
Fiona Hamilton, Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk)
Sarah Johnson, Deputy Clerk
Dieter Weltz, Building and Planning Manager/CBO
Chris Wells, Director of Fire and Emergency Services

1. Indigenous Land Acknowledgement Statement

2. Acceptance of Council Agenda

Mayor Peabody noted that the County of Bruce is creating an Indigenous Reconciliation Plan and that he had recently met with representatives of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation as part of the reconciliation efforts of both the County of Bruce and the Municipality of Brockton.

Resolution 24-14-01

Moved By: Mitch Clark

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton accept the Agenda for the regular Council Meeting on May 7, 2024 as presented and confirms the decision to hold the meeting virtually.

Carried

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

4. Public Meetings Required Under the Planning Act

5. Delegations

6. Minutes

6.1 Council Minutes - April 23, 2024

Resolution 24-14-02

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: B. Carl Kuhnke

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton adopt the minutes of the April 23, 2024 Council Meeting as presented.

Carried

7. Business Arising From the Minutes

8. Reports

8.1 New Regional Fire Training Centre Donations

Council commended the training occurring at the Brockton Regional Fire Training Centre, and the efforts of the Fire Chief in bringing this opportunity to our community, noting the benefits to firefighters working in Bruce County, and Province wide.

Resolution 24-14-03

Moved By: Gregory J. McLean

Seconded By: Kym Hutcheon

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number FIRE2024-03 – New Regional Training Centre Donations, prepared by Chris Wells, Director of Fire and Emergency Services and in doing so ratifies and approves the purchase of laptops for the Brockton Regional Training Centre testing facility and approves the allocation of \$9500 in funding from NWMO towards this purchase.

Carried

8.2 43 Eastridge Road Sign By-law Variance Request

Dieter Weltz, Building and Planning Manager/CBO responded to an inquiry from Council, noting that the variance was required for site surfacing and lot grading in order to use the front parking area as much as possible.

Resolution 24-14-04

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: B. Carl Kuhnke

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number BL2024-04 – 43 Eastridge Road Sign By-Law Variance Request, prepared by Dieter Weltz, Building and Planning Manager/CBO and in doing approves a By-Law coming forward for the purposes of granting the sign variance request with conditions as outlined in Option 1 of this report:

1. a) The Pylon (Pillar) Sign shall not be erected within 3.0m (9'10") of the property line
- b) The Pylon (Pillar) Sign shall comply with Clauses a) and c) through e) of Municipal By-Law 2012-24,
- c) All other provisions of Municipal By-Law 2012-24 as may be amended from time to time remain in effect. .

Carried

8.3 Amend False Alarm By-Law 2022-043

Resolution 24-14-05

Moved By: Tim Elphick

Seconded By: Mitch Clark

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number BL2024-05 – Amend False Alarm By-Law 2022-043, prepared by Dieter Weltz, Building and Planning Manager/CBO, and in doing so approves the amended False Alarm By-Law coming forward.

Carried

8.4 Assessment Roll Access and Reproduction Policy

Fiona Hamilton, Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk) responded to an inquiry from Council and noted that the policy could be amended in the future, if needed once staff have had the ability to measure the response.

Resolution 24-14-06

Moved By: Gregory J. McLean

Seconded By: B. Carl Kuhnke

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number FIN2024-16 – Assessment Roll Access and Reproduction Policy, prepared by Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer and in doing so approves a By-Law coming forward approving the Assessment Roll Access and Reproduction Policy.

Carried

8.5 Canada Summer Jobs Funding Approval - 2024

Resolution 24-14-07

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: B. Carl Kuhnke

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number HR2024-03 – Canada Summer Jobs Funding Approval – 2024, prepared by Julie Farrell, Human Resources Generalist and Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer and in doing so authorizes a By-Law coming forward to enter into an agreement with His Majesty the King in Right of Canada, as represented by the Minister of Employment and Social Development styled as Minister of Women and Gender Equality and Youth, and further authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to enter into the Articles of Agreement for Project #019777135.

Carried

8.6 Personnel Policies Updated – May 7, 2024

Resolution 24-14-08

Moved By: Mitch Clark

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number HR2024-02 – Personnel Policies Updated – May 7, 2024, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and Julie Farrell, Human Resources Generalist and Trish Serratore, Chief Financial Officer and in doing so accepts the amended Life Event Recognition Policy as presented, and further approves a By-Law coming forward to adopt the amended Life Event Recognition Policy.

