



City of Brockville
16th Meeting of Council

Tuesday, March 10th, 2009, 7:00 p.m.
City Hall - Council Chambers

Council Minutes

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL AT 7:00 PM

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor D. Henderson, Mayor
Councillor G. Beach
Councillor J. Earle
Councillor J. Fullarton
Councillor L. Journal
Councillor M. Kalivas
Councillor H. Noble
Councillor S. Williams

ABSENT:

Councillor J. Baker
Councillor L. Severson

STAFF:

Mr. J. Baker, Director of Human Resources
Mr. B. Casselman, City Manager
Mr. C. Cosgrove, Director of Operations
Ms. D. Cyr, Director of Finance
Ms. L. Ferguson, Supervisor of Accounting Services
Ms. V. Harvey, Acting Director of Parks and Recreation
Mr. H. Jones, Fire Chief
Ms. M. Pascoe Merkley, Director of Planning
Ms. S. Seale, City Clerk (Recording Secretary)
Ms. L. White, Budget Officer

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

Moved by: Councillor Noble
Seconded by: Councillor Baker

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

- i. a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board; and
- ii. labour relations or employee negotiations.

CARRIED

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA

Moved by: Councillor Williams
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

Mayor Henderson noted the recent announcement by the Province regarding the banning of pesticides in the Province of Ontario.

Congratulations were bestowed to Ms. Pascoe Merkley, Director of Planning and the consultants for the Official Plan workshops held within the past two weeks.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

ADOPTION OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Moved by: Councillor Journal

THAT the minutes of the Council Meeting of February 24, 2009 be adopted and circulated as read.

CARRIED

MOTION TO MOVE INTO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Moved by: Councillor Journal
Seconded by: Councillor Noble

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

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

REQUEST FOR PROCLAMATIONS

Moved by: Councillor Earle

THAT Council make the following proclamation[s]:

- Red Cross Month - March 2009
- Canadian Red Cross Centennial Year - 2009
- THAT in honour of March being Red Cross Month, that the Red Cross Flag be flown at Tunnel Bay from March 16th to March 20th, 2009
(Canadian Red Cross)
- Earth Hour – Saturday, March 28th, 2009 from 8:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. (Community & Primary Health Care & AMO)

CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM EGG FARMERS
ONTARIO REQUEST FOR SUPPORT PROCUREMENT
PRACTICE**

Moved by: Councillor Earle

WHEREAS the City of Brockville supports practices that contribute to the creation of a sustainable environment; and

WHEREAS Ontario egg farmers currently provide our community with fresh, locally produced Grade A eggs which travel from farm to table in 4 to 7 days; and

WHEREAS Ontario egg farmers take pride in caring for their hens while offering consumers a variety of choice; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the current procurement practice of eggs by the City of Brockville, produced by Ontario egg farmers, be identified as the preferred local sustainable procurement practice;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the purchase of all Ontario eggs contributes to the creation of a sustainable environment in which consumers and farmers benefit.

CARRIED

**APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS AND COMMITTEES
BROCKVILLE MUNICIPAL ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
BROCKVILLE AIRPORT COMMISSION**

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT Council appoint Mark Earle to the Brockville Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee (BMAAC) with his term to expire November 20, 2013; and,

THAT Council appoint Byron Boone to the Brockville Airport Commission with his term to expire November 20, 2013; and,

THAT By-law 122-2006 be amended to reflect the new appointment.

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Ms. Margaret Wicklum, Chair of the Brockville Public Library Board addressed Council to provide an outline of the proposed Library's North Portal project.

STAFF REPORTS

2009-012-01

SERVICE DELIVERY REVIEW PARKS AND RECREATION

Moved by: Councillor Journal

THAT the lifeguard service provided at St. Lawrence Park be eliminated; and

THAT the 2009 Budget be reduced by \$18,643.

CARRIED

Councillor Journal requested a recorded vote.

Yeah - Councillors Baker, Fullarton, Journal, Noble and Mayor
Henderson

Nay - Councillors Earle, Kalivas and Williams

2009-012-01

SERVICE DELIVERY REVIEW PARKS AND RECREATION

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 expiring campsite seasonal permits will be entered in the annual lottery system starting with the 2009 season; and

B) Staff will review the policy of providing seasonal campsites as part of the Waterfront Study.

CARRIED

Amendment to Motion

Moved by: Councillor Williams

THAT the matter be deferred pending the completion of the waterfront study.

DEFEATED

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

**2009-020-02
SERVICE DELIVERY REVIEW -
BROCKVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Moved by: Councillor Noble

Administration

- 1) THAT a Master Fire Plan for the Brockville Fire Department be developed and submitted to Council for endorsement.
- 2) THAT the Fire Department's Establishing and Regulating By-law be revamped and re-written where necessary to address the service levels deemed necessary by Council.
- 3) THAT a city-wide communication study be implemented to provide necessary back-up facilities for police and fire and to ensure interoperability for emergency planning purposes. It is anticipated that the study would also address revenue possibilities associated with providing a replacement radio station located

atop the former St. Vincent Hospital site.

- 4) THAT overtime costs associated with events that require the presence of fire department personnel (e.g. poker run, boat races, fireworks, etc.) not be charged to the organizing committees.

Firefighting Division

- 1) THAT the City continue to maintain a converging response from the two stations and that the City maintains the opticom equipment presently used at traffic light controlled intersections.
- 2) THAT the existing emergency medical response protocol, pages 35-36 be continued.

Fire Prevention

- 1) THAT the home inspection program conducted by the “on-duty” firefighters under the auspices of the Fire Prevention Division be continued.
- 2) THAT the Fire Prevention Policy be endorsed by Council.
- 3) A Fireworks By-law be presented to Council for review and approval at a future Council meeting.
- 4) The level of service presently provided be maintained given the building stock, the demographics and the local and provincial fire loss profiles.

Communications Division

- 1) The City continue to provide dispatch services to the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville and the Town of Prescott.
- 2) The issue of having combined fire and police dispatch services be studied and addressed by an Ad Hoc Committee made up of Fire, Police, Council and the other interested stakeholders and the recommendations be identified in the proposed Master Fire Plan.
- 3) An interdepartmental communication study (to provide for interoperability and back-up facilities) be completed. The study should also address possible potential revenue that could be realized with the construction of a new communications tower (located at the rear of the property of Station #2) which will replace the radio station at the St. Vincent site (no longer supported by Motorola)

Fleet

- 1) It is recommended that the number of Fire Prevention vehicles assigned to Fire Prevention (2) be maintained.
- 2) It is recommended that the number of vehicles assigned to Administration (2) be maintained.

Station Location

- 1) THAT the Perth Street Fire Station remain fully operational.
- 2) THAT the Headquarters Station (Laurier Blvd.) remain fully operational and that the Fire Department provide a converging response from both stations.

CARRIED

Motion to Separate

Moved by: Councillor Noble

THAT item no. 5 under Fire Prevention be separated.

CARRIED

Amendment to Motion

Moved by: Councillor Noble

THAT the matter of false alarm fees be deferred to the April Operations Committee meeting; and

THAT the Fire Department prepare a report to establish fees for false alarm response calls.

CARRIED

Amendment to Motion

Moved by: Councillor Noble

THAT an Item No. 3 be added under Fleet as follows:

"3) It is recommended that Fire Administration and Prevention vehicles be as small (in size) and environmentally friendly as possible."

