

City of Brockville Council Meeting Minutes 6:00 PM - Tuesday, March 9, 2021

Virtual Meeting

The Council meeting was called to order on Tuesday, March 9, 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: Nil.

Staff: Lynda Ferguson, Director of Finance & IT Services, Janette

Loveys, City Manager, Sandra MacDonald, City Clerk, and

Robert Nolan, Director of Economic and Development

Services

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION (5:00 PM)

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas Seconded by: Councillor Fullarton

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

- 1. the security of the property of the municipality or local board;
- 2. a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board;
- 3. litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board;

CARRIED

CLOSED MEETING STAFF REPORTS

REPORT OF THE CLOSED SESSION (6:00 pm)

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas 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

MAYOR'S REMARKS

Mayor Baker expressed condolences to the Fraser family. Brian Fraser lost his battle with Leukemia last week. Brian was an advocate for blood and stem cell donations.

Brockville flags will be flown at half mast on Thursday March 11th, 2021 to recognize the designation by the federal government as the National Day of Observance to commemorate the people who lost their lives and the significant impacts we have all felt because of COVID-19.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Moved by: Councillor Journal

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting of February 23, 2021 be adopted and circulated as read.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Boards and Committees
 (Arena Advisory Committee and Downtown Business Improvement Area)

Moved by: Councillor Lavergne

THAT Brian Enright be removed from the Arena Advisory Board; and

THAT Rob Harsh and Robyn Houle be removed from the Downtown Business Improvement Area Board; and

THAT Richard Birbeck be appointed to the Downtown Business Improvement Area Board whose term will expire November 14, 2022.

CARRIED

2. 2021 Budget - Business Community Needs
Brockville and District Chamber of Commerce

Moved by: Councillor Earle

THAT the correspondence dated February 23, 2021 from the Brockville and District Chamber of Commerce be received.

CARRIED

3. Blood Donor Week (Councillor Wales)

Moved by: Councillor Wales

THAT the week of June 13th to 19th, 2021 be declared Blood Donor Week in the City of Brockville; and

THAT Brockville City Council encourages all residents to visit Blood.ca for information about how to become a blood or stem cell donor; and

THAT Brockville City Council formally recognizes Brian Fraser for his exceptional advocacy in support of blood and stem cell donation.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Nil.

STAFF REPORTS

Nil.

2021 BUDGET

1. **SR2021-40**

2021 Budget-Final Approval

Moved by: Councillor Wren

THAT Council receives report SR2021-40 2021 Budget-Final Approval; and

THAT Council approves the following:

- 1. 2021 City Departments Operating Budget, with a net levy of \$21,858,274.
- 2. 2021 Capital Budget for \$4,400,825 and be funded as follows:
 - \$874,409 Tax Levy
 - o \$1,143,470 Federal Gas Tax
 - \$357,950 Grants
 - o \$413,500 Reserves and Reserve Funds
 - o \$1,545,000 Debt
 - \$66,496 Donations
- 3. Of the Provincial Safe Restart Funds previously approved of \$1,024,108, that \$841,858 be utilized for 2021 operating pressures and the remaining \$182,250 be held for further pressures caused by the pandemic.
- 4. Safe Restart Funds be used to fund the increase to the St. Lawrence Lodge Levy of \$43,130
- 5. Safe Restart Funds be used to fund the increase to the Joint Services Budget of \$48,336.
- 6. Council approve \$100,000 for SLX-Life for 2 years (\$45,000 including HST for 2021 -\$55,000 including HST for 2022) to be funded from the Modernization Fund and execution of a Contribution Agreement.
- 7. Council provide direction regarding the incremental Communications and Engagement Officer for \$46,883, making the City Departments Budget net levy \$21,905,157.

CARRIED as amended on a later vote

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Councillor Wales

THAT the incremental Communications and Engagement Officer staff position be included in the 2021 Budget for a cost of \$46,883, making the City Departments Budget net levy \$21,905,157.

For: Councillor Wales and Councillor Wren

Against: Mayor Baker, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle, Councillor

Fullarton, Councillor Journal, Councillor Kalivas, and Councillor

Lavergne

DEFEATED 2-7 on a recorded vote

Councillor Journal exited the meeting at 7:07 pm.