Carried

8.7 South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment Board Community Representative Appointment

Resolution 24-14-09

Moved By: Tim Elphick

Seconded By: Mitch Clark

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby accepts Report Number CLK2024-07 – South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment Board Community Representative Appointment, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk) and in doing so approves appointing Joe Dietrich and Margaret Visser as the Community Representatives on the South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment Board, upon fulfilling all legislative requirements for the current Board term.

Carried

8.8 Drinking Water Source Water Protection Committee Nomination

Councillor Kuhnke declared a conflict of interest this report due to his position as Chair for the Committee.

Resolution 24-14-10

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Gregory J. McLean

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CLK2024-08 - Drinking Water Source Water Protection Committee Nomination, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk) and directs staff to move forward with nominating John Fruin as the representative for Municipal Grouping 3 for the Source Protection Committee.

Carried

8.9 Larsen and Shaw Parkland Dedication Fee Exemption Request

Council expressed their gratitude for the support and work conducted at Larsen & Shaw, but cautioned that a precedent would be set by allowing an exemption for this business.

Resolution 24-14-11

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: B. Carl Kuhnke

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby approves Report Number CLK2024-09 – Larsen & Shaw Parkland Dedication Fee Exemption Request, prepared by Fiona Hamilton, Director of Legislative and Legal Services for information purposes and provides further direction to staff regarding the Parkland Dedication Fee Exemption Request: Deny the request from Larsen & Shaw in favour of maintaining consistency among permit applications.

Carried

8.10 SVCA Category 2 Programs and Services Agreement

Resolution 24-14-12

Moved By: Mitch Clark

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CAO2024-05 – SVCA Category 2 Programs and Services Agreement, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer and in doing so approves a By-Law coming forward authorizing the Category 2 Programs and Services Agreement with the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority, as prepared.

Carried

8.11 Walker Hill Subdivision Agreement

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer responded to an inquiry from Council, advising that staff have been working with engineers and the developer on this subdivision, noting that the access point has been agreed upon. Ms. Watson advised that the trail to Cunningham Park has been re-engineered and discussed with the Rotary Club of Walkerton. Ms. Watson reported that the subdivision agreement involved only four (4) houses at this time, with the intention to start grading and stormwater management works soon. Ms. Watson noted that additional agreements and reports would be brought forward pertaining to the next Phase in the near future.

Resolution 24-14-13

Moved By: Gregory J. McLean

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CAO2024-06 – Walker Hill Subdivision Agreement and in doing so approves a By-Law coming forward to adopt the subdivision agreement with Walker Hill Development Inc. for Phase 1 of Walker Hill Subdivision.

Carried

9. Public Notification

9.1 Volunteer Recognition Awards

Nominations are open for the Municipality of Brockton's 2024 Volunteer Recognition Awards: the Brockton Good Neighbour Award and the Walkerton & District Optimist Club's Outstanding Youth Award! Visit Brockton.ca/VolunteerAwards to see the application forms and more details. Applications are due May 27, 2024 at Noon.

10. Accounts

10.1 Accounts - \$739,532.09

Resolution 24-14-14

Moved By: Mitch Clark

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton approve payment of the accounts in the amount of \$739,532.09.

Carried

11. Correspondence Requiring Action

11.1 Invitation to Teeny Tiny Summit in Holstein

11.2 Municipality of Arran-Elderslie - Invitation to 25th Anniversary Celebration

11.3 Invitation to St. John Ambulance Grey Bruce Huron Branch 2023 Year in Review

11.4 Invitation to Blyth Festival Municipal Night

11.5 Multi-Municipal Energy Working Group - Invitation to Join Membership

11.6 Municipality of South Bruce - Nuclear Waste Management Organization Project Update

11.7 Letter from Resident - Request for FoodCycler Project

11.8 Crohn's and Colitis Canada - Request to Proclaim World IBD Day

Resolution 24-14-15

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: B. Carl Kuhnke

Whereas 344,000 Canadians live with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), a chronic autoimmune disease that causes the body to attack healthy tissue, leading to inflammation of all or part of the digestive system;

And Whereas World IBD Day falls on May 19th annually, and landmarks across Canada and around the world are illuminated purple in a show of support for everyone impacted by IBD;

And Whereas while more than 10 million people globally live with IBD, Canada has one of the highest prevalence rates in the world;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby proclaim May 19, 2024 as World IBD Day in the Municipality of Brockton and further agrees to partner with Victoria Jubilee Hall to illuminate the hall in recognition of World IBD Day;

And further that a copy of this resolution be distributed to Crohn's and Colitis Canada and Victoria Jubilee Hall.