DEFEATED

Amendment to Motion

Moved by: Councillor Noble

WHEREAS the just completed need analysis for Opticom automatic traffic light changers for fire and emergency vehicles reveals that additional intersections require this capability; and

WHEREAS the costs involved are one time capital costs and a minor capital amount; and

WHEREAS it would be tragic if a life was lost because of intersection delays in response by emergency personnel to a person in a life threatening situation where time is of the essence; and

WHEREAS postponing these installation creates the potential for just such an avoidable tragic event;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

a) \$50,000 be funded from the 2009 capital budget to add Opticom signaling to the identified intersections less any funds that might become available from other suitable grant sources; and

b) THAT the Operations department liaise with the Fire department regarding the need for Opticom signaling as part of the process for any future traffic signal installations/changes.

DEFEATED

Chief Jones was directed to provide a breakdown of false alarm calls, specifically to the Royal Ottawa Hospital (formerly the Brockville Psychiatric Hospital).

Motion to Defer

Moved by: Councillor Noble

THAT the matter of false alarm fees be deferred to the April Operations Committee meeting; and

THAT the Fire Department prepare a report to establish fees for false alarm response calls.

CARRIED

2009-030-02
2009 OPERATING, CAPITAL, WATER AND
WASTEWATER BUDGETS

Moved by: Councillor Baker

THAT pursuant to the direction of the Committee of the Whole on February 5th, 2009, Council receives the status of the budget as it now stands at a levy increase of approximately 4.6% subject to any amendments arising from Parks and Recreation Service Delivery Review recommendations and other motions presented by Members of Council, as adopted by Council at the regular Council meeting of February 24, 2009; and,

THAT the budget remain open to deal with final requests from Boards and Committees for 2009 and that excess amounts be funded from the tax rate; and,

THAT Council authorizes the passing of the by-law to adopt the 2009 budgets; and,

THAT Council authorize the passing of the by-laws to adopt the 2009 user fees.

CARRIED

BROCKVILLE ISLANDS MOORING CHARGES

Moved by: Councillor Noble

WHEREAS three of the Brockville Islands mooring charges are well above the rates charged by Parks Canada at their nearby park

Day Use 0.60 per foot compared to \$0.40

Overnight Use 1.15 per foot compared to \$0.90

Seasonal overnight use \$10.25 per foot compared to \$9.80

AND WHEREAS seasonal day use charges are the exception in that the per foot charge of \$5.75 per foot is considerably less than that charged by Parks Canada (\$9.80)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the seasonal day use mooring fee be increased to \$10.00 per foot.

DEFEATED

**PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT ST. LAWRENCE PARK &
BROOKVIEW PARK RECOMMENDED**

Councillor Noble withdrew this motion.

WITHDRAWN

COUNCIL REMUNERATION

Moved by: Councillor Williams

Due to the concern of the overall Canadian economy, as well as the individual future of our Brockville residents', this is a time of which companies are looking at their cost, efficiencies, and effectiveness. Having recently completed a City Service Review regarding our efficiencies;

IT IS HEREBY RECOMMENDED THAT City Councillors continue to lead by example, by not receiving a salary increase for the years 2009 and 2010.

CARRIED

INCREASING SEWAGE CAPACITY RECOMMENDED

Moved by: Councillor Noble

WHEREAS the City of Brockville has serious capacity concerns at the sewage treatment plant creating eventual limitations on future residential development and is spending hundreds of thousands of dollars to address the problem.

AND WHEREAS the best possible solution is one that cuts residents water/sewer bills in half, reduces their energy bills, saves the city money in water filtration plant and distribution system costs, reduces the flows in the underground piping system, and majorly reduces the existing demand on the city sewage treatment facility.

AND WHEREAS technologies now exist and are in widespread use in many world jurisdictions that have the potential to easily reduce residential water consumption by 30% and with the best products 40%. This is a direct saving to everyone and the sewage treatment plant load.

AND WHEREAS the major components of residential usage are

showers, toilets and faucets.

AND WHEREAS efficient shower heads save 50 % of the water usage and given that a shower uses 60% hot water save significant water heating energy costs as well. Toilet usage can be reduced by 68% and faucet usage by 50%. Reduced faucet usage also results in some hot water heating energy savings.

AND WHEREAS the cost of efficient shower heads and low-volume screw on faucet aerators is minimal and installation easy.

