



MINUTES

Council Meeting

4:30 PM - Thursday, October 10, 2024
Municipal Office

The Council of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston was called to order on Thursday, October 10, 2024, at 4:30 PM, in the Municipal Office, with the following members present:

Council Present: Mayor David Ferguson, Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek, Councillor Don McCabe, Councillor Jenny Redick, and Councillor Craig Sanders

Staff Present: Clerk Administrator Janet Denkers, Treasurer Stephen Ikert, Parks & Recreation Manager Greg Thornicroft, Fire Chief Steve Knight, and Drainage Superintendent David Moores

Regrets: Public Works Superintendent Jamie Butler

1 CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

2 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

The Mayor requested that any pecuniary interests be declared when appropriate during the meeting.

3 MINUTES

a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2024

RESOLUTION-2024-355

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that the minutes of the September 26, 2024 Council meeting be approved as presented without any error or omission. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Councillor Nemcek inquired about the cost of the trees.

5 DELEGATIONS & TIMED EVENTS

a) Court of Revision - 6-7 Concession Drain (Lots 13-15)

The Mayor requested those present for the Court of Revision to sign the attendance sheet.

RESOLUTION-2024-356

Councillor Craig Sanders made a motion that the Court of Revision on the 6/7 Concession Drain (Lots 13-15) be opened for discussion. Councillor Don McCabe seconded the motion.

Carried

RESOLUTION-2024-357

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that the Court of Revision adopt the Schedule of Assessment for the 6-7 Concession Drain (Lots 13-15) as set out

in the Engineer's Report dated July 25, 2024. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- b) Lambton Seniors Advisory Committee
Bill Weber and Jeannette Douglas were present at Council to discuss the services available to seniors in the community.

6 CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Municipal Correspondence

RESOLUTION-2024-358

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that the municipal correspondence circulated be received and filed. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

- b) Correspondence Addressed to Council
Letter - Bruce Robins

RESOLUTION-2024-359

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that the letter submitted by Bruce Robins be received and filed. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- c) City of Temiskaming Shores - Provincial Alcohol Study

RESOLUTION-2024-360

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that the request from the City of Temiskaming be received and filed. Councillor Don McCabe seconded the motion.

Carried

- d) Municipality of St. Charles - Government Regulations on Nicotine Pouches

RESOLUTION-2024-361

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that the request from the Municipality of St. Charles be received and filed. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- e) Western Ontario Wardens Caucus - Roadside Zoos

RESOLUTION-2024-362

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston supports the request from the Western Ontario Wardens Caucus to petition the provincial government to restrict the possession, breeding and use of non-native ("exotic") wild animals and license zoos in order to guarantee the fair and consistent application of policy throughout Ontario for the safety of Ontario's citizens and the non-native ("exotic") wild animal population. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- f) Christmas for Everyone - Donation Request

RESOLUTION-2024-363

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston donate \$200.00 to the Christmas for Everyone Campaign. Councillor Jenny Redick seconded the motion.

Carried

- g) Municipality of Waterloo - Homelessness Crisis

RESOLUTION-2024-364

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that the request from the Municipality of Waterloo be received and filed. Councillor Jenny Redick seconded the motion.

Carried

- h) Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury - Ontario Deposit Return Program

RESOLUTION-2024-365

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston support the request from the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury to endorse the expansion of the Ontario Deposit Return Program to include nonalcoholic beverage containers. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

7 STAFF REPORTS

- a) **Clerk Administrator's Report:** Application to the Ministry of Sport: Community Sport and Recreation Fund (CSRIF)

RESOLUTION-2024-366

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that whereas the Ministry of Tourism, Sport and Recreation has announced the intake of applications for the Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund (CSRIF);

And whereas the Brooke-Alvinston Inwood Community Centre Complex (BAICCC), has experienced substantial infrastructure failures in the ice plant area in 2024 in addition to significant deterioration in the arena floor;

And whereas staff have identified capital improvements and forecasted operational budgets each year in accordance with the municipal asset management plan and in most cases observance of immediate failure of infrastructure;