Carried

12. Information

- 12.1 Bruce County News Release - CSWBP Homelessness Response Steering Committee Housing Individuals and Families in Grey & Bruce
- 12.2 Bruce County Public Library Releases 2023 Annual Report
- 12.3 Clean Energy Frontier - April 2024 Newsletter
- 12.4 Bruce Area Solid Waste Recycling Board Minutes - November 2023-April 2024
- 12.5 Physician Recruitment and Retention Committee Minutes - December 2023-February 2024
- 12.6 Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit Testimonial
- 12.7 Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit Minutes - February-March 2024
- 12.8 Municipality of Trent Hills Resolution - Funding for Social Services
- 12.9 Town of Smiths Falls Resolution - Basic Income Guarantee
- 12.10 Town of South Bruce Peninsula Resolution - Amend Blue Box Regulations for Ineligible Sources
- 12.11 Town of South Bruce Peninsula Resolution - Provincial Support for Cemetery Management
- 12.12 City of Stratford Resolution - Support Amaranth on Operational Budget Funding
- 12.13 City of Stratford Resolution - Support Cobourg on Amendment to Subsection 27(16) of Ontario Heritage Act
- 12.14 City of Stratford Resolution - Support Guelph on OEB Decision to End Subsization of Fossil Gas
- 12.15 City of Stratford Resolution - Support Lincoln on Increased Funding to Libraries and Museums in Ontario

12.16 City of Stratford Resolution - Support Sault St. Marie on Intimate Partner Violence and Coercive Control

Resolution 24-14-16

Moved By: Gregory J. McLean

Seconded By: Mitch Clark

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

Carried

13. By-Laws

Resolution 24-14-17

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Gregory J. McLean

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 2024-039 - 43 Eastridge Road Walkerton Sign Variance By-Law
- By-Law 2024-040 - 2024 Canada Summer Jobs Agreement By-Law
- By-Law 2024-041 - Adopt Amended Life Event Recognition Policy By-Law
- By-Law 2024-042 - Adopt Assessment Roll Access and Reproduction Policy By-Law
- By-Law 2024-043 - Saugeen Valley Category 2 Programs and Services Agreement By-Law
- By-Law 2024-044 - Amend False Alarm By-Law
- By-Law 2024-045 - NWMO Early Investments in Education and Skills Program Agreement By-Law
- By-Law 2024-046 - Walker Hill Development Inc. Subdivision Agreement By-Law

Carried

14. Committee Minutes

15. New Business Brought Forward

1. Indigenous Reconciliation Efforts

Mayor Peabody advised Council on the Indigenous Reconciliation efforts being conducted on behalf of both the County of Bruce and the Municipality of Brockton.

2. Green Ribbon Panel

Mayor Peabody advised that he participated in the Green Ribbon Panel at the Emerald Club in Toronto with Bruce Power promoting clean green energy. Mayor Peabody noted that Claire Dodds presented information on the stages of promotion including charging stations and preserving and maintaining nuclear assets and pump storage. Mayor Peabody reported on additional lobbying efforts being conducted in Toronto and recognized the initiatives being driven by Bruce Power.

3. Brockton Regional Training Centre

Deputy Mayor Lang commended Chief Wells on the Brockton Regional Fire Training Centre and collaboration with Bruce Power's fire training. Council noted the number of firefighters being trained and the benefit of the laptops for examinations.

15.1 Notice of Motion – FoodCycler

Councillor Kuhnke provided Notice of Motion to consider this motion at the next Council Meeting on May 21, 2024.

16. Closed Session

Resolution 24-14-18

Moved By: Mitch Clark

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton enter into Closed Session at 7:23 p.m. in order to address a matter pertaining to:

- Labour relations or employee negotiations - **Staffing Update**
- Litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board - **Designated Heritage Property Update**
- 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 - **Designated Heritage Property Update**

Carried

Resolution 24-14-19

Moved By: Kym Hutcheon

Seconded By: Gregory J. McLean

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby acknowledges the hiring of Anna Fijol as Child Care Supervisor, and further accepts with regret the resignation of William Copeland, Heavy Equipment Officer effective May 7, 2024, and further acknowledges the hiring of Brooklyn Thompson as part-time permanent RECE Preschool Teacher Level II effective May 13, 2024

Carried

17. Confirmation of Proceedings

Resolution 24-14-20

Moved By: B. Carl Kuhnke

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 2024-047 - May 7, 2024 Confirmatory By-Law

Carried

18. Adjournment

Resolution 24-14-21

Moved By: Mitch Clark

Seconded By: Tim Elphick

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton does now adjourn at 7:53 p.m. to meet again on May 21, 2024.

Carried

Original Signed By

Mayor - Chris Peabody

Original Signed By

Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk) – Fiona Hamilton