The vote on the original motion, as amended, was now taken and the motion, as amended, was carried.

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For:

Mayor Baker, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Lavergne, Councillor Wales, and Councillor Wren

CARRIED 8-0 on a recorded vote

PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Councillor M. Kalivas, Chair Councillors L. Bursey and C. Wales, A. Koolwine, Citizen Member Meeting held March 2, 2021

POC - CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

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

For:

Mayor Baker, Councillor Bursey, Councillor Earle, Councillor Fullarton, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Lavergne, Councillor Wales, and Councillor Wren

CARRIED 8-0 on a recorded vote

1. **SR2021-32**

2020 Annual Report Water Pollution Control Centre

THAT Council receive Report SR2021–32, 2020 Annual Report for the Brockville Water Pollution Control Centre (WPCC), for information.

2. **SR2021-33**

2020 Annual Water Quality Report Brockville Drinking Water System

THAT Council receive Report SR2021-33, 2020 Annual Water Quality Report for the Brockville Drinking Water System, for information.

3. **SR2021-37**

2020 Annual Building & By-Law Services

THAT Staff Report SR2021-37, 2020 Annual Building & By-Law Services be received for information.

4. **SR2021-38**

Idling in City Vehicles

THAT Council receive staff report SR2021-38, Idling in City Vehicles, for information.

THAT Council direct staff to prepare a draft Vehicle Idling Policy for the June 1, 2021 Planning & Operations Committee.

5. **SR2021-34**

Approval of Community Flag Raisings

THAT the following proposed flag raisings be approved:

- March 17th Irelands National Day
- March 25th Greek Independence Day
- April 27th Koningsdag or King's Day
- May 1st 100 years of service to Brockville by the Brockville Rotary Club

THAT staff canvass best practices nationally and provincially regarding the flying of national flags in the context of international relationships.

AND THAT staff report to the Economic Development, Recreation and Tourism Committee in May, 2021 with any proposed changes to the City of Brockville's flag policy.

CARRIED

POC - REGULAR AGENDA

Nil.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, RECREATION AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

Councillor J. Fullarton, Chair Councillor M. Wren, J. Barabash and J. McTavish, Citizen Members Meeting held March 2, 2021

EDRTC- CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT the following items, as listed on the Economic Development, Recreation and Tourism Committee agenda are recommended to be passed by Consent Agenda:

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

Fullarton, Councillor Kalivas, Councillor Lavergne, Councillor

Wales, and Councillor Wren

CARRIED 8-0 on a recorded vote

 Aquatarium at Tall Ships Landing - Draft Plans for Tourism and Marketing Aquatarium Tourism and Marketing Partnership - 2021 Work Plan and Budget

THAT the Committee approve the Aquatarium Tourism and Marketing Partnership 2021 Workplan and Budget.

2. **SR2021-35**

Draft Tourism Committee Terms of Reference

THAT report SR2021-35 Draft Tourism Committee Terms of Reference be received; and

THAT Committee provide feedback on the draft Tourism Committee Terms of Reference.

3. **SR2021-36**

Reconnect Festival and Event Grant

THAT Report SR2021-36 Reconnect Festival and Event Grant be received; and

THAT Council authorizes the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement with the Province of Ontario under the Reconnect Festival and Event Program related to covering expenditures for the 2020 River of Lights.

EDRTC - REGULAR AGENDA

Nil.

NEW BUSINESS - REPORT FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Nil.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil.

EMERGENCY BUSINESS

Nil.

BY-LAWS

1. 021-2021

Being a By-law to Appoint James Frank as a Municipal Law Enforcement Officer for the City of Brockville.

2. 022-2021

A By-law to Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a Transfer Payment Agreement with the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario for the Municipal Transit Enhanced Cleaning Program.

READING OF THE BYLAWS

Moved by: Councillor Wren

Seconded by: Councillor Bursey

THAT By-laws Numbered 021-2021 and 022-2021 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 Wren

Seconded by: Councillor Bursey

THAT By-law Number 023-2021 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on March 9, 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

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Wren

Seconded by: Councillor Bursey

THAT Council adjourn its proceedings until the next regular meeting scheduled for March 23, 2021.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.	
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Mayor	City Clerk