

# City of Brockville Council Meeting Minutes 6:00 PM - Tuesday, January 26, 2021

Virtual Meeting

The Council meeting was called to order on Tuesday, January 26, 2021, at 6:00 PM, in the Virtual Meeting, with the following present:

**Members** Mayor Jason Baker, Councillor Leigh Bursey, Councillor Jeff Earle, Councillor Jane Fullarton, Councillor Larry Journal,

Councillor Mike Kalivas, Councillor Nathalie Lavergne, Councillor Cameron Wales, and Councillor Matt Wren

Regrets:

**Staff:** Steve Allen, Supervisory of Engineering, Lynda Ferguson,

Director of Finance & IT Services, David Lazenby, Director of Fire & Partner Services, Janette Loveys, City Manager, Sandra MacDonald, City Clerk, Robert Nolan, Director of Economic and Development Services, Peter Raabe, Director of Engineering & Infrastructure Services, and Phil Wood,

Director of Operations

## MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION (5:15 PM)

Moved by: Councillor Wales

Seconded by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT pursuant to *Municipal Act*, 2001, Section 239 Sub. 2 a and c, Council resolve itself Closed Session, closed to the public to consider:

- 1. the security of the property of the municipality or local board;
- a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;

**CARRIED** 

#### **CLOSED MEETING STAFF REPORTS**

Councillor Lavergne entered the meeting at 5:22 pm.

The meeting recessed at 5:31 pm.

#### REPORT OF THE CLOSED SESSION

Moved by: Councillor Wales

Seconded by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT Council rise from the Closed Session and the Chairman report that all recommendations adopted in Closed Session, be adopted.

**CARRIED** 

Councillor Earle entered the meeting at 6:00 pm.

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

Mayor Baker announced that the outdoor skating locations of Laurier Hill and Tunnel Bay are open which will operate for the community to use safely.

His Worship noted that board and committee meetings have been suspended since the beginning of the COVID except for the Arena Advisory Committee who have been tasked to complete their report to Council. He reported that recent COVID numbers remain steady. It is hoped that this will result in current restrictions being loosened in our area.

Mayor Baker requested feedback from local businesses and the community seeking their opinions on the creation of a fund for local businesses that have been impacted by the pandemic. More information to follow.

### **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil.

### **ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas Seconded by: Mayor Baker

THAT the minutes of the Council Meetings of January 12, 2021, January 14, 2021 and January 19, 2021 be adopted and circulated as read.

**CARRIED** 

### **CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

1. Black History Month (Councillor Wren)

Moved by: Councillor Wren

THAT Council hereby proclaim the month of February 2021 as Black History Month in Brockville, in order to recognize and celebrate the many achievements of Black Canadians who, throughout history, have done so much to make Canada the culturally diverse, compassionate and prosperous nation it is today.

**For:** Mayor Baker, Councillor Wren, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle,

Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Journal, Councillor Kalivas,

Councillor Lavergne, and Councillor Wales

CARRIED 9-0 on a recorded vote

National Flag of Canada Day (Councillor Wren)

Moved by: Councillor Wren

THAT Council hereby proclaim Monday, February 15 as National Flag of Canada Day in Brockville, in celebration of the 56th Birthday of our flag and in recognition of Brockville's place in the story of its creation.

For: Mayor Baker, Councillor Wren, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle,

Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Journal, Councillor Kalivas,

Councillor Lavergne, and Councillor Wales

CARRIED 9-0 on a recorded vote

#### **DELEGATIONS**

Nil.

#### STAFF REPORTS

Nil.

#### FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Councillor L. Journal, Chair Councillors J. Earle and N. Lavergne, J. O'Reilly, Citizen Member Meeting held January 19, 2021

#### **FAC - CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by: Councillor Journal

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

For: Mayor Baker, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle, Councillor

Fullarton, Councillor Journal, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor

Lavergne, Councillor Wales, and Councillor Wren

**CARRIED 9-0 on a recorded vote** 

1. 2021 Interim Tax Levy and Establishment of Due Dates

THAT Council authorize the City to impose its 2021 interim tax levy with a due date of February 26th, 2021; and

THAT Council establish the due date of August 31st, 2021 for the second and final tax levy for 2021; and

THAT the necessary by-law be enacted.

2. Temporary Borrowing Bylaw

THAT Council approves a Temporary Borrowing Bylaw authorizing the Mayor and City Treasurer to borrow temporary working capital, as may be required for the Current Operations, of up to \$5,000,000 for the year 2021; and,

THAT the necessary bylaw be enacted.

### 3. 3M Reduced Wastewater Rate Application

THAT Council receives report SR2021-10 3M Reduced Wastewater Rate Application; and

That Council approves the reduced wastewater rate for 3M effective January 2021, as provided for in bylaw 072-2016 a Bylaw to Adopt and Appeal/Adjustment Procedures with Respect to Wastewater Rates.

### 4. City Manager - 2021 City Council Work Priorities

THAT Staff Report No. SR2021-7, City Manager – 2021 City Council Work Priorities report be received for information.

#### **FAC - REGULAR AGENDA**

Nil.

#### **2021 BUDGET**

### 1. 2021 Budget-Capital Budget-City Departments

Moved by: Councillor Earle

THAT Council approve, in principle, the 2021 Capital Budget - City Departments for a total of \$4,430,825; and

THAT the 2021 Capital budget be funded as follows:

Tax Rate	\$ 950,409
Reserves/Reserve Funds	363,500
Federal Gas Tax	1,142,470
Debt	1,545,000
Grants/Donations/Other	399,446

**For:** Mayor Baker, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle, Councillor

Fullarton, Councillor Journal, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor

Lavergne, Councillor Wales, and Councillor Wren

CARRIED 9-0 on a recorded vote

### **Request for Additional Information**

(Information to be provided at the council meeting of February 23, 2021)

### Hardy Park Washroom Sewer Reconstruction

Alterative funding source (consider sewer reserve)

### Vac Truck

Additional information on the cost of leased unit including labour costs & anticipated trade-in value

### Pickle Ball Funding

Prepare business case for pickle ball courts including consultation with community organizations that currently provide pickle ball.

### Fleet Purchases

Alternative funding sources for the double drum roller and front-end loader

### Metro Parking Lot

Additional information on the pay back of the lease payments.

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

Nil.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Nil.

### **EMERGENCY BUSINESS**

Nil.

#### **BY-LAWS**

1. 007-2021

A By-law to amend 083-2018 Being a By-law to Appoint Members to Various Boards and Commissions (DBIA and Aquatarium)

2. 008-2021

A By-law to amend the Community Improvement Plan for Downtown Brockville (Priority Area 1 - 42 Garden Street)

3. 009-2021

A By-law to Adopt Fees and Charges respecting Wastewater Services

4. 010-2021

Being a By-Law to regulate the water rates for the City of Brockville and certain areas of the Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley

#### **READING OF THE BYLAWS**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

Seconded by: Councillor Lavergne

THAT By-laws Numbered 007-2021 to 010-2021 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 BYLAW**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

Seconded by: Councillor Lavergne

THAT By-law Number 011-2021 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on January 26, 2021 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**

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Moved by: Councillor Bursey Seconded by: Councillor Lavergne	
THAT Council adjourn its proceedings until the next meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 4, 2021.	
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The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.	

City Clerk