

# City of Brockville Council Meeting Minutes

5:30 PM - Tuesday, May 9, 2023

City Hall, Council Chambers

The Council meeting was called to order on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, at 5:30 PM, in the City Hall, Council Chambers, with the following present:

Members Present: Mayor Matt Wren, Councillor Philip Deery, Councillor Jeff Earle,

Councillor Katherine Hobbs, Councillor Mike Kalivas, Councillor Nathalie Lavergne, Councillor Louise Severson, and Councillor

**Cameron Wales** 

Regrets: Councillor Jane Fullarton

Staff: Lynda Ferguson, Director of Finance & IT Services, Sandra

MacDonald, City Manager/City Clerk, and Robert Nolan, Director of

**Economic and Development Services** 

#### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

#### **MAYOR'S REMARKS**

The Mayor noted that spring has bloomed in downtown Brockville with the tulips blossoming. He reminded residents that the City does not undertake a spring yard waste pickup. The homeless funding top-up, provided to the Joint Services Committee for homeless programming, will be reported in the coming weeks. His Worship provided an update on the recent encampments. Staff from various agencies have been working with the encampment residents to find alternative housing options.

#### DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Councillor Earle declared a direct pecuniary interest on the matter listed under Correspondence, Code of Conduct Complaint regarding Councillor Earle, Integrity Commissioner Report as the report considers sanctions.

# **ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Moved by: Councillor Lavergne

THAT the minutes of the Council Meetings of April 25, 2023 and April 26, 2023 be adopted and circulated as read.

**CARRIED** 

#### **DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

1. Brockville Concert Association Samin O'Day, President, Brockville Concert Association addressed Council regarding the plans for the celebration of their 75th Anniversary Series.

# **CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATION AND PETITIONS**

 Code of Conduct Complaint regarding Councillor Earle Integrity Commissioner Report

Moved by: Councillor Wales

THAT Council receive the corresponded and related report; and

THAT Council suspend Councillor Earle's remuneration for a period of ten (10) days for each infraction, for a total of thirty (30) days.

CARRIED as amended on a later vote

T. Fleming was in attendance to speak to the report.

Councillor Earle exited the meeting (6:06 pm).

Councillor Earle re-entered the meeting (6:24 pm).

Councillor Severson exited the meeting (6:24 pm).

#### Motion to Amend

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT the motion be amended to delete the suspension of remuneration and insert the following:

"THAT Council direct that a letter of reprimand be sent to Councillor Earle."

**CARRIED** 

# **Amended Motion**

Moved by: Councillor Wales

THAT Council receive the corresponded and related report; and

THAT Council direct that a letter of reprimand be sent to Councillor Earle.

**CARRIED** 

2. Appointments to Boards and Committees (MAC/BPL)

Moved by: Councillor Lavergne

THAT Council authorize the appointment of Hannah Cody and Deb Hamilton to the Museum Advisory Committee (term to expire November 14, 2026); and

THAT Council authorize the appointment of Parnie Nolan the Downtown Brockville (term to expire November 14, 2026); and

THAT Aileen Rossetti be removed from the Brockville Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee.

THAT the necessary by-law be enacted.

**CARRIED** 

#### STAFF REPORTS

1. **2023-71** 

Louis Street Property

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT the Louis Street property be marketed for sale for industrial use; and

THAT the staff approach CN and VIA to determine if they are interested in acquiring this property.

CARRIED as amended on a later vote

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Councillor Wales

THAT the motion be amended by deleting:

"THAT the staff approach CN and VIA to determine if they are interested in acquiring this property."

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

Councillor Lavergne, and Councillor Wales

**Against:** Councillor Earle

**CARRIED 6-1 on a recorded vote** 

# **Amended Motion**

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT the Louis Street property be marketed for sale for industrial use.

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

Councillor Lavergne, and Councillor Wales

**Against:** Councillor Earle

**CARRIED 6-1 on a recorded vote** 

#### 2. **2023-73**

Sherwood Park Manor Request

Moved by: Councillor Deery

THAT Council approve \$500,000 to be donated to Sherwood Park Manor for their Redevelopment and Expansion Project; and

THAT it be funded over 5 years.

For: Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Earle, Councillor Hobbs,

Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Lavergne, Councillor Severson, and Councillor

Wales

**CARRIED 8-0 on a recorded vote** 

#### Motion to Defer

Moved by: Councillor Earle

THAT the report be deferred to the Council meeting of May 23rd.

For: Councillor Earle

Against: Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery, Councillor Hobbs, Councillor Kalivas,

Councillor Lavergne, Councillor Severson, and Councillor Wales

**DEFEATED 1-7 on a recorded vote** 

# PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Councillor M. Kalivas, Chair Councillors J. Earle, N. Lavergne, and C. Wales, Citizen Member A. Koolwine Meeting held May 2, 2023 - Cancelled

# **NEW BUSINESS - REPORT FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

Nil.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Nil

# **EMERGENCY BUSINESS**

Nil.

#### **BY-LAWS**

1. 036-2023

By-law to Remove the "H1" and "H4" Holding Symbol from lands described as (Welling's of Brockville)

2. 037-2023

A By-law to amend 003-2023 Being a By-law to Appoint Members to Various Boards and Commissions (DBIA/MHC/BMAAC)

3. 038-2023

Being a by-law to Licence, Govern and Regulate Buskers in the City of Brockville and Rescind 019-2015 and 036-2016

4. 039-2023

A By-law to amend 052-2011 Being a By-law to License and Regulate Refreshment Carts (temporarily include Mobile Refreshment Vehicles)

# **READING OF THE BY-LAWS**

Moved by: Councillor Wales Seconded by: Councillor Earle

THAT By-laws Numbered 036-2023 to 039-2023 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** 

### **CONFIRMATORY BY-LAW**

Moved by: Councillor Wales Seconded by: Councillor Earle

THAT By-law Number 040-2023 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on May 9, 2023 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** 

# **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Councillor Earle Seconded by: Councillor Wales

THAT Council adjourn its proceedings until the next regular meeting scheduled for May 23, 2023.

**CARRIED** 

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm.