



City of Brockville Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 06, 2015, 6:00 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. Fullarton (late 6:05 pm)
Councillor M. Kalivas
Councillor D. LeSueur

Absent:

Councillor J. Earle

Staff:

Mr. C. Cosgrove, Director of Operations
Mr. D. Dick, Director of Corporate Services
Mr. C. Dwyre, Fire Chief
Ms. L. Ferguson, Manager of Finance
Mr. T. Fournier, Detective Sergeant, Police Service
Ms. S. MacDonald, City Clerk (Recording Secretary)
Mr. D. Paul, Director of Economic Development
Mr. P. Raabe, Director of Environmental Services
Ms. C. Ward, Financial Analyst
Mr. M. Wing, Financial Analyst

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Nil.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Nil.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Moved by: Councillor Baker
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

THAT we adjourn and meet as Committee of the Whole Council, with the Mayor in the Chair.

CARRIED

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 2015. 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 revise the majority of the 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 6:05 pm)

STAFF REPORTS

1. 2015 Budget

User Fees

1. Arena Ice Rates

Mr. Cosgrove distributed a sheet with revised recommended arena ice rates. These revised rates are to encourage additional afternoon and late evening rentals.

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT the revised arena ice rates be received and approved for inclusion in the 2015 User Fees.

CARRIED

2. Parks Fees

Councillor Baker noted the inequality in the rates for organizational recreation between youth and adults. It is primarily the youth who pay the non-resident user fees. Adult ball leagues pay \$16.75 per game. He noted that the annual registration fees for adult ball leagues is approximately \$100 per person, much less than the registration costs paid by youth. He suggested that non-resident adults do not pay the non-resident fee. Mr. Cosgrove will verify how the rates are calculated as he believes it does take into account the non-resident fees.

Councillor LeSueur questioned how much the use of the fields was subsidized by the tax rate. Mr. Cosgrove will verify and report back.

↑ Action - CJC

3. Fire Fees

Chief Dwyre noted a change to the "Confined space facility per day" rate from \$131.58/student to 30% of the course fee. Additionally, Fire Marque, with whom the City has an agreement for collection of fire costs, has recommended an amendment to the wording of "Cost Recovery" to "Current MTO rate per apparatus and personnel/hour plus any additional costs to the Brockville Fire Department or the City of Brockville for each and every call".

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT the changes to the Fire Department User Fees be incorporated into the 2015 User Fee by-law.

CARRIED

2015 Capital Budget

A capital budget review continued from Section 6.2, WPCC Equipment Program

1. Item 6.2, WPCC Building & Property, Roof Maintenance, Old Administration Building

Councillor Blanchard questioned the current costs of the vacant building, potential uses for the building and its current condition. Mr. Raabe was directed to submit a report to Council providing this information prior to the roof maintenance. The funding will remain in the budget and will be approved or removed pending the information provided at a later date.

↑ Action - CJC

2. Item 6.3, Computer Replacement Program, iPads

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT the funding for replacement of the Councillors iPads be reduced to \$5000;
and

THAT the iPads for Councillors be replaced on an as required basis.

CARRIED

3. Item 6.4, VDI Study

Moved by: Councillor Deery

THAT the VDI Study Project in the amount of \$12,000 be removed from the
Corporate Computer Systems Program.

CARRIED

4. Caterease Event Management Software

Mr. Dick indicated that alternative funding grants has been received to purchase
the Caterease Event Management Software; therefore the project cost of \$6,500
is removed from the Corporate Computer Systems Program.

5. Item 6.4, City Hall Generator – Phase 1

Councillor Baker asked how much the entire project would cost and why
engineering study was required. Mr. Dick noted that the entire project could cost
well over \$150,000. An engineering study was required to determine the correct
specifications to provide power to the building.

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT the City Hall Generator project – Phase 1 in the amount of \$20,000 be
removed from the Corporate Computer Systems Program.

CARRIED

6. Item 7.1 – Asphalt/Concrete Program

Councillor Deery asked if the lower cost of oil would have a bearing on the amount budgeted for asphalt. Mr. Cosgrove responded that the lower oil costs should result in some savings. He further explained that the amount budgeted averages replacement of the City's 312 lane kilometers on a 25 year life cycle. With arterial roads requiring replacement at between 15 and 20 years and local road between 40 and 50 years, the amount meets what should be budgeted annually. In 2014, approximately 12 lane kms were replaced. When tenders result in savings, the savings are typically used to replace additional lane kms.

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT the entire funding amount of \$700,000 be spent on asphalt/concrete projects including any surplus over the budgeted 12 lane kms costs.

CARRIED

7. Item 9.5, Victoria Building Window Retrofit

Councillor Blanchard asked if this was a project that could be done by trades school student like a project undertaken at the Museum several years ago by Algonquin College students. Staff was also directed to verify if this project could be funded by Federal Gas Tax. Mr. Dick will verify and report if there are any non-allocated federal gas funds available.

↑ Action – LW & DD

Moved by: Councillor Deery

THAT the Victoria Building Window Retrofit project be Phase over a four year period at \$100,000 per year.

CARRIED

Incremental Capital Items

1. Library Roof

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard

THAT the Incremental Capital Item "Library Roof" in the amount of \$180,000 be added to the 2015 Capital Budget

CARRIED

2. Rotary Park

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard

THAT the Incremental Capital Item "Rotary Park (4 year request)" in the amount of \$50,000 be added to the Capital Budget for the years 2015 to 2018.

CARRIED

3. Picnic Tables

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard

THAT the Incremental Capital Item "Picnic Tables" in the amount of \$2,500 be added to the 2015 Capital Budget.

CARRIED

The following Incremental Capital items were not added to the 2015 Capital Budget:

- *Marina Study*
- *Memorial Park Bleachers*
- *Memorial Centre Broadcast Booth*
- *Cemetery Columbarium*

Council would like further information regarding the cemetery columbarium.

REPORTS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Nil.

NEW BUSINESS - REPORT FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Nil.

MOTION TO RETURN TO COUNCIL

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT we revert from Committee of the Whole Council, to Council.

CARRIED

ADOPTION OF REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Moved by: Councillor Baker
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

THAT the report of the Committee of the Whole Council be adopted and that the necessary actions or by-laws be enacted.

CARRIED

BY-LAWS

Nil.

CONFIRMATORY BYLAW FIRST AND SECOND READING

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

THAT By-law Number 001-2015 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on January 6, 2015

CARRIED

CONFIRMATORY BYLAW THIRD READING

Moved by: Councillor Blanchard
Seconded by: Councillor Deery

THAT By-law Number 001-2015 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on January 6, 2015 be now read a 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 January 13, 2015.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 pm.

Mayor

City Clerk