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***Council Minutes***

**Council Members Present:**

Mayor D. Henderson (late 6:32 pm)  
Councillor J. Baker  
Councillor T. Blanchard  
Councillor L. Bursey (late 6:22 pm)  
Councillor P. Deery  
Councillor J. Earle  
Councillor M. Kalivas

**Regrets:**

Councillor J. Fullarton  
Councillor D. LeSueur

**Staff:**

B. Casselman, City Manager  
C. Cosgrove, Director of Operations  
D. Dick, Director of Corporate Services  
S. MacDonald, City Clerk (Recording Secretary)  
R. Nolan, Director of Economic Development  
P. Raabe, Director of Environmental Services

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**MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION (6:15 PM)**

Moved by: Councillor Baker  
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

THAT pursuant to *Municipal Act*, 2001, Section 239 Sub. 2 (c), Council resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole, In Camera, closed to the public to consider:

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

CARRIED

*The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.*

### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey  
Seconded by: Councillor Blanchard

THAT Council rise from Committee of the Whole, In Camera and the Chairman report that all recommendations adopted in Committee of the Whole, In Camera, be adopted.

CARRIED

### **MAYOR'S REMARKS**

Mayor Henderson presented an overview of the discussions at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) conference held in Ottawa last week. (*A copy of the presentation is attached to the minutes.*)

### **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil.

### **ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Moved by: Councillor Earle

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting of July 25, 2017 be adopted and circulated as read.

CARRIED

### **DELEGATIONS**

#### **1. Spring Valley Homes (Mr. Michael Veenstra)**

Mr. Veenstra addressed Council regarding development charges expressing his concern over the lack of development of single homes.

2. **Mr. Joe Farella**  
**Development Charges**

Mr. Farella addressed Council. He spoke about development charges and how the funds collected are to be used for infrastructure but only for the portion related to growth. He suggested that a committee be established to review why Brockville is not growing. The committee could include 2 local developers, 2 members of council and 2 members of the public. The Mayor suggested that Mr. Farella make this request to the Economic Development and Planning Committee.

3. **Island Breakfast Committee**  
**(Conal Cosgrove, Member)**

Moved by: Councillor Earle

THAT Council authorize the transfer of up to \$5,000 from the Island Breakfast Reserve Fund to be used as payment for the excavation of the proposed site of the picnic pavilion on Refugee Island.

CARRIED

Mr. Cosgrove indicated that the committee is undertaking design plans starting with the analysis of rock and soil on the island for the construction of the pavilion.

4. **Downtown Brockville Improvement Association**  
**(Ms. Meg Plooy, Executive Director)**

Ms. Plooy shared information in regard to proceeding with the Twin Pad Arena at the Memorial Centre in light of the new information that has become available concerning the potential school board partnership and the donation of land. (*Copy attached to the minutes.*)

## **STAFF REPORTS**

1. **2017-087-08**  
**Respect in the Workplace Policies Update**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT Council receive Staff Report 2017-087-08 Respect in the Workplace Policies Update, (Schedule A to Report 2017-087-08) for information; and

THAT the following policies, Respect in the Workplace - Workplace Harassment, Respect in the Workplace - Workplace Violence and Respect in the Workplace - Workplace Discrimination be implemented and replace the Respect in the Workplace including Violence and Harassment Policy 103 (adopted by Council May 27, 2008) (Amended 2010 10) and the Violence in the Workplace Policy 119 (adopted by Council – October 24, 2006).

CARRIED

2. **2017-085-08**  
**Health Unit Municipal Apportionment**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT Council approves the Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit recommendation that the population used for the municipal levy apportionment be the population provided by Statistic Canada based upon the most recent census.

REFERRED to the Council meeting of September 26th, 2017

Motion to Refer

Moved by: Councillor Deery

THAT the matter be referred to the Council meeting of September 26, 2017 to obtain clarification on why the change and what affect it has on other municipalities.

CARRIED

3. **2017-086-08**  
**New ARB Rules and Procedures**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT Council receives this report providing information relating to changes to the Assessment Review Board policies and procedures regarding assessment appeals.

CARRIED

4. **2017-088-08**  
**Building and Development Charge Statistics**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT this report has been prepared for information purposes at the request of committee members.

CARRIED

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

1. **Report on AMO Annual Conference**  
**(Councillor L. Bursey)**

Moved by: Councillor Bursey

THAT the report submitted by Councillor L. Bursey regarding the 2017 AMO Annual Conference be received.

