

City of Brockville Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 05, 2016, 7:00 pm City Hall, Council Chambers

Council Minutes

Council Members Present:

Mayor D. Henderson

Councillor J. Baker

Councillor T. Blanchard

Councillor L. Bursey

Councillor P. Deery

Councillor J. Earle

Councillor J. Fullarton

Councillor M. Kalivas

Councillor D. LeSueur

Staff:

- Mr. C. Cosgrove, Director of Operations
- Mr. D. Dick, Director of Corporate Services
- Mr. J. Faurschou, Planner I
- Ms. L. Ferguson, Manager of Finance
- Mr. S. Fraser, Police Chief
- Ms. S. MacDonald, City Clerk (Recording Secretary)
- Mr. G. Pigeon, Fire Chief
- Mr. P. Raabe, Director of Environmental Services
- Mr. D. Richards, Supervisor Water Systems
- Ms. C. Ward, Financial Analyst
- Ms. L. White, Manager of Strategic Initiatives
- Mr. M. Wing, Financial Analyst

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Nil.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Nil.

PUBLIC MEETING

The Mayor announced that Council is conducting a Public Meeting under the Ontario Building Code Act with respect to Proposed Building Permit Fees for 2016. Council intends to pass a by-law to impose fees under the Building Code Act. This Public Meeting is for persons to make representation with respect to the proposed Building Fees.

The Proposed Building Permit Fees Schedule Revisions would increase a number of fees charged in the Building Permit application process.

Mayor Henderson inquired if there were any persons present who wish to make oral or written submissions on the proposed fees. No persons came forward.

The Public Meeting was concluded (at 7:14 pm)

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Nil.

DELEGATIONS

YMCA of Brockville and Area (Ms. Diana Deakin-Thomas, CEO)

Ms. Deakin-Thomas and Ms. Catherine Deplaedt, Chair addressed Council. They provided a brief history of how the pool came to be located at the YMCA and outlined the need for funding for the care and maintenance of the pool.

2. University Hospitals Kingston Foundation (Mr. Bill Durnford, Director, Leadership Philanthropy)

Mr. Durnford and Mr. Ian Wilson, Past Chair UHKF made a presentation to Council on the services provided and summary of use by local residents.

3. **Mr. Tony Barnes, Chair Aquatarium**

Mr. Barnes provided an update on the project and financial status to date. He indicated that opening was imminent but could not provide an exact

date at this time. During his overview of the finances it was indicated that the Aquatarium Board is seeking additional funding from the City of Brockville in the amount of \$1,000,000.

The meeting recessed at 7:45 pm.

The meeting reconvened at 7:58 pm.

STAFF REPORTS

1. **2016** Budget - YMCA Support for Care and Maintenance of Pool

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT Council support the request from the YMCA of Brockville and Area for funding in the amount of \$60,000 for the care and maintenance of the YMCA swimming pool, to be funded from the Fiscal Policy Reserve.

CARRIED

2. **2016 Budget - Capital Contribution & OCIF Grant**

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard

THAT the contribution to Capital be reduced to \$203,000; and

THAT the OCIF grant received in the amount of \$97,000 be applied to Capital for a total capital contribution of \$300,000.

CARRIED

3. **2016 Budget - Master Water Study**

Moved by: Councillor Earle

THAT the Master Water Study included in the water budget in the amount of \$100,000 be removed from the 2016 budget.

CARRIED

4. **2016** Budget - Increase to Snow Removal Budget

Moved by: Councillor Deery

THAT the increase of \$75,000 included in the 2016 snow removal budget be removed.

CARRIED

5. **2016 Budget - Water Oversight Committee**

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT staff be directed to prepare a report to the Finance, Administration and Operations Committee regarding the establishment of a water oversight committee.

CARRIED

6. **2016 Budget - Finance Plan Contribution**

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard

THAT the proposed contribution to the Finance Plan of \$400,000 be reduced by \$100,000 for a 2016 contribution of \$300,000.

CARRIED

7. **2016** Budget - Asphalt Program Funding

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT the operating contribution to the asphalt program be reduced by \$50,000.

CARRIED

8. **2016 Budget - WIFI - Marina and Arenas**

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT the WIFI project in the amount of \$43,000 (capital) and \$12,000 (annual operating) included in the 2016 budget be removed.

DEFERRED to the Council Meeting of January 12, 2016

Motion to Defer

Moved by: Councillor LeSueur

THAT this matter be deferred to the Council meeting of January 12, 2016 pending receipt of further information from staff providing the breakdown of costs between the facilities and whether the annual operating cost for the marina is for a seasonal period or full year.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS - REPORT FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Notice of Motion - Councillor Bursey
Renaming of Perth Street Park to Ben W. TeKamp Park

Councillor Bursey indicated that he will be putting forward a motion at the January 12, 2016 meeting to rename Perth Street Park in honour of Ben TeKamp.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil.

EMERGENCY BUSINESS

Nil.

BY-LAWS

Nil.

CONFIRMATORY BYLAW

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas Seconded by: Councillor LeSueur

THAT By-law Number 001-2016 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on January 5, 2016 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

Nil.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas Seconded by: Councillor LeSueur

THAT Council adjourn its proceedings until the next regular meeting scheduled for January 12, 2016.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:18 pm.	
Mayor	City Clerk



5th January, 2016

Mayor and Council, City of Brockville, I King Street West, Brockville, K6V 7A5

Your Worship and Members of Council,

Re: Request to City of Brockville

As you know, the Aquatarium is now in the very final stages of preparing to be the "game changer" for tourism and education that we have all invested so much of our time and money, over the last ten years, to create. The doors will open very soon and I know everyone's expectations will be exceeded.

At a meeting of the Steering Committee held last month, we were presented with the best estimate yet, of the overall cost of the project, and we expect that total will be \$25.5m, some \$3.5m more than the \$22m project we had projected. The additional \$3.5m comprises an additional \$1.5m spent on the base building, an additional \$1.6m building fit-up and contents, and \$0.4m in unrecoverable operating expenses in 2015.

The Developer is proposing to donate the additional \$1.5m in base building costs, the Fund Raising Committee is proposing to raise its local fund raising goal by \$1m (from \$3m to \$4m) and is confident this can be met and the Steering Committee is therefore asking the City to increase its cash investment by \$1m to \$4.4m (which includes the \$1.4m on parking and the Broad Street Circle).

These three measures will bridge the \$3.5m revenue gap and allow the Aquatarium to open its doors debt-free and in the best possible position to succeed financially both from an operational and a future fundraising standpoint.

Throughout this entire journey, the two partners in the project, the City and the Developer have provided great support to the Steering Committee, and we sincerely hope that this support and cooperation will continue and move us to the finish line. Please let me or any member of the committee or staff know, if you have any questions.

Yours respectfully,

On Behalf of the Steering Committee,

Tony Barnes, Chair