And whereas the arena floor has been noted to be in critical shape due to discernable cracks across the arena floor, the finding of decayed poly pipes and the unpredictability and the more common occurrence of brine leaks due to the floor conditions with the estimated price for replacement of the floor and piping being \$1,200,000;

And that the dehumidifier in the ice rink area of the BAICCC has reached its lifespan and as noted in the asset management plan is due for replacement in the year 2025 at an estimated cost of \$70,000;

And that the Compressor is similarly at the end of its lifespan and identified for replacement with an estimated cost of \$75,000;

And that the Chiller is similarly at the end of its lifespan and identified for replacement with an estimated cost of \$110,000;

And due to the total cost of the itemized infrastructure being \$1,750,000 and that the specified 50% cost sharing portion under the CSRIF fund is \$875,999 to be contributed by the Municipality or under special circumstances that 30% or \$525,000 be contributed with special consideration;

And because due to emergency purchases identified prior to the ice plant operation for the condenser (budgeted at \$137,00 + labour) , glycol loop

(\$37,000) and brine pump (\$7,500 + labour) in addition to labour costs exceed what was budgeted in 2024 and depleted the department reserves;

That staff be directed to make application under the Special Consideration Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund in the amount of \$1,750,000. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- b) **Clerk Administrator's Report:** Creative County Grant

RESOLUTION-2024-367

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that staff be directed to work with the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority (SCRCA) to submit an application for consideration to the Lambton Creative County Grant Program to commemorate the Campbell House. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

- c) **Treasurer's Report:** Year-to-Date (to September 30) Budget to Actual Comparisons

RESOLUTION-2024-368

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that Council receive and file Year-to-date (to September 30) Budget to Actual Comparisons. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- d) **Treasurer's Report:** Budgeted Donation to Hospital Foundation(s)

RESOLUTION-2024-369

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that Council table the report on direction to which hospital foundation the \$5,000 is granted to. Councillor Jenny Redick seconded the motion.

Carried

- e) **Treasurer's Report:** Accounts Payable Listing - September 2024

RESOLUTION-2024-370

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that Council receive and file the Accounts Payable Listing for September 2024. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- f) **Treasurer's Report:** 2025 Policing Costs

RESOLUTION-2024-371

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that Council requests the LGPSB and OPP detachment attend a Council meeting. Councillor Jenny Redick seconded the motion.

Carried

8 BY-LAWS

- a) By-law 44 of 2024 - Establishing & Regulating By-law

RESOLUTION-2024-372

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that By-law 44 of 2024 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 10th day of October, 2024. Councillor Don McCabe seconded the motion.

Carried

- b) By-law 45 of 2024 - Automatic Aid

RESOLUTION-2024-373

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that By-law 45 of 2024 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 10th day of October, 2024.
Councillor Jenny Redick seconded the motion.

Carried

- c) By-law 46 of 2024 - Tile Loan By-law

RESOLUTION-2024-374

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that By-law 46 of 2024 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 10th day of October, 2024.
Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

9 NEW BUSINESS

- a) BAICCC Operations update - Parks and Recreation Manager Greg Thornicroft provided an update to Council on the status of the floor and status in leak detection.
- b) Fire Chief Steve Knight advised of the BFR Open House scheduled for Saturday, October 12th.
- c) Councillor Redick inquired about clean up around the new light posts on River Street and the status of the track between ball diamonds.
- d) Councillor McCabe noted the efforts of staff in getting the ice ready and noted that the Alvinston Pharmacy would be able to administer both the COVID and flu shots.
- e) The Mayor requested that staff draft a report on the proposed wind project Proposal in Brooke-Alvinston.

10 CLOSED SESSION

11 RISE AND REPORT

12 BY-LAW CONFIRMING PROCEEDINGS

- a) By-law 47 of 2024 - Confirming By-law

RESOLUTION-2024-375

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that By-law 47 of 2024 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 10th day of October, 2024.
Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

13 ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Nemcek made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:28 p.m.

Clerk-Administrator

Mayor