



MINUTES

Council Meeting

4:00 PM - Thursday, March 25, 2021

Virtual - Zoom Technology

The Council of the Brooke-Alvinston was called to order on Thursday, March 25, 2021, at 4:00 PM, in the Virtual - Zoom Technology, with the following members present:

Council Present: Mayor David Ferguson, Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek, Councillor Jeannette Douglas, Councillor Jamie Armstrong, and Councillor Wayne Deans

Staff Present: Clerk Administrator Janet Denkers, Treasurer Stephen Ikert, Public Works Manager Randy Hills, Fire Chief Steve Knight, Parks and Recreation Supervisor Kevin Miller, Administrative Assistant Darlene Paolucci, and Public Works Foreman Jerrett Hodgins

Regrets:

1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ferguson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Mayor Ferguson requested that any pecuniary interests be declared when appropriate.

3 MINUTES

a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2021

RESOLUTION-2021-087

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that the Minutes from the March 11, 2021 Council meeting be approved as presented without any errors or omissions. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5 DELEGATIONS & TIMED EVENTS

a) Site Plan Application - KT Excavating

RESOLUTION-2021-088

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that Council approves the sight plan as submitted in principle from Kevin & Lisa Tizzard for property located at 8075 Railroad Street in Alvinston and once confirmation is received from the SCRCA that the agreement be signed. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

6 CORRESPONDENCE

a) Information Only

RESOLUTION-2021-089

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that the Information Correspondence presented be received and filed. Deputy Mayor Frank

Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

- b) Dips Soft Serve - Request for Vendor Approval

Councillor Armstrong declared a conflict of interest as his restaurant Armor's Ale House serves soft ice cream. He did not participate in the discussion.

RESOLUTION-2021-090

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion to table the request until the next Council meeting whereby more information on the request can be received. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

Carried

- c) Township of South Glengarry - COVID Vaccines

RESOLUTION-2021-091

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that Council supports the Township of South Glengarry's request to urge Doug Ford and the Ontario Government to procure approved COVID-19 vaccines to be distributed to the residents of the Province of Ontario, increase the Provinces vaccination rate to keep pace with the doses that have been received and accelerate the launch of its COVID-19 vaccine booking system. Councillor Jamie Armstrong seconded the motion.

Carried

- d) Niagara Region - Homelessness, Mental Health and Addiction in Niagara

RESOLUTION-2021-092

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that Council supports the request from Niagara Region to urge the Provincial and Federal governments to provide resources and funding to effectively address the issues with homelessness, mental health and addiction in the Niagara Region. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

7 STAFF REPORTS

- a) **Treasurer's Report:** Agreement with the Optimist Club-Addendum

RESOLUTION-2021-093

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that Council authorize the attached addendum between the Alvinston Optimist Club and the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston. Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

- b) **Public Works Manager's Report:** Quote for 2021 Backhoe

The Public Works Manager presented a revised and comparable quote submission for the backhoe replacement.

The quotes received for the 2021 Municipal Backhoe with comparable options (including the non-refundable portion of tax) were:

Caterpillar	\$ 88,670
Case	\$ 95,930
John Deere	\$104,509

CAT offered a further incentive to the Municipality for the extended CAT grader warranty should their quote be accepted. The extended grader warranty was \$29,000 (the actual retail price for the extended warranty is \$29,440 + tax).

The below amounts reflect what the total pricing is with the extended grader warranty from CAT:

Caterpillar	\$116,976
Case	\$125,888
John Deere	\$134,468

The 2021 budget allocated \$95,000 for the backhoe (purchase, less trade) and \$29,000 for grader warranty. The overall budget savings by purchasing the CAT backhoe and extended CAT grader warranty together is \$7,024.

RESOLUTION-2021-094

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that Council approve the purchase of the Caterpillar backhoe with all options plus extended grader warranty for the price of \$116,976 (including tax). Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

Carried

- c) **Public Works Manager's Report:** Arena Auditorium & Upper Hall Lighting - RFP

RESOLUTION-2021-095

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that the Request for Proposal (RFP) submitted by Gerber Electric in the amount of \$21,012.35 (including tax) be accepted. Councillor Jamie Armstrong seconded the motion.

Carried 4-1 (opposed: Councillor Wayne Deans).

- d) **Fire Chief's Report:** Fire Safety Grant Application-2020/2021

RESOLUTION-2021-096

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion that Council support the application submitted for: communications and training initiatives, purchasing the installation and development of the Microsoft Teams app within our existing MS Office programming as the mode of delivery of an internally developed learning management system. Councillor Jamie Armstrong seconded the motion.

Carried

- e) **Drainage Superintendent's Report:** Johnson Symington Drain

RESOLUTION-2021-097

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that Council accepts the low tender from Bruce Poland and Sons Trucking in the amount of \$15,904.18 (HST included). Councillor Jeannette Douglas seconded the motion.

Carried

- f) **Drainage Superintendent's Report:** Campbell Leitch Petition

This petition was not discussed as it pertains to another municipality. It was removed from the agenda.

8 BY-LAWS

- a) Site Plan Agreement

RESOLUTION-2021-098

Councillor Jamie Armstrong made a motion that By-law 14 of 2021 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 25th day of March 2021. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

Carried

9 NEW BUSINESS

- a) The Clerk-Administrator reported to Council that notices of the Logan Drain Branches 2 to 6 and Ruth Drain Report of Consideration Meetings have been mailed to ratepayers and requested for a Council member to attend the Meeting to Consider the reports.

RESOLUTION-2021-099

Councillor Jamie Armstrong made a motion that Mayor Ferguson attend the Logan Drain Branches 2 to 6 and the Ruth Drain Report of Consideration Meetings on April 7th, 2021. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

Carried

- b) Mayor Ferguson reported that he attended a walk through of the mass vaccination clinic at the Point Edward Arena.
- c) Councillor Armstrong inquired about sponsoring a sweater for the proposed Alvinston Killer Bees Hockey Team. The Clerk-Administrator suggested that Staff prepare a report for the next Council meeting.
- d) Councillor Armstrong - Request for a letter sent to the Premier

RESOLUTION-2021-100

Councillor Jamie Armstrong made a motion that a letter be sent to Premier Doug Ford requesting that the lockdown imposed due to COVID-19 end provided that the other regulations including social distancing and mask wearing still be imposed on the public. Councillor Wayne Deans seconded the motion.

Carried 3-2 (opposed: Mayor David Ferguson and Councillor Jeannette Douglas).

10 CLOSED SESSION

- a) Reasons for closed session:
- i) Personal matters about an identifiable individual including employees
 - ii) Litigation or potential litigation including matters before an administrative tribunals affecting the municipality or local board

RESOLUTION-2021-101

Councillor Jeannette Douglas made a motion that Council move into Closed Session. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

11 RISE AND REPORT

The Clerk Administrator provided the Rise and Report from the meeting. She reported that Council was directed to:

- i) Proceed with Council direction for the Brooke-Alvinston Community Fund
- ii) Discussed the recent Normal Farm Practices Board hearing
- iii) Authorized the approval of hiring two summer students if needed
- iv) Provided direction to staff as directed in the closed session hearing

12 BY-LAW CONFIRMING PROCEEDINGS

- a) Confirming By-law

RESOLUTION-2021-102

Councillor Wayne Deans made a motion made a motion that By-law 15 of 2021 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 25th day of March

2021. Councillor Jamie Armstrong seconded the motion.

Carried

13 ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Armstrong made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:14 p.m.

Clerk-Administrator

Mayor