



MINUTES

Council Meeting

4:00 PM - Thursday, November 28, 2024
Municipal Office

The Council of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston was called to order on Thursday, November 28, 2024, at 4:00 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, Public Works Superintendent Jamie Butler, Parks & Recreation Manager Greg Thornicroft, and Fire Chief Steve Knight

Regrets:

1 CALL TO ORDER

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

2 CLOSED SESSION (4PM)

a) Section 239 (2)(k) A position, plan, procedure, criteria or instruction to be applied to any negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the municipality or local board

Section 239 (2)(b) personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees

RESOLUTION-2024-405

Councillor Craig Sanders made a motion that Council move into a closed session for the reasons listed. Councillor Jenny Redick seconded the motion.

Carried

3 RISE AND REPORT (FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION)

The Clerk Administrator reported that a closed session was held to discuss:

- 1) section 239 (2) (k) - position, plan
- 2) section 239 (2) (b) - personal

It was reported that Council direct staff on the matter of a position, plan, procedure as it relates to planning matters; that Council direct staff on matters relating to a grant application; and that Council discussed the Clerk Administrator's performance appraisal and job posting for Treasury Assistant / Deputy Treasurer.

4 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

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

5 MINUTES

a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2024

RESOLUTION-2024-406

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that the minutes of the November

14, 2024 meeting of Council be approved as presented without any error or omission. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

7 DELEGATIONS & TIMED EVENTS

8 CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Municipal Information

RESOLUTION-2024-407

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that the municipal correspondence circulated be received and filed. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- b) Township of Larder Lake - Provincial Land Transfer Tax & GST

RESOLUTION-2024-408

Councillor Craig Sanders made a motion that the Council of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston supports the Township of Larder Lake to request that the Provincial Government redistribute a portion of the Land Transfer Tax collected on property transactions to municipalities and to call on the Federal Government to allocate a percentage of the GST collected on property sales to municipalities. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

- c) Municipality of Leamington - OPP Detachment Billing Increases

RESOLUTION-2024-409

Councillor Craig Sanders made a motion that the Council of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston supports the Municipality of Leamington's request to the 2025 OPP Annual Billing Statement to be reduced to an approximate 5% increase and that any increase above 5% be absorbed by the province. Municipalities cannot afford to absorb this unexpected and entirely preventable increase without causing undo financial strain to our taxpayers. Councillor Jenny Redick seconded the motion.

Carried

- d) Township of Papineau-Cameron - Ontario Building Code

RESOLUTION-2024-410

Councillor Craig Sanders made a motion that the Council of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston supports the Township of Papineau-Cameron's request to call on the Ontario government to amend the Ontario Building Code to include provisions for pre-approved affordable housing plans specifically aimed at low income and homeless individuals. Councillor Jenny Redick seconded the motion.

Carried

- e) Township of Terrace Bay - Ambulance Shortages and Healthcare System Issues

RESOLUTION-2024-411

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that the request from Terrace Bay be received and filed. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- f) Township of Terrace Bay - Billy Bishop Airport

RESOLUTION-2024-412

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that the request from Terrace Bay be received and filed. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- g) City of Hamilton - Road Safety Measures

RESOLUTION-2024-413

Councillor Craig Sanders made a motion that the request from the City of Hamilton be received and filed. Councillor Jenny Redick seconded the motion.

Carried

- h) Lambton Farm Safety - Donation Request

Councillor McCabe noted that he is an appointed member on the Lambton Farm Safety Board and commented that the venue will be rotating across the County and Brooke-Alvinston will be requested to host in 4-5 years.

RESOLUTION-2024-414

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that the Council of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston donates \$200.00 for the 2025 event to Lambton Farm Safety. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

- i) City of Toronto - Respecting Local Democracy and Cities

RESOLUTION-2024-415

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that the Council of the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston supports the City of Toronto to request that the Province work collaboratively with cities to address congestion and road safety, and accordingly withdraw the proposed amendments to Part XII of the Highway Traffic Act contained in Bill 212. Councillor Jenny Redick seconded the motion.

Carried

9 STAFF REPORTS

- a) **Clerk Administrator's Report:** Standard Consent Application Requirements

RESOLUTION-2024-416

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that the standard consent requirements listed below be mandatory for all consent application approvals. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- b) **Treasurer's Report:** Fees Review and By-law

It was requested that a further report be provided to Council on wind turbine fees.

RESOLUTION-2024-417

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that Council approve the presented By-law at the December 12, 2024 meeting. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

- c) **Treasurer's Report:** 2025 Preliminary Budget Discussions

The Treasurer reviewed his budget presentation. Council discussed the

projected operating budget and list of capital projects. A further budget meeting will be planned for a later date with firmer numbers.

RESOLUTION-2024-418

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that Council and Staff review the 2024 Projected Budget proposals. Councillor Don McCabe seconded the motion.

Carried

10 BY-LAWS

11 NEW BUSINESS

- a) Notice of 2024 Service Awards:
Glenna Shaw - 15 years of Service with the Fire Department
- b) Alvinston Silver Stick - Donation Request

RESOLUTION-2024-419

Councillor Craig Sanders made a motion that the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston donate \$230.00 to the 2025 Alvinston Regional U11 Silver Stick Tournament. Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek seconded the motion.

Carried

12 BY-LAW CONFIRMING PROCEEDINGS

- a) By-law 53 of 2024

RESOLUTION-2024-420

Councillor Jenny Redick made a motion that By-law 53 of 2024 be read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 28th day of November, 2024
Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

Carried

13 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Clerk-Administrator

Mayor