

City of Brockville **Council Meeting Minutes**

5:30 PM - Tuesday, August 27, 2024

City Hall, Council Chambers

The Council meeting was called to order on Tuesday, August 27, 2024, at 5:30 PM, in the City Hall, Council Chambers, with the following present:

Members Mayor Matt Wren, Councillor Philip Deery, Councillor Jane Present:

Fullarton, Councillor Katherine Hobbs, Councillor Mike

Kalivas, Councillor Louise Severson, and Councillor Cameron

Wales

Councillor Jeff Earle and Councillor Nathalie Lavergne **Regrets:**

Staff: Sandra MacDonald, City Manager, Robert Nolan, Director of

> Economic and Development Services, Clay Sluytman, Supervisor of Water Systems, Brandon Goddard, WPCC Supervisor, Andrew McGinnis, Chief Planning Officer, Nick

Burnie, Planner, and Sheena Earl, City Clerk

Land Acknowledgement Statement

Mayor's Remarks

Mayor Wren welcomed members back to Chambers following a reduced summer meeting schedule and noted regrets from Councillors Earle and Lavergne.

His Worship acknowledged the passing of former City Police Officer Ed Clary who served in the role for 31 years and former City Police Chief Barry King who served from 1995-2007. Mayor Wren also acknowledged the passing of Mr. Peter Lewis, former Mayor of the City of Brockville from 1981 to 1982, noting Mr. Lewis was a third generation Mayor as both his grandfather and father also held that role. Mayor Wren said the City will be lowering the flags at Tunnel Bay during the week of September 9th in honour of these three men and their service to the City.

His Worship congratulated Sheena Earl, City Clerk on obtaining an Executive Diploma in Municipal Management from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario.

Mayor Wren announced he recently attended the Association of Municipalities of Ontario Conference held in Ottawa where he participated in collaborative learning and delegations. He said he met with the Ontario Medical Association on behalf of the City to discuss local challenges regarding access to local primary care physicians and the challenges of rural physician recruitment. Mayor Wren referred to work being done in this regard with the St Lawrence Corridor Economic Development Commission as all local Mayors share similar concerns. His Worship

said he also met with the Honourable Kinga Surma, Minister of Infrastructure to discuss the city's infrastructure needs, in particular, the need to replace the City's main pumping station and the work completed to date on the City's Multi-Use Recreational Facility. He noted a recently announced provincial funding stream for recreational facilities at a maximum of \$10 million per municipality and said staff are reviewing the criteria and looking at ways to maximize the funding opportunity.

With respect to initiatives to support the homeless community, Mayor Wren announced that during a Special Joint Services Committee held in August, there was unanimous support to establish a 25-unit cabin neighbourhood on the grounds of the former water pollution control administration building and surrounding grounds. He noted the buildings will be ready by November or December and the John Howard Society will be responsible for managing the site and supporting the residents. Mayor Wren thanked the provincial government for their program funding and continued support from MPP Steve Clark and acknowledged Council's previous decision to allow for this to proceed. His Worship noted the City is also working with the Brockville Housing Partnership to help solve some of the challenges they are facing.

Mayor Wren bid farewell to the City's summer students and thanked them for their work. He reminded residents to take note of washroom operating schedules and directed the public to the City's website for more information.

His Worship noted he toured the new Swift Waters Elementary School last week which will also be the home of Campus Kids childcare centre and Early On, both of which were previously located in Commonwealth Public School. He said the school board will hold a public opening in October. He reminded drivers to take great care as students and buses make their way back to school.

With respect to the September meeting schedule, Mayor Wren noted the Planning and Development Committee meeting scheduled for September 3rd has been cancelled due to a lack of agenda items and therefore the Council meeting of September 10th will also be cancelled. He said the General Committee will meet on September 17th at 4:30 p.m. and Council will meet on September 24th. The regular meeting schedule is expected to resume in October.

Disclosure of Interest

Nil.