CARRIED

**BY-LAWS**

054-2017 A By-law to Provide for the Regulation of Backflow Prevention and Cross Connection, for the City of Brockville / Brockville Drinking Water System

- 055-2017 A By-law to Authorize Certain New Capital Works of the Corporation of the City of Brockville (The "Municipality") to Authorize the Submission of an Application to Ontario Infrastructure and Lands Corporation ("OILC") for Financing Such Capital Works; to Authorize Temporary Borrowing from OILC to Meet Expenditures in Connection with Such Works; and to Authorize Long Term Borrowing for Such Works Through the Issue of Debentures to OILC.
- 056-2017 A By-law to Authorize the Appointment of Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Peace Officers as it applies to the Private Property of 153 King Street West, Brockville

### **READING OF THE BYLAWS**

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard  
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

THAT By-laws Numbered 054-2017 to 056-2017 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 Blanchard  
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

THAT By-law Number 057-2017 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on August 22, 2017 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.

### **MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard

Seconded by: Councillor Deery

THAT Council adjourn its proceedings until the next regular meeting scheduled for September 12, 2017.

CARRIED

*The meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.*

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Mayor

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City Clerk

# Updates

*Wednesday, August 23, 2017*

## What's Next Ontario - Infrastructure

- AMO Board called for an increase of 1% in the HST dedicated to Municipal infrastructure ( Brockville approx \$5 million annually)
- All Party Leaders rejected this plan
- Each acknowledged there is a problem
- Each outlined how they intend to address the problem
  - Grants prog increasing -more emphasis on formula
  - New Programs that decrease Municipal costs
  - Uploading Prog/costs in provincial Jurisdiction



### **Bill 148 – Fair Workplaces, Better Jobs Act 2017**

- 3 hour Min Call in time / 4 day rescheduling
- Part Time Fire / Snow Plowing / emergency service
- Equal pay for casual ( exempts students/seniority)
- Intent is to reduce "Precarious Employment"
- Minister has indicated possible changes

### **Bill 68 – Modernizing Ontario's Municipal Act 2016**

- Must have an Integrity Commissioner
  - Can advise / educate / investigate
  - Investigations cannot proceed in an election period
  - Will apply to boards and committees
- Must adopt a code of conduct
- Must adopt a policy on council / staff relationships
- Must adopt a tree/vegetation canopy policy

### **Ambulance Services Changes**

- Paramedics will be able to divert
- New Ambulance Dispatch system to prioritize calls
- Allowing voluntary pilot programs for Fire Paramedic

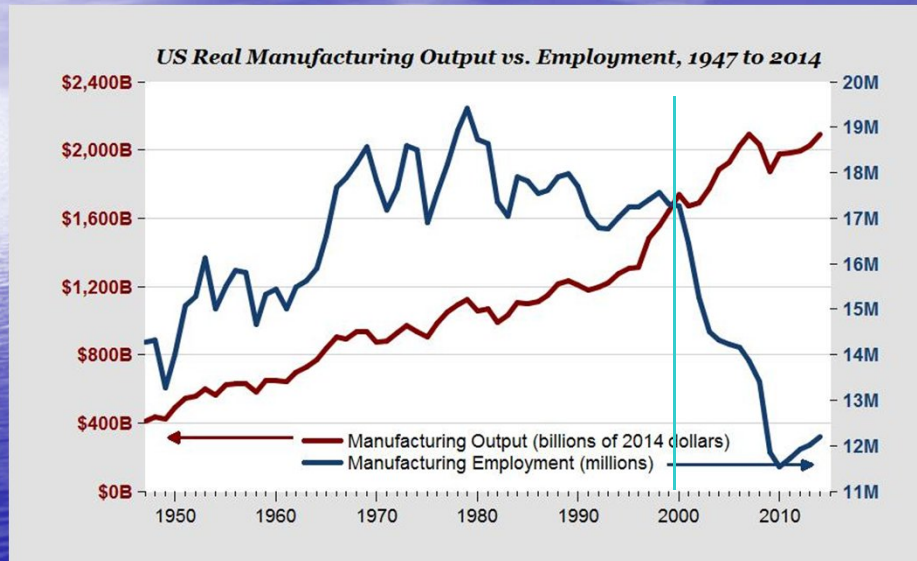
### **Police Act potential Changes**

- Community Service Committees
- Increased Civilianization
- Increased Board Training requirements
- Suspension with Pay

