



City of Brockville

General Committee

Minutes

4:30 PM - Tuesday, October 15, 2024

City Hall, Council Chambers

The General Committee meeting was called to order on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 4:30 PM, in the City Hall, Council Chambers, with the following present:

Members

Councillor Philip Deery, Chair Jane Fullarton, Councillor

Present:

Katherine Hobbs, and Ex-Officio Matt Wren

Regrets:

Councillor Louise Severson

Others:

Nil.

Staff:

Alex Delov, Supervisor of Customer Service/Tax Collector, Melanie Jones, Director of Fire & Partner Services, Sandra MacDonald, City Manager, Lynn Murray, Deputy City Clerk, Peter Raabe, Director of Engineering & Infrastructure Services, and Phil Wood, Director of Operations

Land Acknowledgement Statement

Chair's Remarks

Mayor Wren noted that residents might wonder why the City flags are flying at half mast. He stated there will be a more formal notice at the Council meeting next week but explained that City flags are currently lowered in honour of Doug Ellis who recently passed away. His Worship noted that Mr. Ellis had been a former City Manager and had also served as an Alderman on City Council.

Disclosure of Interest

Nil.

Delegations and Presentations

1. Trees for Life

Mike Hurley from Trees for Life reviewed his presentation regarding their initiatives for the Committee.

Moved by: Mayor Wren

THAT the Committee direct staff to enter discussions with Trees for Life regarding a potential program for the City of Brockville and report back to Council during the 2025 Budget process.

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

CARRIED 4-0 on a recorded vote

[2024 10 15 TreesForLife](#)

[Trees for Life Hero Forests campaign](#)

Correspondence and Communications

Nil.

Reports from Boards and Committees

Nil.

Staff Reports

1. 2024-181

Tax Sale Extension Agreement - 110 Brock St.

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to enter into a tax sale extension agreement with the Owner of the property known as 110 Brock St for the payment of tax arrears; and

THAT delegated approval and signing authority be provided to the Treasurer for the approval of future tax sale extension agreements.

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

CARRIED 4-0 on a recorded vote

2. 2024-188

Sponsorship, Advertising and Donations Policy

Moved by: Councillor Deery

THAT POL.A.234.157, Sponsorship, Advertising and Donations Policy be approved.

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

CARRIED 4-0 on a recorded vote

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Mayor Wren asked that staff review the section of this policy that relates to acceptance by staff, or an elected official shall accept a personal gift in cash or in-kind, or benefit from a sponsor or charitable donor, in comparison to the section in the Code of Conduct in relation to acceptance of event tickets.

Staff stated they will review these sections and ensure the wording is consistent.

3. 2024-189
Blue Box Transition Period
Non-Eligible Sources

Moved by: Mayor Wren

THAT the City continues to collect blue box material from non-eligible sources (NES) in the Downtown Business Improvement Area (DBIA); and

THAT the City discontinues collecting blue box material from all other non-eligible sources outside the DBIA.

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

CARRIED 4-0 on a recorded vote

4. 2024-182
Brock Trail
Ferguson Falls Additional Expenses

Moved by: Mayor Wren

THAT additional expenses not to exceed \$10,155 for the installation of signage, custom hand railings and a dedication plaque at the Ferguson Falls section of the Brock Trail be approved and be funded by donations and funds raised by the Brock Trail Committee.

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

CARRIED 4-0 on a recorded vote

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5. 2024-187
Community Sports and Recreation Infrastructure Fund Application
Stream 2: New Builds/Signature New Builds

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT application to the Community Sports and Recreation Infrastructure Fund (CSRIF) as it relates to the Multi-Use Recreation Facility (MURF) project be approved; and

THAT the application for CSRIF Stream 2 - New Builds/Signature New Builds be applied on behalf of the new built project scope in accordance with the MURF project design; and

THAT commitment to the funding model requirements of 50:50 cost sharing as outlined in the CSRIF program application guideline be approved in principle.