Adoption of Council Minutes

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting of July 23, 2024 be adopted and circulated as read.

CARRIED

Correspondence, Communication and Petitions

1. Proclaim Rail Safety Week - September 23-29, 2024

Moved by: Councillor Wales

WHEREAS Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from September 23 to 29, 2024; and

WHEREAS 229 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in 2023; resulting in 66 avoidable fatalities and 39 avoidable serious injuries; and

WHEREAS, educating and informing the public about rail safety (reminding the public that railway rights-of-way are private property, enhancing public awareness of the dangers associated with highway rail grade crossings, ensuring pedestrians and motorists are looking and listening while near railways, and obeying established traffic laws) will reduce the number of avoidable fatalities and injuries cause by incidents involving trains and citizens; and

WHEREAS Operation Lifesaver is a public/private partnership whose aim is to work with the public, rail industry, governments, police services, media and others to raise rail safety awareness;

WHEREAS CN and Operation Lifesaver have requested City Council adopt this resolution in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including in our municipality.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Rail Safety Week from September 23 to 29, 2024 be proclaimed by the City of Brockville.

CARRIED

2. Appointments to Boards and Committees

Moved by: Councillor Deery

THAT Paris Escandón and Matthew Wilson be appointed to the Brockville Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee; and

THAT Doug Hone be removed from the Brockville Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee; and

THAT Kelly Spicer, Chris Chulhane, Kerey Bolton, Jeremy Newman, Nik Wever, Nancy Duffy, Terry Gardiner, Winfield Sifton, and Brian Burns be appointed to the Tall Ships Festival Committee; and

THAT the necessary by-law be enacted.

CARRIED

Blues Revue Municipal Significance

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT Council approve the request from Nathalie Lavergne of Double Concept Productions to declare "The Blues Revue" held at the Arts Hub, 32 Park Street, October 5, 2024, to be an event of "Municipal Significance" for the purpose of the issuance of Special Occasion Permit required by the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO), subject to all necessary permits and approvals being obtained and in compliance with all City of Brockville By-laws.

CARRIED

4. Change to the For-Profit/Not-For-Profit Ratios - Canada-wide Early Learning and Child Care (CWELCC)

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

WHEREAS on March 22, 2022, the Federal & Provincial Governments announced a funding agreement that will reduce the cost of child care in Ontario to an average of \$10 per day by 2025-2026; and

WHEREAS the For-Profit / Not-For-Profit quotas [30/70] mandated in the agreement artificially limits the number of licences that can be given out and therefore limits the child care spaces that can be created; and

WHEREAS families are being forced to wait for \$10 per day childcare even though there is unspent budget for unrealized Not-For-Profit centres due to a lack of Not-For-Profits applying; and

WHEREAS changing the ratios could unlock thousands of new \$10 per day childcare spaces immediately.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of Brockville requests the Federal and Provincial Governments fix the archaic For-Profit/Not-For-Profit quotas in the agreement; and

FURTHER THAT Mayor Wren write a letter on behalf of the City of Brockville to the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) asking them to advocate for the change to the FP/NFP ratios; and

LASTLY THAT this resolution be circulated and brought to the attention of Michael Barrett, Member of Parliament, Leeds-Grenville-Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes; The Honourable Jenna Sudds, Minister of Families, Children and Social Development; The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada; Steve Clark, Member of Provincial Parliament, Leeds-Grenville-Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes; The Honourable Jill Dunlop, Minister of Education; and The Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario.

CARRIED

5. Proclaim Franco-Ontario Day

Moved by: Councillor Wales

THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Brockville do hereby proclaim Wednesday, September 25, 2024 as Franco-Ontarian Day in the City of Brockville; and

THAT the Franco-Ontario flag be flown at Tunnel Bay September 23rd to September 30th, 2024.

CARRIED

This item was not included on the agenda, but for timing purposes was added and voted on at the meeting.

Delegations

Nil.

