

# City of Brockville General Committee Minutes

4:30 PM - Tuesday, February 20, 2024

City Hall, Council Chambers

The General Committee meeting was called to order on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 4:30 PM, in the City Hall, Council Chambers, with the following present:

**Members** Chair Jane Fullarton, Councillor Philip Deery, Councillor

**Present:** Katherine Hobbs, Councillor Louise Severson, and Ex-Officio

Matt Wren

Regrets: Nil.

**Others:** Councillor Cameron Wales

**Staff:** Lindsay Armstrong, Senior Manager of Human Resources,

Sandra MacDonald, City Manager, Lynn Murray, Deputy City Clerk, Peter Raabe, Director of Engineering & Infrastructure

Services, and Phil Wood, Director of Operations

### **Land Acknowledgement Statement**

#### **Chair's Remarks**

Chair Fullarton deferred the Chair's Remarks to Mayor Wren. Mayor Wren reminded everyone of the invasion of Ukraine by Russia and explained that the anniversary of the unfortunate world event was two years ago this coming Saturday. He reported that many Ukrainians have found a home and safety here in Brockville. His Worship noted that this Saturday, February 24th, from 2 to 4 pm there will be a gathering on Courthouse Green to stand with Ukraine like many other countries around the globe. There will be a moment of silence recognized at 3 pm and all members of Council and the community are welcome to attend.

### **Disclosure of Interest**

Nil.

# **Delegations and Presentations**

Centeen Park Pumping Station
G. Cameron

Gord Cameron reviewed his presentation for the Committee.

# **Correspondence and Communications**

Nil.

# **Reports from Boards and Committees**

Nil.

### **Staff Reports**

1. 2024-36

Main Sewage Pump Station – Design Options

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT Council approve Design Option 1, Traditional Design, for the design of the city's Main Pump Station located in Centeen Park.

#### REFERRED TO STAFF FOR FURTHER INFORMALTON

Mayor Wren asked what percentage the footprint of each option will occupy in the park and asked for the percentage of greenspace that would be lost for each option. P. Raabe replied he will provide additional information at the Council meeting.

#### Motion to Refer

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT this report be referred to staff to obtain further information; and

THAT staff report back at the Council meeting scheduled for February 27, 2024.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2. 2024-28

Recommended modifications to Ormond St. and Orchard St.

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT Council approve traffic modification of Ormond St. to a southbound, one-way street between Pearl St. and King St. East; and

THAT Council approve traffic modification of Orchard St. to a northbound, one-way street between Pearl St. and King St. East; and

THAT Council approve the amendment of Parking Bylaw 119-1989 Schedule 1 to limit on-street parking on Orchard St. to the east side only; and

THAT existing on-street parking on Orchard St. be modified to limit parking within 9 meters of an intersection in accordance with Parking Bylaw 119-1989 and City Policy.

**For:** Councillor Fullarton, Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery,

Councillor Severson, and Councillor Hobbs

CARRIED 5-0 on a recorded vote

3. 2024-31

Negative Social Media Use Statement

Moved by: Councillor Deery

THAT staff be directed to draft a Negative Social Media Use Statement for the City of Brockville and post it to the City's website.

**For:** Councillor Fullarton, Mayor Wren, Councillor Deery,

Councillor Severson, and Councillor Hobbs

**CARRIED 5-0 on a recorded vote** 

#### **New Business from Committee Members**

1. Municipal Accommodation Tax - increase Councillor Hobbs

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT the committee direct staff to consult with local stakeholders regarding a potential increase to the Municipal Accommodation Tax and to provide a report back to General Committee for consideration.

**CARRIED** 

Councillor Hobbs noted the timeline for this report is as soon as staff is able.

#### **Information Items**

1. 2024-24

Functional review of local downtown streets

Moved by: Councillor Deery

THAT report 2024-24 - Functional review of local downtown streets be received.

**CARRIED** 

# **Committee Consent Agenda**

Moved by: Councillor Severson

THAT the following items as recommended by the General Committee be placed on the Consent Agenda:

1. 2024-28

Recommended modifications to Ormond St. and Orchard St.

2. 2024-31

Negative Social Media Use Statement

**CARRIED** 

# **Media Question Period**

# **Adjournment**

Moved by: Councillor Hobbs

THAT the General Committee adjourn its meeting until the next regular meeting scheduled for March 19, 2024.

**CARRIED** 

The meeting adjourned at 6:46 pm.