AND WHEREAS most newer toilets in the city use 13 liters per flush and can still be purchased (banned in the USA) and many older ones use significantly more.

AND WHEREAS the properly designed 6 liter flush toilets use only 46% of the water (the poorly designed ones take two flushes for solids and even that is less than 13)

AND WHEREAS the Europeans have used dual flush toilets for some time (two actuators.. one that uses 4.2 liters for liquids and the second using 6 liters for major solids) and these are now available in Canada and dropping in price from the original \$600 or more (e.g.:\$276.00). The most frequent flush cycle is the 4.2 liter one and it uses 30% less water than a 6 liter and 68% less than most toilets in Brockville.

AND WHEREAS these technologies have the benefits of halving the water/sewer bill and energy costs of end users because of reduced consumption and also reduce the energy and chemicals costs to pump, filter, chlorinate, fluoridate and treat ultraviolet water and free up capacity in the underground piping system and have the potential to reduce the residential load on the sewage treatment plant by 30%.

AND WHEREAS an incentive plan for householders to change their shower heads to low volume ones that are equally effective but more efficient and install reduced volume screw-on aerators, and to switch to low water consumption toilets (or better still dual flush models) is less expensive than tearing up and rebuilding roadways and replacing underground piping .

AND WHEREAS unnecessary water must be pumped, chlorinated and then re-pumped as sewage and treated

AND WHEREAS this is a green initiative and likely eligible for federal funding especially as a pilot trial initiative and given that the Federal and Provincial governments are continually being asked to help fund huge capital projects to deal with the end of the cycle instead of focusing on reducing the demand

AND WHEREAS such a project could get the city very favourable national media exposure as a promising green initiative.

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 it is simply good sense to reduce consumption rather than circulate and process unnecessary water.

AND WHEREAS such a project is a marketing, conceptual and economics project which doesn't require hard pressed operations department staff involvement except peripherally and could be given to a summer business program student to formulate and test market.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a special reserve fund be created funded from the water/sewer rate to allow staff to develop a financial incentive and marketing plan to induce citizens to replace shower heads and toilets to approved more efficient ones. The 2009 contribution will match the funds budgeted to investigate the sources of extraneous water entering the sanitary sewer system (\$80,000). The funds will be used to design and test market a pilot incentive project. The test marketing phase will not proceed until the plan is brought forward to the Operations Committee and receives Council approval. Unused funds, if any will be returned to the wastewater rate reserve fund.

DEFEATED

2009-029-03 2008 WORKPLAN QUATERLY REPORT

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

THAT report 2009-029-03, 2008 Work Plan Quarterly Report, be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

LIBRARY NORTH-END SERVICE POINT

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT the funding for the Library North-End Service Point included in the 2009 Capital Budget be removed.

CARRIED ON A VOTE OF 5 TO 3

Councillor Journal requested a recorded vote.

Yeah - Councillors Baker, Earle, Fullarton, Kalivas and Mayor
Henderson Nay - Councillor Journal, Noble and Williams

REPORTS BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Economic Development
and Planning Committee

Councillor M. Kalivas, Chair
Councillor G. Beach
Councillor J. Earle

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CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

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

CARRIED

2009-031-03

**FINAL APPROVAL PLAN OF SUBDIVISION,
REMOVAL OF H1 HOLDING SYMBOL, AND
DEDICATION OF 0.3 METRE RESERVE,
BLOCK B, PLAN 426, PART OF LOT 11,
CONCESSION 2, CITY OF BROCKVILLE
OWNER: JOHN CASSELL**

AGENT: EASTERN ENGINEERING GROUP FILE: 08T-06501A

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

1. THAT the Council for the Corporation of the City of Brockville, acting pursuant to Section 51 (6) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, grant final approval with respect to the plan of subdivision on lands described as Part of Lot 11, Concession 2, City of Brockville, County of Leeds; and
2. THAT following the provision of notification in accordance with Section 36 of the Planning Act, a by-law be passed to remove the "H1" Holding Symbol on Lots 1 through 8, inclusive; and

3. THAT a By-law be enacted to remove the 0.3 metre reserve and to dedicate Block B, Plan 426, as a public highway and to name same "Flanders Road".

CARRIED

2009-032-03

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE OFFICIAL PLAN
AND ZONING BY-LAW 194-94,
720 STEWART BOULEVARD, CITY OF BROCKVILLE**

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

1. THAT Official Plan Amendment No. 85 be adopted to amend a site specific Policy 7.7.6 respecting lands described as Part of Lot 15 and 16, City of Brockville, County of Leeds, being Parts 1, 2, 3 and 4 on Reference Plan 28R-4055 with municipal address 720 Stewart Boulevard, to permit automobile and marine related trades.
2. THAT Zoning By-law 194-94 be amended to modify the C4-X7-1 Highway Commercial Site Specific Zone in effect on lands described as Part of Lots 15 and 16, Concession 2, being Parts 1, 2, 3 and 4, Reference Plan 28R-4055, City of Brockville, County of Leeds, with municipal address 720 Stewart Boulevard, to expand the uses permitted to include "marine sales and service" in addition to the automobile related uses currently permitted on the property.

CARRIED

2009-033-03

**PROPOSED NAMING OR RENAMING OF
STREETS POLICY, CITY OF BROCKVILLE**

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas

THAT Council adopt the "Naming or Renaming of Streets" Policy template attached to Report 2009-033-03.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS - REPORT FROM MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

2009 LANARK, LEEDS AND GRENVILLE HEALTH UNIT BUDGET

Moved by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT the City of Brockville issue a letter to the Lanark, Leeds and Grenville District Health Unit expressing Brockville City Council's displeasure at the 2009 Health Unit Budget.

CARRIED

MOTION TO RETURN TO COUNCIL

Moved by: Councillor Journal

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 Journal
Seconded by: Councillor Noble

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

030-2009 Being a by-law to regulate the water rates for the City of Brockville and certain areas of the Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley

031-2009 Being a by-law to Adopt fees and charges respecting Sewage Services

032-2009 Being a by-law to establish general fees and service

charges

- 033-2009 A By-law to Authorize the Appointment of Municipal Law Enforcement Officers and Peace Officers as it applies to the private property of the Brockville General Hospital 75 Charles Street site and 42 Garden Street site.
- 034-2009 By-law to rescind By-law 271-1988, being a by-law to authorize a Fire Protection Agreement between the Corporation of the Township of Augusta and the Corporation of the City of Brockville.
- 035-2009 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 (BMAAC, Brockville Airport)
- 036-2009 By-law to Establish and Operate the City of Brockville Community Legacy Fund
- 037-2009 By-law to Adopt Official Plan Amendment Number 85 to the Official Plan for the City of Brockville (720 Stewart Blvd., Brockville - File 266-85)
- 038-2009 By-law to Amend City of Brockville Zoning By-law 194-94 (720 Stewart Blvd. - File D14-134)

BYLAWS FIRST AND SECOND READING

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas
Seconded by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT By-laws Numbered 030-2009 to 038-2009 be introduced and the same be now read a first and second time.

CARRIED

BYLAWS THIRD READING

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas
Seconded by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT By-laws Numbered 030-2009 to 038-2009 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 Kalivas
Seconded by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT By-law Number 039-2009 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on March 10, 2009 be read a first and second time.

CARRIED

CONFIRMATORY BYLAW THIRD READING

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas
Seconded by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT By-law Number 039-2009 to confirm the Proceedings of Council at its meeting held on March 10, 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 meeting of Council will be held on March 24, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Councillor Kalivas
Seconded by: Councillor Fullarton

THAT Council adjourn its proceedings until the next regular meeting scheduled for March 24th, 2009.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10:24 p.m.

Mayor

Clerk