Staff Reports

1. 2024-159

Purchase of Sewer Camera Monitor & Reel

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

THAT the purchase of a sewer service camera and reel from Pipescope Solutions at a cost of \$11,600.64 (including net HST) be approved; and

THAT the purchase be funded from the disposition of city vehicles 229-12 and 234-04.

For:

Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Severson, and Councillor Wales

CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote

2. 2024-160

Bulk Water Station Additional Funding

Moved by: Councillor Wales

THAT the quote from Clarence McDonald Excavation Limited for the installation of water and hydro services in the amount of \$15,823.68 (including net HST) be approved; and

THAT up to an additional \$20,000 be funded from the Water Rate Working Capital Operations Reserve to complete the project.

For:

Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Severson, and Councillor Wales

CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote

3. **2024-161**

Lead Services Replacement Tender

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT the tender from Clarence McDonald Excavation Limited in the amount of \$69,552.96 (including net HST) for Lead Services Replacement be approved.

For:

Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Severson, and Councillor Wales

CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote

4. **2024-162**

2024 Municipal Hazardous and Special Products Waste Event

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

THAT Report No. 2024-162, 2024 Municipal Hazardous and Special Products Waste Event be received for information.

For:

Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Severson, and Councillor Wales

CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote

5. **2024-151**

John Taylor Memorial Dedication

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT Council approve the dedication of identified park space to the memory of John Taylor; and

THAT Council approve fundraising activities by the Brock Trail Committee to commit to the expense of the park dedication and monument.

For: Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor

Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Severson, and Councillor

Wales

CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote

6. **2024-152**

Rotary Peace Pole Reynolds Park

Moved by: Councillor Deery

THAT Council approve the installation of a Rotary Peace Pole in Reynolds Park.

For: Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor

Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Severson, and Councillor

Wales

CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote

7. **2024-157**

Cost of Development of Parking Spaces

Moved by: Councillor Wales

THAT Staff Report 2024-157 be received for information.

For: Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor

Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Severson, and Councillor

Wales

CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote

Planning and Development Committee

Councillor M. Kalivas, Chair

Councillors J. Earle, N. Lavergne, and C. Wales, Citizen Member A.

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Meeting held August 27, 2024

PDC - Consent Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

THAT the following items, as listed on the Planning and Development Committee agenda are recommended to be passed by Consent Agenda:

For: Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor

Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Severson, and Councillor

Wales

CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote

1. **2024-145**

Proposed Amendments to Zoning By-law 050-2014 2430 Parkedale Avenue

THAT Zoning By-law 050-2014 be amended to rezone lands described as Part of Lot 12, Concession 2, City of Brockville, County of Leeds, with municipal address 2430 Parkedale Avenue, from "C2 - General Commercial Zone" to "C2 - General Commercial Special Exception Zone" to permit the development and use of a fully automated conveyor driven car wash facility.

THAT the necessary by-law be enacted.

2. **2024-147**

Proposed Amendments to Zoning By-law 050-2014 3087 & 3111 Parkedale Avenue

THAT Zoning By-law 050-2014 be amended to rezone lands described as Part of Lots 5, 14 and 15, Concession 1, Plan 4 and Part of Lots 14 and 15, Concession 1, Plan 4, City of Brockville, being Part 1 on RP 28R-8588, municipally known as 3087 and 3111 Parkedale Avenue, from "H1-C3-General Commercial Arterial Zone", subject to "Source Water Protection" considerations to "H1-C3-General Commercial Arterial Special Exception Zone", subject to "Source Water Protection considerations" to allow redevelopment of the property for a Shopping Centre with a maximum gross leasable area of 12,500.0 square metres and to establish sitespecific development standards.

THAT the necessary by-law be enacted.

3. **2024-156**

Cash-in-Lieu of Parking 12 Victoria Avenue

This item was moved to the PDC - Regular Agenda.

PDC - Regular Agenda

1. 2024-156 Cash-In-Lieu of Parking 12 Victoria Avenue

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to enter into a Cash-in-Lieu of Parking Agreement with Brian and Jennifer Kendel, to require the owner(s) of 12 Victoria Avenue to pay cash-in-lieu of parking for three (3) parking spaces in the amount of \$3,000 per space.

