



Council Minutes

City of Brockville 15th Meeting of Council

Tuesday, February 24th, 2009, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall - Council Chambers

Regular Meeting of Council at 7:00 pm

Roll Call

Council Members:

Councillor S. Williams , Acting Mayor
Councillor J. Baker
Councillor G. Beach
Councillor J. Fullarton
Councillor L. Journal
Councillor H. Noble
Councillor L. Severson

Absent:

Mayor D. Henderson
Councillor J. Earle
Councillor M. Kalivas

Staff:

Mr. B. Casselman, City Manager
Mr. C. Cosgrove, Director of Operations
Ms. D. Cyr, Director of Finance
Ms. V. Harvey, Acting Director of Parks and Recreation
Mr. H. Jones, Fire Chief
Mr. D. Paul, Director of Economic Development
Ms. S. Seale, City Clerk (Recording Secretary)

Others:

Mr. Michael Jiggins, Recorder and Times

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION (5:30 p.m.)

Moved by: Councillor Noble Seconded by: Councillor Journal

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

- i. personnel matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees.
- ii. a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board.

CARRIED

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA

Moved by: Councillor Journal Seconded by: Councillor Noble

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

Acting Mayor Williams bestowed congratulations to the organizers of Winterfest 2009 and noted the recent funding announcements made by the Province and Federal governments.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT the minutes of the Council Meetings of February 5, February 10, February 12 and February 17, 2009 be adopted and circulated as read.

CARRIED

MOTION TO MOVE INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Moved by: Councillor Beach

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

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

REQUESTS FOR PROCLAMATIONS

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT Council make the following proclamation[s]:

- THAT in recognition of the Irish holiday commemorating the death of Patrick, the Patron Saint of Ireland, March 17, that the Irish flag be flown from March 16th to March 23rd, 2009; and
- THAT in recognition of the Greek Independence Day, March 25th, that the Greek National flag be flown from March 23rd to March 30th, 2009.

(Brockville and District Multicultural Council Inc.)

CARRIED

**APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES
BROCKVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

Moved by: Councillor Beach

THAT Council appoint Don McGowan to the Brockville Public Library Board whose term will expire November 30th, 2010; and

THAT By-law 122-2006 be amended accordingly.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

PRESENTATION BY THE BROCKVILLE MUSEUM ONTARIO YOUTH VOLUNTEER AWARD

Ms. Burke and Ms. Fairgrieve presented the Ontario Heritage Trust, 2008 Young Heritage Leaders award to Mr. Jordan Yeldon who is one of the young people who is involved in preserving our community's heritage.

STAFF REPORTS

2009-012-01 SERVICE DELIVERY REVIEW PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT Council authorize the following recommendations resulting from the Parks and Recreation Service Delivery Review.

1. Reduce the frequency of grass cutting from twice weekly to once weekly in Priority Waterfront Parks, the Fire Station and the Police Station.

2009 Budget Reduction: \$3,782
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2. Do not purchase aerator and return \$12,591 to the Fleet Reserve.

3. Purchase a top dresser in the 2009 Capital Fleet Budget: \$18,139.

Increase the purchase of materials and supplies.
2009 Budget Increase: \$4,500
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4. Prepare cost benefit analysis in 2009 to determine merit of purchasing bucket truck in 2010.
5. Track expenses for each special event in 2009 and report back to Council at year end.

6. Renegotiate a 2009 lease agreement with the Boardwalk Condominiums for docking facilities for a one year period.
7. Renegotiate a 2009 to 2011 lease agreement with 1000 Islands & Seaway Cruises.
8. Investigate all issues related to the divestiture of the Small Craft Harbour/Block House Island by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.
9. As part of the Waterfront Public Use Strategy of the Official Plan, evaluate the impact of relocating to St. Lawrence Park and other locations, a portion of the 110 seasonal mooring docks of Fuller Marine Services that will be displaced on development of the Tall Ships Landing project.
10. Take back seven of the fourteen Day Docks that are currently used by Tourism and convert them back to transient or seasonal slips.

