



# MINUTES

## Council -Special Meeting

4:30 PM - Monday, September 8, 2025  
BAICCC - Auditorium

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The Council -Special of the Brooke-Alvinston was called to order on Monday, September 8, 2025, at 4:30 PM, in the BAICCC - Auditorium, with the following members present:

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

**Staff Present:** Clerk Administrator Janet Denkers and Treasurer Stephen Ikert

**Regrets:**

### 1 CALL TO ORDER

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

### 2 DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

### 3 DELEGATIONS & TIMED EVENTS

#### a) Dan Zimmerman

Dan Zimmerman presented on behalf of the ad hoc community group petitioning to stop the wind farm proposal in the Municipality. Mr. Zimmerman commented on:

- the agricultural impacts
- water & safety security
- environmental impacts
- proposed property value declines
- decommissioning of the turbines

#### b) The Mayor invited any persons wanting to provide any additional information to Council that was not already provided in Mr. Zimmerman's presentation.

Leo Sanders spoke about wind and solar projects overseas that are not on arable land

Richard Wellington spoke on his experience living near wind turbines in Lambton Shores

### 4 CORRESPONDENCE

#### a) Letters Submitted

The Mayor read and noted the letters and material received in opposition to the project and received from:

- B & G Hunter
- Ken & Marion McEwan
- Water well records from 1952

#### b) The Mayor confirmed receipt of the petition submitted.

#### c) The information received Friday evening from Venfor Inc. was noted and addressed.

### 5 COUNCIL COMMENTS

The Mayor offered each Council Member the opportunity to address the crowd.

Councillor Redick  
- spoke on revenue generating

Councillor Nemcek  
- spoke on non support of wind turbines

Councillor Sanders  
- commented on public process to hear both sides (signed and opposed)

Councillor McCabe - history of green energy, lack of detail in Venfor proposal, setbacks, concerns with affected neighbours

Mayor Ferguson - proposal changes, lack of ownership for Brooke-Alvinston, discrepancies in figures presented

a) The Mayor requested if Council would like to make a motion

**RESOLUTION-2025-006**

Councillor Don McCabe made a motion that the Municipality of Brooke-Alvinston formally declares itself an unwilling host to the proposed Venfor Inc. wind turbine project; And that Council withholds any resolution of support or municipal land use approval necessary for the project to advance; And that the Clerk forward this resolution to the Ontario Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines and Ministry of Agriculture and Food and Agribusiness and to Venfor Inc.; And that a copy of this resolution be posted on the municipal website. Councillor Craig Sanders seconded the motion.

**Carried**

**RESOLUTION-2025-007**

Deputy Mayor Frank Nemcek made a motion that the resolution be amended to include all wind projects in the municipality. seconded the motion.

**Carried**

b) The Mover of resolution 2025-006 did not wish to amend his resolution. A recorded vote was requested on the first motion with it being unanimously carried.

**6 ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn was made at 5:50 pm

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Clerk-Administrator

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Mayor