CARRIED AS AMENDED ON A LATER VOTE

Amendment to Motion

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT the motion be amended to strike out \$3,000 and insert \$2,000 per space.

For: Mayor Wren, Councillor Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas, and Councillor

Severson

Against: Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, and Councillor Wales

CARRIED 4-3 on a recorded vote

The vote on the original motion, as amended, was now taken and the motion, as amended, was carried.

Amended Motion

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to enter into a Cash-in-Lieu of Parking Agreement with Brian and Jennifer Kendel, to require the owner(s)

of 12 Victoria Avenue to pay cash-in-lieu of parking for three (3) parking spaces in the amount of \$2,000 per space.

Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor For:

Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Severson, and Councillor

Wales

CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote

New Business - Report from Members of Council

Nil.

Unfinished Business

1. Memo re: 36-46 King Street West Cash-In-Lieu of Parking

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

THAT Council further defer the decision regarding Cash-In-Lieu of Parking at 36-46 King Street West to the meeting of September 24, 2024.

Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor For:

Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Severson, and Councillor

Wales

CARRIED 7-0 on a recorded vote

Emergency Business

Nil.

By-laws

1. 058-2024

> A By-law to Amend City of Brockville Zoning By-law 050-2014 (Part of Lot 12, Concession 2, City of Brockville, 2430 Parkedale Avenue

2. 059-2024

> A By-law to Amend City of Brockville Zoning By-law 050-2014 (Part of Lots 5, 14 and 15, Concession 1, Plan 4 and Part of Lots 14 and 15, Concession 1, Plan 4, City of Brockville, Being Part 1 on RP 28R-8588, municipally known as 3087 and 3111 Parkedale Avenue

060-2024 3.

> Being a By-law to Establish the Tall Ships Festival Committee for the 2025 Tall Ships Festival

4. 061-2024

Being a By-law to Amend By-law Number 003-2023 Being a By-law to Appoint Members to Various Board and Commissions (BMAAC and Tall Ships Festival Committee).

5. 062-2024

Being a By-law to Authorize the Execution of a Lease Agreement with the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville for 1805 County Road 2, Brockville (Cabin Project)

Reading of the By-Laws

Moved by: Councillor Severson Seconded by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT By-laws Numbered 058-2024 to 062-2024 be introduced and the same be now read a first, second and third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and be recorded.

CARRIED

Mayor's Announcements

Media Question Period

Motion to Move into Closed Session (Immediately Following the Regular Meeting)

Moved by: Councillor Deery Seconded by: Councillor Kalivas

THAT pursuant to *Municipal Act*, 2001, Section 239 Sub. 2 (k and c), Council resolve itself Closed Session at 6:55 p.m., closed to the public to consider:

- (k) plans and instructions including negotiations, specifically, funding opportunity; and
- 2. (c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; specifically opportunity for the creation of additional parking

CARRIED

The meeting recessed and resumed in closed session at 7:00 pm. C. Sluytman, B. Goddard, A. McGinnis, and N. Burnie left the meeting.

Closed Meeting Matters

Motion To Adjourn Closed Session

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton Seconded by: Councillor Wales

THAT the Closed Meeting of Council adjourn and the Open Session resume at 7:40 p.m.

CARRIED

Report of the Closed Session

Mayor Wren reported that Council met in closed session with respect to plans and instructions including negotiations, specifically, funding opportunity and a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, specifically opportunity for the creation of additional parking. He said Council received information and provided instructions to staff.

Confirmatory By-law

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton Seconded by: Katherin Hobbs

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.

THAT By-law Number 063-2024 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on August 27, 2024 be read a first, second and third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and be recorded.

CARRIED

Adjournment

THAT Council adjourn its proceedings until the next regular meeting scheduled for September 24, 2024.

CARRIED

Mayor	City Clerk