For: Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Hobbs, and Mayor Wren
CARRIED 4-0 on a recorded vote
[2024 10 15 CSRIF stream 2 - unfunded](#)
6. 2024-98
Multi-Use Recreation Facility
Capital Campaign

Moved by: Mayor Wren

THAT a Multi-Use Recreation Capital Campaign Committee be established to develop and implementation of a comprehensive fundraising strategy that aims to meet the fundraising target to support construction of the Multi-Use Recreation Facility and associated improvements to the Brockville Memorial Park; and

THAT a part time Fundraising Coordinator contract position (10 hours per week) be established to support the Multi Use Recreation Facility Capital Campaign to be funded through monies raised by the committee.

For: Councillor Deery, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Hobbs, and Mayor Wren
CARRIED 4-0 on a recorded vote

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7. 2024-183
Fire Protection Agreement - Automatic Aid
Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute an agreement between the Corporation of the City of Brockville and the Town of Elizabethtown Kitley for a Fire Service Agreement for Automatic Aid.

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

CARRIED 4-0 on a recorded vote

New Business from Committee Members

1. Canada Community-Building Fund
Mayor Wren

Moved by: Mayor Wren

That Council support the motion from the City of Quinte West regarding the Canada Community-Building Fund allocations.

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

CARRIED 4-0 on a recorded vote

Information Items

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT the following Information Items be received for information:

1. 2024-185
William Street CN Overpass Rehabilitation
Public Tender Results

CARRIED

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Committee Consent Agenda

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT the following items as recommended by the General Committee be placed on the Consent Agenda:

1. 2024-181
Tax Sale Extension Agreement - 110 Brock St.
2. 2024-188
Sponsorship, Advertising and Donations Policy
3. 2024-189
Blue Box Transition Period - Non-Eligible Sources
4. 2024-182
Brock Trail - Ferguson Falls Additional Expenses
5. 2024-98
Multi-Use Recreation Facility - Capital Campaign
6. 2024-183
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Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley
7. Canada Community-Building Fund
Mayor Wren
8. Information Items

THAT the following items be received:

9. 2024-185
William Street CN Overpass Rehabilitation
Public Tender Results

CARRIED

Media Question Period

Adjournment

Moved by: Mayor Wren

THAT the General Committee adjourn its meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled for November 19, 2024.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.



OUR MISSION

Trees for Life is creating a healthier, happier Canada by planting native trees and shrubs where we live, work, and play.

We're committed to inspiring, empowering, and mobilizing tree planting initiatives nationwide.





TREE CAMPAIGN
**A TREE FOR
EVERY HERO.**



Toronto

Our goal was to raise **\$10 million** and plant at least **2,000,000** trees between Trenton and Toronto, one tree for every Canadian that has served during times of conflict since Confederation. 117,000 of the most prominent trees are planted adjacent to the stretch of the 401 known as the Highway of Heroes, one tree for every life lost while serving in the Canadian Armed Forces since Confederation.

OUR STORY TO DATE



\$18+ million raised



3.3+ million trees planted



40+ planting partners





Plant a tree.
Thank a hero.

Donate at treesforlife.ca



Continuing the Highway of Heroes tradition of creating living legacies, Trees for Life is proud to plant trees that pay tribute to the heroes who make our communities and our country a better place for all. These heroes include the military, first responders, front-line & healthcare workers, neighbours, coaches, teachers and loved ones.



TREES FOR HEALTH

Trees for Health is a coalition of passionate organizations partnering with health facilities, municipalities and conservation authorities to plant trees to honour health workers in Canada.

Health workers are doing everything they can to keep us healthy. Let's do our part to thank them and make our planet healthier in the process.





THE HERO FOREST CONCEPT

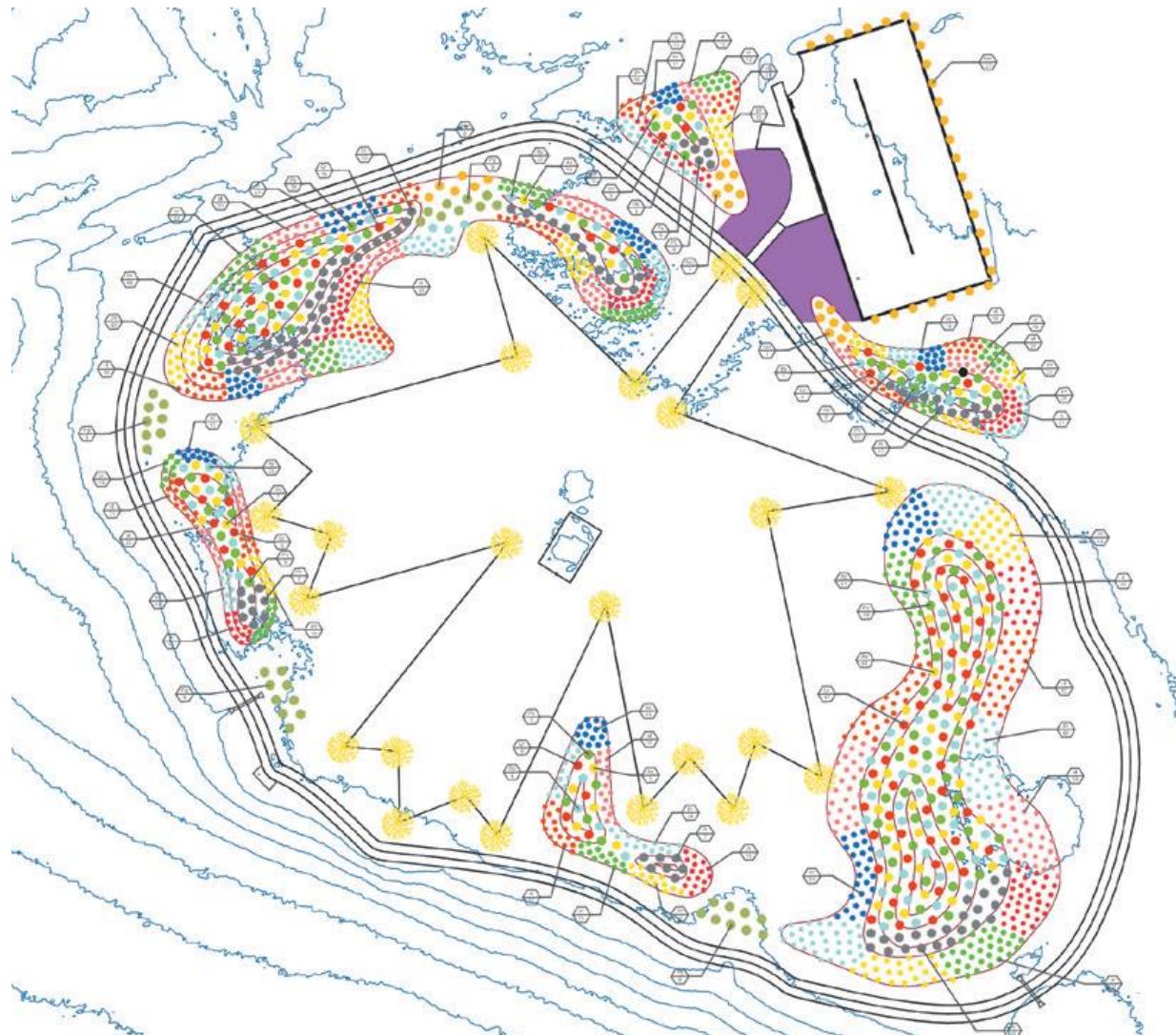
We are collaborating with municipal partners, conservation authorities, and other tree-planting groups to identify publicly accessible green spaces and parks where groves of trees can be planted and dedicated to local heroes as a thank-you for making our communities better places to live.





INSPIRATIONAL AND IMMERSIVE DESIGNS

Public green spaces with the greatest need and/or opportunity to add trees will be identified and notable landscape architects and designers can be enlisted to create inspired **Hero Forests**. The sites will be as unique as the communities in which they are planted and include experiential elements.





RECOGNITION, ENGAGEMENT, AND EDUCATION

Permanent signage will direct to a website that explains the installation, lists sponsors, and names the heroes being honoured, and the website can grow with the installation. The forests will create public engagement opportunities including volunteer plantings, publicity, and media events across multi-year project phases. **Hero Forests** can be further enhanced with outdoor shade structures, walkways, and interpretive signage.





A SHARED INVESTMENT

Hero Forests will be made possible by collaborating and sharing resources between multiple partners.

A new grant provided to Trees for Life through the Federal 2 Billion Tree Program will cover up to 50% of eligible tree planting costs.





MAKING A GOOD INVESTMENT

Trees are nature's air conditioners

Trees are water filters

Trees are air purifiers

Trees improve mental health and well-being



MAKING A GOOD INVESTMENT

Every **\$1** invested in tree planting provides **\$8** in benefits back to the community.



Thank you!





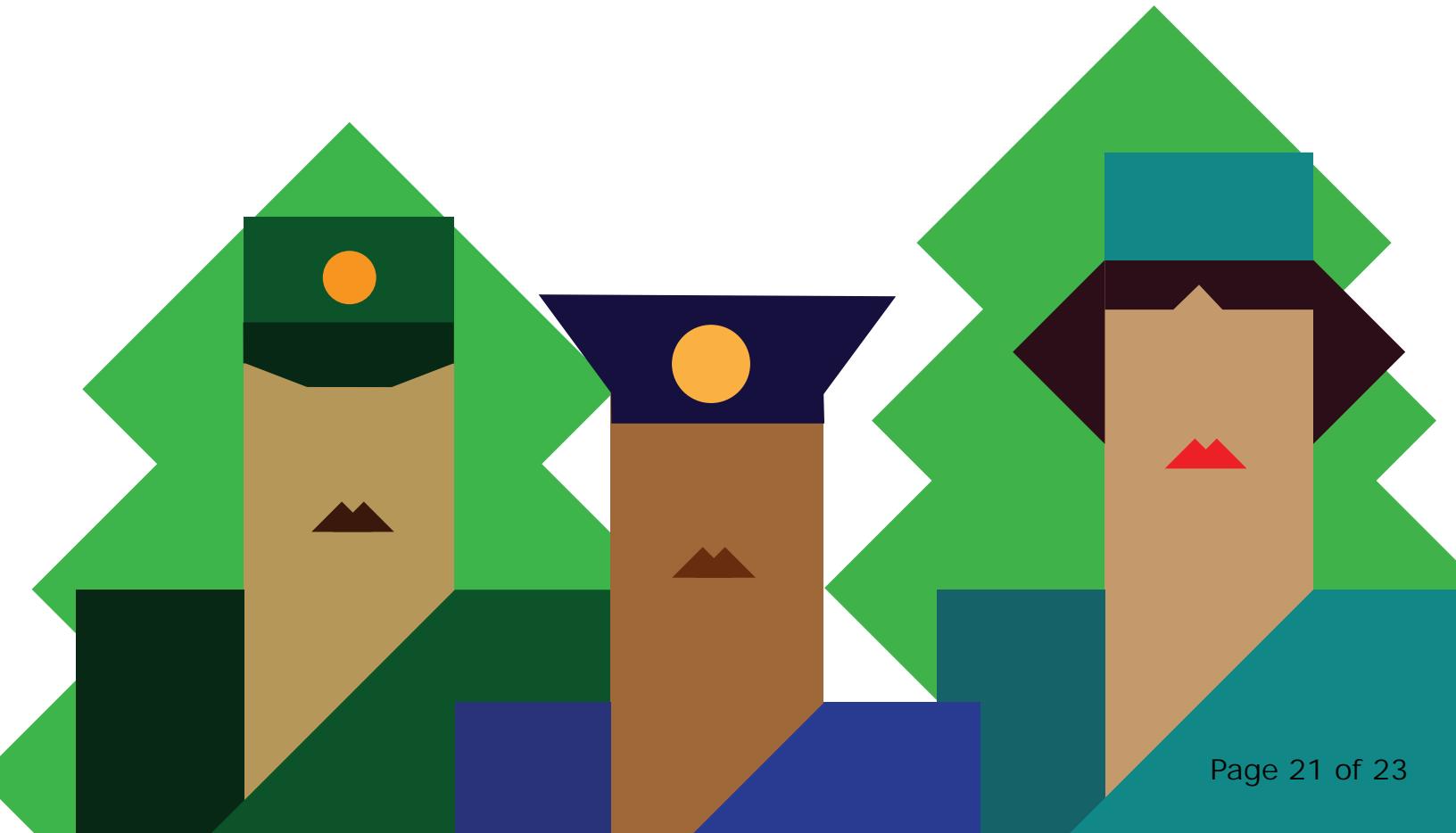
TREES FOR LIFE

THE TREES FOR HEROES CAMPAIGN

Hero Forests – Living Tributes in Communities Across Canada

Continuing the Highway of Heroes tradition of creating living legacies, Trees for Life is proud to support the planting of trees that pay tribute to ALL the heroes who improve our communities and our country. These heroes may include first responders, front-line and healthcare workers, the military, teachers, loved ones, and others. A hero is in the eye of the beholder! In the early stages, much of our focus will be on honouring healthcare heroes.

Trees for Life has launched a new campaign to plant 1 million more trees where Canadians live, work, and play by the end of 2028.



THE “HERO FOREST” CONCEPT

Trees for Life is actively seeking opportunities to create **Hero Forests**. We are collaborating with municipal partners, conservation authorities, and other tree-planting groups to identify publicly accessible green spaces and parks where groves of trees can be planted, and ideally dedicated to local heroes as a thank-you for making our communities better places to live.

The **Hero Forests** will be an example of what can be accomplished when a community unites to honour its heroes through the act of planting trees, and how collaboration between citizens, non-profits, the corporate sector, and government can contribute to local tree planting goals.

All **Hero Forests** will follow the same format, but no two will be alike.

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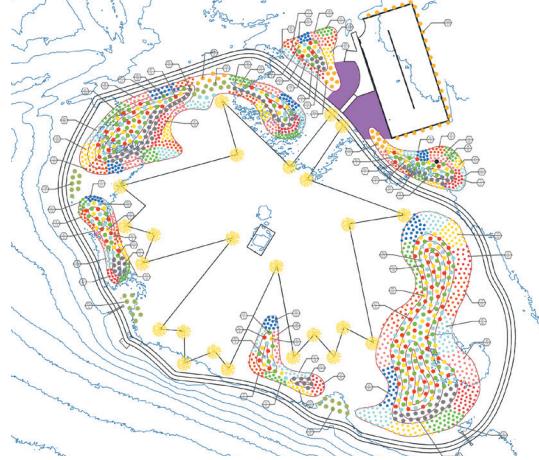
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A SHARED INVESTMENT

Hero Forests will be made possible by collaborating and sharing resources between multiple partners. The projects will be lasting legacies for generations to come and proof of Trees for Life’s ability to bring together diverse communities with a common purpose to augment, amplify and accelerate the results.



JOIN US AND HELP CREATE A “HERO FOREST” IN YOUR COMMUNITY TODAY!

Contact Mike Hurley at mike@treesforlife.ca | 647.292.7794
or Tony DiGiovanni at digiovanni.tony@gmail.com | 416.737.8732

Item Description:	Class D		Class C		Unfunded	CSRIF	City fund	Total
	June 16, 2023	Feb 26, 2024*						
1. New Build		18,061,189		21,296,648	1,296,648	10,000,000	10,000,000	20,000,000
1.a) Hydro One Service Upgrade				750,000	750,000			
2. Memorial Centre Renovations		3,645,060		5,169,041	3,169,041	1,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000
3. Site Work		2,265,162		2,794,559	2,794,559			
	Subtotal	23,971,411		30,010,248	8,010,248			
SP-A03 Color Lighting, Audio & Video Screen		125,000		300,000	300,000			
SP-A04 Pickle Ball Courts (4 current)		90,942		122,250	122,250			
SP-E01 LED Lighting upgrades Existing Arena		220,857		240,778	240,778			
SP-E02 LED Ball diamond replacement		190,000		207,100	207,100			
SP-M01 New Generator		300,000		634,000	634,000			
	Subtotal	926,799		1,504,128	1,504,128			
General Contractor	10%	2,489,821		3,151,438	3,151,438			
Fees	3%	746,946		945,431	945,431			
Bonding & Insurance	1%	248,982		315,144	315,144			
Design Contingency	10%	2,489,821		3,151,438	3,151,438			
Construction Contingency	10%	2,489,821		3,151,438	3,151,438			
Escalation			Assumes tender 2024					
	Subtotal	8,465,391		10,714,888	10,714,888			
Total Construction Cost		33,363,601		42,229,264	20,229,264			