2009 Revenue Increase: \$7,000

11. Install fourteen finger docks along the east end of the seawall of the harbour.

2009 Revenue Increase: \$ 7,000
2009 Major Capital Budget Item: \$120,000

12. Investigate a private public partnership for the operation of harbour facility.
13. Approval of the 2009 Major Capital Budget Item – Island Environmental Audit - in an amount of \$25,000.
14. Collaborate with the Executive Director of the Maritime Discovery Centre to investigate a possible private/public partnership with Tall Ships Landing regarding programming and possible access to the islands, subject to the recommendations of the Island Environmental Audit.
15. Implement more aggressive goose control measures in waterfront parks.
16. Create a new summer student position for maintenance issues at Centeen Park, Armagh S. Price Park, Blockhouse Island and

Hardy/Centennial Park and to address goose poop clean-up and its associated health issues.

2009 Budget Increase: \$8,067

18. As part of the Waterfront Public Use Strategy of the Official Plan, evaluate the impact of relocating the Rowing Club to St. Lawrence Park.

19. As part of the Waterfront Public Use Strategy of the Official Plan, evaluate the possibility of relocating the boat launching facilities to the Sewage Treatment grounds, and evaluate the impact of relocating the Commercial Dive Charter Operation from St. Lawrence Park to the Ferry Street Rowing Club as well as the shore-based divers from Centeen Park & Blockhouse Island and develop the adjacent Reynolds Park into a combined parking lot for divers/public and green space (occupying the current Rowing Club building that will be vacant if the Rowing Club moves to St. Lawrence Park).

20. As part of the Waterfront Public Use Strategy of the Official Plan, evaluate the impact of relocating the Commercial Dive Charter Operation from St. Lawrence Park as well as the shore-based divers from Centeen Park & Block House Island to the east end of Brockville (occupying the current WPCP administrative building that will be vacant when the plant expansion is complete).

21. Develop the newly acquired property immediately west of St. Lawrence Park into a parking lot with King Street access, with satisfactory drop off area by the waterfront.

2009 Minor Capital Budget Item: \$22,800

22. Establish dialogue with the diving community (operators) during the Official Plan process to ensure the growth of diving (enhance).

23. Expand the mandate of the newly established Splash Pad Committee to include investigation of artificial ice surfaces.

24. Complete a full review of the Non Resident User Fee program.

25. Complete energy audits in the arenas in 2009 and install retrofits if funding is available to reduce energy consumption and related energy costs.

26. Establish a new 2009 arena user fee of \$60 to cover the cost of

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2009 Revenue Increase: \$240
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27. Increase the 2009 Arts Centre basic seat surcharge to \$2.50 and the phone-in fee to \$1.50, effective April 1, 2009.

Total Annual Revenue Increase: \$7,500
Amount will be prorated in the 2009 budget based on the date of implementation.

28. Purchase a ticketing software program and renovate the main lobby washroom at the Arts Centre if sufficient donations are raised by the Project Encore Committee Members.

29. Change the Arts Centre part time Front of House position to a full time two year performance based contract position

2009 Budget Increase: \$0
2010 Revenue Increase \$10,000

31. THAT staff consider the feasibility of on street parking on King Street in front of St. Lawrence Park on weekends and during special events.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

Councillor Beach requested item 4 be separated.

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT staff prepare a cost benefit analysis in 2009 to determine the merit of hiring a full time arborist.

DEFEATED

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT staff prepare a cost benefit analysis in 2009 to determine the merit of purchasing a bucket truck in 2010.

CARRIED

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Councillor Journal

THAT the words "to 2011" be added between before "lease agreement" in item 7.

CARRIED

Request for Friendly Amendment

Councillor Noble requested that the words, "and other locations" be added after St. Lawrence Park in item 9.

ACCEPTED

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT item 17, Eliminate the lifeguards from St. Lawrence Park, be deferred to the meeting of March 10, 2009.

CARRIED

Request for Friendly Amendment

Councillor Noble requested that the words, "the possibility of relocating the boat launching facilities to the Sewage Treatment grounds, and evaluate" be inserted in line 2 of item 19, after the word evaluate.

ACCEPTED

Motion to Amend

Moved by Councillor Journal

THAT a new recommendation be inserted,"

31. THAT staff consider the feasibility of on street parking on King Street in front of St. Lawrence Park on weekends and during special events.

CARRIED

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT item 21 be amended to delete the reference to "dedicated for the St. Lawrence Park Dive Facility (at this time)."