### **Corridor Project**

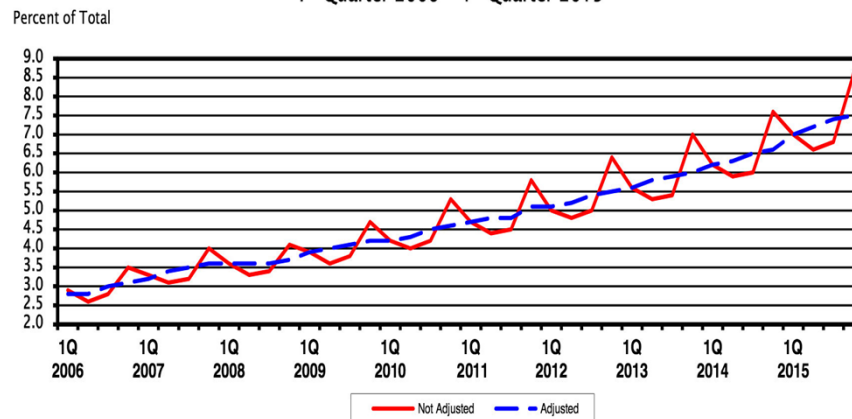
- Board is Established
- David Beatty is the Chair
- St Lawrence College on Board
- Target is to have it up and running by Late January

## MFG jobs& output

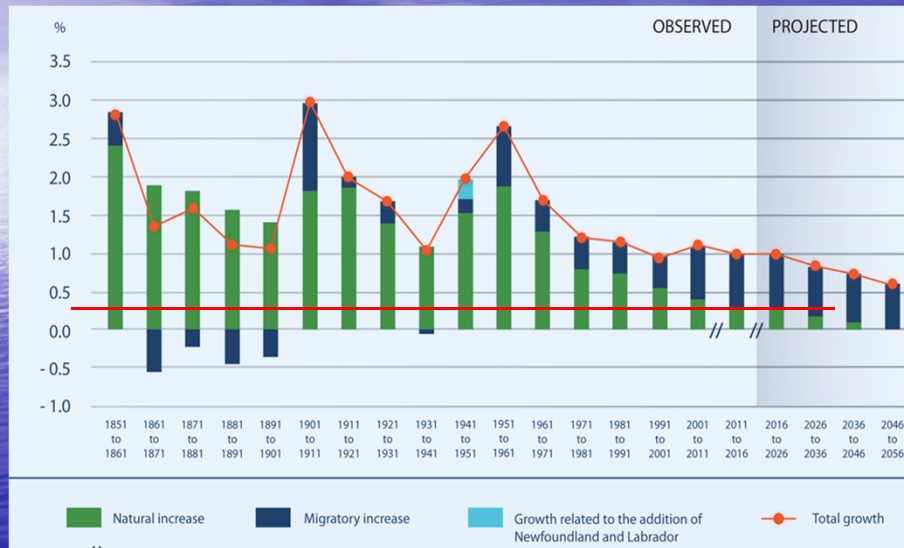


## Retail Trends

Estimated Quarterly U.S. Retail E-commerce Sales as a Percent of Total Quarterly Retail Sales:  
1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2006 – 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2015



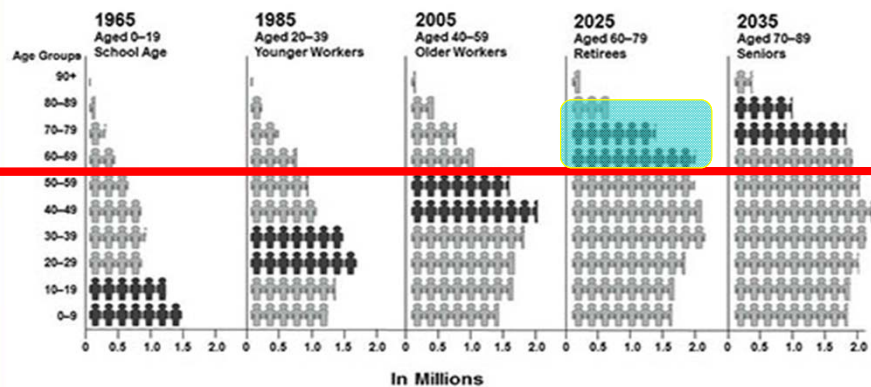
## Canadian Population Growth



## Baby Boom -

Baby Boomers Passing through the Ontario Age Structure, 1965–2035

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Sources: Statistics Canada estimates for 1965–2005, and Ontario Ministry of Finance projections (Spring 2013).





Downtown Twin Pad Presentation  
Meg Plooy  
Downtown Brockville

Good Evening Mayor and Council Representatives,

My name is Meg Plooy, Executive Director of the Downtown Brockville DBIA. I am addressing Council this evening on behalf of the DBIA Board, Membership and staff regarding the proposed opportunity for the City to choose a south end location, the former Philips cables site, for the development of a municipal twin pad arena and potential new school in partnership with the Upper Canada School Board. My goal this evening is to share information and highlight some new critical developments in hopes that a re-consideration can be made.

Why it should be Downtown

The DBIA would ask that Council consider the following information before proceeding with their project and see the proposed Twin Pad site favour the south end location for the following reasons:

1. A donor has stepped forward with funds available to cover the purchase cost of the land for the twin pad site.
2. The possible partnership with the Upper Canada School Board would offer the City the opportunity to cost share the facility as well as making our community more attractive to young families and young professionals by having a new school and new ice surface facility. Research has linked new school developments to a wide array of impacts, including student attendance and academic gains, teacher job satisfaction and retention, increased residential property values and reduced negative health issues arising from poorly maintained buildings.
3. According to the twin pad report presented to city council, It is my understanding that, should the development move forward at the Memorial Centre, the baseball diamonds behind would need to be re-located, displacing some 200 local recreational baseball players. At a cost of approximately \$500,000 and no proposed site to re-locate these baseball diamonds. This cost would then need to be added to the project estimate for the north end site.
4. Partnerships with other organizations like the school board are more favoured during grant and funding applications for large capital projects and could further assist in offsetting the cost of the twin pad project to the City.

I would also like to draw councils attention to the suggested disadvantages noted in the twin pad report when discussing the Junic site.

1. Cost- it was noted in the report that this site is privately owned and would need to be purchased, however, as previously mentioned, a donor has come forward with funding available to cover the purchase price of the land
2. Additional considerations noted in the twin pad report- stated that the Junic site was not easily accessible from the north part of the city, however, recent research conducted by the DBIA office suggests that the downtown Brockville DBIA area represents 2.87% of the city's land, but is home to 22.6% of the businesses. Confirming that the DBIA has the highest concentration of businesses in the City.

**Additionally, DBIA research shows using census of Canada and MPAC data, we can estimate that there are approximately 4,912 residential dwellings south of the 401 highway, if we multiply this by 2.3, a number used by City of Brockville and census Canada as a representation of our population by household, we can now estimate that the City's population south of the 401 to be 13,429 representing 61% of the residential population of Brockville. So if a north end location was chosen, it would actually be less accessible to the majority of the population, who reside south of the 401.**

Single Family dwellings – **4031**

Duplex dwelling -2 units – **240**

Triplex dwelling – 3 units– **56**

Multi-Unit – 4 Units – **41**

Multi-Unit – 5 Units - **10**

Multi-Unit – 6 Units – **13**

Multi-Unit – 7 or more Units – **49**

Row housing units – 3 to 6 units – **6**

Row housing units – 7 or more units – **6**

Seasonal Dwelling - **18**

Condo Units - **442**

So when you multiply these numbers by the # of units – then multiply by 2.3 = **13,429**

3. Higher Operating Costs- The twin pad reported stated that the proposed Junic site would equate to a facility having higher operating costs, however, with the possibility of a partnership with the school

board and cost sharing opportunities, the operating costs would be less than originally anticipated.

A south end location opportunity closely aligns with many elements of the City's official plan, released in 2012.

According to the City's official plan, The city's vision is that "Mayor and Council are committed to making Brockville a better place to live, work and play and to enjoy an exceptional quality of life. Brockville is committed to families, to an economy that offers opportunity to grow and prosper, to providing amenities that are second to none...."

A partnership between the City of Brockville and the Upper Canada District School Board for the purpose of facility development will provide tremendous benefits to the City's downtown core and community as a whole.

### **Economic Impact**

According to the Canadian Sports Tourism Alliance, the sport tourism industry in Canada surpassed \$6.5 billion in spending in 2015, this represents a 13% increase in visitor spending associated with sports tourism over the 2014 total of \$5.8 billion. The largest source of sport tourism continues to be the domestic market, accounting for 72% of the spending.

For the first time, the Canada Sports Tourism Alliance produced numbers by province with support from Statistics Canada, these results indicated that Ontario leads all the provinces in sport tourism attraction, accounting for 36.7% of all sport tourism expenditures.

Another way to look at this data is to project the impact a south end twin pad development could have on our downtown core. The City of Brockville is home to approximately 1,200 businesses, nearly 300 of them within the downtown core, representing the highest concentration of small, locally owned businesses in the city at 22.6%.

According to an Economic Development report prepared by the City of Brockville, The City of Brockville welcomes approximately 600,000 visitors annually, with visitor spending exceeding \$30million dollars. In 1999, this was represented as a daily expenditure rate of \$137.25, being spent at our local shops and restaurants. Where better to invest this visitor spending than Downtown, where these 300 businesses will prosper, grow and continue to



re-invest in our community. It is proven that for every 100 dollars spent at a local business in Canada, 46 dollars are re-invested back into the community. ( $\$137.25 \times .46 = \$ 63.14$ ).

With the proximity to the downtown core and exit off of the 401 highway at long beach. These combined facilities would bring hundreds of people through the downtown core.

I strong urge Council to re-consider their previous decision in light of recent new developments.

As city council, you have an opportunity to bring this project to the city's south end, stimulating economic growth and building on momentum from both public and private sector development, and helping to grow and shape the future of our community.

Thank you.