Request for Friendly Amendment

Councillor Journal requested a friendly amendment that the words "with satisfactory drop off area by the waterfront." be inserted.

ACCEPTED

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT item 21 be amended to delete the reference to "dedicated for the St. Lawrence Park Dive Facility (at this time)" and add the words, "with a satisfactory drop off area by the waterfront ."

CARRIED

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Councillor Noble

THAT item 30, Creation of a new full time Parks and Recreation Operator position, be deferred to the Operations Committee Meeting in March.

CARRIED

REPORTS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

COUNCILLOR S. WILLIAMS, CHAIR
COUNCILLOR H. NOBLE, COUNCILLOR L. SEVERSON
MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 17, 2009

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT the following items listed on the Operations agenda are recommended by the Operations Committee to be passed by Consent Agenda.

CARRIED

**2009-018-02
ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR
WTP AND PARKEDALE AVENUE
RESERVOIR PUMP REVIEW**

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT Council accept the proposal from CH2MHILL in the amount of Twenty-four Thousand, Seven Hundred and Seventy-four Dollars (\$24,774.00) plus GST to provide engineering consulting services for the review of pumps at the Water Treatment Plant and the Parkedale Ave. reservoir; and

THAT the funds be allocated from the following capital accounts:
C4030-WTPW-PVFD \$6,387.00

C4030-WTPW-P3SD	\$6,387.00
C4030-WTPW-HLSD	\$12,000.00

CARRIED

**2009-024-02
PROPOSED CONSENT TO SEVER
4671 DEBRUGE ROAD, ELIZABETHTOWN-KITLEY
(MAC JOHNSON WILDLIKE AREA)
OWNER: CATARAQUI REGION CONSERVATION
AUTHORITY FILE: B-4-09 (UCLG LAND DIVISION
COMMITTEE)**

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville - Land Division Committee be advised that the City of Brockville has no objection to the proposed Consent to Sever to create a lot with an area of approximately 1.02 Hectare (2.5 acres) on lands described as Part of Lot 12-13, Concession 2, in the Township of Elizabethtown, known municipally as 4671 Debruge Road.

CARRIED

**2009-023-02
ESTABLISHMENT OF BROCKVILLE CEMETERY BOARD**

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT Council rescind by-law 029-2003, being a by-law to repeal By-law 293-91 related to the rules and regulations for Cemeteries governed by the Brockville Cemetery Board.

CARRIED

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

COUNCILLOR J. BAKER, CHAIR
COUNCILLORS J. FULLARTON, COUNCILLOR L. JOURNAL
MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 17, 2009

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT the following items as listed on the Finance and Administration Committee agenda are recommended by the Finance and Administration Committee to be passed by Consent Agenda.

CARRIED

**2009-027-02
TREASURER'S REPORT AND FINANCIAL
STATISTICS DECEMBER 2008 INTERIM
FILE: F05-43**

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT the Treasurer's Report and Financial Statistics for the period ending December 31st, 2008 INTERIM with respect to Current Operations, Reserve Funds and the Capital Fund be received; and

THAT any deficit variances, should they occur, be authorized as expenditures from the Fiscal Policy Reserve, or appropriate Reserve Fund, or

THAT any surplus be credited to the Fiscal Policy Reserve, or appropriate Reserve Fund.

CARRIED

**2009-028-02
2008 COUNCIL REMUNERATION & EXPENSES**

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT Council receive the Treasurer's Report on 2008 Remuneration and Expenses for Members of Council and Board Members appointed by the City [**Attachment 1 to Report # 2009-028-02**].

CARRIED

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

CITY WATER/SEWER RATES

Moved by: Councillor Noble

WHEREAS the water/sewer rate charge schedule for residential usage is pernicious in that it rewards increased consumption through quantity discounting at a time when it is desired to reduce the load on the sewage treatment plant.

AND WHEREAS it would be preferable to incent conservation of water rather than rewarding increased usage.

AND WHEREAS increased consumption of filtered chemically treated water for summer lawn watering and car and premises cleaning should not be at increasingly discounted rates.

AND WHEREAS lawn watering creates abnormally high consumption which might be reduced if the rates are increased for extra consumption and might eventually encourage some residents to return to the storage of rain water and thereby reduce peak flows in the sewer systems and peak pumping load at the water filtration plant.

AND WHEREAS reducing consumption is a green initiative which is in keeping with one of the stated priority goals in the developing city vision and plans.

AND WHEREAS the less water that is used the less the energy and chemical costs in pumping, treating and distributing and, except for the water used for lawn watering, the load and operating costs at the sewage treatment facility.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT staff will propose adjusted water/sewer rate residential schedules designed to generate the same total revenue but incent reduced consumption rather than increased usage and such schedule to coincide with the Water and Wastewater Service Delivery Review.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

Motion to Amend

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT the words, "to be brought to the June Finance Committee meeting for consideration" be replaced with the words, "to coincide with the Water and Wastewater Service Delivery Review."

CARRIED

SEASONAL CAMPSITES

Moved by: Councillor Noble

WHEREAS the city presently allows campsites to be rented for the season on city islands and these sites are renewable by the same individual for a total stay of up to 3 years;

AND WHEREAS there are few, if any municipal jurisdictions that own adjacent islands which gives Brockville a significant tourism edge if optimally utilized;

AND WHEREAS the city is creating a new waterfront plan of which the islands are a significant part;

AND WHEREAS there are many ideas being formulated that balance conservation with enjoyment and increased economic benefit to Brockville;

AND WHEREAS giving 18 families a three year monopoly on such a treasured resource is not good stewardship of this magnificent community asset;

AND WHEREAS the present policy of allowing a tenant to renew twice will frustrate some initiatives for a period of years and federal and provincial assistance funds are being focused on the next two years;

AND WHEREAS there is a body of opinion that this legacy of our past is no longer appropriate;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- A) all campsite seasonal permits will be entered in the annual lottery system starting with the 2009 season.
- B) Staff will review the policy of providing seasonal campsites as part of the Waterfront Study.

DEFERRED TO THE COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 10, 2009.

Motion to Defer

Moved by: Councillor Journal

THAT the motion be deferred to the March 10, 2009 Council meeting pending review of the existing agreements and and review by City Solicitor.

CARRIED

RECYCLING REFURBISHING TECHNOLOGY CENTRE

Moved by: Councillor Journal

THAT Council support the development of a consolidation centre and a Recycling Refurbishing Technology Centre in Brockville.

CARRIED

**NOTICE OF MOTION BY COUNCILLOR FULLARTON
2009 HEALTH UNIT BUDGET**

Councillor Fullarton provided notice that she will be presenting a motion at the Council Meeting of March 10, 2009 expressing Brockville City Council's displeasure at the 2009 Health Unit Budget.

MOTION TO RETURN TO COUNCIL

Moved by: Councillor Beach

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 Beach

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

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

EMERGENCY BUSINESS

BY-LAWS

- 025-2009 By-law to authorize the appointment of Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Peace Officers as it applies to the Private Property of 41 Court House Square, Brockville.
- 026-2009 By-law to Amend By-law Number 122-2006, being a by-law to Appoint Members to Various Boards and Commissions of the City of Brockville (Brockville Public Library Board)
- 027-2009 By-law to rescind By-law 029-2003, being a by-law to repeal By-law 293-91 related to the Rules and Regulation for Cemeteries Governed by the Brockville Cemetery Board
- 028-2009 By-law to authorize the appointment of Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Peace Officers as it applies to the Private Property of 23 Abbott Street, Brockville.

BYLAWS FIRST AND SECOND READING

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton
Seconded by: Councillor Baker

THAT By-laws Numbered 025-2009 to 028-2009 be introduced and the same be now read a first and second time.

CARRIED

BYLAWS THIRD READING

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton
Seconded by: Councillor Baker

THAT By-laws Numbered 025-2009 to 028-2009 be now read a third time, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, sealed with the Seal of the Corporation and be recorded.

CARRIED

CONFIRMATORY BYLAW FIRST AND SECOND READING

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton Seconded by: Councillor Baker

THAT By-law Number 029-2009 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on February 24, 2009 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

CONFIRMATORY BYLAW THIRD READING

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton
Seconded by: Councillor Baker

THAT By-law Number 029-2009 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on February 24, 2009 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

The next Regular Council meeting will be held March 10, 2009.

MEDIA QUESTION PERIOD

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk
