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Township of Brock Interoffice Memorandum

To: Mayor and Members of Council
 From: Maralee Drake, Deputy Clerk
 Subject: Beaverton Skywoman Project
 Date: Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Please find enclosed the following:

- Deputation and Minutes – Parks & Recreation Committee – June 5, 2017
- Correspondence and Minutes – Parks & Recreation Committee – December 4, 2017
- Deputation and Minutes – Council – January 15, 2018
- Deputation and Minutes – Council – April 15, 2019
- Beaverton Harbour Survey 2019
- Beaverton Harbour Advisory Committee Minutes – February 3, 2021, March 3, 2021 and April 7, 2021 (Draft)

To limit the burden and division on the Beaverton Harbour Advisory Committee, and for respect to the Beaverton Special Events committee, it is requested that Council review the documentation and provide direction for the Beaverton Skywoman project.

End of Memorandum

Respectfully submitted,

Maralee Drake
 Deputy Clerk



Beaverton
Special Events

Promote. Inspire. Enable

Report to Parks and Recreation Council Committee, Township of Brock
Monday June 5, 2017

Beaverton Special Events is a charitable community organization whose purpose is to:

- ▶ Provide public amenities including various anniversary events in the celebration and creation of our community, the beautification of the main street and others in Beaverton, a millennium statue, and others, to benefit the community of Beaverton.
- ▶ Create and maintain various community festivals and special events.
- ▶ Develop and support programs that assist in the maintenance of historical sites within the community of Beaverton, Ontario.
- ▶ Provide scholarships, bursaries, and awards in recognition of the celebration of the history of Beaverton and good citizenship in our community.
- ▶ Establish and present educational and cultural programs and initiate the attainment of facilities and equipment for Beaverton.

Accomplishments

Events:

- ▶ Hosted an outstanding weekend of community events celebrating Beaverton 125 in 2009, including Simcoe Sailors
- ▶ Six successful Brock's Big Bite events attracting multiple partners, sponsors and volunteers from across Township
- ▶ Sponsored Beaverton Film Festival in partnership with National 150 Canadian Film Day



Accomplishments

Awards:

- ▶ Sponsor of Harold Lodwick Citizenship Award - 7 winners designated awards towards community projects

Public Amenities:

- ▶ Initiated design and installation of murals commemorating Beaverton history and citizen leaders
- ▶ Public benches installed



Accomplishments

Public Amenities

- ▶ Led the installation of first public accessible kayak launch
- ▶ Sponsor of Beaverton Harbour ReWilding project resulting in \$400 K+ infrastructure investment including TDFEF grant



Beaverton Special Events

150th Celebration Projects

- ▶ Mandate of Beaverton Special Events - *provide public amenities in the celebration and creation of our community*
- ▶ Opportunity to mark Canada's 150th with a distinct public art piece and celebrate local talent
- ▶ Local sculptor Ron Baird donating artistic design and creation of iconic landmark sculpture for harbor area



150th Celebration Projects

- ▶ Partnership with Municipal Council & local organizations
- ▶ Beaverton Special Events leading the fundraising and community awareness & support
- ▶ Launch of sculpture fundraising at ***'Old-fashioned Community Picnic'*** Sunday August 6 at Beaver Museum Park



Partnerships & Support Requested

- ▶ Council approval and assistance with the siting of the sculpture in the harbor area
- ▶ Council approval for use of Beaver Museum park for the picnic
- ▶ Promotion through Township Social Media

Beaverton Special Events will return with further update in fall

The Corporation of the Township of Brock
Municipal Administration Building
Parks and Recreation Committee

Session Seven

Monday, June 5, 2017

The Seventh Meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, June 5, 2017, in the Municipal Administration Building Council Chamber.

Members present: Mayor: John Grant
Regional Councillor: W.E. Ted Smith
Councillors: Gord Lodwick
Cyndi Schaffer
Mike Parliament
Therese Miller
Lynn Campbell

Staff Members present: CAO & Municipal Clerk Thomas G. Gettinby
(recording the minutes)
Deputy Clerk Becky Jamieson
Clerk's Assistant Deena Hunt
Director of Public Works Nick Colucci

I. Call to Order

Chair Mike Parliament called the meeting to order at 11:19 a.m.

II. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest – N I L

III. Confirmation of Minutes – 6th meeting – May 8/17

Resolution No. 1-7

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith that the minutes of the 6th meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee as held on May 8, 2017, be adopted as typed and circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

IV. Deputations

(1) 10:30 a.m. – Ms. Paula Warder, Beaverton Special Events – Update on Beaverton Special Event Activities

Resolution No. 2-7

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith that the rules of procedure with respect to the length of the deputation be waived.

MOTION CARRIED

Ms. Paula Warder, Beaverton Special Events, provided the following presentation:

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Awards

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Public Amenities

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- Public benches installed
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- Opportunity to mark Canada's 150th with a distinct public art piece and celebrate local talent
- Local sculptor Ron Baird donating artistic design and creation of iconic landmark sculpture for harbour area
- Partnership with Municipal Council and local organizations
- Beaverton Special Events leading the fundraising and community awareness and support
- Launch of sculpture fundraising at 'Old-fashioned Community Picnic' on Sunday August 6, 2017, at the Beaver River Museum Park

Partnerships and Support Requested:

- Council approval and assistance with the siting of the sculpture in the harbour area
- Council approval for use of Beaver River Museum park for the picnic on August 6, 2017
- Promotion through Township Social Media

Beaverton Special Events will provide a further update in the fall.

Councillor Campbell advised that she enjoyed the Canada 150 Film Day and enquired as to the theme of the sculpture for the Harbour Park area to which Ms. Warder advised 'nature and earth' with movable parts and similar to one that was installed in Barrie.

Regional Councillor Smith expressed appreciation for the efforts of the Beaverton Special Events (BSE) and enquired as to the size of the sculpture to which Ms. Warder advised it is yet to be determined.

Mayor Grant expressed gratitude for the efforts of the BSE which aid in lifting community spirits and enquired whether the historical buildings at the Beaver River Museum Park will be required for the August event to which Ms. Warder advised not, noting that the Beaverton Thorah Eldon Historical Society will be open that day and will be providing assistance.

Mayor Grant expressed gratitude that the Georgina Island First Nation is being consulted with respect to the sculpture theme.

Resolution No. 3-7

MOVED BY Cyndi Schaffer that Council has no objections to the request from Beaverton Special Events and ask staff to work with BSE to find a suitable location for a sculpture in the harbour area.

MOTION CARRIED

Ms. Warder presented a cheque on behalf of the BSE and the TD Friends of the Environment Fund to the Committee in the amount of \$5,700 for plants and trees for the harbour.

Resolution No. 4-7

MOVED BY Cyndi Schaffer that Council has no objection to BSE use of Old Mill Gateway Park for their event on August 6, 2017, and ask staff to work with the committee.

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution No. 5-7

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith that Committee break for a recess at 11:33 a.m. to reconvene at 2:00 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Chair/Councillor Parliament reconvened the meeting at 2:00 p.m. with the same members of Committee and staff in attendance.

V. Communications Referred or Submitted to Committee

Referred directly

- 899 Wilfrid Hall Board of Management – Minutes – April 4, 2017
- 905 Roger Anderson, Regional Chair and CEO, Durham Region – Unable to attend Beaver River Trail Opening
- 959 Parks Canada Construction Projects – Trent-Severn Waterway Community Update
- 965 Parks Canada Information Bulletin – Trent-Severn Waterway and Rideau Canal 2017 navigation season start delayed until May 26, 2017
- 974 Manilla Hall Board of Management – Minutes – April 18, 2017
- 1005 Parks Canada Information Bulletin – Trent-Severn Waterway to open for navigation in stages starting Friday, May 26, 2017

Maralee Drake

2206117

From: Nick Colucci
Sent: Tuesday, November 28, 2017 8:33 PM
To: Maralee Drake
Subject: FW: Skywoman Sculpture Background
Attachments: Skywoman v3.pdf; Skywoman (4).pptx; Public Meeting Poster.pdf

For P & R

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, November 27, 2017 2:34 PM
To: Nick Colucci <ncolucci@townshipofbrock.ca>
Cc: Paula Warder <paulawarder@gmail.com>
Subject: Skywoman Sculpture Background

Hi Nick,
 Thanks for the helpful information. Sounds like we could have a significant project on our hands! I have attached the notice about the public meeting, the original flyer that launched this project and a draft of our presentation that we will be using on Thursday night. If you come across any helpful information, please send it along, especially if it helps us avoid pitfalls!
 Hope to see you on Thursday night. Christine

TOWNSHIP OF BROCK
 CLERK'S DEPT
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Beaverton Special Events

Beaverton Special Events is a not-for-profit, volunteer-run charitable organization located in Beaverton Ontario.

Our mission is to promote the town of Beaverton through events and initiatives, inspire our citizens to become involved and engaged in their community, and to enable them to become active members of their community through our organization and our projects.

Administrative support and charitable status is provided by Beaverton Special Events for this initiative.

Charity Registration
Number 80675 5518
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We are excited to launch this sesquicentennial project with members of the Beaverton and Brock community. Everyone is invited to become involved and play a part.

Join us as a story-teller to share the concept; a planner who can help with fundraising; a visionary to assist with site design; or a community cheerleader throughout the process.

Further Details:

www.BeavertonSpecialEvents.ca

Email:

info@BeavertonSpecialEvents.ca

Phone:

Paula Warder [REDACTED]

To make a donation please make cheques payable to **Beaverton Special Events** and send to
Beaverton Special Events
PO Box 125, Beaverton ON

"Sky Woman to be prominent landmark at Beaverton harbor"

**... Ron Baird,
Sculptor**



In honour of Canada's Sesquicentennial, Ron Baird, internationally renowned sculptor and public arts leader, is gifting to Beaverton and Brock Township, the creation and design for a unique sculpture to enhance the Beaverton Harbour park.

SCULPTURE BACKGROUND 'SKY WOMAN'

The creation myth of the Iroquois tells of the woman who fell from the sky and was rescued by birds who carried her gently down. Since the earth was covered by water at the time, a giant turtle rose from the depths and the muskrat brought up mud from the bottom to place on the turtle's back. This became known as Turtle Island, also known as North America.

Sky Woman's touch down was in the area of Beaverton harbour and all creation grew from this point.

The large sculpture is designed to move in the wind and reflect the sunlight.



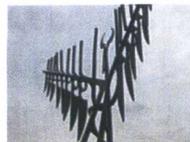
ABOUT the ARTIST

Ron Baird, RCA, AOCA, is one of Canada's most successful sculptors.

Baird has executed over 200 public, corporate and private commissions.

His works are recognized mostly because they celebrate the accomplishments of others and this great country.

The art pieces are dedicated to emergency workers, honouring our First Nations, our history-makers, and celebrating our multicultural diversity. His works are found in public parks, churches, synagogues, subway entrances, community centres, libraries, and government buildings, in Ontario, and internationally.



**The Spirit Catcher by Ron Baird
Situated on Barrie's waterfront.
www.ronbairdartist.com**

With your help, this unique public art can become a reality in our harbour. This prominent landmark will enhance the waterfront and attract tourists to our community.

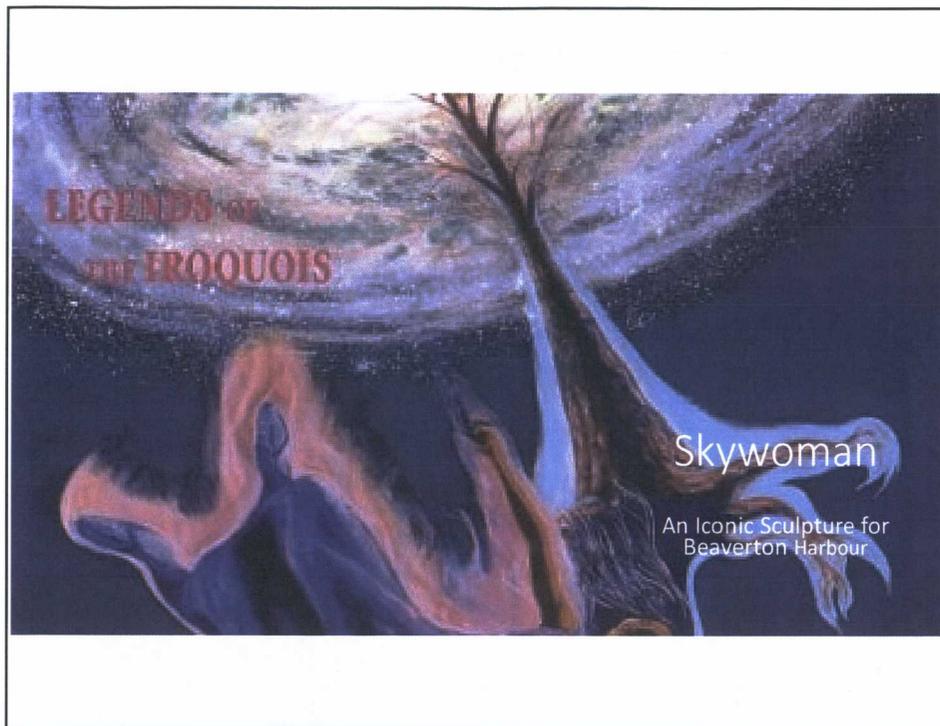
Our goal is to raise \$150,000 by summer 2018.

Funds will be used to buy materials, cover the production costs including site preparation, create and purchase interpretive signage, and the unveiling ceremony. Additional funds will help offset the cost of long term maintenance and insurance.

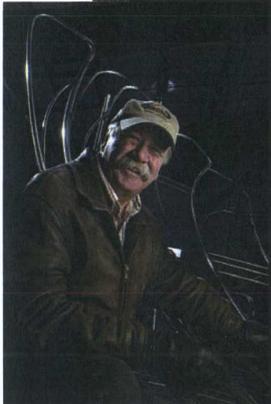
The sculpture committee is also seeking additional funding through private sponsor requests and grants.

Please help us reach our goal.

*Thank you for your
support.*



A Gift of Public Art



- Generous offering from Ron Baird - one of Canada's most successful sculptors
- Donation of creative design and project oversight
- Baird has executed over 200 public, corporate and private commissions.
- His works are recognized mostly because they celebrate the accomplishments of others and this great country.
- Dedicated to emergency workers, the generous donors, Canadian peace-keeping efforts, honouring our history-makers, our First Nations, and celebrating our multicultural diversity,
- His works are found in numerous public parks, churches, synagogues, subway entrances, community centres, libraries, and government buildings, not only in Ontario, but across Canada.

A community role for public art

"There is a need for public art that emphasises our essential interconnectedness rather than our separateness. Art that evokes the feeling of belonging to a larger whole."

...Suzi Gablik - influential visionary author and art critic

77% of Canadians agree or strongly agree that arts and heritage experiences help them feel part of their communities...Vital Signs Community Foundations of Canada

Public art stimulates dialogue and interaction, celebration, remembrance, social change, and community pride

Community Partners in Beaverton and Brock

- Public sculpture is a gift to the community
- Invitation to all community organizations and individuals to become part of this initiative
- Input is sought for location selection, landscaping and site development, donor recognition etc.
- Community support critical for successful fundraising, celebration and ongoing promotion

Location... location... location

Visibility

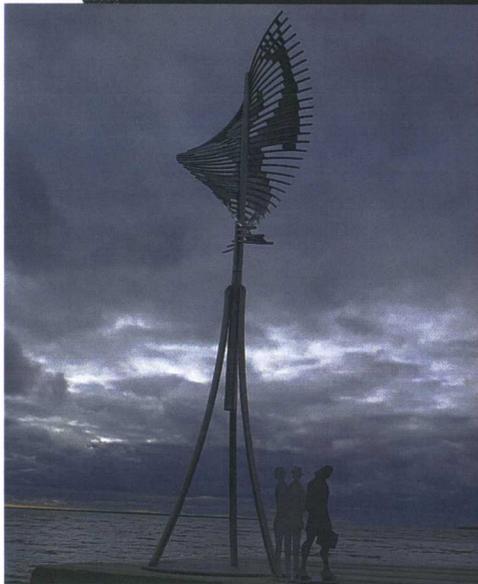
- Potential for high visibility beacon for boaters, visitors
- Full impact of design easily seen
- Iconic focal point for community

Accessibility

- Accessible for visitors
- Encourage visitors – local and beyond

Safety

- Sculpture is located safely away from potential infrastructure competition
- Location allows for appropriate lighting, walkways, benches



North Spit

- High visibility beacon for boaters – Trent Canal
- Catalyst for further development of spit/future boardwalk
- Full impact of design easily seen from pier

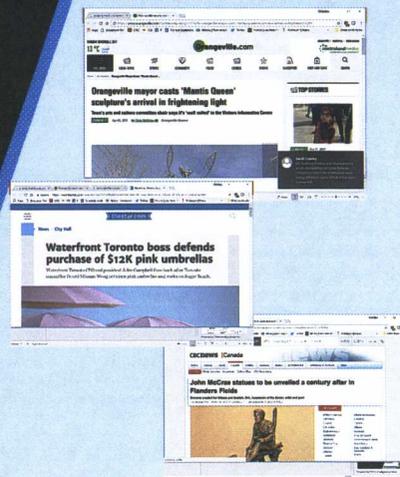
Central Point in Fairground Park

- Focal point for community with visibility from range of perspectives
- Less connected to harbour and waterfront activities



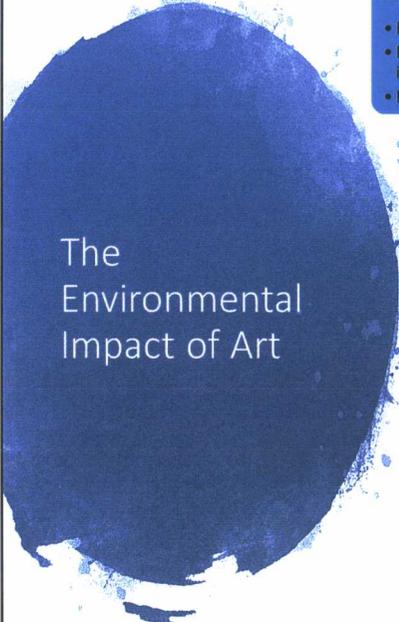
Breaking news! What are our preferred headlines?

- *Skywoman welcome to Beaverton Harbour*
- *Skywoman honours First Nations heritage and Lake Simcoe*
- *Beaverton celebrates the arrival of Skywoman at the harbour*



- Increased visitor traffic
- Iconic image builds community identifier
- Art stimulates additional art investments

The economy of art



The
Environmental
Impact of Art

Teaching opportunities

- Boating protocols re marine life
- Phosphates – not just a farming issue
- Fishing best practices

Restoration and
enhancement of the north
spit

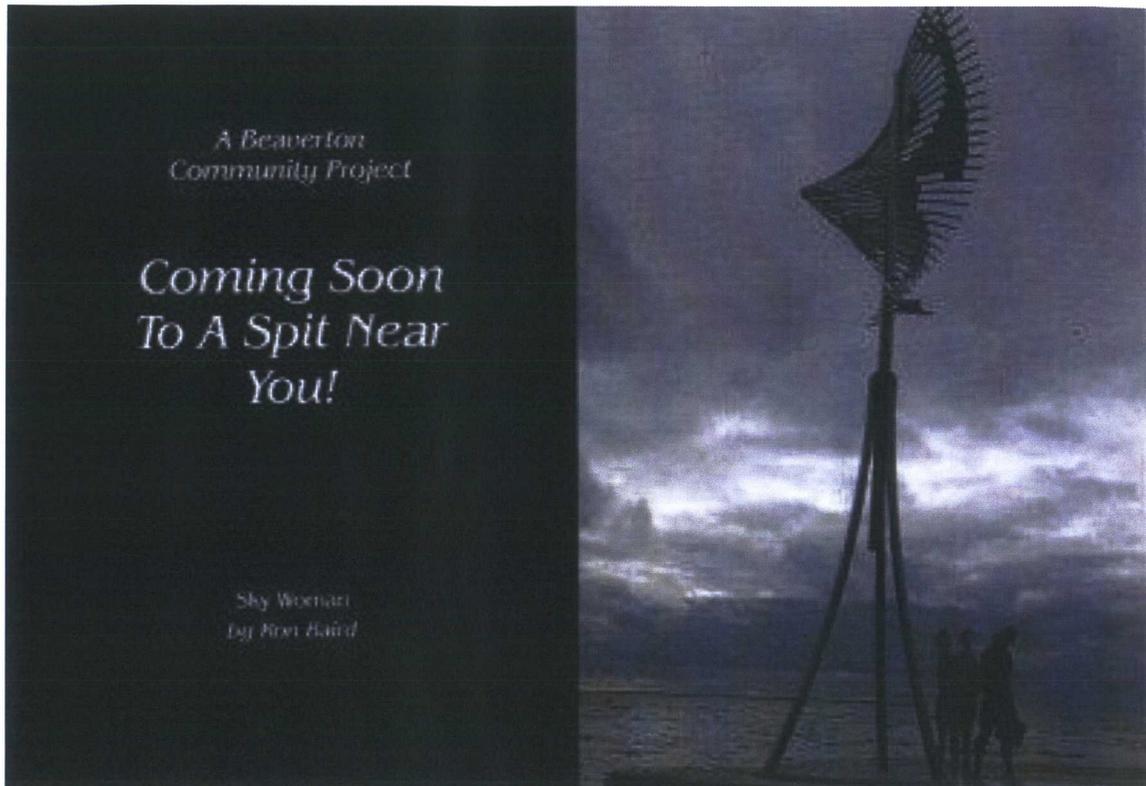
Shoreline restoration including
wilderness area beside the
boardwalk, home for the frogs,
dragonflies, butterflies, mink,
otters, birds

Encourage small non-
motorized water craft –
builds on accessible kayak
launch

Next Steps

- Steering Committee Members identified
- Public Meeting for Input
- Timeline Finalized
- Deputation to Brock Township Council
- Fundraising Strategy
- Promotions and Marketing Strategy
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***Be Part of This Exciting Community
Discussion!***

**Join us on Thursday, November 30,
2017**

7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Beaverton Town Hall

**www.beavertonspecialevents.ca for
details**

The Corporation of the Township of Brock
Municipal Administration Building
Parks & Recreation Committee

Session Eleven

Monday, December 4, 2017

The Eleventh Meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, December 4, 2017, in the Municipal Administration Building Council Chamber.

Members present: Regional Councillor: W.E. Ted Smith
Councillors: Gord Lodwick
Cyndi Schaffer
Mike Parliament
Therese Miller
Lynn Campbell

Members absent: Mayor: John Grant (regrets)

Staff Members present: CAO & Municipal Clerk Thomas G. Gettinby
(recording the minutes)
Deputy Clerk Becky Jamieson
Director of Public Works Nick Colucci

I. Call to Order

Chair Mike Parliament called the meeting to order at 2:52 p.m.

II. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest – N I L

III. Confirmation of Minutes- 10th meeting – November 13/17

Resolution No. 1-11

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith that the minutes of the 10th meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee as held on November 13, 2017, be adopted as typed and circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

IV. Deputations – N I L

V. Communications Referred or Submitted to Committee

Referred directly

2188 Lori Talling, Durham Region Sports Tourism Coordinator – Sport Durham Event

2201 Frank Cowan Company – Gamebridge Playground Receives \$5,000 from the Frank Cowan Company Home Town Program

Councillor Schaffer enquired what the funds will be used for and was advised additional work at the playground next year.

Councillor Miller thanked the Frank Cowan Company for their generous donation.

2202 Manilla Hall Board of Management – Minutes – October 17, 2017

2206 Christine Dukelow – Skywoman Sculpture Background

2207 Beaverton Lions Club – Request for Assistance – Arena Scoreboard Purchase and Installation

Regional Councillor Smith enquired whether the request is to have the funds flow through the Township and was advised in the affirmative.

Resolution No. 3-11

MOVED BY Gord Lodwick that Committee has no objection to the requests contained in communication no. 2207.

MOTION CARRIED

2208 Sunderland Town Hall Board of Management – Balcony Seating, Banquet Room Flooring and Vimy Oak

Councillor Campbell advised that she has discussed these requests with the Director of Public Works who advised that staff will investigate the costs/feasibility. She advised that the Academy Theatre in Lindsay is replacing their theatre seats noting that the hall board is interested in them, the carpet is in poor condition, and the board is considering the installation of vinyl flooring.

Councillor Schaffer enquired as to the storage of the seats, should the acquisition be successful, to which the Director of Public Works advised that the replacement seats would be directly installed in the balcony with no need for storage. He advised that the refurbishment of the existing balcony seating and railing was included within the 2017 budget noting that, while an engineering design has been completed, the Sunderland Lions Club and Sunderland Lions Theatre Group do not agree with the recommendation and are exploring the Academy Theatre's available seating. He concluded by advising that the carpet was installed less than five years ago and vinyl flooring would be more durable.

Councillor Schaffer enquired whether the potential seating from the Academy Theatre is fabric and was advised in the affirmative.

Resolution No. 4-11

MOVED BY Lynn Campbell that the requests from the Sunderland Town Hall Board, in correspondence 2208, for balcony seating, new carpet, and a snowmobile barrier, be referred to staff and budget discussions.

MOTION CARRIED

2198 Beaverton Baseball Board and Beaverton Minor Baseball Association – 2018 Improvement Plan

Regional Councillor Smith enquired whether the baseball board is requesting funding from the Township to which the Director of Public Works advised that he met with the baseball board noting that project is large and involves improving field drainage, improvements to the washrooms and canteen. He advised that some funding may be requested from the Township and the Beaverton Lions Club has agreed to assist the baseball board with this project.

Councillor Schaffer advised that the Foster Hewitt Foundation is a branch of the Beaverton Lions Club who provides funding to youth oriented projects.

Resolution No. 5-11

MOVED BY Gord Lodwick that Committee refer communication no. 2198 to the 2018 budget discussions for consideration.

MOTION CARRIED

VI. Reports of Sub-Committees – N I L

VII. General Items and Enquiries

(1) Public Questions and Clarification

There were no public questions for clarification.

VIII. Adjournment

Resolution No. 6-11

MOVED BY Cyndi Schaffer that we do now adjourn at 3:07 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

CHAIR

SECRETARY

An Iconic Sculpture for
Beaverton Harbour

Skywoman

Presentation to Brock Township Municipal Council
Monday, January 15, 2018
Beaverton Special Events



Purpose of Presentation

- Update Council on the Beaverton Special Events 150th harbour sculpture project
- Provide context and background for the public art theme
- Review location options considered and public engagement results
- Request Council support for the preferred location
- Confirm Council role in supporting the next steps for the project
- Provide an updated timeline

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Skywoman – The Legend

- The creation myth of the Iroquois tells of the woman who fell from the sky and was rescued by birds who carried her gently down.
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Community Partners Beaverton & Brock

- Public sculpture is a gift to the community
- All community organizations and individuals invited to be part of this initiative
- Input sought for location selection, landscaping and site development, donor recognition etc.
- Community support critical for successful fundraising, celebration and ongoing promotion as an iconic public art piece



Public Meeting November 30, 2017

- Fifty + participants
- 37 responses re site preference
- Support for concept
- Partnership opportunities

Photo Courtesy of The Brock Citizen

Community Commitment

Our goal is \$150,000+

Funds raised to cover:

- production costs of the sculpture, site preparation and landscaping
- interpretive signage and other communication and marketing materials
- unveiling ceremony and community celebration

The sculpture committee is seeking funding through focused fundraising efforts, private sponsor requests and grants.

Beaverton Special Events providing administrative support

Location... location... location

Visibility

- Potential for high visibility beacon for boaters, visitors
- Full impact of design easily seen
- Iconic focal point for community

Accessibility

- Accessible for visitors
- Encourage visitors – local and beyond

Safety

- Sculpture is located safely away from potential infrastructure competition
- Location allows for appropriate lighting, walkways, benches

North Spit – Preferred Location

- High visibility beacon for boaters – Trent Canal
- Catalyst for further development of spit/future boardwalk
- Full impact of design easily seen from pier and water
- Kinetic sculpture will move with the wind and reflect sunlight



Beach Location

– Second Preference

- Enhances public waterfront community space
- Accessible
- Visible from water and pier



Central Point in Fairground Park

–Least Public Support

- Focal point for community with visibility from range of perspectives
- Easily accessible
- Less connected to harbour and waterfront activities

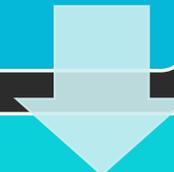


Public art is an economic driver

Value of harbour as a public asset
fully recognized by community

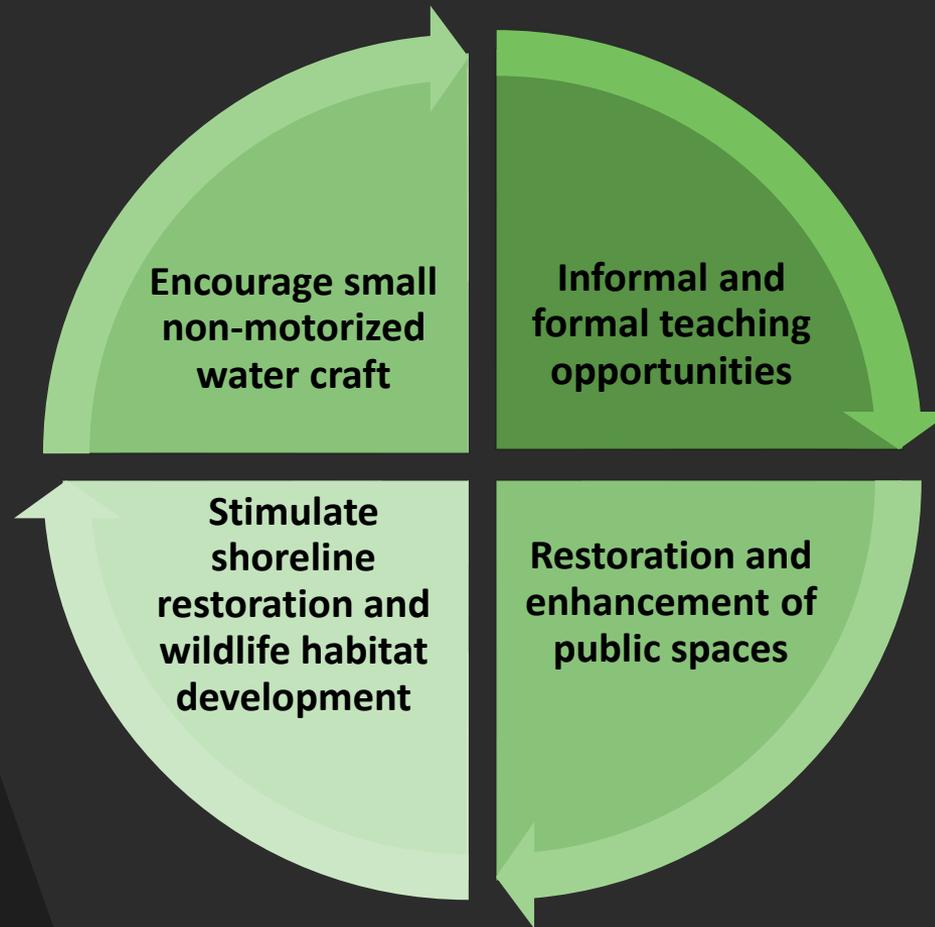


Community identifier built
through Iconic image



Increased visitor traffic, additional
art & tourism investments

Public Art Stimulates Environmental Actions



Request to Council



- Confirmation of preferred site – north spit
- Confirmation of municipal staff support for site planning and preparation, including negotiation with various levels of government and other agencies
- Assistance with building linkages to First Nation partners in Georgina and Rama
- Public support and encouragement for public engagement

Next Steps

- Steering Committee Members identified
- Project scope, timelines etc. finalized
- Fundraising strategy initiated
- Promotions and marketing strategy underway
- Ongoing community engagement and communications
- Final design testing



The Corporation of the Township of Brock

Municipal Administration Building

Council

Session One

Monday, January 15, 2018

The First Meeting of the Council of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, January 15, 2018, in the Municipal Administration Building Council Chamber.

Members present: Mayor: John Grant
Regional Councillor: W.E. Ted Smith
Councillors: Gord Lodwick
Mike Parliament
Therese Miller
Lynn Campbell

Members absent: Councillor: Cyndi Schaffer (regrets)

Staff Members present: CAO & Municipal Clerk Thomas G. Gettinby
(recording the minutes)
Clerk's Assistant Deena Hunt
Treasurer Laura Barta

I. Call to Order

Mayor John Grant called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. Moment of Meditation/Personal Reflection

Council and those present paused for a moment of meditation/personal reflection.

III. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

Mayor Grant declared a pecuniary interest with respect to matters dealing with the BR+E tourism project as he owns a business identified as a tourism establishment.

IV. Confirmation of Minutes

- (1) 17th Council meeting – December 4/17
- (2) 17th Council meeting – In Camera Session – December 4/17

Resolution No. 1-1

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith and SECONDED BY Gord Lodwick that the minutes of the 17th Council meeting and In Camera Session as held on December 4, 2017, be taken as read, confirmed, and signed by the Mayor and Clerk.

MOTION CARRIED

V. Hearing of Deputations

- (1) 10:00 a.m. – Mr. Allan McPhail – Presentation of Grandfather Clock

Mr. Allan McPhail advised that, mutually with his sisters Margaret and Barbara, he would like to present the Council of the Township of Brock with the grandfather clock which was presented to his father, Mayor Allan McPhail, by the community at a formal dinner in 1988 in recognition of his public service to the community.

Mr. McPhail advised that his father's contributions commenced in 1950 as a community volunteer, Village Councillor, Village Reeve, a teacher, and first Mayor of the amalgamated Township of Brock. The clock was enjoyed by his

parents for almost thirty years and the decision was made, prior to the sale of Mr. McPhail’s home, that the clock and resolution plaque should remain with the Township as historically significant items.

Mayor Grant expressed appreciation to the McPhail family noting that the passing of Mayor McPhail marked the end of an era. He expressed recognition for his outstanding commitment to his country and community noting that he was wounded twice during WWII. He commended his teaching efforts at Brock High School, efforts as the first Mayor of Brock Township and last Reeve of the Village of Cannington, noting that Mayor McPhail remained active in the community throughout his retirement years.

Regional Councillor Smith expressed appreciation to the McPhail family for the presentation advising that Mayor McPhail was one of three people who inspired his political career and taught him geography when in high school.

Resolution No. 2-1

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith and SECONDED BY Gord Lodwick that Council break for a recess at 10:10 a.m. in order to retire to the Mayor’s office to view the grandfather clock with the McPhail family.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Grant reconvened the meeting at 10:15 a.m. with the same members of Council and staff in attendance.

(2) 10:10 a.m. – Ms. Paula Warder and Ms. Christine Dukelow, Beaverton
Special Events – Beaverton Harbour Sculpture

Resolution No. 3-1

MOVED BY Lynn Campbell and SECONDED BY Gord Lodwick that the rules of procedure with respect to the length of the deputation be waived.

MOTION CARRIED

Ms. Christine Dukelow introduced Mr. Ron Baird, Sculptor, and provided the following presentation:

An Iconic Sculpture for Beaverton Harbour – Sky Woman

The purpose of the presentation is to update Council on the Beaverton Special Events 150th harbour sculpture project and provide context and background for the public art theme, review location options considered and public engagement results, request the support of Council for the preferred location, confirm Council’s role in supporting the next steps for the project, and provide an updated timeline.

- | A Gift of Public Art | Sky Woman – the Legend |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> his works are recognized as celebrations of accomplishments of others and this great country | |

- often dedicated to honouring our history makers, our First Nations, and celebrating our multicultural diversity
- Sky Woman's touchdown is said to be in the area of Beaverton Harbour.
- his art pieces are found in numerous public parks, community centres, libraries, and government buildings in Ontario and across Canada

A Community Role for Public Art

- public sculpture is a gift to the community
- all community organizations and individuals invited to be part of this initiative
- input sought for location selection, landscaping & site development, donor recognition, etc.
- community support critical for successful fundraising, celebration, and ongoing promotion as an iconic public art piece

Ms. Dukelow advised that she was involved with the Shop Brock program which implemented the metal banners in each village noting that art stimulates conversation and is iconic.

Community Commitment

The fundraising goal is \$150,000, or more, to cover the production costs of the sculpture, site preparation, landscaping, interpretive signage, communication and marketing materials, as well as the unveiling ceremony and community celebration.

The sculpture committee is seeking funding through focussed fundraising efforts, private sponsor requests, and grants. Beaverton Special Events is providing the administrative support.

The public meeting held on November 30, 2017 had over fifty participants, 37 responses for site preference, support for the concept, and partnership opportunities.

Ms. Dukelow advised that the sculpture would be created from stainless steel.

The Location

Visibility

- potential for high visibility beacon for boaters and visitors
- full impact of design easily seen
- iconic focal point for community

Accessibility

- accessible for visitors
- encourage local and out of town visitors

Safety

- sculpture is located safely away from potential infrastructure competition
- location allows for appropriate lighting, walkways, and benches

The preferred location would be the North Spit as the sculpture would be visible to boaters on Lake Simcoe and it would be a catalyst for further development of the spit (future boardwalk). The full impact of the design could be easily seen from the pier and water and the kinetic sculpture will move with the wind and reflect sunlight.

The second preference would be the beach as it would enhance the public waterfront community space, would be visible from the pier, and would be accessible.

The third location, at a central point in the Beaverton Fairgrounds, was the least supported option but would provide a focal point for the community with visibility from a range of perspectives and is easily accessible. This location would be less connected to the harbour and waterfront activities.

Public art is an economic driver and stimulates environmental actions.

Next steps

- Steering Committee members identified
- project scope, timelines finalized
- fundraising strategy initiated
- promotions/marketing strategy underway
- ongoing community engagement/communication
- final design testing

Request to Council:

- confirmation of preferred site (North Spit)
- confirmation of municipal staff support for site planning and preparation including negotiation with various levels of government and other agencies
- assistance with building linkages to First Nation partners in Georgina and Rama
- public support and encouragement for public engagement

Ms. Dukelow advised that the sculpture is intended for the enjoyment of all Brock residents, a website will be launched, and '101 Donations' will kick off the sponsorship program.

Regional Councillor Smith expressed appreciation for the presentation and to Mr. Baird for his commitment to this project. He advised of the proposal by the Federal government to transfer the Beaverton Harbour to the municipality, which will require significant discussion/consideration prior to making a decision, and enquired as to the impact on this project to which Ms. Dukelow advised that the Committee is aware of the proposal and, given the extensive fundraising required, expressed their desire to start the conversation and work in tandem with the Township.

Councillor Lodwick expressed appreciation for the presentation advising that he supports the project and enquired whether the Committee has had subsequent communication from the Federal government following the public meeting to which Ms. Dukelow advised that they are waiting on requested information from Mr. Jamie Schmale, MP, who acknowledged his support of the project.

Councillor Miller enquired as to the opinion of the First Nations to which Ms. Dukelow advised that, while Georgina Island First Nations do not embrace the Sky Woman legend, they do support the celebration of art and the Committee will communicate with the First Nations through their contact in Rama.

Mr. Baird advised that his friend, David General, artist and past Chief of Six Nations Council, expressed his enthusiasm for the project.

Councillor Miller enquired whether the sculpture would be illuminated and if it is transportable should the need arise to which Mr. Baird advised that the sculpture will not have lighting affixed and moving it would be expensive.

Councillor Campbell expressed her enthusiasm for the project enquiring as to grant opportunities to which Ms. Dukelow advised that there are potential grants available and they would like to partner with Outer City Arts.

Resolution No. 4-1

MOVED BY Gord Lodwick and SECONDED BY W.E. Ted Smith that Council acknowledge the preferred site for the Sky Woman sculpture as presented and continue to work with the committee with regard to further process.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Lodwick advised that, while the timing is a challenge for this installation, it is a worthy project and will act as catalyst for future growth.

- (3) 10:20 a.m. – Ms. Susan deRyk and Mr. Mark Murphy, Lakeridge Health – Lakeridge Health's Master Planning and Stakeholder Engagement Process

Ms. Susan deRyk was absent from the meeting and Mr. Mark Murphy, Lakeridge Health, provided the following presentation:

Master Planning Stakeholder Engagement – Lakeridge Health**About Lakeridge Health**

- one of the largest acute care systems in Ontario
- five-hospitals and 12 community locations
 - reshape services and provide even better care
 - plan care regionally through a single system
- 4,900 Staff, 780 physicians, 1,500 volunteers
- one of the province's top-rated cancer centres
- among busiest ED in the province
- serve diverse and growing community

Master Planning Process

- evidence based planning to create roadmap
- identifies acute health care service needs for 25 years+
- physical facilities: Location of facilities
- outlines services: Identifies health care
- broad community engagement to inform work
- completion date: March 2019

Mr. Murphy advised that Lakeridge Health hospitals are located in Ajax-Pickering, Bowmanville, Port Perry, Oshawa, and Whitby.

The goal is a Master Plan that is patient focused, community informed and reflective of the growing and diverse populations across Durham Region.

Key Principles

- broad-based stakeholder input into Master Plan
- evidence-based decision making
- patient and community focused
- best practice approach
- optimization of existing sites (leverage investment in sites)
- maintain Centres of Excellence model (focus on serving residents)
- support CE LHIN Clinical Services Plan
- collaboration with other key health providers throughout Durham Region and CE LHIN

Community Engagement Approach

- Broad-based engagement in Durham Region (Phase 1)
- Mid - January to March 2018
- Multiple engagement channels including:
 - Region wide survey (January 30)

An Iconic Sculpture for
Beaverton's Harbour

SKYWoman

Brock Township Municipal Council
Planning and Economic Development
Monday, April 15 2019

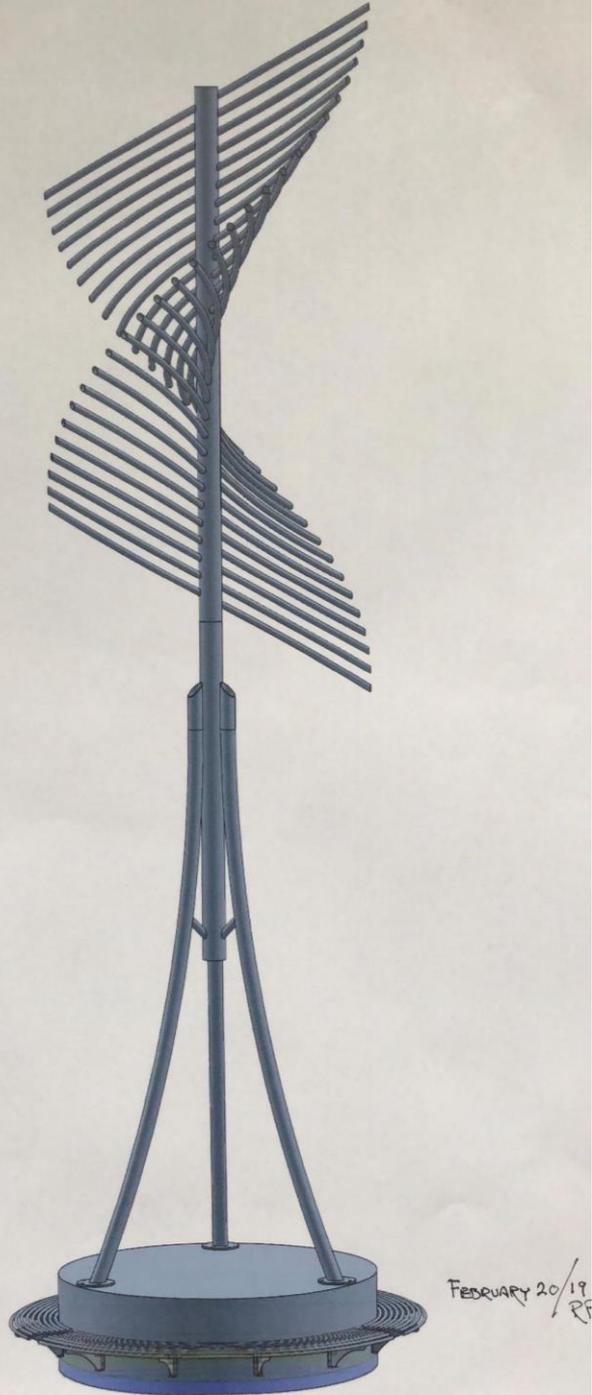


Purpose of Presentation

- SKYWoman sculpture update
 - Economic and tourism importance
 - Budget plans and fundraising totals
 - Timeline
 - Public engagement
- Seek Council support and approval for proposed new location
- Seek Council support for in-kind structural engineering requirements work and site preparation pre and post installation
- Seek permission to erect announcement signage in the upper park area

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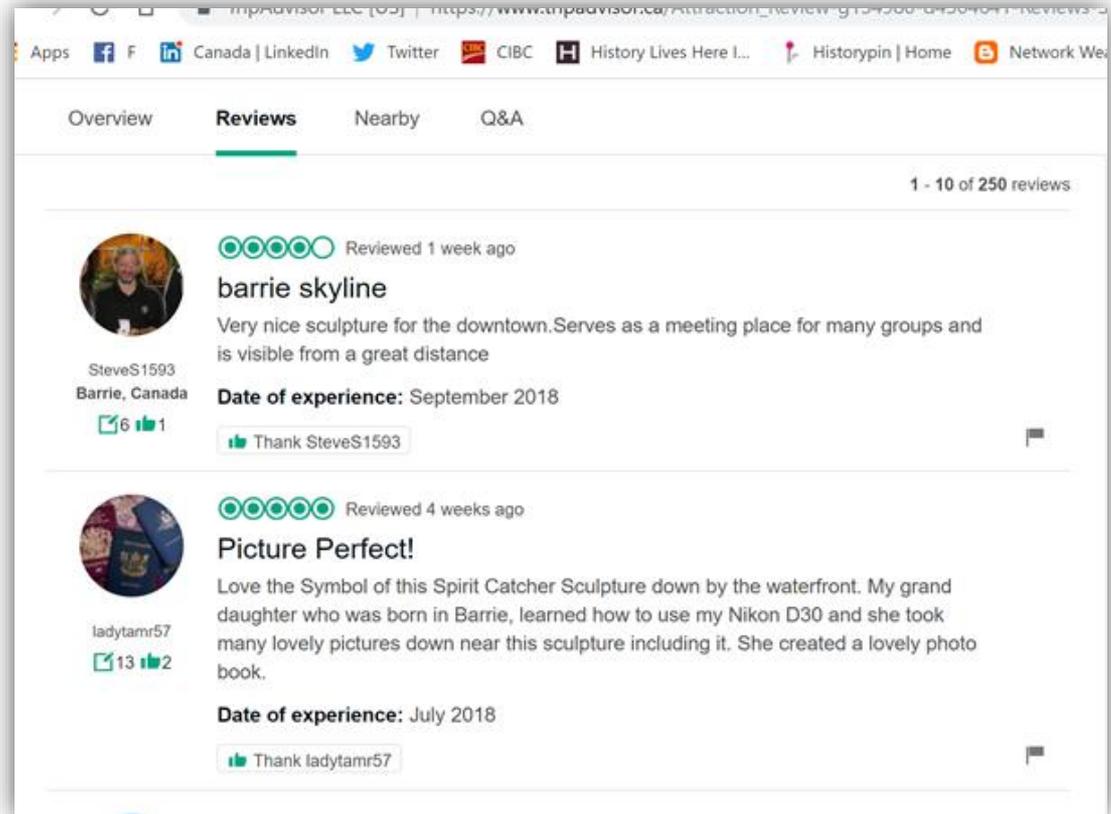


Economic Impact as Evidenced by Trip Advisor Reviews



Economic Impact of Public Art

- increases visitor traffic with spin off impacts on local restaurants and shops
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Community Commitment

Fundraising Goal is \$150,000+

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Beaverton Special Events provides administrative support

Fundraising & Budget Summary

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Foundation Gifts:	\$5000
Private Donation (pending Council approval for site)	\$50,000
In-kind Contributions:	
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Municipal site preparation	(tbc)
Corporate sponsorship materials	(tbc)
Anticipated Costs:	
Materials & fabrication	\$109,200
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- Opportunity to regain public support for harbour investments in paved path, gardens, public picnic areas

Proposed placement

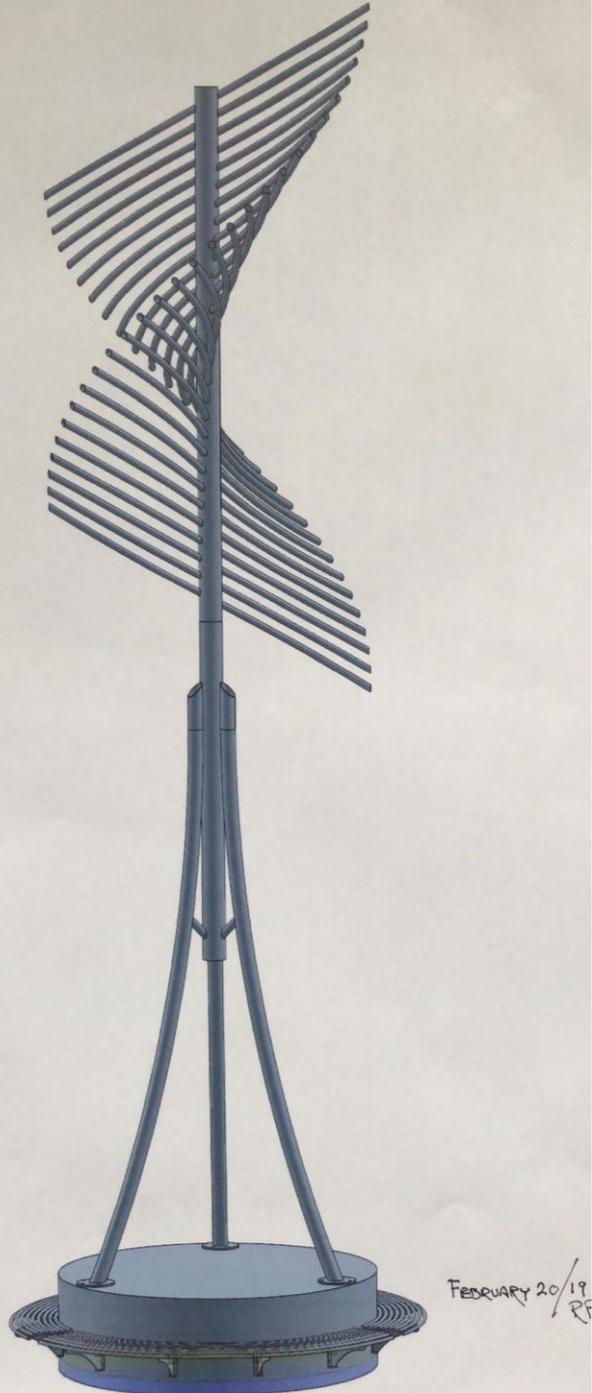


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Background: A Gift of Public Art



- Generous donation of creative design and project oversight from Ron Baird - one of Canada's most successful sculptors
- Baird has executed over 200 public, corporate and private commissions
- **The design and construction oversight is provided to the community by Ron Baird at no charge**
- **All funds raised are directed to the purchase of materials and the fabrication of the sculpture pieces**



Background:

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- Sky Woman's touch down was in the area of Beaverton harbour and all creation grew from this point.

The Corporation of the Township of Brock

Council Minutes

Municipal Administration Building

Session Seventeen

Monday, April 15, 2019

The Seventeenth Meeting of the Council of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, April 15, 2019, in the Municipal Administration Building Council Chamber.

Members present: Mayor: Debbie Bath-Hadden
Regional Councillor: W.E. Ted Smith
Councillors: Michael Jubb
Claire Doble
Walter Schummer
Cria Pettingill
Lynn Campbell

Staff Members present: Clerk Becky Jamieson
(recording the minutes)
Clerk's Assistant Deena Hunt
Interim CAO Garth Johns
Director of Public Works Nick Colucci
Treasurer Laura Barta

1. Call to Order

Mayor Bath-Hadden called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Resolution Number 1-17

MOVED by W.E. Ted Smith and SECONDED by Michael Jubb that the order of the meeting be amended to defer the consideration of Section 9. Motions until after Section 11. Public Questions.

MOTION CARRIED

2. Moment of Meditation / Personal Reflection

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None

4. Confirmation of Minutes

- (1) 12th meeting – April 1, 2019
- (2) 12th meeting, In Camera Session – April 1, 2019
- (3) 13th meeting – April 1, 2019

Resolution Number 2-17

MOVED BY W.E. Ted Smith and SECONDED BY Michael Jubb that the minutes of the 12th meeting, In Camera session, and 13th Council meeting, all as held on April 1, 2019, be taken as read, confirmed, and signed by the Mayor and Clerk.

MOTION CARRIED

5. Hearing of Deputations

- (1) 7:00 p.m. – Ms. Christine Dukelow and Ms. Paula Warder, Beaverton
Special Events – Sky Woman Structure Update

Resolution Number 3-17

MOVED by Claire Doble and SECONDED by Walter Schummer that the rules of procedure with respect to the length of the deputation be waived.

MOTION CARRIED

An Iconic Structure for Beaverton's Harbour - SKYWoman

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There was discussion with respect to the mechanics of the piece and further public consultation which would be informal meetings.

Councillor Schummer enquired as to concerns received during public consultation to which Ms. Dukelow advised light and noise.

Regional Councillor Smith enquired as to a protocol for public consultation to which the Clerk advised none, noting that it would be at Council's discretion. He enquired as to the affected portion of the ReWilding Design to which Ms. Dukelow advised that the Director of Public Works had suggested that there is a redesign for seating being proposed which could result in seating being placed around the outside of the Skywoman installation.

There was discussion with respect to the costs for the seating which would be approximately \$18,000 and the realignment of the ReWilding water filtration system which is meant to keep phosphorus out of the lake.

There was discussion with respect to the aerodynamics of the installation and the use of tower design engineering.

Resolution Number 4-17

MOVED by Claire Doble and SECONDED by Michael Jubb that Council refer the request from Beaverton Special Events re: SKYWoman project to the CAO to provide a report with regards to the requests as outlined in today's presentation.

MOTION CARRIED

6. Petitions

None

7. Communications Submitted to Council

Group One – Receive and File

- 541 Matthew Mackenzie – UOIT's New Brand
- 552 City of Pickering – Report CLK 02-19, Revisions to Code of Conduct Policy ADM 070 and Procedure ADM 070-001 – Changes required through Bill 68, Harmonization of Gifts and Benefits Wording and Housekeeping Matters
- 558 Durham Region Legislative Services – Proposed Amalgamation of the Oshawa and Hamilton Port Authorities (2019-EDT-5)
- 561 City of Oshawa – Downed Elevators and Municipal Response
- 583 Veridian Corporation and Whitby Hydro Energy Corporation Merger Complete, Forming Elexicon Corporation
- 657 Cheryl Gallant – Bill C-68, changes to Fisheries Act
- 658 Becky Jamieson – Interoffice Memorandum, Wilfrid & Manilla Hall Board Fees
- 661 Marydel Homes – Potential DC's increase

Resolution Number 5-17

MOVED by W.E. Ted Smith and SECONDED by Michael Jubb that communication numbers 541, 552, 558, 561, 583, 657, 658, and 661 be received for information.

MOTION CARRIED

Group Two Communications Referred to Committee

Finance Committee

- 619 Laura Barta – Report: 2019-FI-11, Annual Building Permit Fee Report – For the 2018 Fiscal Year

Beaverton Harbour Survey

Responses: 337

1. Which community do you reside in? (i.e. Beaverton, Cannington, Sunderland)			
		Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Beaverton		275	81.6%
Cannington		26	7.7%
Sunderland		9	2.6%
Other		21	6.2%
No Responses		6	1.7%
Total		337	100%
Other			
Lorneville, Brechin, Woodville, Thorah Island, Port Bolster, Woodville, Lagoon City, Oro Medonte, Brechin, Thorah Island, Woodville, Rural resident, Rural, outside township, Thorah Island, Toronto, on farm east of Beaverton, Toronto, Port Bolster, Brechin, Port Hope			

2. What is your age?			
		Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
19 and Under		3	<1%
20-44		112	33.2%
45-64		129	38.2%
65 and Over		88	26.1%
No Responses		5	1.4%
Total		337	100%

3. How often do you visit the Beaverton Harbour?			
		Response(s)	Ratio
Two or more times a week		122	36.2%
Once a week		78	23.1%
Twice a month		52	15.4%
Once a month		51	15.1%
Rarely or never		30	8.9%
No Responses		4	1.1%
Total		337	100%

4. How would you rate the Beaverton Harbour in the following areas?					
Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied

Cleanliness	32	67	93	121	16
	10%	20%	28%	37%	5%
Washroom facilities	42	84	135	61	2
	13%	26%	42%	19%	1%
Parking facilities	39	97	74	102	13
	12%	30%	23%	31%	4%
Directional signage	17	45	96	140	27
	5%	14%	30%	43%	8%
Location as a day trip destination	24	60	86	133	25
	7%	18%	26%	41%	8%
Sitting facilities	23	90	92	106	17
	7%	27%	28%	32%	5%
Grounds and gardens	43	98	82	90	13
	13%	30%	25%	28%	4%

Comments

something has to be done about the beach swimming area. It is never very clean and the water is very often not suitable to swim. We need to take steps to keep the runoff clean					
The grounds are well maintained. The beach/water is gross from all the bird poop, but Im not sure theres much that can be done about that? I do not like my children to go to the beach or water, which is too bad. We do love using the park and splash pad, however. We never use the upper washroom facilities, so I cant speak to the cleanliness of those, but the outhouses are typically ok. More parking would be ideal - perhaps create more spots up by the washroom facility for non-trailers.					
We need a bridge... if a train spills chemicals in Ethel park I have now way of get my kids out of subdivision					
Given the number of people that now use the harbour I feel there is something that needs to be done to make better use of the available parking space. The gardens need to be gone.....they take up valuable open green space that people could use for picnicking etc. playing etc.					
The beach is not always clean and cared for and parking gets very crowded on busy summer weekends					
The design and layout of the gardens was not well done and isn't inviting or functional. The nickname "the coffins" says it all.					
Have no clue do not go there ever					
The washrooms are always filthy even after they appear to have been "cleaned"					
Beach needs to be better maintain so it's open more than being closed.					
I would like to see several fixed garbage bins on the pier so the garbage wasn't always tossed into the water or throw onto the pier. I don't know what can be done about the beach as the debris that washes up makes it unappealing for swimming. Perhaps a boardwalk could be built there instead with swimming platforms?					

Boat houses make the harbour look run down and decrepit, if you want to draw tourists and families set standards for property maintenance and appearance.
get rid of coffins
Other than the beach is pretty messy, with gross stuff from the lake, bird poop and litter. It's a really nice spot. Maybe someone can in the morning and drag the sands, clear the black stuff on the shore and pick up trash. I also know you can buy things to keep the geese off the beach, like decoys. Hopefully things get more tidy.
In past years, maintenance of the beach was always an issue. Should be important start up item in spring
Nothing will improve this Harbour & make it a draw for people until the disgusting water quality is significantly improved. This disgusting water is originating upstream of Beaverton, and the town pays dearly for this consequence. Clean up the source of the contaminated water first & foremost!!!!!!
Washrooms are not open enough.
More waterfront space is needed.
Boat houses are not an asset to the area. The leases need to be discontinued and the township should take over that area and make it more user friendly for visitors. There is so much potential for the lakefront and it is always never thought about and left behind. The largest asset to the township and never been utilized.
Get rid of the coffins already.
Everything is ok except the beach area. That has to be cleaned up so the beach doesn't get posted as much. It's the most posted beach on lake simcoe this year
There is often garbage around
Water quality is an issue. Would love to have more public amenities ... like kayak rentals, or have Recreation bring in BOOM Sailing for day camp like Scugog did.
There is so much potential. Look at parks along the eastern shoreline. Flowers/colour/greenery. Seating at the harbour and along the pier. Many sr.s would walk the pier if they could sit briefly.
The bank adjacent to the lower parking lot could be improved.
Washrooms are old and in need of some TLC. Having residents of Thorah Island park in the upper level is not a good idea. We pay taxes just like the residents of the boathouse and our permits should allow us to park in the harbour parking lot. Wa at the harbour last weekend and the boxes with the foliage was full of weeds and in need of watering.
Parking - can't park on the hill. ReWilding - cost too much, gardens unattractive. The whole project was a waste of time and money. Money could be better spent on town work and maintenance such as ditching and tree trimming.
The beach is full of sludge and could be such a beautiful spot. The washroom facilities are located far from the beach and splash pad.

<p>The ramps that we put our boat in the water on, were covered in seagull feces- they could have been sprayed off. Also the big rocks along the harbour have a lot of garbage in them. The splash pad and playground are clean.</p>
<p>The Park fills up on the weekends with folks from out of town who setup first thing in the morning. It is just too small to accommodate both visitors and locals..</p>
<p>After a weekend the area is littered , sadly , despite garbage cans . This morning the birds were also ripping apart garbage at the bins</p>
<p>I visit the harbour during my regular kayaking outings, and as such I am commenting on the quality of the water and beach, and not on the other areas.</p>
<p>Beaverton North Beach. We should close this beach, despite the clean-up activities. Beaverton South Beach. AGAIN, the beach is at the top of the Lake Simcoe leader board of 30 public beaches being posted as unsafe for swimming 75% of time in the month of July 2019 ue to high ecoli readings.</p>
<p>The beach is disgusting. It terrible living in a waterfront community with a beach and chosing to drive 30 mins to another beach. The condition of the beach is absolutely unacceptable. The one thing we have as a community to attract tourism is being completely neglected.</p>
<p>The harbour is a wonderful asset that is far from reaching itâs potential. Over the years when I have taken visitors it is thoroughly embarrassing how dirty it has been. The grass, the beach and the pier are often littered and offputting. This is the only reason I live so close but go so rarely. Also, if there were any way to extend the width of the beach area that would be a great improvement.</p>
<p>Pathetic, coffin shaped sitting, smelly parking lot. The beach has too much seaweed. No one wants to walk through it to swim. It has limited beach front. Not enough outdoor sitting at a restaurant. Could use an ice cream shop separate from the restaurant. It has some good features but needs major improvements</p>
<p>outhouses need to be emptied more frequently, removal of aild coffins to make a real garden, painted parking lines</p>
<p>With the beaches being posted as unsafe all the time, there is very little for people to do outside of the splash pad. People launching their boats park vehicles/trailers everywhere making it difficult to safely cross the one way roundabout. Years ago the area was poorly designed -- more stores etc closer to the beach area would've made Beav a better tourist spot but no one coming to swim wanders to town, no one coming to shop goes to beach. Not enough "pretty" to warrant wandering either way.</p>
<p>Gardens on hill are dead and seats look like coffins, interlock on hill by the washrooms (that are never open) could be a covered picnic spot</p>
<p>I would like to see the beach area have the debris and sludge removed.</p>

<p>boat launch is to short the bass bouts have kicked out all the gravel at the end of the ramp so if you go in a little to far you end up tearing a axle off. It needs to be 6 to 8 feet longer</p>
<p>The harbour area has so much potential as a tourist destination. It's a jewel in the crown for Brock Township!</p>
<p>We have an opportunity to create a wonderful experience for locals and visitors. Let's do it!</p>
<p>gradually take back all the leases on the boathouses and make the harbor a real tourist attraction. While Im at it stop the damn roundabout.</p>
<p>There is nothing to draw people, other than children, to visit the harbour. I take my grandchildren to the splashpad but find the rest of the area is not very inspiring.</p>
<p>Regular beach maintenance should happen. The beach is very frosty in the harbour and on the Ethel park side</p>
<p>For me the Rewilding project is a disappointment. The planning and planting is naive, the storm water entrapment does not function as promised, it is high maintenance. And the razzle dazzle is fizzle wizzle.</p>
<p>There is garbage on the pier. The toilet by the main road to the pier is disgusting, old oil and garbage containers from Barney's are a stinking abomination and en example of the unhealthy food that's served there. In general, there is not enough access to water and also not enough services (only unhealthy food before early afternoon - nothing after) for the amount of visitors. The pier is narrow and has only two swimming platform - way too little for the number of swimmers and visitors.</p>
<p>there must be something that can be done to improve the beach area. Better sand??? divert the crud that ebbs and flows at the edge of the water. Children would love to play on the beach, but the sand is too rocky, and it's too unsavoury looking. Just running a rake over it, does not improve the quality or look.</p>
<p>Need more benches everywhere, for the elderly</p>
<p>Gardens are not maintained well enough. Often I see dead plants in planters that should have been better taken care of.</p>
<p>How can we expect the area to attractive when it is full of outhouses. We need proper, clean supervised washrooms. When these are being pumped out the odours are strong. Clean it up.</p>
<p>I am very disappointed that we have such a wonderful harbour that could be an attraction to Beaverton & there is little there. You can't even get a coffee / ice cream in the evening & enjoy the beauty around you. Wasted area.</p>
<p>The asphalt for the parking area could be replaced by old fashion stone pavements, interlocking or other greener and more natural solution to both give a better visual impression as well as preventing the surface water to be so easily runs to the lake.</p>

Gardens in the upper hill area near the washroom need weeding more often. Beach area needs cleaning at least three times each week, including collecting the silt build-up in the shoreline area. Garbage pails in the beach park need to be emptied throughout the weekend in the summer months as tourists fill them to overflowing every weekend. Is there a way to avoid pressure washing the docks and launch areas without sending the goose and other birds' feces into the river area???
Better gardens would be appreciated
love the trees, some flowering shrubs at the treeline would be nice
Lack of overnight parking is a huge problem for Thorah residents. Washroom facilities would be welcome.
So pleased to see the bench boxes removed from near the restaurant! The coffins are an eyesore, I walk through there and the ground is very uneven for people with walking issues can easily fall. The coffins removed would leave more room for tables, benches, and lot less mowing, trimming for the township. As for the colored stone areas, how does that help the environment? Water does not follow a path of stones.
Disappointing that such a beautiful space has been so left to be so lack luster
Brock resident that does not visit the Harbour.
Haven't used the washroom facilities
End of pier can be littered. Garbage cans please? Gardens are terrible. Little "coffins" need to go. Give money to horticultural Society and let them do something beautiful like they have up town
The beach is often full of lake slime that smells so bad it is difficult to enjoy the water to the point I avoid the beach entirely.
Park with "caskets" a complete disgrace with weeds.
spelling/typing errors is inexcusable (satisfied, very satisfied)
I am on Thorah island, pay for a rental slip but expected to park up the hill. I pay my taxes and feel that this is not right.
Needs to be more garbage cans around. Goose poop is gross and everywhere
Transient slips (day rentals) for boats so boaters can visit Beaverton and spend money downtown for a day. It would help tourism
Gardens and coffins look terrible. Park used to look beautiful. Now it's an eyesore
Washroom facilities has been locked upon occasion. It is a bit difficult to walk up the hill to the washroom building when you need to use it. Parking can fill up quickly in the lower parking area. There could be more seating along the river and in the park like benches.

Visitors are still not always entering or exiting the harbour area correctly and often bypassing the directional arrows to get into the baseball diamond parking lot. In the parking lot the lines are too close together and people who have permits to park there are being ticketed. Parking in the baseball diamonds is unacceptable when there is plenty of parking in the harbour parking lot. There need to be security cameras in both lots! My car and a friends car were both vandalized!

Washrooms presently are not kept very clean and not open long enough.

Can't use beach because it is usually closed and dirty.
Not enough parking.

Beach front is smelly and slimy not great for swimming

The public washroom could use an update, I often use it while I am at the Harbour and it is always quite dirty, and there is no soap at the sink. The end of the pier is also often quite dirty, due to a lack of garbage cans on the pier itself.

Could use repainted signs for splash pad - by brown jug
Need a change room
More flowers more cemented down metal benches
Where did metal casings with word Beaverton Go
We need large sign "Lake Ahead" at old mill corner
Benches (caskets) are rather low
Does picnic tables & benches need to be in front of toilets on hill.
Improvement in 3 way stop signs above

The harbour area is great, its mainly jus the water at the beach. I would be willing to help coordinate bringing sand to help clean up the beach.

Goose poop is bad
Garbage along the pier
Washrooms smell

The gardens are unappealing. The coffins have to go! And the little square gardens ..you can't take a walk around them. They need to be taken out, the gardens at the old Mill Gateway are spectacular, why not fund the horticultural society to install new gardens? And reliant the trees that were removed!

The coffin like structures are unattractive.
Better signage for traffic not a barricade
Unfortunately the washrooms are not always open. Install security cameras for vandalism plus they need updated & showers for transient boaters
The portapotty should be relocated to a different location. It is an eyesore where it is located in front of the boathouses
The beach needs to be cleaned & maintained daily due to geese poop expecially yoga night

As a Thorah Island cottage owner we are only there seasonally.
The new planters and landscaping is nice but the plant materials and stone pathways look very scruffy.

<p>The grounds are always well kept, cut and trimmed, however, those flower boxes are just horrid.....</p> <p>The boxes are odd and don't do the job they were supposed to plus.....pig weed and mullens growing in them is ridiculois.....but the idea that our tax \$'s should go toward the upkeep of them is craziness....this project was not thought thru.</p>
<p>Flower boxes on the hill side full of weeds. Snow fence and washed up dock at the side of the pier all summer.</p> <p>Dismantle the ridiculous benches and stone ditches and return normal landscaping with shrub beds and trees.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - boat ramp docks have often been COVERED in goose poop for days at a time - WHY are playground porta potties right there, behind boathouses? I understand that washrooms are not open at all hours, so potties may be necessary, but why can't they be up the hill near the bathroom, with a sign in the playground directing people? It's not that far and if I lived in a boathouse I would be furious about having to look at/smell them. - parking - how about free for Brock taxpayers, fee for others
<p>have to do something about the geese all over the place.</p>
<p>I really don't like the garden area (the coffin area) that was created. Trees should have been planted or at least something tasteful. It really didn't turn our nice.</p> <p>Washrooms are not convenient for beach/pier goers. They sink and are often unopened.</p> <p>They are also not very modern. The new landscaping is obscene and engineering or whatever seem to take precedence over aesthetics and curb appeal. Both can be had. This was a miss.</p>
<p>Add garbage can by boat launch area.</p>
<p>The cedar trees on the hill were cut down. Plant the cedar trees back in that area. It was the only shaded area for people to relax in. Put the picnic tables back in the area.</p>
<p>Regarding my parking I have an overnight pass and have been informed that I must park up the hill in the trialled parking area. I feel this is unfair as we pay taxes on Thorah Island as well as boat slips. If the concern is tourists then have them park up the hill. Hi did ty</p>
<p>There isn't enough adequate seating. Area designated to mostly younger families only.</p>
<p>"Coffins" to be removed from Park area.</p> <p>Access to North Pier to be established.</p> <p>Sky Woman sculpture to be installed on North Pier.</p> <p>Beaverton Harbour and River definitely needs dredging.</p>
<p>the beach needs to be cleaned of some trees blocking the waterfront. more sand would be an asset and somehow decrease the amount of birds so children and adults can enjoy it.</p>

<p>Beach/sand area is very dirty and smelly despite the clean up effort. No one likes a porta potty but at least they are available although perhaps a location a bit farther away from the play area would be better. To</p> <p>Of the hill somewhere maybe. There are more than enough signs cluttering up the area. Sitting area has improved but more is needed. The grounds and gardens are still not very appealing. The coffins still look awful. The plants in them are sad looking</p>
<p>You should take a look at successful waterfronts in other towns and cities to get some ideas. For example, a nice waterfront restaurant that families could go to, beautiful and comfortable places to sit and get rid of the "coffins" they are so ugly and distasteful. We could be a really classy and beautiful town, but we need people to be open to change and to encourage the government to invest in our small town. Do not let people buy commercial properties for the sake of renting them out.</p>
<p>The beach is not kept at all in good condition. The parking lot needs new painting and the pilons to direct traffic is temporary.</p>
<p>Beach isnt always clean and washrooms always smell very bad. Would love to see a upgraded walkway.</p>
<p>The play park is great for the kids and being accessible is awesome. The grounds overall need to be better kept. Stepping in dog & bird poop is not nice !!!</p>
<p>The washroom facilities are clean but should be available to meet the schedule of visitors providing security can be provided for the building and people. Sitting and garden areas on the grounds as the current plan takes twice as long to maintain as before.</p>
<p>You should either buy,rent one of those boats they use in Niagara Falls or contact the company who owns them and make a deal to run one from Beaverton Harbor. Lets bring in more customers = more jobs = more tax support.</p>
<p>This site offers a rare opportunity to create a very special place. The present layout is cumbersome and very poorly planned.</p>
<p>Harbor shore walls on the inner harbor should be cleaned on Northern side. Trees,branches and floating garbage get caught on waterway shores. benches should be added to area for relaxing,in park area</p>
<p>Upper parking area needs to be totally redesigned. In summer if there is baseball games where do the boaters park? In winter there is hockey and curling and ice fishing. Now that makes it interesting for parking. Are both diamonds required? Utilize the grand stand area in the winter. Plow it out with signage for the ice fishing crowd.</p>
<p>I</p> <p>As far as cleanliness goes, I have not been in the washroom facilities, so I can't comment on that. I am concerned about the carelessness of some people who fish off the pier. I walk my dog along the pier and beach and on three occasions I have found fish hooks lying around. On another occasion I found a clump of fishing line with a poor bird tangled in it. I rescued the bird of course. Is there some way this could be prevented? Signage perhaps?</p>

<p>While it is repeatedly called a 'harbour'... a harbour it is not.. it is the 'mouth' of the Beaver River and comes with all the seasonal challenges associated with that distinction. I am also against wasting any more tax dollars on special interest projects that accomplish little to nothing while limiting the usability of our municipal parkland.</p>
<p>More seating required, geese are a problem with droppings everywhere including boat the launching docks (not cleaned up on a timely basis). The coffin area needs a makeover, understand why it was done but not appealing at all</p>
<p>Washrooms need to be upgraded and improved.</p>
<p>Chemical toilets away from boat houses. Need more benches. New road poles now block tourist entry with large boats or large trucks to renovate boat houses. Ridiculous idea to screw those posts in the road leading to the harbour. Almost as bad as the graves.</p>
<p>We don't go often because it is disappointing</p>
<p>There is nothing exciting about the harbour other than the splash pad and no excitement = no appeal</p>
<p>The beaches need to be cleaned up the pier needs to be repaired badly it's not like it use to be when I was a kid</p>
<p>Parking for trucks and trailers is a huge problem on the weekends. Put your boat in the water and taking it out is a disaster. The person working the booth does nothing to help with the turmoil. When there is a baseball tournament on Saturday it even worse</p>
<p>The potential is much higher than the existing.</p>
<p>Portable toilets blocking mural on washroom wall a disgrace. Move portable toilets to washroom entrances or behind board fences facing washrooms. How would you like to have a picnic lunch facing people going in and out of the Portable toilets?</p>
<p>For me and my visiting family there never seems to have enough room to enjoy sitting. Always seems competitive to find a spot to sit with the family and grandchildren. The gardens seem sparse and not cared for the way I'd like to see. The garbage is always odourous and the pier isn't kept clean as it could be. I would love to see butterfly gardens put in by a youth incentive.</p>
<p>On the North side of the harbour there is limited parking. The "coffins" are uncomfortable to sit on and not used where they are now. The gardens put in two years ago were not maintained.</p>

<p>The fact that the Beaverton beaches are posted closed more than any other Lake Simcoe beaches is sad indeed.</p> <p>The beach north of the harbour is in even worse condition!</p> <p>The whole lower parking area looks messy.</p> <p>I'd rather see parking up the hill where the trailer parking is, and let families with young children park closer to the beach/splash pad area.</p> <p>The grounds are full of goose droppings and the beach full of seaweed.</p> <p>The gardens are unkempt and messy. The "coffins" are ugly.</p>
<p>Never have liked the looks of the wooden boxes on the hill. As of now they have weeds and dried out flowers. I understand their purpose but money not well spent.</p>
<p>I take my kids to the splash pad and playground, but the porto potties are unattractive to look at and the washrooms at top of hill are rarely open, this is not ideal for visitors wanting to spend time in this area. There are some benches and picnic tables, but not enough (think about kids towels, lunches, etc. spread out). Although I use this area, it is not a destination that can be easily promoted ie. there's not much else, but has huge potential to be an amazing harbour and waterfront!</p>
<p>park is generally unkept, bathrooms are locked or portolets are unclean</p>
<p>Signs for swimming warnings are not placed on the pier although that is where there are steps for that very reason</p>
<p>Remove the coffins and boxes of weeds it would look much better</p>
<p>Park area is small. limited seating & picnic tables. Beaverton Harbour area is small, can't change that, but it is a nice place to go to to enjoy. not a fan of the metal seats & tables, can't beat wood. Water control coffins, really, they need to look more like seats.</p>
<p>You're trying with parking seems to be a popular destination</p> <p>more care for harbour park trees needed. Please do not damage or remove any more.</p>

5. How would you rate each of the following amenities at the Beaverton Harbour?

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
The Randy Skinner & Family Splashpad	5 2%	3 1%	24 7%	119 36%	176 54%
Playground	6 2%	5 2%	42 13%	139 43%	135 41%
Accessible Kayak Dock	28 9%	15 5%	141 44%	80 25%	58 18%
The Pier	24 7%	89 27%	73 22%	109 33%	31 10%
Washroom facilities	47 15%	87 27%	123 38%	58 18%	6 2%
The Beach Area	81 25%	119 37%	64 20%	54 17%	7 2%
Boat Launch	25 8%	37 11%	150 46%	89 27%	23 7%
Information Kiosk	20 6%	43 13%	189 59%	51 16%	19 6%

Comments

locals should be able to launch at a discount rate. Fenelon Falls only charges \$10 and parking is not up a hill and far away
We rarely had trouble with the boat launch, however, a couple times last year the docks at the launch were SO covered in bird poop it was hard to find somewhere clean to stand. It has been better since then though. Also, the ramps entering the water are VERY slimy/slippery and many people slip and injure themselves on them often. I'm not sure if this is something that could be cleaned/scrubbed regularly?
Our beach area is pathetic.. I cut my feet because of no sand.
The kayak launch is under utilized especially by handicapped persons. The pier is a wonderful structure however Oceans and Fisheries needs to fix it up and bring it up to standard....the swim flats need to be repaired so they can be properly used. The boat launch is an excellent facility but there are problems with the location at the bottom of the hill and parking.
Washrooms are horrible. Parking is an absolute disaster with no lines. Information booth is a waste of money. The boat launch needs repair many trailers get stuck on it.
The splashpad is very small and can gets very crowded at busy times. I highly dislike the wood chips on the playground as they hurt and can splinter. The pier itself needs some attention to look as good as the rest of the harbour does.
Do not go there
Again the beach is not appealing and the pier needs garbage containers to control the litter
Never been keen on the concrete pier. After seeing older pictures of Beaverton Harbour I thought it was more scenic. I do understand need to creating a barrier or water break
Again, with disgusting coloured, e-coli laden water none of these attractions are appealing. Clean up the contamination source upstream!

Information kiosk is never open, no is it taking much needed revenue from the constant boat launch.
People leave a lot of garbage on the pier
Better signage and update aged areas.
Make the area welcoming- more people will come.
Lighting at the pier is not adequate for travelling at night which the islanders sometimes need to do. The lighting along the pier hasn't worked in a couple of years and needs to be fixed
I didn't know there was an information kiosk
Kayak launch was a single person working agenda, not looking at what's best for the marina as a whole. Move it to the other side of the marina and have more slips for boats.
Beach - We clean the beach and remove it. High water levels erode the beach. stones out from the beach to break waves would help retain some of the beach.
The boat launch has seagull feces all over it and there is a lot of garbage amongst the big rocks along the harbour.
The end of the pier has broken glass and garbage that does not get cleaned up for weeks. I often take a plastic bag and clean up what I can.
What residents are lacking in Brock is a clean and appealing place for swimming and other watersports. all improvement budget for the area should focus on usability for residents and improving the beach area rather than attracting tourists. as a teacher of watersports it is very difficult to attract local students to participate ,it is a common opinion in the area that the water/ goose droppings/ boat traffic/ beach entry are unsanitary and people are afraid to go in the lake.
WE DO NOT HAVE ANYTHING REMOTELY LIKE A CLEAN BEACH. The Ministry of Environment states a clean beach is one that is open for swimming at least 95% of the swimming season. For the last 8 years here are the percentage of of time the beach has been posted as unsafe ... 2019 ytd (57%), 2018 (38%), 2017 (71%), 2016 (76%), 2015 (51%), 2014 (42%), 2013 (43%), 2012 (80%).
This problem has obviously been going on for a long times and has been raised many times with no action.
I would have rated myself very satisfied with the pier if only it were kept cleaner
No one monitors fishing on pier, dangerous trying to walk to end w/ lines of foreign (not race, just foreign to Brock) fishers and all their gear (buckets, etc, plus fear of getting a hook in face the whole length of pier. Boat launch is great except nowhere to park after launch. Beach area is too small/crowded.
Accessible dock is never used, washrooms are never open, splash pad is great, the beach is dirty, I think the harbour should have one full time employee to look after just the harbour, its our biggest asset
The area outside the washrooms sometimes smells of urine etc in the warm evenings. Gross!

<p>If the kayak dock availability was advertised throughout the GTA it would get more consistent use.</p> <p>Splash Pad is a wonderful addition for residents and visitors. The pier needs much attention.</p> <p>The kiosk could be very useful to inform visitors of activities and services available in Brock.</p> <p>The lack of washroom facilities and sufficient refuse containers would also pay huge dividends.</p>
<p>While the amenities are Ok - they need to be updated. Compared to Fenelon Falls - Beaverton is boring. We/</p>
<p>There could be a little more of a play structure for older kids and a safer slide!</p> <p>There could be a garbage can or two at the end of the pier so garbage isn't left laying around or worse thrown into the lake.</p> <p>The beach could be cleaned up and some fresh sand brought in like a few years back. Made such a difference.</p>
<p>I tried the kayak launch. Cant imagine an actual handicapped person able to use it. I couldn't.</p>
<p>The area when you first step on the sidewalk to walk done to the pier needs to be more appealing. That nasty looking Bush/tree that is right at their is an eyesore. I believe we need a beautiful flat right their. Or another one made. There are lots of different ages using the swimming area but it's hard with all the rocks in the water and the crud build up to walk out through it. So I think another flat closer to the beach or dock would benefit us.</p>
<p>the splash would be better positioned at the mill gate park.</p> <p>the portapotties need more regular cleaning.</p>
<p>I wish the splash pad was locate in Mill Gate Park.</p> <p>The accessible kayak dock is a wonderful idea however it need to be modified to be functional.</p> <p>The information kiosk should be moved and re-purposed.</p>
<p>To small access to water for so many people. Not enough garbage cans. And please see my comment above.</p>
<p>Boat launch is far too steep lots of trailers scrape and makes loading boat very difficult. Also one of the tie down cleats to tie your boat to the dock while you park in the upper lot is broken making it hard to tie the boat up. Been broken all year.</p>
<p>Lets develop the area to increase tourism. Of all the communities on Simcoe, Beaverton has the smallest and least inviting.</p>
<p>Would it not be grand to have a lovely play area at the water's edge.</p>
<p>We love the playground and the splash pad but it could be improved</p>
<p>Can't use kayak dock....poorly designed for disabled like myself.</p>
<p>Boat launches need to be redone as they are not even when backing down. Washrooms look dated and are often dirty. The pier is looking rough and needs an overhaul. Many spots have concrete that is chipping away and needs to be repaired.</p>
<p>The washroom facilities are atrocious. Get rid of the outhouses, which are strategically placed beside peoples' homes near the splashed and construct and supervise proper facilities. What information Kiosk?</p>
<p>Missing Amenities !</p>
<p>The pier could be beautify with flower pots and lighting.</p>

Full time staff during the summer months is required on site everyday.
Kayak Dock planks do not connect to the support ladder in the upper rungs. Still sharp edges on some parts of the dock transfer bench and on the rails in the launch ramp. Need signage and by-law to stop the motor power boats to stop tying onto this kayak dock for free when they should be paying like all other power boat owners for rental of docks. Pier is in rough shape and concrete looks like it could use reinforcing. The portable washrooms in the beach park smell terribly needing cleaning
Washroom facilities are disgusting, as is the beach most hot summer days - due to farm/septic/phosphor pollution
haven't had occasion to use the boat launch, washroom or info kiosk
There is not enough boat docking anymore which makes it difficult for islanders to pick up guests and enjoy the amenities. I am not aware of any information kiosk.
We use the splashpad/playground almost daily in summer--it an amazing facility and was a key factor in choosing to move here. The beach is a huge asset for the community and has so much potential. Unfortunately it is underutilized, due I think to a number of issues: water quality, the presence of goose poop everywhere, lack of designated swimming areas/life guards. Focus now seems to be on boating/fishing, developing the beach would appeal to a different group of residents and visitors.
I live in Beaverton, drive, walk or bike at Harbour daily. I have yet to see the kayak launch being used. If you have severe mobility issues, how many in this little town use it. Boat launch, good luck on busy days getting in and out through the traffic. Scary just walking or biking because of the lack of space. The garbage bins over flow in busy days! Most of the people on weekends are not locals, park free, use the beach, leave the garbage. Can we post signs asking them to take their
Washroom hours are good but could be better. Could be another washroom. The boat launch should be free for Beaverton residence! The beach area is nice and clean however not very big and water is never really good to swim in. (Both Which are our of the towns control)
Boat launch needs to be cleaned daily of bird feces and brought to a better standard
Brock resident that does not visit the Beaverton Harbor.
Haven't used the 3 neutral items
I had no idea there was a info kiosk. The woodchips are awful for small children who like to eat everything. And the foot of sludge you have to walk through where the beach and water meet is nasty.
How often is the accessible kayak launch being utilized? The public should have access to the numbers and information. LSCA should be on board to make our beach areas(water conditions) safe.
Kayak launch is never used. I appreciate the volunteer effort but docks are of more benefit.
I feel of a stone burm could be installed to block waves then 20 more slips could be installed on south wall.

The waterway in front of/near the boat launch is too shallow. It needs to be dredged!
The pier it's not the best looking one. It is rough around the edges one side is open. At the end of the pier it is not a particularly nice area. Bench seating might be an improvement rather than sitting on the stone walls, especially for children.
The washrooms are not kept clean and are not always open or supplied with soap and toilet paper. The lines are too close to the boat ramp which means there is not enough room to turn a trailer. The student who mans the information kiosk and boat ramp is doing a great job and always keeps that area clean. She is very personable and helpful!
Are the washrooms at top of hill open for long enough hours?
I wish the playground was bigger and more put together. It is like scattered pieces of equipment except for the toddler climbing area. It's too bad there isn't an area like that for larger kids. The bathrooms are always gross and sometimes the fixtures in the splash area are great but don't always seem to be working right. The beach is also gross. There's always garbage, much and it smells awful. The water off the pier is nicer.
free parking on route up the hill- encourage families . I don't use kayak launch but they should have disabled parking Beach area needs more clean up or deterrent of geese Sand along shore Pleased there is more boat slips Could there be a rock retaining wall to hold up bank where trees were cut \$\$\$\$ Pier platforms have no underneath support - 2nd flat has severely cracked surface since last years ice. Information booth at top of hill needs help - bright red ,clean
Beaches are ok but what good is that if we can't swim in the water?
The pier is in disrepair. There is garbage everywhere and one of the flats is missing stairs. It's a shame because of the rocks around the pier that kids now swim in the mouth of the harbour. This is a safety concern. The pier needs immediate attention in all areas.
The kayak launch is a waste of space.....How often is it used by handucapped people?
The pier needs repair and if there is any thought of the township taking it over they better have the Geds bring it ip to date.
again, porta potties look awful at playground, should be top of hill near washrooms, with signage directing people - can cleaning the goose poop/parking lot trash be part of job description for info kiosk?
Kiosk never open kayak dock waist of money
beach could be cleaned up more.
Accessible kayak launch. Who cares? Not being insensitive but not a focal point of the harbour nor should it be. Should it be there somewhere...certainly. Washrooms suck period. Boat launch is fine but holds up traffic I'm sure. Beach area is u inviting and seems no maintenance plan seems to be in place. Weeds everywhere??? The pier is an attraction but pretty much looks the same (other than new rocks which are nice) than it did 35 years ago.

<p>Relocate the Kayak Dock in the area on the beach closet to the pier walkway and provide a parking spot there for persons with disabilities.</p> <p>The beach shoreline area needs sand added.</p> <p>If you enter the water on the beach area closest to the pier walkway there is a hazard. The silt has built up causing suction when wading in the water. A small child could have difficulties walking in the water in that area. Solution to this problem would be to have a designated area for entering and exiting.</p>
<p>I think that the Pier could be revamped in order to accommodate more boat slips.</p>
<p>The splash pad is an unfortunate necessity but does not enhance the natural lake view that appeals to all types. The playground is non-existent but I prefer more emphasis on the natural surrounds. Conservation areas do not have playgrounds in front of their featured viewpoints.</p> <p>Also I understand the importance of hiring students during the summer but please provide adequate supervision for your summer employees. Most are uninformed, lacklustre or not even present.</p>
<p>Playground should have accessible features like in Orillia</p>
<p>The splash pad and play park is good. Can still stand to have more of both. The pier needed the garbage cleaned up out of the rocks. Really how do you fail to notice the snow fence and other debris littering the rocks. Who is responsible for the clean up of that? They should be fired. The cement is crumbling in places and just adds to the air of neglect. It's a lovely view but is obviously not well kept. Seating on the pier would be nice too. The beach needs more sand and a plan to get it clean!</p>
<p>The beach and the waterfront need to be cleaned up - as well as the harbour. Maybe there could be something down with the yacht club to make it more attractive for people with boats to visiting Beaverton. The restaurant that is there now is disgusting both in appearance and what food they offer. Look at small European towns to see what they have done to beautify the waterfront.</p>
<p>The pier and beach area should be the main attractions for people using the area as a day trip destination. Unfortunately, with the water not consistently available for swimming, it is not enjoyed to the extent it used to be. Please do not put ANY money into this area until it can be used for what beaches are meant - swimming. Please complete a complete study of the current use of this area - I doubt you will find the numbers and diversity of local population using the area to warrant expenses.</p>
<p>The pier is bordering on dangerous for pedestrians.</p>
<p>Would love to see the beach and sand maintained regurally</p>
<p>It is so sad that swimming isn't a part of the beach anymore. Bringing our 5 grandkids here isn't really an option anymore. The splash pad only interests 2 of the littlest ones and the other 3 want to swim and can't. If the pier was fixed up and improved a bit, it would be a nice walk out and back.</p>
<p>A refresh of the harbour is needed to make it more attractive, inviting and welcoming, eg a mini version of the lakefront at Couchiching Park in Orillia, with an attractive area for boats to dock, and in summer, a shuttle to Beaverton and downtown.</p>

<p>The Splashpad and playground are an excellent facility for residents visitors. The kayak dock is seldom used and takes up space for transient boaters. Having little space for visitor docking questions the need to promote the Beaverton Harbour as a tourist destination. The pier needs repair and the Feds have been trying to divest themselves of all inland harbours for more than 30 years. washroom facilities should be permanent. This may be the best next investment. The beach area launch are good.</p>
<p>Very little about the Beaverton Harbour could be considered to be "special" strongly believe that a great opportunity to do something great and lasting is the obvious choice.</p>
<p>The drainage project was a total farce. Totally non functional. Both winter and summer the water runs down the road ways and into the river via the boat ramp. The road cuts with the drainage stone is a total disgrace.</p>
<p>I have not used the facilities that I marked as neutral, so can't really comment</p>
<p>The harbour area is used substantially... should folks take the time to go down and actually see for themselves... The splash pad and playground are huge draws in the summer months.. thanks to the Beaverton Lions</p>
<p>The pier needs to be freshened up, and the breakwall repaired especially on the north side of the river where there has been significant damage over the past few years. Brock citizens should not have to pay to launch their boat. Entry signs to the harbour need to be painted or replaced</p>
<p>The Pier is the gem of the harbour but is not visually appealing - garbage is often left and not cleaned up. Need to have more programming developed to encourage people to come to the area. Is the Township investing in tourism as an economic driver? What about a campaign 'sunsets at the Beaverton Harbour'.</p>

Brock has so much property on the lake it seems a waste of space. What about an indoor year round pool and water therapy community service? No local pools.
We are satisfied but tomorrow's users will find the amenities very ordinary
Pier in badly need of repair and cleaned up
I have been using the harbour most of my adult life and have been using the harbour on a regular basis since the kayak dock was installed and have never seen it used. The only thing I see it being used for is boat parking.
Boat launch needs repair.
The Pier should be cleaned up with debris and growth of brush, bird poop and weeds removed.
The public boat docking is not available as it appears that numerous spaces are filled with permanently moored boats. Every time we have visited the harbour there are at least 4-5 permanently moored boats forcing us to either park at the private marina or not go into the town. It is frustrating and I believe it needs to be monitored and enforced.
The stairs on the pier need maintenance to be safe
Nice to see kids in the park since the splash pad was put in. I often see it being maintained Thank-you
Lake Simcoe beaches could be a huge draw for our town, but they are often unfit for swimming. The splash pad is the only thing that would bring people to the harbour area. The park space is very disjointed, with the upper segment awfully far away from the lake while we have private boathouses in various states of repair along one side of the park. The pier and the rest of the area are nothing special - not nice looking at all.
I realize over the years the lake has changed so naturally has the beach, but from spring on it always seems dirty . I remember there being a nice sand beach growing up. Either people have changed (garbage left) or environment .
As a taxpayer I question the cost benefit of this accessible kayak. How has it been promoted? Has there been a tally of usage? How many people is this catering to? Why hasn't there been events surrounding this e.g. para kayak races and other paraplegic water events? The pier is nice to walk out, nice to see people exploring, walking and fishing. I use both playground and splash pad, but question the location on prime marketable land, they are the focal points for the town and question why...
The playground and splash pad are ill positioned, They shouldn't be using valuable real estate on the beach front. Moving them to the community centre fields would be warmer for the kids and open valuable needed space for the harbour and beach. The extra benefit will be the extra utilization for those facilities during sports matches and community events.
The Pier is a destination, a nice walk, place to sit, fish, enjoy. Would be nice if it was bigger to place Sky Woman there also, so she can be seen from off shore by all passers by. I think she might be cramped in the area you propose .
Staircase needed platform

6. SKYWoman is a design inspired by a First Nations story about Turtle Island. It is intended to be a forty foot polished stainless steel kinetic sculpture with a concrete base with a diameter of 10 feet and a thickness of 30 inches, designed to rotate with the wind and reflect sunlight. It is believed that SKYWoman can be an iconic structure for the Beaverton Harbour. Do you support the placement of SKYWoman at the Beaverton Harbour? (View the Beaverton Harbour section of the Township website for more information on the project.)

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	201	59.6%
No	72	21.3%
Unsure	58	17.2%
Other	2	<1%
No Responses	4	1.1%
Total	337	100%

Comments

It should be mentioned that Sky Woman is designed and given to the community by a hugely renowned sculptor who lives in Brock, thereâ€s a pride associated. His sculptures have been commissioned by many other municipalities.

What is the cost of the taxpayer. Why is the cost of some projects included and not the others.

money can be spent elsewhere to clean up the area and do this when the money is available. Pretty statues don't keep the area clean

I find it unappealing then again I see most sculptures of this sort ugly as well.

It depends on location.

Use the money on something else... plenty of native monuments already.

It serves no purpose and just adds clutter to the area.

What's the cost to the taxpayer

I think this money should be used to better the beach and pier. We dont need an iconia structure until we have a harbor we are proud of.

At first I loved this project! After two or three years of fundraising and promotion, lâ€™like to see it come to fruition. Itâ€™losing its allure and it feels like - meh.

If it is a donated piece awesome if we have to pay out of pocket absolutely not township should not be spending tax dollars on items that have no benefit to the people

Project thought up by a group of artists stroking each other's egos.If they want to fund, install and maintain it fine..no township money please.

Depends how much it's going to cost. Theres a lot more things the money would be better spent on.

As long as it's placed so doesn't impede lake views

Itâ€™a waste of time trying to beautify a harbour with polluted water. ... rather like putting lipstick on a pig.

Barrie wasted more than enough money on the same eye sore. We shouldn't follow the same path. Money is better spent on beautifying the park.

Absolutely not. A self serving artist supported by a bunch of self serving women who have no idea of the history or the natives from this area. It is an absolute waste of time and money. Contrary to their proposal it will cost the township money and not generate any income. Possibly the worst idea entertained by the township if you don't count the coffins on the hill.

Why waste money on something like this ?

Cudos to the artist but I've wYs hoped for a cute little cafe at the point with docking...

What about, do you support the project and or sculpture let alone placement? My answer would be no. The concept perhaps, but by first nations do you mean six nations? Or iroquois? That originate from the other side of lake Ontario? If we are striving for iconic, shouldn't it represent the right people? And involve the right people, first nations or not?

Please make sure our First Nations elders on Georgina Island and Rama are advised, are ok with the project, and are invited to participate in any dedication ceremonies.

Like the sculpture but has to be placed in the right location as to not detract from the beach, pier and splash pad/playground amenities.

I liked the original placement at the end of the harbour out on the north side.

Looks great, but fundraise for it, don't take it out of tax dollars.

What is the expense to the township?

Can we just get this done already. I think it will be amazing to see, and let's face it, it will help take the focus off of the grounds around it.

Depends on how much it costs.

Anywhere else seems like it would be a waste of this tourism creating structure!

An interactive sculpture that is being privately funded? What's not to like? Might give our park some sophistication and culture as currently it is just a playground for children with nothing for adults.

Absolutely!!! How fortunate are we to have this created for us by our world renowned artist and resident of Beaverton, Ron Baird!

This might attract some one- time visitors from an older demographic but would not contribute to repeat tourists.

Use these funds and space for a pool for residents.

Some day. But it has to come together with a vision for the pier that would be incredibly different than what we have today. If the purpose of this structure is to educate, entertain, bring in tourism, and the like, then we need a VISION for the pier that has much more than it has today with say a 10 year strategy and approach to achieve the vision. The current row of "boathouse" structures, crumbling pier, terrible Beaver River water quality won't do it.

I wholeheartedly support the Skywoman project. Public art installations such as this make our parkland a recognizable cultural destination.

I absolutely agree with this sculpture. We should be so lucky as to have a Ron Baird original to draw people to the area

Sculpture isn't what brings tourists.

Start looking at what is done in Barrie, Fenelon Falls, Orillia and Bobcaygeon. These beaches are well attended due to great walking, riding paths. Clean beaches, music in the park, kiosks with food and clean, adequate indoor washrooms. That's why we travel to other beachers

It was indicated that this would be places at the mouth of the harbour and that should remain its home. A large sized sculpture would be beautiful.

I think it would be awesome on the other side of the river away from the harbour. It's going to be destroyed by the unpoliced idiots running rampant and destroying things in town. If it has to be on pier side, would look nice (and still attract people) at the very end of the pier. But not the park inland. Kids would destroy it in a heartbeat.

Depends where we put it

Over priced for someone donating their time. I don't think it will be windy enough there to get the full effect. North pier would be more suitable. North pier needs repair do both at same time.

May the beach and park area even better and more people will come. There are many other ways for Beaverton to improve tourism. It's not something I'd drive to see. Longer store hours, another grocery store in town, a decent place to buy tackle and bait, a least one restaurant that doesn't serve bacon and eggs or close at 3. Something a little closer to fine dining. A beaver tails franchise would be fun for the summer.

Absolutely! No question. It will be a sister to the one in Barrie and could inspire a tour around the lake to see the other sculptures by this artist.

And it is not being funded by taxpayers!!!!!!!!!!!!

While a nice addition - it is not an economically driven tourist attraction unless the harbour is more appealing.

Waste of space and money and just a copy cat of Barrie

Anything, that will draw attention to the harbour, is welcome. However, I feel it would be more visible, and welcoming, from the end of the pier.

YES, I definitely support the new location. It will incorporate all the harbour parks and will bring economy to downtown stores which is desperately needed!

Shywoman could become an iconic landmark for the Town of Beaverton.

We don't have many beautiful things to look at, adding this kinetic sculpture would enrich our culture, and give us a creative destination with a beautiful object to look at.

Would be a great addition to our harbourfront.

Would be a beautiful addition to the harbour. Local artist talent should be showcased.

Would be an additional draw.

It will draw visitors/residents perhaps more often if this beautiful visual graces our shoreline

I feel very excited about sky woman It will be a huge boost to our town and will become a must see for day trippers

Lets make it happen now!

An excellent landmark to match the sculpture over in Barrie.

No doubt it will draw folks to Beaverton and the harbour area.

Fantastic idea that would better support tourism.

This great work of art is worthy to be located in the same manner as Don Baird's other great works - OUT ON ONE OF THE PIERS OR BESIDE THE WATER!! Look at Barrie. The proposed location will conflict with residence and would legally require an environmental assessment due to potential noise and reflecting sunlight as it spins. The Federal Government, who control the harbour, need to step up and cooperate with Brock council.

There is a federal election coming. Time to apply pressure.

We have some attractions, other than a splash pad (which is great).

It would make a nice partner to the spirit catcher that adorns Barrie's harbor area.

It's a stupid location that I wouldn't even associate with the Beaverton harbour

Support only if the sculpture is placed at the mouth of the harbour ... not on the hill by the coffin ridiculousness
I think this is a fantastic project! I fully support it and think that it would act as a further draw to the harbour and the community in general.
I am concerned that it will look out of place, overpowering in such a small area versus being at the end of pier on opposite side. Could it go into the park, at end closest to the lake, or right of pier as in my comments above.
If the money can be spent on more activists at the harbour I would prefer that then a statue that doesn't provide much. It will be nice to look at once but it wouldn't be something that brings people back.
A world-renowned artist that resides in Brock. We should be supporting his initiative and be proud of his accomplishments in the art world.
At the end of north pier
When looking at art you should be able to associate it with its intended message... This feels more like a piece to identify with its creator rather than it message to bring focus/honor on First Nations people.
Would rather the money be spent on things people can use
Even though fundraising is being conducted, I don't think the township should be contributing any funds to this project. The township should be prioritizing and reducing and/or eliminating any long standing concerns. The township should be spending money to alleviate past and current problems.
Also a great marker for boaters for the harbour.
Very expensive the money could have been better spent. Who is going to maintain this?
I think putting Sky woman at the end of the pier as possibly a good place. However another place which may be just as good is at the top of the hill as you take the right lane down into the harbor.
What is the cost for this? Money could be better spent fixing what's there
Is it our best option - needs to be visible for all but I don't believe it will ?? What about end of pier ?
Yes I'd like it there provided it doesn't harm any wildlife like birds.
Although the money could be spent otherwise. The sky woman won't draw me to the beach, clean bathrooms will.
I think it would be a spectacular landmark for both boaters and other visitors. Its significance to our Indigenous roots would be celebrated. Ron Baird is an internationally renowned sculptor. The creativity shown in this piece confirms his talent and would be a splendid focal point, and in turn, could help Beaverton become a destination for tourists and encourage the downtown economy.
The cost and how this would be paid for would be good to know. Perhaps there are other more pressing needs?
It should be at the west end of the north pier
It is a waste if open space and green area....
Nothing is free and once the township takes it over they take on the expense. Be careful of people offering wonderful free things.....and the request fir "in kind" dinations.
No more unsightly monuments.

I still think original location at end of pier would have been the best, kept people from climbing it, attracted boats etc.
that is a waste of money. money could be used for something else
Should be located at the end of the pier on lined side of the harbour.
As important as providing representation to indigenous people of Canada, funds for the harbour should be spent on beach restoration and proper amenities before aesthetically pleasing elements.
Would like to see a covered pavillion in between the ball diamonds with the money that would be used for Skywoman
Sky Woman to be located at the North Pier.
As long as the cost justifies the need for the project. I am sure a study has been done to see how the sculpture will handle the various weather conditions in the harbour area
couldnt we spend money on fixing up the pier not decorating it?
Such a large object for such a small park.
What about at the end of the pier or on the other side of the channel.
Does thereâ€¢even need to be a statue or a sculpture?? Canâ€¢we beautify the space without it?? It is really unappealing and ugly.
Not unless itâ€¢free. Not a necessary expense and not the best location to be appreciated.
There should be a plaque describing these details.
Actually really love the design
I believe skywoman would be an invaluable addition to our harbour and township. The opportunity to attract visitors and being identified as the location of such an outstanding piece canâ€¢be over estimated. Brocktownship is growing and presenting such a culturally important piece would be exactly the branding we should hope to nurture and be identified with
Skywoman, in my mind, would be an asset if everything else was acceptable. It is my understanding that fundraising for this project is mostly local . Competing for these dollars will affect other organizations. this project falls into the category of "Nice to have".
This sculpture by Ron Baird (internationally celebrated sculptor) is a strong beginning that should set a new standard for the harbour.
Being a sailing individual; my fellow sailer friends and I would use as wind indicator and wind force. This would attract lake traffic and add some class to harbor. Other ports like Barrie and Orillia have this.
I would not appose it should it be placed at the end of the 'spit' at no cost to taxpayers (initially or into the future...)
Not sure of the cost, what or how much maintenance will be required.
As bad as the sculptor of the birds in town. Not attractive and meaningless to most who visit the harbour. Waste of money.
As lo g as it is maintenance free for the taxpayers
Place it as far west as possible on the north side of the harbour if you want it seen from the lake...there is no place to see it from town.
It should be place at the end of the harbour on the north side with lights on it to help the boat race and ice fisherman
If done right, the SkyWoment could be a real drawing card, but i think it needs to be near the lake, exposed to the winds and its First Nations ancestry.
We need something to draw people to the harbour area and this could help.

Where do we stop? There is a steady stream of proposals/installations/additions to the harbour, now is the time to be strategic and figure out what the focal point of the harbour is, where to maximize usage of the area, what will attract locals and visitors to the harbour. If you install this sculpture, what's next? and perhaps with controversy too. If councils feels it will be a draw, perhaps in front of the library, town hall area?
We are proponents of the arts BUT this is a total waste of resources. I would not travel to see a 40 foot high weathervane. Maybe placing it on Hwy 12 would direct some shoppers to the downtown core. Also just because someone is giving it away does not mean we have to take it. Or can we take it and raffle it off and make some money to offset the costs for your stakeholders?
Suggest totem pole at pier end; beaver at top holding a lantern light would depict Beaverton history. sky woman sculpture is ugly and unreflective of Beaverton heritage
What is this going to cost the taxpayers?
ugly
Why not

7. The proposed location for SKYWoman is the Upper Harbour Park. Do you support this location?			
		Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes		167	49.5%
No		101	29.9%
Unsure		58	17.2%
Other		4	1.1%
No Responses		7	2.0%
Total		337	100%
Comments			
Excellent spot			
At the end of the peninsula entering the harbour would be ideal, if it is possible. It would be ok at the top of the facilities by the washrooms, but I feel that space is better utilized for more parking.			
Not enough parking yet for the extra visitors it could bring.			
Much better.			
Still keep gazebos thought! Relocate or rebuild em			
It should be closer to the water! Like at the pier			
Does not matter			
It should be on North Beach pier.			
It should be located near the entrance of the harbour			
Least traffic or use in this area- less impact, no impact on boaters coming through			
Needs to be positioned in a location that includes a view of the lake, not a view of the parking lot and decrepit boat houses.			
think would be better at entrance			
That is a very unattractive location choice. If people want to spend time at the harbour, it makes more sense to place the statue closer to the pier or beach.			
It's better than on the water, but still a waste of money.			
Never support any location for such a stupid thing			
It seems if it's going to draw visitors from land and water it should be down on the end of the pier. Build her sturdy enough to put her at the waterfront. There's nothing to see in the upper park.			
Makes a good landmark / gathering place.			
Many recent things have happened at the harbour that appear to be in need of repair or are being removed, will this happen to the scrapwoman too? We have already had free "GIFTS" that are costing us as property tax payers			
An opportunity to incorporate a project to divert surface water runoff.			
Possibly if no trees would need to be removed			
I don't think you'll be able to see it well from the water and I think it would be more apt to be vandalized in this proposed area.			
What other locations are possible?			
No one can see it from the water, and no one could see it from a distance, meaning no photographs, which means limited tourist interaction. By the water it would have beautiful sunsets in behind and give boaters a reason to come by the harbour!			

I would prefer to be able to see it from the water like the sculpture in Barrie but if it can't be in the tiny harbour park, the upper is the best place for it.

Or the spit , but this area is accessible and will be a keynote location for tourists and residents alike !!

It will be a beacon for Beaverton harbour as the sculpture in Barrie, Spirit Catcher is .

Save this space for recreation for residents

Beach or pier would be pretty for the people already at the harbour to look at

The "coffin" like look needs to be reworked.

Put it somewhere to make it possible to be seen and enjoyed. Putting it right at the top people just quickly drive by. Nobody relaxes and enjoys anything there.

This seems to be a location that is under looked at the harbour. It makes me question whether this will draw people to appreciate the sculpture or whether it too will be under appreciated in that location.

Yes, I loved the idea of the North Spit location, but when that was deemed unfeasible I feel this is an excellent alternative.

Waste of space

Mouth of the harbour

Best spot across river, away from vandals and idiots. Would be seen from land and water if at end of pier or across river at the tip of land it was intended to be put. boaters might see light reflecting and check it out. Unless posting a cop at the harbour, nothing will last inland.

Not windy enough for the full effect. North pier my first choice.

Needs to be closer to the water. Trees and buildings will obstruct view. Boaters and people along either side of the harbour should be able to view her.

As above, I think the entire idea isn't a wise use of money, even if it's paid for by donations. Beaverton, in my opinion doesn't seem to have a large and/or visible Indigenous presence and this statue feels like tokenism. What type of support does the Indigenous community have for this project? Do THEY want a symbol of one of their stories turned into a settler's tourist attraction?

I understand there will be a seating area at the base which will provide an excellent viewing platform to enjoy the wonderful sunsets!

this location will be accessible to all people and will incorporate the re-wilding project.

There is no other sensible site. Why does council continue to delay this project.

However, I would much prefer the original proposed location at the spit. Simply because it would open more public area, and more access to water shore.

Accessible to all. Would be nice for pictures for locals and tourists.

Would prefer the end of one of the piers, but this is okay.

Great location which will enable the project to move forward.

Otherwise, I would place it on the land that runs along side the pier. Not sure why there is not better signage that allows people to use the land on the other side as I do believe it is not private. Seems like people who own property on that side don't want people to enjoy the space. Better signage is needed.

Skywoman should be on one of the piers or near the water the same as other Don Baird creations. This is like hanging the Mona Lisa in someone's tool shed. At the proposed location it will create shadows over adjacent and other properties, has the potential to create noise as it spins and will be awkward for people to view. Yes we need to get the Federal Government to cooperate.

Yes, a good location for SKYWoman sculpture and please remove the much hated "coffin boxes" from that area/
No it's a stupid location that I don't even associate with the Beaverton harbour
Definitely not. Mouth of the harbour or nothing.
Would have preferred opposite side of pier entrance
The work that was done in the Upper Harbour Park is disappointing. Visitors often remark about the "coffins". I have literally never seen anyone using or sitting in this area of the park. The Skywoman sculpture would act as a draw, attracting people to this section of the park.
See above comments.
But get rid of coffins
She should be where boats can see her.
Original location
Sky Woman should be displayed at the head of the North Pier where it has advantage from the wind and attraction for boaters entering the Harbour.
I think it would be a great monument for Beaverton, especially because of its relation to the First Nations people. I also think that this is a very good location for the statue, as it is not in the way of the pier, boat launch, or splashpad, and replaces the baby coffins that the community had a negative attitude towards.
Can everyone enjoy this sculpture without car accidents- tourists trying to view as they enter Harbor Crescent. Can it be seen clearly from the Harbor Park within our beautiful trees 40 feet; 10foot base - 30" deep requires a lg space.
Can Thorah Island see it?
Should be at the end of the pier
It would be more visible there, more motion activity with the wind velocity & serve as a land & harbour mark.
It will take up too much open space that children could be playing in and more people would use if there were more picnic tables there.
Put park back the way it was.
as indicated above, I think original location was better - this one will tempt people to climb on it etc
That location seems not very visible. Out at end of pier or across from Pier to be more visible
To be installed at the North Pier
I support the original suggested location which I thought was supposed to be at the end of the forgotten pier on the North side. Would give better visibility to boaters of the exact location of Beaverton Harbour. It would draw more tourists to Beaverton because of its visibility on the pier, not hidden on the mainland. Make access to it on the north side via the north side pier. Another destination in Beaverton to explore... Don't put everything all in one spot on the south pier
I don't think we need a sculpture. Put the money into continued clean up of contaminated water etc and the bridge across.
As previously commented
It should be placed at the entrance to the harbour by boat
Since this road is a one way on the way out this is something you see on your way out if you are new to the area and coming for a day trip you might only see it on the way out
Will not be seen from the lake

Always best to have significant landmarks on the highest elevations.
thought it was going to be on the point near the mouth of the river.
As long as the sculpture can be seen by boaters from a distance.
Only if the upper park is redesigned. Removing those ridiculous seats and planters would be a start.
I'm not in favour of giving up any more municipal parkland to special interest projects, especially one's that will undoubtedly come with substantial cost's to the taxpayer's initially and in perpetuity.
This drawing is difficult to comprehend...
See q. 6
Not where the boxes of gardens that looks like coffins I would like it closer to the lake
The Upper Harbour Park is not that exciting a destination, although there have been recent upgrade attempts. It just isn't the reason to go to the harbour, no significant views to want to stop in this area. Parking is not convenient to this location, significant up hill walk. I would rather have SkyWomen closer to the water and wind. There is nothing "magical or spirtual" here.
If the coffins are removed.
Sky Woman should be definitely installed on the North Pier where it can be enjoyed by boats etc. entering the Harbour.
The so called Park now is so cluttered up with crap I cannot see where it could be set up anywhere.
I like the Skywoman, and it should be a feature spot.
What will happen with the gardens that have just been put in in the last two years? Will the area be re-landscaped? There is currently a kiosk, is that being taken away?
I'm not sure that the upper park area is the best place for the sculpture. The area around there is very unkempt looking with the planters full of weeds.
To stress my previous paragraph, there needs to be strategic vision as to the end goal of the harbour. If you start adding sculptures and other items requested, where will it stop? There are more appropriate areas around town and perhaps the township could call upon more artists to showcase their work and add to the sky woman...e.g. garden and art space near the downtown, or as suggested above, library and town hall area...
It would look better than the coffins that are there now
Will she be seen from the lake at this site? Is that behind the washrooms?
Noise?
Not particularly
I would rather see it @ the end of the pier
Harbour mouth on North East side
Guess so

8. A pedestrian bridge from the south end of Wellington Street in Ethel Park to the parking lot of the Beaverton Harbour is being considered by Council. The estimated cost is \$2.5 million. Do you support the idea?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	126	37.3%
No	132	39.1%
Unsure	68	20.1%
Other	5	1.4%
No Responses	6	1.7%
Total	337	100%

Comments

Brilliant plan.
I honestly feel this price is blowing way out of proportion
being that parking is an issue, this would bring more people form Ethel park into the pier area much easier and provide an escape in case of an emergency
Definitely needed if they are ever cut off in a disaster.
I think this is a great idea! Better accessibility from the north side of town and would greatly reduce the number of people who walk the tracks for a short cut. It also provides an emergency exit for Ethel Park, if needed.is it possible to get some funding from CN to help cover costs?
I support this 100 percent. My kids safety because of derailment is imperative.
What are the implications to the marina and also how much room is it going to take up on each side of the harbour....again inferring with parking
Seriously 2.5 million dollars for a walking bridge? I believe this could be completed for a fraction of the cost.
There is no hiding that people walk the tracks to get to the other side of the river. There have been incidents and accidents in the past. I think 2.5 million is a lot of money for a pedestrian bridge but not when your comparing it to the value of someone's life.
Undecided , depending on cost.
Love the idea but the cost is substantial.
If safety is the concern , build another road rail crossing, that would likely be cheaper and more useful in a real emergency.
The structure would be nice however the cost is considerable. If the funds are available without causing undue hardships in the future and there are sufficient funds available to continue other projects
Not at that price. Certainly seems pretty expensive for a walking bridge
Other then cost - feel cost is much too high
I support it if the cost can be reduced.
This will increase traffic into Ethel Park, which is not necessary. There have been comments made that this bridge is necessary because kids walk the tracks to get to the arena, perhaps educating kids and putting signs up about the danger would be an option. People on the north side of town have to walk through town to access the harbour, isn't this a good thing for our businesses? There are more areas of concern that need township attention.
OMG!...this is ridiculous!

Spend the money on cleaning up the harbour first, draw tourist to the harbour with store and restaurants, as of right now why would anyone be interested in going from crapy side to the other.
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as long as that's not the real price ðŸ™
dont think it's necessary for that kind of dough
Too expensive for taxpayers. I doubt it would be used much and Iâ€™m an Ethel Park resident.
Thatâ€™s totally a waste of money
This would be an excellent way to improve walkability in the town.
More access is needed to crossing the river, even if only on foot.
Way too expensive for a bridge that will add no value to our township. I donâ€™t even believe that the township would have much say in such a project. I think that would be a federal decision.
Way too much money
Pedestrian friendly development is beneficial for residents and visitors. Promoting physical activity is good for public health.
What would happen to the Beaverton Yacht club and accessibility?
I support a pedestrian bridge but not at this cost. Seems very high. And perhaps the location needs to be thought through as well. And if we are looking at pedestrian trails or tracks, shouldn't we have a trail system across Beaverton? Possibly need a long term plan for park and trails, we seem to have already lost out on including trails in new development under construction. It would be ideal to walk from north to south or east to west without walking on a shoulder of a road especially in tow
Need to consider summer boat traffic and winter conditions. Maintenance in winter
The rationale that we need an emergency exit from Ethel Park due to a train derailment is moot. An emergency platform could be constructed to lay across the 9 metre span of the Beaver River at the marina just east of the harbour mouth. Or if the the Township purchases an aerial fire truck, it could be used as an emergency exit.
Like the idea of a pedestrian walkway but perhaps in a different location?
If youâ€™re going to spend that much for a pedestrian bridge you may as well make it for vehicles as well as there is no other exit from Ethel Park if a train derailed.
What is the actual cost?
Need more details.
I very much support this, but where did this estimate come from? I have a hard time believing it will cost this much.
\$2.5 Milla joke. Really? I'm an engineer and this is through the roof. Maybe a million. Max. Build it.
I think closing off the harbour to sail boats could limit potential visitors and clientele for the marina in the future.
This would allow anyone who came to the marinas to access town, a very good idea as right now the harbour has nowhere for boaters to come and get to the growing town centre. If possible, I'd do it farther back behind the marina however.
I think this is an excellent idea, and should have been done a long time ago!
It is a lot of money to spend and had never been needed yet, but then I donâ€™t live there and donâ€™t know the impact it would be making .

Wonderful idea!! It would be used a ton and would make boat slips on Ethel park side much more desirable!!!
Not now. (1) The water quality is a far higher priority to spend money on than the bridge. (2) There must be a 10 year vision consistent with a bridge that would have attractive aspects to the harbour to draw people over. A beach that is posted as unsafe for swimming the majority of time due to high ecoli won't do. Everything for a beach area starts with a core requirement of clean water. Most will go to Brechin to swim where it has never been posted as unsafe for 8 years running.
I support the idea of a pedestrian bridge, however not at the proposed cost of 2.5 million. Connecting Ethel Park residents with the harbour would be a great addition with easier access to the harbour and amenities offered on the other side of the river.
No problem with going ahead on this project, but I would like to see my tax money clean up the beach first
Yes!! I have wanted this for the whole 20 years we have lived in Beaverton! I live on the north side of the river. Not only would the harbour be better used if the North side had pedestrian access, the whole area would become more appealing to visitors and tourists if the harbour was not a dead-end location, even if only by foot. Also, this should encourage you to clean the north beach area and make it more desirable. This may be easier than expanding the south beach.
I have not enough information on this topic until I have read more about it. Will look into it now.
A \$2.5 million price tag seems quit excessive. I support the bridge completely, but there had better be a shopping around for a contractor.
Pretty but impractical, car/road bridge better option (from simcoe street land over river by tracks far better location) Huge deterrent for larger boats. Decreases boat parking for visitors If other side of river were opened up to make the Beaverton harbour a much larger area to lure in tourists, more swimming space at the other beach, etc, then would be worthwhile if not so much private property either side. Pier treacherous enough, foot bridge would just be crowded fishing spot.
How will the boats get into the marina and its a navigatable waterway doesn't make sense, if a large boat gets storm stayed could be a priblem as we hardly have any transient slips available now as island people park in the 3 hour parking all summer
At least it will be an alternate exit for the residents of Ethel Park in case of an emergency along the rail road tracks. That has been a cause for concern for years. As well these same residents would likely enjoy the south side of the harbour as well.
The cost is worrisome. It would make sense as an emergency exit in case of train issues and as a shortcut for Ethel Park Residents to the harbour.
What is the business case for such a h8ge investment?
Save it or spend it on something useful
What would be the purpose? When I lived in Ethel Park, for 15 years, we didn't mind walking all the way around.
Many residents of Ethel park are against this idea. Too many unwanted tourists on the Ethel park side as we would like to keep it quiet. There is already a lot of garbage at the beach and this would increase the uncleanliness of the beach.

I believe we should utilize the otherwise of the harbour yes. But focus on the end of the point where you can make another swimming or fishing area. The young still jump off the pair and swim across to the point. Make something with the point. Use what's we have than maybe. Connect later with a bridge for walkers
people choose to live there knowing full well leaveing ethel park could be difficult if there ever is a train derailment.
Silly idea. all the other communities along the east shore who are trapped between the tracks and the lake have decided to spend their money on real problems and not imaginary ones.
Of course we need this bridge! Kids and people are walking on railway bridge already.
Support the idea but thought the cost is lower. Would support exploring various funding options to help.
Wouldn't money be better spent developing and growing the beach area?
I would prefer to spend money on the beach and park. But if both can be accomplished, go for it.
Sounds too expensive.
This idea is not good. If I hear that my tax dollars are going to a foot bridge instead of a new rec centre, I will be extremely upset and will protest it. I can't believe the idea has gotten this much traction when we have three outdated, failing community centres.
This suggestion surpasses the idiocy of the coffins that were installed where Skywoman is proposed to be located. I can't think of a better way to waste 2.5 million dollars. Just the environmental assessment will cost hundreds of thousands of dollars and take years to complete.
It would make it easier for us in Ethel Park to get to the harbour. but what benefit would it be for tourism, or other residents in Beaverton?
Not sure about the purpose and location of this bridge, it would be helpful if you could include a sketch to show it's schematic location.
You would need a swing bridge to allow for tall-masted sailboats and tall cruising boats from the Beaverton Yacht Club. If that were to be constructed, who would be there to operate it? Otherwise, what kind of bridge structure would work across the Beaver River to the parking lot???
No, it is a waste of money. The money should be invested in getting rid of the hideous houses that ruins the harbour
Price tag is excessive. Perhaps the council could speak with the Canadian Forces (2 Combat Engineer Regiment) and inquire if they could build the bridge as an exercise for there members. \$2.5 million for a pedestrian bridge is outrageous.
I believe there are other items in all three towns that could benefit from that amount of money.
you've got to be misinformed to think our taxpayers would consider such an expenditure on this project. 2.5 million? Lets lower the taxes or refurbish the main street
I live in the new Marydel subdivision, a bridge would reduce my walk to the harbour by half. Despite this, I still don't support it: it seems like a huge amount of money for infrastructure with very limited use. The argument for this as an emergency exit during train derailments seems unsound--I'm sure alternative means would be used in such emergency situations, a pedestrian bridge is an expensive and ineffective solution. Invest the money elsewhere.
The cost seems unaccurate

I don't live in Ethel park so I am for it. Nice to walk or bike and loop. As for cost, can we afford it?
boats including sail boats need access up the river any proposed bridge would need to be high enough to allow for a navigable water way also 2.5 million would go a long way to bringing the north spit of land as well as the south side of the harbour to a better standard
NO, absolutely NOT, another Jubby pipe dream. Put my tax dollars to where it will benefit all residents. IN OUR ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE.
Does Council not have more important issues than bridges, xylophone crosswalks? Why not put the thousands of dollars into coloured painted roads to educate our residents. Seeing the Mayor skipping happily across the rainbow bridge was laughable not to mention insulting to the LGBTQ community. Why not paint circles for UNITY! Why did you waste my tax dollars!
That money can be directed to other improvements
Cost is prohibitive for the benefits
It serves no purpose The amount of use does not match the cost to build and in addition maintain the structure.
Why?
2.5 Million could be used for better purposes. Does this cost include future upkeep? What does this cost include? Has a feasibility report been conducted? Is there a consultant's report to substantiate the estimated cost?
Spend the money on berm to stop wave action. Then put more docks in. It could be stone or concrete.
Total waste of tax dollars
Yes but that cost is very high
A complete waste of money.
Ridiculous waste of tax payers money.
However that seems like a very high price for this. I think that might be too much.
That's a lot of money and for what benefit?
This is a wonderful, useful idea and would bring many more visitors to the harbor park.
Can't there just be a stop sign? If there is a bridge will it be accessible for disabilities and those with strollers. Will it have to be maintained in the winter and at what cost!
As long as the boats can get under.
It seems very expensive. The money could likely be used more effectively elsewhere in our community
I think the money should be spent on cleaning the beach area up . Orillia has a beautiful beach.
if the township built a berm wall out in the lake like the one in Orillia the beach wouldn't wash away and the beach front could be expanded and easier to maintain.
we need bridge , but what about walking bridge at Simcoe & Victoria. Ethel Park Beach needs a lot of beach attention too . BUT a bridge is necessary regardless . Residents have travelled the train bridge for years & years & is very unsafe !!!
That would be a lovely addition and would improve my running routes (of course letting walking people have the right of way).
waste of money when the place has a bathroom full of shad flies.
Definitely support this 100%. It makes both sides of the harbour assessable. It will help the businesses & deter people from walking the tracks.

This cost seems unrealistic for the engineering involved. Will this be under constant repair each year the ice lets go?
It would be useful but how will it be funded?
How would sail boats get into the marina.
How much space is it going yo take ip on both sides of the Harbour? What about Marina access.
Not needed.
it won't bring boaters (\$) into town, it doesn't shorten walk to town for Ethel Park, it still won't help in emergency situations eg train derailment
I would like to see walking areas around the waterfront but I do not support the bridge.
How does it affect boat traffic? Will it be state of the art? More info needed.
Please us the money to build a swimming pool and repair the arena.
For what reason?
Ridiculous waste of money. Only beneficial to one area of demographic in Beaverton, not applicable to Beaverton as a whole.
How will boats get through, especially marina boats and sailboats? Excessive amount of money when Beaverton needs so much more like a downtown refresh that has been planned for so many years. Or free rent for 1 year for new tenants, a new tenant for the movie theatre...
Absolutely ridiculous. Serves no useful purpose. If to evacuate residents of Ethel Park, create a committee of boat owners along the east shore of Simcoe and have an escape plan. They will volunteer their services I'm sure. Very minimal cost to organizing this. Less than 2.5 million I'm sure.
As long as the Township has investigated if this is the best use of the money. I understand some health and safety issues for egress, but that may be an issue in several areas along west of the CN tracks. What will be the uptake on this bridge - will people use it?
although i still feel money should be invested in the pier and in tourism for ice fishing.
Seems expensive and more for the benefit of Ethel park residents rather than those using the harbour park.
I feel this is a waste of taxpayers money. The rational for the bride in the Brock Citizen by Councillor Jubb does not justify this expenditure
It would have to be extremely high or have swinging ability to permit sailing craft with high masts into the harbour.
Hopefully some thought is put into the area leading into the bridge. Sidewalks, parking, garbage containers, fencing, nighttime lighting and bug cleanup. From both sides. Area for vendors maybe also.
Lot of money for one project...How about spending some money for winter tourism ie improved access and snowmobile trails to and from the harbour to town and out to hwy #12 and the gas stations and Independent, Tim Hortons etc...Heaven forbid we make this a tourist FRIENDLY town...IE Orillia.. they have snowmobiles right through their Downtown..Same as Fenelon Falls and Minden
I live in Ethel park and would love to be able to walk over directly to the harbour without having to go through town. But does it need to be so expensive? How many quotes did the town get?? Are there any local businesses that would donate materials or time or money??

Absolutely not. It has not been necessary for safety for the past 100 years. With less people at the beach than there have been historically I cannot imagine spending millions of dollars for that. There are many better ways to spend that money to benefit ALL residents of Beaverton.
Too much money.
Total waste of taxpayers money on all counts. Absolutely not!
Yes. It is only a matter of time before something extreme will happen cut of access to Ethel park. It was only a few years ago that residence had to exit by foot over tracks due to PLANED track repairs. I have been here for forty years and have never understood the one access plan.
Must ensure the bridge does not negatively impact the boat traffic for the marina.
I agree with the idea of the bridge. There are 2 better, safer and far less costly locations. The Township owns 2 lots on the south side of the river and the Marina owns the land on the north. one lot is on the right of the road going down into the Harbour and the other next to the rail bridge. These are less than 75m. Information on these locations and discussions should be available in previous studies 15 to 20 years ago.
Pedestrian bridges are good and convenient additions, but they Should not be the driving force of the plan. \$2.5 million is a lot of money, and it makes sense to look at the cost and funding of the whole project and identify the most important items in a cost/benefit evaluation.
In an emergency our community in Ethel park is land locked. A rail incidence is probable someday; we have been lucky so far.
What took so long for this idea to be considered? The bridge is necessity.
How will sail boats coming out of the marina get past this bridge? Not a well thought out project. 2.5 million taxpayer dollars could be better spent on infrastructure such as sidewalks & roads.. or upgrading playground equipment at King St park.. How about making the Beaverton 'dam' cleanup an annual 'spring' maintenance project if we have tax dollars to spare?
Do not understand why we would pay that amount of taxpayer's money. There are more important areas that require attention.
Impedes large boats entering marina. Would have very little use yearly. Not necessary. Boats or snowmobiles could evacuate residents in an emergency. Use the money to repair our roads
Why not have one from the west side too? We would love to take the bikes to town from port bolster without taking 23. It is a better ride than the non scenic route along 17.
Wrong location! Place it from the east end of the marina to the most eastern boathouse
The bridge would have to be extremely high for big boats to get threw to the marina
We could spend his money in a more useful way
Concerned there could be many technical hurdles to overcome, including escalating construction costs, approvals, etc. There will be huge grade/elevation issues in order to accommodate boat traffic which may make the bridge inaccessible or undesirable for a significant portion of the pedestrian users. I think there might be many other more valuable enhancements for the plus \$2.5 million investment that could be made to the harbour. The harbour is a gem that could be enhanced.

This bridge is a great idea. Very great. However, I do not believe whatsoever the price could be that high.
How do you expect large boats and sail boats in particular to pass under this bridge? Use some common sense. Where is the \$2.5 million to this coming from? We are taxed to death now.
I am more interested in seeing the garbage at Mara Rd bridge around the derelict buildings and Beaver River cleaned up. I have family and friends that comment negatively about this. The cost of this bridge is not the best monies spent at this time. I like the idea of the bridge, but not the cost at this time. The future, yes.
Please consider boat height when building this bridge. A bridge will exclude larger sail boats that cannot raise and lower their mast easily. Will ATVs and snowmobiles be allowed on the bridge or is it only pedestrian. A beautiful bridge would also be a big draw to our waterfront.
As the bridge is to the west of the marina, the bridge would have to be high enough for sailboats to pass under it, which makes the cost prohibitive. I think the monies could be put to better use to perhaps make a walking/biking path along the tracks from the Morelands area to Cedarhurst Beach Road, so kids could get to the splash pad in town without going on the main road. It would get more cycling tourists into the area too.
Something is way off here. They just completed the same bridge requirement in my town of Port Hope for a final cost of \$500,000. I'm have no idea where the projected cost of \$2.5 million is coming from. I hope this does not throw people off as the bridge in Port Hope has been extremely positive and was paid for by grants. Most importantly the Ontario Trillium.
First the cost is ridiculous (could be spent) somewhere else. It would have to be constructed to accommodate sailboats . And for safety reasons it would have to be enclosed (no diving, no fishing etc.) And I do not really think there would be that many who would use it. So I stand firm NO!
Absolutely not. #1 cost to the taxpayer #2, the number of individuals that would use it (has there been surveys, open houses, meetings to understand the demand?) #3 incredibly low in the priority list of Brock township, specifically Beaverton needs. The township is in need of far more pressing amenities, e.g. affordable housing, youth programs, healthcare options, food security (1 ridiculously expensive grocer is not acceptable), sports amenities e.g. pool? gym? YMCA equivalent?
After a couple hundred years of Beaverton and with people walking less and less I think the cost per use would be astronomical. Probably far more effective would hire some students and a boat to ferry the few people across the harbour.
If there is that much money in the coffers why not invest in a swimming pool a much needed facility for both the young and senior residents of Beaverton
I believe it has its pros and cons
West (harbour side) of railway track could be pedestrian bridge walkway
Too expensive, get more quotes
Depending on costs
too much money
Make it for vehicles too
I support a bridge but not there?

9. Parking is an area of concern at the Beaverton Harbour. Would you support additional parking at the harbour?			
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Yes		234	69.4%
No		50	14.8%
Unsure		44	13.0%
No Responses		9	2.6%
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Comments			
Parking should be at the top of the hill in the fairground parking then the harbour could be safer with less traffic and for pedestrians.			
See previous comments.			
Must improve the 'beach'. It seems like improvements have already been attempted and I'm not sure if we can cover the rocks and get rid of the geese but there has to be a way to make the beach more inviting.			
Parking along the street is not a terrible thing, I don't fully understand all the no parking now. Parking for trucks and trailers can be difficult some days, people being ticketed for parking on the grass entry ways in and out of the ball diamonds is wrong, this is good parking spots			
There is lots of parking at the top of the hill.			
Totally it needs more parking as people from island park at harbour as well if they have visitors, people from out of town that visit our area with Beaverton having cottages up here then you have people from town and surrounding areas that use our beach and our boat lunch,			
The parking is in abundance during the summer. Maybe take a page from Georgina's book and charge for non residence to park.			
Everyone seems to have space to park now.			
Parking within walking distance. Not at the expense of the waterfront.			
Not sure how this could work, except along the roadway. The way it used to be.			
I think it is unfair for residents not to be able to park along cres. If it's a one way street what was the reasoning to close that off. Also parking at upper parking lot that was meant for the ball diamonds can be frustrating as well as out of town ice fishermen using arena and curling club space... maybe township needs a complete rethink of entire area working with all "users" of harbour area and fairgrounds. Possible also opportunity to collect small parking fee that can be reinvested into parks			
The green space is well used on weekends this time of year. How many more people do you wish to attract before there is overcrowding.			
Parking could be accommodated at ball diamonds and arena. Would hate to see more land taken up with parking at the harbour itself.			
Where would you put it? Certainly not at the splash pad. I do think there's not enough parking so maybe you'd have to take more space from the park.			
On the uphill. 15 - 20 spaces			
There needs to be paid parking with passes for locals.			
There is lots of parking space on the upper level by the baseball diamonds.			
Do we really need it other than in winter? Parking for boats yes, for cars? not so much.			

Our park can't support the number of people that want to be lakeside now, so where would you put more? A tiny strand of beach and a park filled with children's activities leaves little room for more people
There is the lower lot and the upper lot and truthfully it is an easy walk from downtown so I don't think it's necessary.
Designated area for vehicles launching boats needs to be clearly indicated. Painting the pavement would establish this area effectively. Many times people carelessly park in this launch area making it difficult for those launching
Paid parking for non residents with the proceeds going towards paying for consistent beach area cleaning so local kids can swim and not have to drive to Jackson Point (where we pay \$20 to park!), or Orillia.
If the vision is to attract a great deal more people, you'll need a better parking situation. Without there will be problems like at the south end of Lake Simcoe beaches.
Would depend where the parking is located.
Love the idea but absolutely no place for additional parking without taking away from the green space and it's already diminished with all the boxes and stuff added in the circle by the bathroom
The parking at the lions park (ball fields) is not utilized very well. People park all over the place - it needs a bit of structure.
Winter and summer it's brutal -- cars lining both sides of street ice fishing and boating.
I would prefer additional parking at the Fairgrounds and ball diamond area.
Pleased that the boat trailers have been relocated up there.
Where?
Too many people leave their cars for the weekend, to stay with people on the island, in the boathouses, to walk stay with friends in Beaverton. It has just become an overnight spot.
remove the current ice rink and utilize the space for parking. one new building could be constructed to combine the lions club, curling club and community centre. one ice rink could service the township centrally located.
But where? Too much of the park is already paved.
But I can't imagine where!
Use the fair grounds
Where????
I would support parking fees for out of town vehicles.
Beaverton needs to be Brock's tourism hub. Parking for ice fishing and boating is a major downfall of the harbour and needs to be addressed. Proper signage also needs to come with it. I'm already hearing of bylaw offers giving silly tickets for people who were parked in what they thought was the right space because of poor signage.
The Fair Grounds need a Formal Master Plan. The plan could shift (not eliminate) existing uses such as the baseball diamonds and the area where the derby is held, which is used one night per year, to create more space for parking and other activities or even accommodate SKYWOMAN.
But how would accommodate that? We cannot create more space unless by eliminating some of the green area which is not the best solution! May we need rearrangement of the parking area.
But where?

Parking is a definite issue
The current parking lot needs lines to indicate parking spaces as vehicles block the boat launch on a regular basis
Perhaps the Durham yard could shrink a little and allow parking
what about a shuttle service from in town, save the beauty of the harbour as it is
Lots of room available in the lot up the hill even though seldom needed
I've never had trouble parking at the harbour and we use it frequently. Trucks with boats/trailers may have issues because of the excessive space they require: there is always room at the fairgrounds/arena, they just need to be willing to walk. Please do not add additional park, it will detract from the natural character of the harbour.
Yes but where can it be? It is a zoo down there winter and summer with boating and fishing traffic.
Do not visit the Beaverton Harbour.
The use of the upper parking area and the arena parking area should be sufficient rather than taking away space from the harbour area
Should be free for everyone. Islanders should be able to park at the lower level unless they have trailers. We are paying a premium to dock our boats. Why should we have to park at the fairgrounds?? First come first served.
Where will you find room for a third parking lot?
I feel the upper lot could be expanded, ppaved and that should be the direction people who use the splash and park go to park there cars
Where would you propose to out it?
I agree additional parking is needed and right now it appears that overflow park in the fairgrounds area. It might not be a good idea to try and fit more parking in the lower Harbor area such as using some of the playground area.
Just don't know where or how. IF you are going to do things to bring in more people, please install cameras! Help protect the boats and people who park there that live (full /part time) over on the island.
Yes somewhat if not too much green areas and seating are compromised
Plenty of parking at arena up street.
the overflow parking area at the ball diamonds could be expanded.
Most definitely -
Many people park at the baseball diamond and seems sufficient for parking, in my opinion.
Parking is fine, just the upper parking lot had a pot hole that broke my car.
It all depends where and what is removed.
Also a better system for island cottage owners who need visitor parking passes. Perhaps sending out generic visitor passes annually or a way to request a few generic ones each spring?
Maybe more handy caped parking but able bodied people can walk from the parking lot by the ball fields.
don't take more greenspace for parking, so don't see how to add it. Thorah Isl. overnight passes should be issued by property address vs vehicle make/license - sometimes we have to go in friend's car due to car seats, but we still use only one space, can't always predict car. By property # doesn't mean we'd get more spots, just flexibility. Islanders pay DOUBLE to park at harbour AND at island plus property tax - why can't we have lower parking? can't unloa &, leave stuff to park at top.

I feel that there should be paid parking there. There is very few beaches in Ontario that offer free parking at their beaches and the parking is being abused.
Park by baseball diamond
There needs to be metered parking for people who don't live here, residents can get a parking pass with proof of residency to put in their windows and park for free
This is needed. No questions. Can't grow traffic without parking!
Change the entrance to the upper parking lot: Position entrance before you drive down the hill. People visiting the beach area would be more apt to park there. It would alleviate congestion by the boat launch on busy days. Take out the overnight parking. Where should visitors to the island park overnight?
Where can you put it?
As long as it was well thought out and meets current and future demand needs
i see they have just added some spots along the hill, thats sufficient.
I don't think parking is an issue. The park is crowded enough in the summer with the parking that is available.. add more parking.. add more people coming from Toronto.. and you have de le Salle beach in Georgina that no locals even want to go to anymore.
It would take space needed for recreation. Our harbour park is already smaller than it should be. Parking space is available in the fairgrounds and arena areas.
If you want tourists to come they need parking. It is a rural area and many residents have to drive. Perhaps more parking could be made available by the baseball diamonds
Put it would have to go to the Fairgrounds?
It would depend where the parking would be.
I would expect a full study be completed to determine the exact need year round prior to considering this.
Within reason or nearby at the top of the hill.
Depending on where
You mean on the Fairgrounds.
why don't you put an upper level above the existing parking, make it like a garage
Parking is a critical part of any development. But it is better hidden than featured. This is particularly true in waterfront locations, where views and access to the water and shore are By far the most important guidelines. Drop-off zones for people and boats should not obscure the views.
Commented above.
Where would this be?
How can one comment one way or another with absolutely no specifics as to the potential location of said parking.. Overflow parking already exist's at the top of the hill... no space for additional parking down below
expand the existing parking lot at the entrance to the harbour and pave same, paint parking stalls
Make it more bike accessible!
Up the hill only!
Especially for trucks and trailers
Absolutely, more parking would be needed as other enhancements are added to the area.

Where do you propose to have additional parking at the harbour when it is clogged up with stupid boxes of plants (weeds) etc?
The parking in the harbour area now takes up valuable space near the water and should be moved up the hill to where the boat trailers park. They could have a drop-off area for people using the splashpad and the waterfront. Could the boat launch be moved away from that area?
Adjacent to the harbour, possibly. The question is posed incorrectly. There ought to be a full and complete plan for the harbour. Parking should be part of that.
It would depend on the vision of the harbour and the layout of the new plan, but do not reduce the parking either, especially if you want people to visit the harbour and to do so easily, particular with the older demographic group in Brock & Beaverton.
I have never had a problem parking but if you create a harbour that would attract more vehicles then expanding the upper parking area would be feasible
Where?
Where would you find more space for parking, can we not use the small park parking lot & behind the hockey rink?
Where would it be placed?

10. What new amenities would you like to see at the harbour?

Proper washrooms, amphitheater , rental bikes , benches, Sky Woman, food trucks
WiFi
cleaner and better food facility. better parking. for both boat trailers and cars
It would be nice to have a swim program back like the lions club did years ago, that is where I learned to swim. We should have some paddle boats, canoes, paddle boards and kayaks for rent. A water trampoline or water obstacles to play on. Cobourg waterfront is getting one this year. A ferry to the island would be nice.
More permanent businesses at the waterfront. A restaurant open in the evenings, perhaps a food truck, some shops that sell bathing suits, tackle, bait, etc. I envision a place like Sauble Beach...
A bridge. Better beach sand
I think the amenities that are there should be fine tuned and more open space left for picnicking and children to play on. ...more picnic tables in the centre for families to use.
Updated washrooms and a cleaner Sandy Beach. The coffins also need to go
washroom. Drinking fountain. Changeroom(s).
Changerooms, splashpad expansion
Get rid of boathouses so area can be developed.
Good up to date water stations
Better beach sand. I know the ice fish trade is big for the economy through the winter but it's not a nice place to swim through the summer. By Labour Day weekend the beach and pier/beach so full of bird shit, fishing waste and trash I won't even go down there.
Ice cream stand
Again if it benefits the township so maybe some metered parking with the revenue going to the township
People generate money by parking everywhere why not brock township
Cleaner bathrooms!
More boat docks. Commercial buildings (restaurants). Bigger playground.
Not sure
A classy restaurant with a patio overlooking the lake. It would attract boaters from all over the lake. If the patio had a fireplace like ski resorts it would attract snowmobilers in the winter.
Larger dining facilities and outside stage venue for concerts. Something to attract boaters and locals.
Clean bathrooms and proper sand on beach - both beach needs cleaning more frequently
Other restaurants more events at the harbour maybe shops.
Change rooms at the splash pad with diaper stations and toilets. The portable toilets are disgusting
More transient docks, better restaurant facilities with patio overlooking water to draw in outside boaters, and better beach area (improve cleanliness of sand, quality of sand and shore). Consider replacing some of the boat houses to provide more water/ harbour view or facilities
An evening restaurant.

Perhaps build a commercial building where the beach is with a large patio and boardwalk that allows swimming from Platforms instead of the grungy beach.
No new amenities are needed, it just needs to be cleaned up and the cleanliness maintained.
Tear down boat houses, more places to dock boats for a day or a couple of hours.
Restaurants! Bistro on the water.
More boat tie ups. Better parking. more people oriented.
A beach store
Coffee shops, restaurant, small retail stores like most lake front communities.
A water bottle filling station would be great. Maybe a sheltered picnic table area
Weekends see a lot of out of town visitors making it hard for locals to park and visit. Maybe introduce parking passes for locals of brock township and introduce paid parking for visitors. Much like the do in the Town of Georgina.
Picnic structure/shade pergola
Cleaner beach
More playgrounds
Anything that shows pride providing we as citizens can be proud of the lake water quality. The beaches are failing testing 50% of the time!! Worst on the entire lake!!!! No new amenities are required, but healthy, high quality water is.
Something for the kids that are bit older the park is great but mostly aged for kids under 6, Stairs going into the water, working lights along the peir, removal of boat houses and larger beach area.
Walking trails. More park space.
It's great as is. The less the better. Adding to much takes away from the greatness that is already there. Simple is best
I would like to see no boathouses and some new small shops and maybe patios for visitors
A clean beach to swim in. A major reason we bought our house in Beaverton was because we thought beach was clean. Bathrooms instead of outhouses.
They need change rooms there. The one on top of the hill are always down and there is no other change rooms to use
Updated restroom facilities.
Modern, safe wash rooms with change areas for the beach and splash pad.
A civic building to house Navy League / Sea Cadets so youth have something to do. Invite these orgs to start a corp.
Picnic tables and pergolas. Gardens in partnershp with local horticultural clubs.
Although Barneys has icecream a cute little seasonal shop by the park/splash pad.
Summer job concept like cool cow.
I don't think we need additional things at harbour but maybe look at what is being used or not. The kayak launch dock seems underused - many people kayak but seem to stick to rivers and creeks. Maybe launch dock could be moved to beaver river in cannington or centennial beach north of town and give space for visiting boats or space for launching

Be nice if Barney's could stay open later. Also, There is an old harbour plan from the 1990's that would allow commercial conversion of some of the boat houses. Some owners may wish to rent for seasonal tourism businesses.
Beach cleaned up, more picnic tables.
New Washroom facilities
None
Proper washroom facilities to be used. More boat slips on north side of harbour for islanders in order to free up slips on south side for transients. By-law enforcement of slips so that people aren't docking for free for weeks on end.
New boat launch.
Cleaner beach area
I would like to see the beach area cleaned up but I'm not sure if it can be. Maybe more food options
Washrooms open all day with change room
Shopping, more food options, 4hr boat slips
Food trucks
An off-leash dog beach
A new staircase as the second doc
Better washrooms. Restaurant. Clean beach area.
Security in evening and patrol at night.
The township to take back the boat houses and rent them to retailers to give boaters a destination for shopping like other lakefront communities who have commercial retail outlets to entice boaters and visitors and locals.
Newer, cleaner washrooms.
larger sandy beach area, outdoor or indoor pool additional swimming platforms into deeper water.
offer personal watersport equipment rentals ie. paddleboards/kayaks/paddleboats etc.
Shed For restaurant to keep dumpsters in. Very yucky to have that smell wafting into the play area.
Not sure if it's possible-but relocation of giant cement utilities block that obstructs view of a large portion of playground and/or splash pad depending on where you are sitting.
A convenience store type kiosk with cold drinks!
Depends on the vision. IF the Beaverton Harbour was to be a destination location ... - stellar beaches - pristine water quality - tear down boat houses - repair the pier - decent restaurant - more educational materials to draw school class rooms to visit
Kayak/canoe rentals
Better parking
Bike racks to lock up bicycles
Better flower gardens (current style are not esthetically pleasing)

<p>It would be nice if everything was cleaned up so that tourism could have an opportunity to develop at the harbor. Boat docking slips for overnight boaters coming in from other lakes has attracted tourism to other lakefront communities and it would be nice to have in Beaverton. Attract more waterfront buisness. More jobs</p>
<p>I've always had the idea that if the boat houses going down the pier, which i think are on leased land, were returned to the township and leased to become little beachy cafes w/ patios, boutiques, ice cream shops, etc., that would really draw tourists and feel more public and less like you were walking in a private front yard to get to the pier.</p>
<p>Not new but please clean up the bathrooms. Really one of the only public bathrooms in town and they are disgusting. Makes Beaverton look bad.</p>
<p>Picnic shelters with bbq pits would be nice.</p> <p>Also, a sign indicating whether the water is safe to swim in or not. Seeing tourists swimming at the beach when there have been so many issues with the water seems like a liability to the township.</p>
<p>Areas that are marked for no pier fishing/set up safe place to do pier fishing. More patrol for overfishing/out of season (or is that only MNR control?) Better path from arena Lion loop to a path to harbour.</p>
<p>Washrooms</p>
<p>Covered picnic area</p>
<p>New bathrooms</p> <p>Sand is cheap, add new sand on a regular basis.</p> <p>A parks staff that cares,</p> <p>Make one person responsible for harbor.</p>
<p>covered picnic area and more benches.</p>
<p>Restaurants, food trucks, artisans (not Tupperware/Scentsy vendors), festivals such as with musicians and actors or make it an amazing destination for families with younger (under 10) children..paddle boat rentals.</p>
<p>Clean beach. Expand the beach</p>
<p>longer boat launch</p>
<p>A place to rent boats / canoes . More food (seasonal) booths</p>
<p>Concert area-outdoor movies- public art</p>
<p>Boat rentals</p>
<p>more seating-picnic area-restaurant open in the evenings-</p>
<p>A modern restaurant with a deck overlooking the lake. Take ownership and remove boathouses to modernize the aesthetics and view.</p>
<p>Food truck</p>
<p>Life rings</p>
<p>Picnic shelters</p>
<p>A few outdoor exercise machines for adults would be great! They would have something to do, while the children play. A few of my friends have discussed this idea with much enthusiasm. Many communities have them. We are, sadly, lacking.</p>
<p>A soccer field at the ball diamond area with easy access from the beach area.</p>
<p>Outdoor excercise equipment something the adults can do while kids are playing. Would be amazing!</p>

A wider peir. Like you see in the states. Boardwalks like 15 to 20 feet wide.
Repair of the pier and its lighting. A two story picnic pavilion and lookout at the end of the pier. Perhaps a bandstand or landscaped performance area. I would like to see an attractive nesting site for osprey or eagle.
Commerce: arts, Kawartha ice cream, good coffee and tea, shakes, healthy food and a place that serves fresh fish from the lake. Beachwear/sports shop.
More park benches and better snow clearing in the winter.
More boat slips
More seating, gardens, swimming areas.
No Comment
Acquire more land, add some stores and vendor areass
The park and harbour sell themselves if they could be kept neat and welcoming. Again, better conditions at the beach area and water's edge. A diversion buoy string of some sort??? I don;t know. I just know my grandgirls are leery of entering the water, but love it once past the crud.
Dinner restaurant as well as breakfast and lunch.
It would be great to have some vendors in the harbour particularly during the summer months.
trees in the pArkette near the washroom
Markets,vendors, concerts, performances. I guess these may not count as amenities.
Water conservation learing centre. A place that shows our kids about why it's important to protect lake Simcoe and how to be a good environmental ambassador to conserve our wonderful resource.
I would like to see the North pier developed so people can enjoy the amenities it would provide much like the south pier. This would be a much better use of resources than building a bridge. Yes, it would take a great effort, money and cooperation from the Federal Government. It would be the ideal location for SKYWOMAN.
Restaurant with a view. Fine dining.
A good beach
Attractions for residents & tourists.
1. lighting and flower pots along the peer and in parking area. 2. change of the material of parking and walking areas from asphalt to old style stone pavements.
We need something to draw people in. Commercial activities like the wake park in Mount Albert. We should have more business activities on certain week-ends. The space is there. Vendors, food, fun activities. Clean it up, people can park near arena and walk down. We have a beach but no one wants to go there.
Please support the Tourist Information Officer with internet (wireless or other connections) so that this person can connect to the Township Offices and do searches for the many tourists who have had numerous questions about Beaverton and surrounding area.
Proper washrooms. Clean beach.
Tear down the housing and develop so small boutiques with various restaurants/ ice cream coffee places that will actually attract people to the harbour
More docks for short term docking Most docks are reserved for Island Residents

A bandstand would be terrific. Allow for the harbour to be a music destination. It works everywhere else I've ever seen it. Have a concert series. Get it started by local musicians.
I would also like to see First Nations presence in the harbour area. A small building with some history etc. They were here first.
more places to get refreshments - I visit in the evening when it's quieter, no where to buy a coffee.
Food stand or truck. Barney's closes too early!
Farmers Market and/or stage area for music performances
Stage. Maybe we could have local talent - concerts / movies at the pier ? Visitors pay for parking!
update the pier with better lighting for evening walks and possibly a marine themed display to help attract tourists. A larger family restaurant would be nice where one could take friends and family for a libation and a meal at sundown
Nothing new, just a beach. I'm not sure if zoning is an issue but more potential for business in the harbour would be great: many of the boat houses are vacant, these would make great waterfront restaurants is commercial zoning was allowed.
The waterpark in Orillia seems to be very popular--this would work well in the harbour as well.
Bigger beach
Get rid of the properties on water behind Barney's and make our waterfront something to be proud of!
Maybe another restaurant with longer hours so when you do spend the day you can eat as well.
a raked beach and possible circulation system ie a fountain in the water in attempt to cleanse water areas - the pier seems to create a pocket and with waterfowl it seems as though bacteria is always on rise. Its such a nice spot and to bad that it is almost always a posted beach
More food options. (Food truck or a few little kiosks that sell food, drinks, even souvenirs, like wasaga beach has)
A space to hold little concerts or events that people can attend.
Hold more events at the fair grounds. Outdoor shows, motorcycle rally, rib fest, etc)
a break wall along with additional transient slips with power for power boaters along with proper showers and washrooms
No comment
Ice cream stand, something for the tourists
More picnic tables
More picnic space and beach cleaned up
Fix the north pier and do something with the south side of the walk going along the south pier
More playground equipment or bigger splash pad and more options for refreshments
Family Restaurant with patio.

Food truck after Barneia closes. I do not want to impact their business but after 3 people may like to have their dinner down by the waterfront.
Picnic areas
Rest rooms, places to eat
More seating at the pier so the beauty can be enjoyed without having to bring our own chairs down there.
A band shelter or amphitheatre - have weekly entertainment - local musicians performing.
The SKYWomen sculpture!
When the new docks were installed a few years ago you saw more boaters stop by harbour for a visit. What is needed is information for these boaters on where local restaurants/shops are and taxi service is needed? I feel the boat launch ramps should be upgraded. Safety equipment installed in harbour I.e. ladders, safety rings with ropes.
Better bathrooms
More garbage cans, Volleyball pit, Free wifi A gazebo
Alotted transient slips.
Picnic shelter or pavilion
I would like to see a drinking fountain in the playground. An area where dogs could be taken into swim. Sleeping weather all clear
a band shelter
Patio cafes
More family friendly & cleaned up for lake swimming
A rinsing area for people who have been in the lake. People rinse off in the splash pad now and that's not an ideal situation. Change rooms and real bathrooms that are open when the splash pad is open.
Bigger beautiful gardens in the beach picnic or playground areas
Boating lessons and cruises, I would like someone to have a look at what was done in Richmond hill at Lake Wilcox and fairy Lake in Newmarket for inspiration. Dream Big!
Restaurant with view of lake. Art and jewellery shops. More places to tie up boats to eat and shop. We should develop the river and harbour so boaters can get into town. Barneys, gas pumps, and stores should stay open later in July and August so more people can use the harbour and access Beaverton
Cleaner beach
More restaurants or maybe even a souvenir shop would be nice
bigger beach area, more trees to hold the beach area grounds, maintain the beach area clean up goose shit and algae.
Change Rooms - can one bathroom on hill be divided into a unisex bathrooms & the other be divided into change rooms
Movies at Lake
More boat slips
Paddle wheeler
Tour boat

I'd love it if the township would rent out canoes/kayaks/paddleboards. If would create another revenue stream and more things to do at the harbour.
A bathroom that is not disgusting. Better restaurants, better splash pad, no more ground hogs, pull out those boxes of plants at the top that are full of weeds, the coffins look bad and the new poles in the road make us use a different boat launch because it's impossible to use the road.
Skate park,
Repair the pier, making it more attractive. Also adding a break water barrier like Orillia water front to protect the docks & creat more transient boat slips as there are very few spots available since the majority of them are rented out. Ice cream booth like they used to have & a chip truck. Beach volley ball there or @ the ball diamond
More boat slips for rental
Cancel the leases on all the boathouses, tear down and make into a sandy beach.
Washrooms
The beach needs some immediate attention
Better washrooms with soap and hand towels/dryers.
A senior & handy capped exercise area. Incorporating different stations.
Build a privacy fence around the portable toilets or move to a better location.
I thought the Rewilding was going to put in a performance space/amphitheatre? Would like that on hill at Old Mill Park maybe. More transient boat slips would always be welcome, and bring \$ to town - we always spend money when docked in Orillia and Jackson's Point!
Additional walking trails around the waterfront and a cleaner swimming area
Concert stage
Light shows
new washrooms built, water stations and more picnic tables
Washroom with change tables
More picnic tables and benches
Restaurants (Barney's is ok but seriously tho not driving to go there!) rental business for equipment and such. Swimming pool. Yes swimming pool. Love the beach but people and people spending money live swimming pools. Builds trust, integrity. Brings people into the area.
None
Unsure
Boutiques, patio bars and restaurants. Vendors. Food trucks.
Island taxi. Island camping. Kayak and canoe rentals. Community boating excursions and tours with an informed guide of the area and species. Annual beach cleaning day.
Shops, restaurants
A better eating establishment, umbrellas for shade, more fishing line disposal boxes.
Shops, nicer beach, boat rentals
Improved seating, better food and beverage options, better floral gardens and colour.
Markets or market opportunities. Day long events. Boat houses need to be improved with colour like Newfoundland or the English coast cottages
Handicap swings & playground

An open sided but covered pavillion in fairgrounds or the location of the proposed skywoman. Good for large gatherings, with a few BBQs available. tables and shade for lots. Also allow vendors to set up in harbour area. Chip truck, ice cream and material.
Improved restaurants and encouragement/incentives to owners to clean up the properties along the pier
ice cream hut in the summer, maybe utilise it more for winter as a hot chocolate stand. boutique shops, cook your own barbeque station, fix up pier to be more of a boardwalk with areas to sit, eat lunch and swim. this is a prime tourist area that could be making more money for the community.
Drinking fountains or refillable water stations. One of those take a book leave a book libraries for children and adults alike.
Maybe look to other communities to gather ideas. If you're putting in a bridge how about a boardwalk. Perhaps one leading off of that truly disgusting Beach area at the end of Wellington street up the shoreline with lots of seating or swimming areas.
Fine Dinning restaurant overlooking the water..possibly a hotel for summer and winter guests..maybe some boat /jet ski/snowmobile/4 wheeler rentals Would also be a good spot for the Ice cream shop/hot dog /burger/frie stand How about a Kyak rental ..Hell we got the launch ramp..would need some public water fountains
Comfortable seating A restaurant overlooking the water Clean beach
More public docks for launching and retrieving boats especially as you have to take up a spot while the driver has to go to the parking lot to get the trailer.
Kayak/canoe rentals. It would be wonderful if swimming lessons were once again offered.
If the beach is not usable consistently, how about a public swimming pool?
A gift shop, more restaurants a bar
Canoe rack rental space. Income to support some of this.
A sit down restaurant off the water, a washroom building. Rental spot for kayaks, paddle boards. A nice walkway around the area with benches.
No comment past current issues.
Maybe a little gift shop selling locally made things and Beaverton souvenirs. Another eatery or maybe just a little coffee shop. More picnic tables.
A refresh of the harbour is needed to make it more attractive, inviting and welcoming, eg a mini version of the lakefront at Couchiching Park in Orillia, with an attractive area for boats to dock, and in summer, a shuttle to Beavertonâ€¦ downtown.
The Harbour should be a commercial area with the Boathouses becoming boutiques and eating establishments with visitor boat tie ups. This would be along term project by buying the boathouses as they become available and not renewing leases.
I'd like to open a hotdog stand down by the pier. more customers = more \$ for everyone.
A hotel with good quality restaurant, and harbour- view promenade are badly needed. The boat house/cottages have no place in this very special public harbour. They take up valuable waterfront space that should instead have open access for the public.

I would like to see a floating Sailing Dingy and Canoe club attached to the Harbor wall on the north/east tip. Great for kids and adults too educate on sailing and canoeing. Would be detached and stored in the harbor for winter. Our harbor has a great sailing history-good for environment and a fun sport on our doorstep
Can't think of anything at this time
A picnic shelter or gazebo would be a great addition.. Re: Question 11... Why would the township commit funds to replace swimming platforms on the pier when the Region posts the lake as 'unsafe' for swimming almost the entire summer? A pier we don't even own?
Better and newer washroom facilities.
A decent restaurant. Portable toilets moved to another area away from the road and boat houses. No need for that many. Remove coffins. The statistics you give in the paper re reduced run off and its benefits are ridiculous. No empirical proof of your statements. More than 10 trees were removed at the bottom of the hill which caused more run off.
An indoor year round swimming pool in brock. What happened to the idea of a big complex at 48 and 12? Why do we need three expensive arenas? One new complex to accommodate all spall year. Sell the others and get rid of the unending expenses of old buildings. And the arguements between the communities.
A boardwalk, stores, restaurants. Use the fairgrounds (which were to be "given away" 3 years ago) and expropriate land to the south of the harbour to create a new "downtown" along the waterfront. Think big. \$1 Billion dollars big. Invite development proposals from the private sector, and funding from the Province and the feds.
Boutique shops...an ice cream parlour...an outdoor movie screen...an amphitheater...
More activities for the community
Many of the existing facilities are tired looking and need a face-lift even before adding new facilities.
Bridge to allow me to connect to the harbour as a resident with a disability I can't go all the way around to get to all our amenities. This is needed also for a safety perspective.
Game tables for checkers and chess
An updated washroom?
More food options for visitors would be a draw - ie cart vendors (pizza, hotdogs)
unsure
I like the Orillia and Grand Bend vibrant waterfronts, so could we do something like that. Less private and more public and retail space. Get rid of the boathouses in the area so that a restaurant that features our amazing sunsets and a view of the Skywoman sculpture and could be open all year round for summer visitors and winter ice fishermen.
Ped bridge a must.
Stores, restaurants, park, etc
Cohesive and functioning public bathrooms with a water fountain. Do not just drop porto potties and think that is acceptable. An inviting space where the focal point is brought back to the water. Perhaps a boardwalk, with seasonal stands or temp. shipping containers, a gazebo where events are planned in the summer months e.g. BBQ, musicians...

I think removing the splash pad and play ground and adding some additional shops(think Sauble or Wasaga) would attract more people. Or a multi use centre that can be used for programs in the summer months and ice fishing in the off season. OR a community bandshell that you can program weekly concerts, events or rent to various groups.

Better washroom facilities

commercial spaces in place of the derelict boathouses

more garbage containers in all areas. Portable washrooms by the pier cause it is a long way to the others

11. Do you support the Township committing funds to replace the swimming platforms off of the pier at the Beaverton Harbour? It should be noted that the pier is owned by the Federal Government.

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	205	60.8%
No	49	14.5%
Unsure	53	15.7%
Other	27	8.0%
No Responses	3	<1%
Total	337	100%

Comments:

Maybe. Depends on cost. Should push for federal funds.
Joint effort possibly.
Federal Government cost
go together with federal
Yes....important to make it usable. Try to secure federal funds if possible.
Too often, the area is closed to safe swimming.
NOT unless the water quality is fixed
Should be a 50/50 deal
Yes, if for more and better!
Let's have the Feds help us
it can be done by treated wood as well
The water is never good to swim in Anyways
What is Brocks Insurance liability? That would answer the updated swim platform
What is the reason for replacing?
I am unsure as I do not know what is wrong with those platforms now, and what is
It has to be repaired or replaced
as a boater it feels dangerous when they are swimming in channel
Fix up the current ones and maybe add one
Yes, if it's matched by Feds
unsure ..we need those platforms replaced..can we not do what we did at the isla
Federal Gov should take care of it
It would be best to know the federal plans before any significant money was com
Yes to replacing the swimming platforms, but federal funding should be requested
Platforms need to be repaired, the government should pay for this
Use federal funds if possible, but we need to attract people to our area.
Survey of usage first, then determine if cost-effective
needs second staircase

12. What do you like about the Beaverton Harbour?

Sunset, water, energy, potential

The idea of connecting her North and South communities with a bridge

not much other than the view

Barney's, splash pad, the pier and swim platforms location.

Boating, splash pad and the park are our favourite features.

Nice place for people to picnic and just enjoy the fresh air .

The vibe is great but could be so much better

The access to the water. ..the splash pad...the boat launch...and the open area that still exists.

The Lions has invested much time and money and they need to be commended.

Splash pad, playground and pier.

The park is of a good size and includes lots of features

Nothing at the moment. All the boathouses and structures there prevent any proper development to make it a destination.

The pier when itâ€¢ clean

LOVE the kayak launch

Happy to see the splash pad open and functional for young families.

The peace and beauty!!sunset are tue best

Have not been

Main attraction of Brock for families. It should be highly invested in.

Access to beaches when unposted and clean

Itâ€¢ a destination when boating but could be improved. A place to take the grandkids to play.

Splash pad for the kids

The opportunity for enhancement.

It has potential as a destination, now itâ€¢ just ugly.

it is peaceful after supper for a drive then walk around out to pier

I enjoy the pier at sunset, but wish there was seating and garbage cans at the end. People leave a mess out there.

Its accessible anytime.

Knowing we have water access to boat kayak sit and enjoy our beautiful sunsets

Splash pad and park and free boat launching

New docks, splash pad, boat launch, community feel. There is a lot of potential there.

The splash pad and playground

The potential

A place to take the kids

The view/park

better access fto boater to downtown

The view is amazing. my kids love the splash pad, and Barneys has the best food!

The swimming platforms are wonderful. They are much more pleasant to use than the beach with is often mucky and dead fish. I don't let my 2 year old play there. If'd rather take her to the platform and go in together and swim.

The breeze, the splash pad, the beach, the park/playground

Playground and splash pad and great park for kids. Boat launch and boat accessibility.

Fishing swimming
No much currently. So much potential, but council continues to deal with the single most important issue - water quality.
Just that you can launch ur boat to use water on island or somewhere cleaner then beach side
The pier, the bathrooms, the splash pad, the beach (tho always posted)
The splash pad and playground
Great place with a tremendous potential for positive development and huge tourist and visitor benefits for the township that has always been overlooked
The beach when clean which is rare. The splash pad is why I go there.
It is close to get away to the beach
It's a beautiful place to spend time. The beach area could be cleaner and maybe flower boxes along the pier. More advertising about it perhaps. More parking.
The view.
How close it is to downtown and other amenities
The view is perfect.
It's a great place to take the kids!
Potential for water activities i.e. swimming, fishing, boating. Needs infrastructure and wraparound provramming to make this a reality.
Accessibility and the great pier
Still has the old small town charm and inviting for families, residents and visitors, to use splash pad and playground. Barney's restaurant is centre of meeting place for many year round.
Been there forever, loved the rocks and pier.
Looking so much better now. Please keep both south and north beaches clean and garbage cans emptied.
Splash pad and playground, as well as the pier itself.
Splash pad
Splash pad
Barney's watching the kids at the splash pad,
Sunsets
Water/Beach/Swimming
Barneys
It's our greatest asset.
Lake
Splash pad
Splash pad and playground
Waterfront property, open to local, and seasonal residents, for shared use and enjoyment. Sadly, the area, for swimmers has been neglected for decades. It could be a gem, but is the farthest thing from it.
Many fun memories made and making. Great splash pad and playground.
There is so much potential. If I owned the whole thing I would get rid of the houses behind barneys, create boat slips and the other houses could become cafes, B&Bs, shops etc. Make it a destination. I'd also have a golf cart shuttle service on weekend in the summer to bring tourists to the town. Then you wouldn't have to worry about parking either

Watching the sunset.
I like how anyone can go down their have fun with family and friends and not worry about anything also the water is always so nice in the summer
The views, splash pad for kids
A calm and peaceful place to go in the evening.
Itâ access to the lake and has activities for young children
Splash pad
It is a great place , always different ! I walk there most days to enjoy and admire the lake and what it brings to Beaverton. Despite the changing weather , the lake always offers unique views . We need to protect the lake and Beaverton is so fortunate to have this access to Lake Simcoe. We have the Beaver River as well . (wildlife too!)
location
Pier. Beach. All walks of life enjoy it.
Location! Lovely area to bring kids, just wish water was cleaned of sludge so they could swim.
Playground and splash pad are great!
Not much.
Beaverton is on the water. You should make it a gorgeous destination for people to come and enjoy the beautiful surroundings.
We love the splash pad and playground.
It is nice to have a beach in our town. It has a lot of potential for future development in Beaverton. Hopefully bringing tourism and more jobs in our community
The views, and the potential which I hope is one day fully realized
The Pier
The splash pad and park are lovely, as is the pier
Swimming off the pier
My memories mostly and the peace of the water
The swim platforms, the pier, the playground
the pier when not overrun with fisher people, excellent for kids for swimming, calming, soothing to sit at end of pier...lots for the kids to do...
The splash pad
Boat houses are very unique
The pier has a beautiful view
New dockage.
A lovely location. Not very big. The Canada Goose issues have been improved.
I like the "vibe" from the people. I drive to the harbour about once a week to walk my dog out along the pier and around the upper park area. Everyone is friendly. I've fished at the pier a few times and it's the same friendliness from the others fishing.
Splashpad and park
Great place to walk , relax & enjoy the beautiful sunsets .
It's a gathering place....for all ages
sunsets-wildlife
There is a huge opportunity to open Beaverton to aesthetically pleasing waterfront development.

It has many great features to help entertain your family at a low cost.
Not much
Lots to do there for kids. Very nice scenery
There are lots of trees, lots of grassy area, plenty for the children to do.
Its local free fun and you can easily lose track of time there. It's great because if you forget to pack a lunch and your crew gets hungry the restaurant is right there or pizza up town.
It all looks good. But I still take my kids out of town to a different beach.
most importantly its a people place.
It is rare to find a harbour on the eastern shore. The river is always interesting especially in spring breakup. Lots of wildlife to spot.
Access to water, pier (!) the romantic boat houses, kid's play area, park.
Nice sunset and place to be in nice weather.
Close proximity to launch our boat
The open clean space and the ability to walk the pier
It's beautiful! Feel badly that more people don't know it's there. It has tremendous potential to help the entire community to draw visitors to the area.
Sunsets!
It's a wonderful place for families and people of all ages to enjoy. It's unspoiled and easy going.
It is a wonderful place, it encompasses the relaxed, family oriented park, beach, Nature etc that we all look for in summer
Not much beyond the splash pad
Watching sunsets, taking grandkids to play, fresh air walk
Great destination for boaters
Barney's patio.
Watching grandkids play in the park.
Fishing of the pier. Boat launch.
beach - when cleaned
It offers a great view of the lake with a lot of potential to draw tourists into Beaverton
Sunsets & winter views
Free for residents to launce a boat. Hub for ice fishing. Walkable. Access to lake Simcoe.
It is the place where the land meets the lake. It is where people come to feel and be close to nature.
Splash pad
the potential
The splash pad is a big hit when we have family up for a visit.
The Randy Skinner Family Splash Pad and the Foster Hewitt Playground are excellent for families with young children.
Not much! It is not inviting at all. Why aren't there benches/seating along the boardwalk or at the end of the pier. It looks more like you don't want people using it then using it
Sunsets in the pier, the play areas, the swimming platforms
the view, the tranquility
Ice cream at Barney's and splash pad, playground and beach.
It makes Beaverton unique and could provide an undiscovered income to our township.
Community resource!
The history and the beautiful view over our lake

It's a beautiful and free place for families.
The pier and swimming platforms
The fact that I can go down there, watch the sunsets, enjoy the view and openness in a small town without driving somewhere.
Its a great place to take the kids and stay close to home.
swimming off the pier and that small town feel
Good park for kids.
The pier has a nice view
The view
No comment.
Beautiful sunrise and sunsets. The family is able to utilize the area safely
Could be beautiful. Pier is aging. Boat houses in various condition but they are private
Fun place to be always something going on
The lake.
Green space at the lake
Quaintness
even on the major holiday's its not an over crowded area.
Lots of fun for the smaller kids.
Location
Playground and splashpad
Family friendly
The beauty of the lake. The pier.
Natural Beauty of the location
no comment
It is Beavertons front lawn. Think of Beaverton as a Barrie. Plan for the long haul so that in 50 years the planning pays off. I realize it takes money/planning to implement ideas so if that plan takes 20/30 or 40. Then do it for future Beaverton
The splash pad and park
Marina access
Close to town
It has a restaurant.
Great area for children and families
I like that there is a restaurant there. I definitely appreciate the playground and Waterpark for the children. I appreciate the parking being available as well as the boat launch. I like the fact that you can walk out onto the pier and watch the boats come and go up and down the river.
the splash pad
The lake views and sunsets are beautiful. The splash pad and playground are wonderful.
Splash pad is great but should have spots for kids to change closer & cleaner + change tables for little ones /diaper station change options
I love that there is a lake, park and splash pad so close.
The splash pad and playgrounds and the view
Having a nice place outdoors to walk or drive to improves our quality of life
That we have the harbour and it is a treasure we should protect and develop .
I am grown up here, and have always loved sitting at the end of the pier with my friends and peers!

We like the splash pad and park.
the harbour was always a great attraction but as time has gone on it has been neglected.
Clean grounds; platforms & pier to swim at! Extended hours of restaurant - Readily availability of port a potties Boathouses are being renovated & improves look Signage is very important poor Improvement has been done with upper walkways Removal of raised wooden weed garden gone - right corner by restaurant - coloured stones
I like the community feel it has and an its is great for moms as meeting place.
I love the splash pad and the playground. I love the grass to have a picnic and love the sand to build sandcastles with my kids.
I love the pier and enjoy running down it.
Amazing park, always full of people, great place to go for a walk, good family destination minus the bathroom.
The location, walking to the end of the pier, the potential for beautiful gardens. The splash pad is a great addition and it is well maintained.
Splash pad and park
It is very unique with the boatthouses. There is a lot of potential there.
Obvious. Access to lake SIMCOE.
With the nearby park, playground and walking trails, it is an attractive location. The views from the harbour are beautiful.
Good cool place to go for lunch.
Splash pad, lake access for swimming, walking pier
It's serenity and peaceful atmosphere
It is looking much better with the new play area and landscaping. The finger docks are great!
The splash pad and play area
Its an open friendly area but the more thats PUT there the less open space there will be and the greater the squeeze on parking..... I see it becoming "too full of stuff". People go there to oicnic and swim and use the splash pad., and launch their boats...leave it at that.and. Please do not entertain the idea of cancelling leases
Beautiful view and location.
I love the boat houses (have always thought town should turn them into restaurants, shops etc but I do know that would frustrate current leasees). Love the restaurant. Love beach yoga.
needs a lot of upgrades to it
The pier is my favorite part of the harbor - being able to access the water via the pier is definitely a must
Splash pad
the fact that they have put in a splash pad for the kids
Splash pad
Pier

The fact itâ€¦there. We are lucky to have it in our community. It location is such an asset. Just needs to be enhanced.
The health department was taking water sample off the beach area. Need signage to know if the water off the beach area is safe to swim in.
We have a boat slip to go to our cottage on Thorah Island it is well maintained.
I love a local beachfront and pier. The accessibility to water within the community should be highlighted and conserved.
Not much.
Great place to fish
Not much
location, view, park and splash pad
Playground, beach, launches
Nice spot for people to go in the heat of the summer. I like how the township staff takes care of the harbour area. Clean and well maintained.
Nice place to visit but there isn't a good place to eat or have a drink.
it allows the youth and elderly a place to enjoy nature and have fun. barneys is a good restaurant.
The playground, the pier.
Picnic area and looking out over the water. Very peaceful.
The pier is a fabulous facility and very unique along this shore of the Lake. The trees provide shade and beauty with very little maintainence. It is free for all to use. The beach and grounds are now kept clean.
It's one of very few patches of lakefront that hasn't been sold to private landowners. It's all we have and it's better than nothing. It's easy to walk to from any point in town. Definitely a plus
Has great potential as major tourist attraction for both winter and summer It has direct access to Beaverton and Brock Township greatest assets...Lake Simcoe! Got to spend money to make money..People drive hours and hours to get to cottage country and drive right by Beaverton to get there We need to make Beaverton a destination not just a bypass..
I like the splash pad and I like the idea that anyone can access the waterfront. I also like the idea of promoting tourism in Beaverton. I think we should talk about upgrading the whole town - looking at the old strand theatre for example - getting it back in business. Getting rid of the meth clinic in town, putting back the old hotel downtown
The beach. Watching the boats leaving the Marina. Walking to the Pier
Itâ€¦the gem of Beaverton. Not too many small towns have what is available in Beaverton.
The pier. I do believe it should be preserved as it is a significant historical feature of Beaverton. Even if one cannot swim off of it, it is still a nice walk and relaxing view.
It's a nice place to enjoy the Lake and the river.
The pier, splash pad and playground
It is generally well kept.
The harbour has always had its own identity apart from the town. The pier and boat houses are what people think of first when it is mentioned. It supports year round activities and many memories for residents and visitors. The newer additions are great but are not what Gives our harbour itâ€¦unique charm.

<p>The view out over the water. Watching the boats come and go. The accessible play park and splash pad (now that you can't swim)</p>
<p>It has Immense potential to attract tourism and be a place that local residents would be more inclined to use.</p>
<p>The Refresh of the Harbour should be coordinated with a master plan to revitalize Beaverton's downtown core.</p>
<p>I like whole area around here. this is great use of Township lands and there is great potential to make this a destination point.</p>
<p>we own it.</p>
<p>I like that fact that it one of the best places to see the sun set. It is the eastern terminus of Lake Simcoe, and it offers an opportunity to creat something great and durable.</p>
<p>We have a gold mine with this harbor. Unlike other communities across Canada; we have not taken advantage of various funding initiatives from various government grants and opportunity to have a good year round commerce/tourism.We need a dedicated group to handle a good 5 year plan to enhance our harbor and area surrounding.</p>
<p>It is a family oriented public space that can be utilized by all.. The splash pad, playground and picnic area service locals and visitors alike...</p>
<p>The harbour is unique and should become a reason for people to come to that area. The beach area needs to be cleaned up, sand brought in and the Canada geese and sea gull issues dealt with.</p>
<p>It is a prime location on Lake Simcoe facing the West. Splash pad and accessible kayak dock are great.</p>
<p>We're so fortunate to have one as many towns don't have a beautiful harbour area. Leave it alone. Get the coffins removed and plant. Remove those rediculous stakes that just went in on the road which deters tourism. I saw a large boat on a trailer turn around on his approach to the harbour. He was afraid of damaging his trailer or boat.</p>
<p>Only the location</p>
<p>It is the last parcel of land on the lake available to make a tourist destination.</p>
<p>The water...it's Brock's best multi purpose access to the lake, the beach,</p>
<p>I lived there as a kid and the beaches where clean and the pier was in good shape I would like to see the beaches cleaned up and the pier fixed up</p>
<p>Its proximity for me</p>
<p>The pier and the lake are priceless assets. There are a rarity to be cherished. The splash pad is a wonderful addition. It has some of the best sunsets in the world!</p>
<p>Pier.</p>
<p>The Restaurant and people who live there.</p>
<p>The pier,the playground and splashpad. I like the restaurant but it closes early.</p>
<p>I love walking/running on the pier, year round. I love how busy both harbours are with ice fishermen and I think we should try to cater to their needs more (food, supplies) I love that the kids use the splash pad. I wish we could safely swim in our lake, as I would swim more if I didn't feel it was a health hazard.</p>
<p>a good place to swim and get a snack at the restaurantunsure</p>

The splashpad is the best thing there for locals and tourists alike. The lake and the sunsets
Water
It could be beautify, attract visitors and generate income, purpose and identify for locals.
https://en.wikivoyage.org/wiki/Honfleur
I chose to live in this township because I love being near water . Either walking our dog , going to breakfast or just looking out at the lake all seasons.
I like the long pier, easy access to the sandy public beach, close parking, looking at the boat houses. Although my kids use the splash/play area it should not be front and centre in that area, relocate to in between the community centre and fairgrounds.
I have great memories as a child taking swimming lesson and fishing off the pier. It seem that the focus has been on adding more "things" and that is a shortcoming. I think that money spent on creating activities in that space will be the greatest way to get it used.
It's accessibility
The lower part of the Beaverton harbour is very well done where the splash pad and playground is
nice park a good asset for the town
the beach, pier, boat launch, ball dimons, walking track.
It's being used.
All vehicles with trailers should park up above, not in the lower parking space.
on the water

13. What do you dislike about the Beaverton Harbour?

Is not at all being utilized to its advantage
The beach is very terrible
always seems dirty. Need town staff to keep it clean regularly. Beach area needs to be kept clean. Maybe more garbage bins and a staff to lean garbage regularly. Good student summer job
I find the boat houses unappealing and they detract from the area. If they were fixed up and maybe used for airbnb it might attract more people to the area as a mini getaway destination. I realize they are not owned by the township though.
The beach/lake water
Lack of parking .
The river can smell sometimes
The gardens on the hill....the plans to fill up every bit of open space...the idea of the sculpture bothers me bc it serves so few.
It was all noted above
Beach and parking.
I highly dislike the woodchips at the park and that the splashpad is so small
See above
Trash bird shit parking space lack of covered sitting areas
Cleanliness of the beach area! So more cleanup time for staff should be put in place. Raking the crud washed ashore
No response
Boat houses, especially the ones in need of repair.
Uncleanliness if beac
Dirty washrooms. Garbage everywhere. No nice restaurant.
It dirty and could use a good cleaning
Does not offer enough to attract people.
The township needs to get rid of residents and make the Harbour a destination - Barneyâ€™ should be the last structure moving out toward pier, rest torn down for transient docking to permit real tourism and stop overs with transportation into town.
Boathouses that front on parking lot should be businesses like bike rental or artisans etc
Water quality. Garbage left on the pier.
The beach area needs to be maintain much better...take time to clean the crap that comes in and take it away rather than draining back into the shore.
Water and beach area dirty and rocky to get in and out
The state of the beach area. Bring in some sand build a breakwater wall to keep the crap out and the beach in
Restaraunt facilities and the boat houses and the beach needs work
Children coffins
I wish the restaurant there was open for dinner and served alcoholic beverages.
The litter and beach
The boat houses definitely are NOT visually appealing. They make the harbour look like a shanty town.

Beach closures. I know that is something that will require a lot of cooperation from many other organizations
Everything but the view/park
The dirty-ness
Lack of parking and the state of the beach.
Lack of parking, dirty portapotties, dirty beach, lack of options for food etc.
Concrete piers. They are ugly, delapated and not a natural looking waterfront. If Fed govt put them there, not sure what their intent was other than a water break for shoreline and boaters coming into harbpur. If all was removed by Federal government, a more natural water frontage could be restored
Dirty beach
Worst quality water on Lake Simcoe! Does anything else even matter?
How gross it is along beach side zero parking and looking at coffins as flower boxes when behind the washrooms could use for parking.. thereâ€s only 1 wheel chair parking,
Cleanliness of the beach, the boat houses, the baby coffins, lack of walking trails, lack of park space.
The no parking along the side of the hill by the playground. Wasted space. Letâ€s use it to park!
Boathouses that turn the area into a shantytown
Dirty beach area
Garbage at end of pier
Filthy polluted beach.
The beach is never cleaned up still has logs from winter melt there
Sometimes the beach can be dirty. The boat houses could be spruced up. Perhaps a grant for them to clean them up.
Not enough parking close enough for those who canâ€t walk from the upper park.
The goose poop everywhere
Poor signage ... dont know whats there.
Minimal infrastructure / services..i.e. no compelling activities to spend a day. Need a good restaurant on the water... like another Fishbone! Or maybe like Boondocks ...aboriginal restaurant to go with Skywoman ... and gas and docks so it is a destination for boaters.
The pier/walkway needs upgrading.
The recent rewilding in general. Still fail to see any improvements from this. Not against trail but it is still unacceptable on most accounts for accessibility. Cutting trees and removing grass seems to work against logic. And now grounds look horrible. Many of the boat houses appear in bad shape. If buildings are leased can town not set standards?
Access to get down to beach. Only one way.
Nothing. It is a real gem for tourism as well as residents.
Garden area at top of hill.
Usually very dirty, beach is often unsafe for swimming
The idea that islanders need to park in the upper lot. My 83 year old mom who is alone a resident of Ethel park cannot drive herself to the harbour to be taken to the island as she cannot physically manage to walk from the upper lot back to the harbour. And she pays taxes for 2 properties in Brock twsp
Too many days the beach is closed for swimming.

ReWilding Projects
Stones need to be removed from beach area and more sand brought in.
Shit houses
The beach
Most of the boathouses are an eyesore
The neglect of the region to care for the harbour, is shameful. An embarrassment.
Disgusting. And most importantly, negligence.
The beach access into the lake is so gross
Limited access for boats to dock and be able to walk to town. All these new shops in town and visitors can only get there when they drive.
It is not clean.
It is extra to dirty all the time, especially the end of the pier. It would be nice if the pier was more present to walk on.
Nothing i like it all
It's looking run down in areas and is very dirty
The end of the pier...garbage and broken glass
Too small, needs to be cleaned up on weekends several times a day. Nothing for older people to do. Not enough picnic tables or room for them
Beach area
Water pollution.
The fact many disrespect nature and abuse the privilege of using the lake .
And the fact there are a few too many geese on "
not cleaned often enough
frequent beach closures
rocky entry
no fitness amenities for older children/
teens/adults
The fact that out of towners park for free when the beach area isn't usable.
North side is even worse! Being used as a boat launch, the north side (Ethel park), is full of ruts so muddy you can't get close, and the water is so silty and swampy it's not even nice to look at.
Beaches being posted as unsafe for swimming due to ecoli. Beaches posted for blue green algae. Beaver River looks filthy most of the time. Boat houses look rundown. Coffins and area is not attractive. I worry about a Walkerton event.
The beach has sludge that washes up and you have to walk through to go swimming. It also smells terrible. Maybe doing a sweep of the beach 2x a day would help?
Also the frequency of the beaches in Beaverton being posted due to high levels of bacteria is a concern.
The last few times I have taken my kids to the beach it was very dirty. The beach and water needs to be cleaned daily like other communities with beautiful beaches. The farm dumping silt and fertilizer into the lake nearby needs to be immediately addressed.
1 The dirtiness. #2 Also The fact it feel like a cramped dead end, which could be alleviated by widening the beach, turning private boathouses into public places. One could even house tourism info and a little museum on the history of lake simcoe. The dead end feel would totally be alleviated, however, by the addition of the foot bridge!

The horrible, rotting wooden boxes from the previous revitalization.
See above
How broken down and shabby it is. Looks like a ghost pier that hasn't been used in years. Review how it used to be and bring it back to life. Fix the platforms and get rid of all those rocks on the swimming side of the pier. Let people swim there again. Let them jump off the pier and have a place at each platform to get up out of the water.
The smell constantly given off by those vial washroom facilities
Not enough space, needs to link to town better via prettier paths, etc. More policing. More regulating ppl fishing off pier, etc.
The parking Garbage can needed at pier Washrooms never open Lack of signage for upper parking Lines on the road to specify that this is a road More transient parking for boats
Renting boat slips out, should be for day trippers only. No amenities for boater to stay the night. North pier almost gone. A long way to walk after lunching boat, no stairs down the hill. Get rid of the coffins, yard junk, high maintenance areas.
Geese and their droppings. Dogs would leave far less mess and keep the geese away.
The last times I was there early in July the scum along the beach made it impossible to walk along the shore.
The boathouses and dirty beach
?
The fact that it is Posted as unsafe for swimming so often... signage to explain the Rewilding concept & rework the benches & plantings..
Unattended garden areas
Currently unappealing entry and aesthetics.
The parking!!
Hmm.
Condition of the beach and general scruffy appearance of the garden area
Not much for adults to do.
A bridge
The boat launch fee at the harbour is a joke and for the amount of revenue it brings in it could be done on the honour system with a deposit box and slot to put your money in.
The nasty waterfront with all the rocks and slugs. Need to be raked more.
motorized winter vehicles should not be allowed to roam over the park land tearing up the ground.
I wish the splash-pad could be relocated. I dislike the commercial fish hut and bait businesses occupying public land and annually damaging the park with powered vehicles. Large, unprotected fuel tanks are stored illegally along the shoreline by these businesses, an environmental disaster in the making.

Too crowded on the weekends. Lack of any local commerce. Unhealthy food restaurant and their old oil and garbage containers. Garbage on the pier. Not enough space for walking and swimming on the pier. Not enough shoreline.
Sometimes congested by large vehicles and trailers during fishing season. Beaches no accessible all of the time.
Not enough parking, no signage for the Rewilding Garden, some boat houses are in disrepair, not well promoted, no hookups for boats to stay overnight at slips
The limited parking but unsure the solution is worth the estimated cost
The pollution.
Shoreline for swimming/wading in
The boat launch
Council should acquire more beach front.
Weeds growing out of the rocks
Beach - has potential to be so much better
Poor parking.
Need more park benches.
Lack of activities in the harbour area.
messy beach when not cleaned
The cleanliness of the water. It is posted as unsafe far too often
Washrooms look kind of creepy. Not enough parking. Crazy to go right down to harbour n back up to ball diamonds parking lot.
Always looks a little dirty and not maintained. For the most part, the splash pad area looks clean.
The revving of engines and the squealing of tires every night. It is going on as I write. This should be a place where individuals, families and children are safe and at peace. The washrooms (outhouses) are pathetic. Who would be attracted to that? Clean it up. Look at what other municipalities with waterfronts are doing.
Nothing to draw you there, other than a walk. Iâ€™m
the current look, the facade of Barney's, the lack of lighting in the peer, the absence of delicate details.
Not enough seating. Not much to do. We have all this land and don't use it. Maybe try to incorporate the land and buildings by the arena to the beach. Add some food venues, and commercial things and people can stroll one area to the other.
The smell from the portable washrooms in the beach park is atrocious and these need more regular cleaning. The beach needs frequent cleaning/raking as well as somehow removing the regular build-up of the black silt-like material on the shores, along with the sharp-edged zebra and quagga mussels.
Older kids gathering at the end of pier (language, and kind of intimidating)
The lack of seating, the lack of food or drink choices, the fact that the water on the side of the yacht club is disgusting, Iâ€™m embarrassed to bring out of town visitors there
The filth of the water, the stench of the water and amenities, garbage left by fisherman, the coffins at the upper harbour area
I don't enjoy my visit when there are loud-mouthed people there. those noisy little toy speed boats operated by someone on land.

Lack of boat spaces and overnight car parking for guests of Thorah Island. If you want people to use the facilities they need to be able to park!
The amount of people outside our community that overwhelm the space without being managed or charged for its usage. It deters locals from using the park on weekends.
Dingy needs life thrown in the design
No great dislikes now that attempts at improvement are visible. We somehow need to bring the main street businesses closer and desirable to walk to both ways.
Fishing from the pier. In spring the pier/harbour was full of out of town fishermen. It was difficult to walk down the pier with the crowding. Same with the north side of the harbour: almost impossible to get to the water with everyone camped out. It would be nice to have a few areas designated as non-fishing.
How small the beach is.
The boat houses, spoil the beauty Free to people who don't live here or contribute anything for the upkeep. The garbage they leave. The congestion of boats and trailers, winter skidoo trucks and trailers The eyesore the past few years with the coffins, total waste of money, I know it was a grant, too bad it was a disaster from day one.
the fact that it seems so forgotten and dirty - the business and homes are an eye sore
Lack of food, lack of shops. Lack of things for people to do.
The lack of facilities to attract and maintain a transient boater community such as Orillia has
No comment
All the goose droppings
The upkeep is terrible
The portable toilets located right beside the splash pad
Wood chips as the base of the playground.
No shelter
Clutter around. Not enough garbage receptacles. Aesthetically poor.
Water quality is often bad for your health and to bad the swim programme was cancelled because of this.
Parking
Need more for boats and cars
Why fix whats not broken.
Would be nice to have the area at lake cleaned up. To Rocky and unappealing for swimming. Needs more benches for parents to sit and watch kids at splash pad and park area.
Fish hit use off the beach should be prohibited.
Underused
Beach beach beach
Tourists take over the grounds and dont watch their kids.
The unkept beach and the garbage that is left in the pier. Maybe some garbage pails down at the end would help with this.

The filthy state of the water and weeds. Dredging definitely needs to be done immediately.
Crowds of rude people who expect everything they want to be available to them without cost and without consideration for other users.
- parking spots are difficult to find
The beach isn't very inviting to swim in.
Again I appreciate the volunteer effort of launch and trying to divert run off water but what was done by the washrooms was in my opinion a terrible idea. How about picnic tables so more people can use.
Looks at the weeds growing along the side of harbour walls. That is embarrassing.
The port a potties
Poor water quality from farm run off
Always seems dirty
Extreme shallow area in the harbour waterway.
The mess that was made with the area around the washrooms. Looks horrible. The volunteer lions club have made the best and nicest contributions to the harbour without expensive consultant fees.
The whole lions club contributions have brought people back to the harbour again
The decrepit boat houses.
Not enough parking. The pier looks a little rough.
beaches are posted as being unsafe regularly
Beach isn't clean to swim in & no ripe or safe swimming area in the water - orillia has a great one if they want input /floating rope to show where it is shallow etc
I dislike the cleanliness issues of the beach and bathrooms. It would be better if more swimming platforms were added and maintained so people can get away from the gross shoreline.
Washroom facilities
It's just a little ho hum but has potential to be very grand
Not enough places to tie your boat up.
Its to far to walk into town. Would be great if you could drive your boat into town.
Gas pumps should be open later.
The washrooms are not the best, and the restaurant at the harbour closes very early.
I think it can be cleaned up a lot better.
the boat houses need to be removed from the restaurant out and there would be more boat launches available.
Weeds to pier could be manicured; but overall cleanliness is good.
More parking, room for vehicles both sides of road & emergency vehicles in centre
Not enough Wild flowers - orange lilies; hostas - not weeds in boxes :
Beach area is a challenge with geese droppings
We need to level out bricked pathways- uneven & full of dirt
the disappointment of people from out of town that have travelled to come there for a day trip and then be unsure about the water.
The smell, which you can't do much about.

Bathrooms!
Goose poop
Garbage
Yellow poles in road
Pot hole in parking lot
Bacteria in water
Coffins
Flower pots full of weeds
Ground hogs
Area smells bad
The coffin things!! The gardens there are also unappealing.
The beach being nasty
Beaches are closed alot. The pier is in bad need of repair. There is a need for more garbage cans not only @ the pier but also throughout town. The garbage lying around is a disgrace. The north beach is disgusting. I kayak there & the driveway is a mud hole. Also sup yoga is held there occasionally & you can't even access it!
It seems run down. Lack of boat slips
The muck on the shoreline.
Outhouses
It's cleanliness, lack of sitting spaces and the shadflies
While the new landscaping is nice the plant materials in the planters and the stone pathways look very scruffy.
Needs more seating and picnic tables and a regular cleaning of the beach area
The fact that the bait launch is so squeezed.....
There is too much traffic and crowded with parking for boaters to launch easily. They also have a long trek back to get their vehicle and trailer leaving the ramps jammed up during the time the owners are gonea very awkward situation.
Old boathouses should all be removed and replaced with wooden walkways like Orillia waterfront.
-as an islander it is unfair that I pay to dock at island, plus at harbour, but can't park down below. Overnight islanders are not the issue, daytrippers are and they don't contribute to taxes!
- goose poop on docks
- fishermen getting line stuck in my prop as I drive by
- porta potties in prime spot
to many fishing on harbour side and keeping fish to small.
There isn't a lot of place to enjoy the harbour on warm days in the summer as it can get pretty crowded. Additional seating and picnic areas are needed there.
Launch bay need be increased, quality of beach front and seaweed
Water scum
No parking
Boathouses
Rocks getting into water
dislike th the washrooms are filthy and smell, lack of tables and benches at the beach
Beach needs maintenance

<p>The boathouses are crap! Yes, I know theyâre owned leased blah blah blah. Theyâre gross, unattractive and there is absolutely no visible standard to how they should be kept. The new landscaping is atrocious. The operational plan for maintenance seems to be missing. Weeds everywhere.</p>
<p>Relocate the Kayak Dock and add more boat parking. When the water level goes down the ramps going out to the boat parking docks are too steep the walk on. Solution add a concrete ledge to secure the ramps so when water level goes down its not a steep incline. Let the islanders park in the lot closest to where they park their boats.</p>
<p>No garbage cans near the information booth. Or elsewhere.</p>
<p>Lack of basic amenities and lack of community inclusivity.</p>
<p>Just about everything.</p>
<p>The eating facilities, and the congestion.</p>
<p>Dirty, disorganized,</p>
<p>unkempt, sad looking.</p>
<p>bit shabby looking</p>
<p>Create a little better beach sand area. Build a berm set back and more sand behind that. Come down a little harder on the winter fishermen use of the harbour regarding garbage.I also dislike all the negative comments from ignorant townspeople who do nothing to help with the harbour.</p>
<p>Exceeds weeds in Harbour</p>
<p>Availability of restaurants and parking</p>
<p>over grown trees, birds, bird poop, lack of events hosted there.</p>
<p>The beach is never swimmable due to contaminants and while the park itself is always clean the shoreline is gross and smelly. I would love to feel comfortable taking my daughter swimming at our beach.</p>
<p>Although the beach is cleaned up in the spring it sometimes doesn't seem clean. Could be because of the birds, I'm not sure. I go there, but not in summer, when the kids are home from school! Parking can be an issue. I really enjoy the restaurant for breakfast and coffee and then walking the pier. As a senior it's my 'happy' place!</p>
<p>The public washrooms should be enlarged, updated and kept clean. Temporary washrooms are never clean enough.</p>
<p>It's small, already seems crowded. So dirty even though you can see the effort that's been put into cleaning it up. Beach area mainly. Park area is always pretty good, despite the potties. Gardens aren't nice looking</p>
<p>water qualityis disgusting..beaches in Toronto are alot cleaner..doesn't make sense..stop the phosphorous dump coming down the Beaver River,Trent Canal,Whites Creek, Pefferlaw River and from the Buck Choi farms near Beaverton.Come on, they get 4 crops a year and their right on lake Simcoe.Someone dropped the ball on that one!</p>
<p>Restaurant</p>
<p>Dirty beach and water from</p>
<p>No where to sit</p>
<p>Open up the Public washrooms</p>
<p>The fact that the water is polluted so much if the summer. I realize that isnât the fault of the township-just an unfortunate reality that occurs every year.</p>

Obviously - water quality (or lack of!)
The beach and water quality .
No washroom building and the beach isnt always maintained
Well. Have to say. Poor choice for water control with coffins. Hopefully a bit of ingenuity can help salvage their image.
Parking issues.
It is starting to look a little run down and unkempt.
Buildings located on it are kind of run down and ramshackle in appearance.
Also, it needs to be bigger to accommodate more boats.
With more people using the harbour, congestion and disorder are common. This is one of the drawbacks to improving the area but these lands are for everyone
it sits there waiting for people to bring it alive.
It is a mess of poor decisions and desperately needs a sophisticated plan and design. It is too important a space to pick away at while ignoring the much larger potential for the space.
Neediness.
It is not attracting any tourism,jobs and commerce .To much money spent on things that do not benefit area long term. Again look around the lake and area see what others have done.
The wasted municipal parkland as a result of the last 'special interest' project that, despite all claims, will accomplish little to nothing in cleaning up the lake. Before we render even more valuable parkland unusable lets use some common sense...
A number of the dwellings along the harbour are in need of repair and paint
In general, not well advertised or promoted. How can we make it a DESTINATION? The restaurant and boathouses should be re-developed to make the tourism uses. Eg. We need a GREAT patio at the restaurant. What is there currently is a deterrent.
Attempts to improve are a disaster. Reduced parking near the restaurant with more coffins. Tourists appalled that the coffins on the hill haven't been removed. Stakes in the middle of the road which was an idea that is beyond belief. Another waste of our tax dollars.
Old
That nothing has been done to take advantage of it, the fairground lands and the land to the south.
It needs a better restaurant if we want more people to come more often...the one that is there is ordinary
The organization of and amenities for ice fishing are old, tired and unattractive
The washrooms need to be opened more and cleaned more often including the port-a-potty need to be checked twice a day and stocked and cleaned
The parking for trucks and trailers. The new speed controls for the road. Some larger trailers will not be able to make it through. There is no parking for transient boaters. The one little boat have been parked at Barneys all summer. It's is marked as 3 hour parking
Many of the private buildings are poorly maintained and are an eyesore.
Boat launch needs help. Make launch fees free for all to promote tourism. Kiosk not required.

<p>The filthy water, weeds, logs etc. that have accumulated especially in the boat launch area.</p>
<p>Have the coffin like boxes removed from what was once our beautiful Park area where games could be played and grass kept in much better shape.</p>
<p>Not enough maintained landscape and gardens. I would like to see more horticultural investment and maintenance.</p>
<p>i don't drive, but there is not enough parking.</p>
<p>Goose poop in the water and on the beach/grass, It is much better than it used to be. I realize it is a struggle, and I like the geese, just not what comes out of them!</p>
<p>unsure</p>
<p>That the Beaverton beaches are closed to swimming more than any others on the lake. Water quality seems to be getting worse with silt pollution in the area. I think the area is underutilized. I don't think they should have extended the leases on the private boathouses, so they could make better use of the waterfront space. Needs sprucing up!</p>
<p>Terrible beach. Parking.</p>
<p>It is bland and not maintained</p>
<p>The condition of the beach.</p>
<p>Right now there is a mish-mash of 'things', plus more eclectic proposals in progress. The focal point is the playground/splash pad which it shouldn't be. Think about other harbours and waterfronts, you have boardwalks, shops, cafes, seasonal vendors, with parks, playgrounds, condo set back. Why not move this near the fairgrounds & community centre?</p>
<p>The Filth, I usually go down in the morning and it is always covered with cigarette butts and other garbage.</p>
<p>The upper part of the Beaverton harbour is a mess it is not taken care of properly and driving down by the Beaverton Harbour it looks like we have coffins and weeds very disgusting in my mind</p>
<p>the coffins</p>
<p>Not enough parking. Trees cut down. Not enough consultation for changes.</p>

14. What should be the number one priority at the Beaverton Harbour?

Public events
Pedestrian bridge and Beach clean-up
cleanliness
Cleaning up the area, water, grounds, platforms. And maintaining the cleaning. If it was busier down there is might deter the kids from going down there and vandalizing the property. Build it and the ppl will come.
Cleaning up the lake/beach (if this is possible). A beach like Lagoon City A.C.A.A.S private beach would be amazing!
The bridge
AvailabiTY of open space for people to enjoy to their own devices....I don't feel there has to be "entertainment " for people at every turn.
Beach pier bridge
I would say parking only because we barely have enough now and as improvement are made, more will come.
See above
Cleanliness & Hygiene
The walk way, but not at. Cost of 2.5 million
Generate township money to help with its upkeep
Cleanliness of beach, park, research ways to keep the lake and swimming safe.
Clean up beaches
Clean up what is there first. Advertise as a destination for boaters and snowmobilers across the whole area. Maybe provide a horse carriage to take people from the harbour to downtown on advertised weekends for events.
Parking . And making the beach a beach. Not a shaded area with sand and trees.
Accessibility, enhancement accommodations and attractions.
Get rid of private housing
Cleanliness
Improvement to the pier make it wider and make it more inviting
Get rid of the boxes (coffins)at the top if the hill or at least make them look nice. Plants some flowers in them paint them etc
The beach and restaurant facilities/ food truck option
Parking
A place for kids to enjoy
Cleaning it up
The beach area...a fountain, something to keep the stagnant water moving , clean up water and beach for swimming. Increase beach size
Should be more visually attractive with better parking. Would REALLY be great if the beach could be made healthier for swimming.
Develop/expand the beachfront and encourage more tourism.
Buying back the boat houses. Itâ€s not going to get any easier or cheaper start the process now! Or change the development status to allow for commercial use.
Cleaning. Cleaning the beach, the grass, the rocks along the pier. Skimming the waters of dead fist, litter and black stuff
Swimming platforms.
Parking

Keep what you have clean and maintained .
Swimming platform
The bridge for the safety of the resident in Ethal park. Escape route if an emergency ever happen with a train derailment
Finding & correcting the source of the disgusting water quality that is originating upstream of Beaverton.
Parking aswell as clean beaches with some of the branches and beach shore clean up
Removing the boathouses.
Expropriate land to increase the parks foot print. Increasing the potential to helping the environment and protecting the water.
Keeping the place safe and clean. Can we increase splash pad times to 9pm? In the summer itâs still hot and after a night of baseball etc it would be great to take kids for a late nkggg cool down
Removal of boathouses and turn the area into a desirable location for visitors
Clean beach area
Clean lake and beach.
Water clean up
Cleaning up, parking and advertising.
Parking
Beautifying the areas closest to the water. Add the sculpture to draw visitors for photo ops right on the water.
Improve access via parking and signage.
Improve pedestrian use via paths, gardens and scenic lookouts. Replace the coffins with Muskoka chairs.
Need good bathrooms and meal options to draw people in.
The pier
A PLAN! HONESTLY! some good things have happened but also a lot of wasted money. Time to create a proper overall plan and design of harbour and fairgrounds with full community involvement led by township staff to address all issues but to also have a reference when special interest groups come forward with ideas or "GIFTS"
Access
At this point, as so much has been done, keep it clean at all times.
Beach and landscaping
Parking
Water quality
Parking
Continue working on cleaning the water pollution.
Snow removal.
Repair of/obtaining the pier.
Bridge.
Cleaning the beach and encouraging boaters to spend the night similar to Orillia, Fenelon Falls
A safe and clean place to enter the water and swim
Cleaning up the stagnating water surrpunding the harbour. Finding solutions for the filth left by the geese and ducks. Reestablishing the health of the harbour, for aquatic life, and human enjoyment alike.

Family friendly tourism options. Locals would use it, but visitors would come to use it.
Having more restaurants choices.
To be safe
Keeping it clean. Freshening up what's there
Cleanliness
Clean the beaches and the garbage
Maintaining beach quality and cleanliness
Clean, safe environment.
Making the harbour itself a focal point of our town Beaverton!! And a tourist attraction for Brock township!!
recreation for residents: specifically swimming and watersports
Ease of access.
Making the beach (water and land) usable. Needs proper and consistent maintenance-like at other public beaches where they are cleaned every morning.
It all starts with clean water.
Swimming and being able to enjoy the park and splash pad with the kids. Also being able to boat and kayak/canoe.
Cleanliness of the beach. Keeping Lake Simcoe a priority to address pollutants, contamination and harmful chemicals from entering the lake at an alarming rate. This directly affects the frequency of beach postings and results in less people visiting our community for day trips/swimming. This is our number one asset to the Beaverton harbour.
Cleaning up the beach and water
Cleanliness
Safety of the water
Clean it up and fix it up. Right now it is so us inviting that it is really sad. When I was a child, you had to be there by 9 am to place a towel on a rock, otherwise you wouldn't get a place to sit. It was always that full. Now there's no one
Cleaning the water - get rid of the commercial farm dumping
Install security cameras to catch the idiots speeding, destroying, vandalizing! Better swimming platforms. Parking.
Parking...the more people that come the better
New sand on a regular basis.
New bathrooms or improved (hot water)
More picnic areas and signage/advertising as a place to enjoy.
I can't say, but a fancy statue isn't it.
Clean beach
Keeping it clean & friendly for all .
Washroom facilities!
Making the area more welcoming and becoming a showcase for the township
Future economic development for Beaverton as a tourist destination.
Take back the leases on the boathouses and tear them all down
Clean up the beach and improve the garden area for goodness sake remove those ridiculous boxes from the garden area. Relocate the portal toilets.
keeping it clean and safe for everyone
It needs dressing up. It looks boring from the water!! Why would anyone want to dock here?

A bridge across to the other side for pedestrian and bicycles also a marked trail for bikes and foot traffic
More amenities for the whole family
The beaches
skywoman installation as a driving economic force for Brock Township. Brock township could be promoted to included all 3 village attributes!
Installation of Skywoman
Increase the access to water - make more swimming platforms off the pier, or all along the pier, plus provide a shaded shelter there (gazebo?). Take care of the garbage and stinky containers problem. Allow healthy food vendors there.
I think that SKYWOMAN should be a priority.
Promotion as a tourist destination
The community is in the right track. The addition of the sculpture and bridge will start the renaissance if the area. Hoping it can become a destination with quaint shops and cafes down the road. Is possible with new visitors who will see the potential.
SkyWoman
Attracting people and commerce to the town.
Improving boat launch.
Take over the Federal lands and develop the boat houses into shops
Tidy it up.
Perhaps include planters with flowers or hanging baskets.
SKYwoman
Skywoman project.
BEACH AREA
To preserve it as a clean safe spit for residents and tourists
Cleanliness of beach & lake.
Transforming it into a tourism hub for Brock. Making access easy and cheap for families to enjoy our harbour. Have great signage that helps explain the area and directs people to our vibrant downtown shopping.
Get the Federal Government to cooperate with Brock Council. The Feds need to understand that the harbour is the jewel of our community. Presently it is a liability, not an asset so don't let them download it. Make them live up to THEIR responsibility of providing services. We can NOT afford this divestiture. We're too small.
I'm not a tourist expert but we have no drawing cards to Beaverton. Make it better.
lighting and reorganizing parking area and its pavement.
Clean it up and make use of it. We needs to give all people a reason to go there.
Keeping the beach park clean and the beach well maintained.
Tourism and a place for locals
Getting rid of the housing and investing in-the development of shops people actually want to visit. There is no reason at all to visit the harbour giving 90% of the time you can't even go in the water
Parking
Cleaning the water - making sure there are absolutely no days in the summer that are unsafe to swim. Shut those farms down.
Boat and car parking.
Parking and establishing some income from this space.

Visitors pay for parking
Beach clean up daily or every other day
Environmental protection of the waterfront
Water quality
Recognize this as an asset that many towns would love to have at their doorstep and continue to work on improvements to attract locals and tourists to visit this area.
The beach area. Again, huge opportunity here. Improving water quality, which I understand is not in the Township's control, would be a key factor. Making this a priority and working with the relevant partners to address this issue (i.e., fertilizer runoff) is most important.
Infrastructure at the beach can follow.
Parking
The boat houses gone
Keeping the beach clean. And parking by the boat launch needs to be patrolled better cause people park wherever they want and continue to do so.
cleanliness
Increasing things to do down there to attract people. Very beautiful but not much to do
1. Boat Launch
2. Parking
3. Washroom Facilities
4. Break wall
5. Additional Boat slips
No comment.
The Skywoman project. I feel it would be an icon for Beaverton like the one in Barrie is
Add more sand for the beach and parking
Cleanliness
Clean up the water
More shaded areas in the playground area
More parking
FUN.
Cleaning the beach
Family and tourists, cleanliness
Beach
Bridge
Seating on the pier and or maintaining the beach in a more regular basis from May 24- Labour day at bare min.
Dredge the Harbour and clean out the weeds.
keeping existing Township owned property clean and open to users.
#1 - clean, safe beaches for swimming all summer
Gear as much as possible for boaters as that what a harbour is for.
Improved water quality
Cleaning up the beach, water condition s, more garbage cans
Keeping the waterway dredged.
Picnic shelter or pavilion. Put this in the location of those horrible coffins. (For lack of a better word) they are an eyesore with or without the unattended plants.
Making the pier nicer looking and adding seating along the pier.

Security and parking-before you add things that will bring in more people you need to make sure there the area can support it.
clean, safe beach
Clean water for swimming and clean beach.
Fixing whatâ€s there alreadyv
Swimming platforms.
Washrooms and possible gardens
Improve garden and swimming areas
Open beaches. We should count on being able to use the beach. I taught swimming in the early 70s at the beach harbour. We had 250 kids in the program. The beach was open everyday rain or shine. The kids loved it. The beach was packed with parents, kids and picnic baskets.
Upgrading the washrooms.
Cleanliness.
berms to be built on both sides of the harbour to increase swimming area and the road bank would not be eroding on the ethel park side.
Itâ€s the biggest asset to Beaverton - we need to preserve,improve & protect what we have... Keep it Clean,inviting; create entertainment - encourage families (young & old) Music; movies; swimming; kayaking , boating paddles , drumming , yoga - swimming lessons returning again A possible tour boat
the water at the beach
I love the idea of the pedestrian bridge. I think that could bring more foot traffic instead of vehicles.
B a t h r o o m s that are clean and donâ€t stink!
Removing the coffins and replacing the gardens, replanting trees
Beach clean up
The pier & washrooms
Repair pier.
Not being a resident, Iâ€™m not sure of the priorities. But whatever amenities there are should be safe, clean and attractive. In turn, folks will come and support the local businesses I. This charming town that has so much potential. The installation of Skywoman would go a long way to creating interest in the area.
Keep it for the people of Beaverton and not make it into a tourist trap.
Washrooms, maintaining pier
The beach
Washrooms and parking.
Cleaning and seating.
Lots of open apace for people to picnic and play and nit be jammed in cheek to jowl Don't overload the area with stuff.
Restore the upper park back the way it was.
- accessible transient parking to attract tourism dollars - this would require redesign of harbour to protect it on windy days - better value than a footbridge, though - we spent lots of money on dinners, shopping etc when we go places like Jackson's Point or Orillia by boat, but people can't do that here.
keeping the lake clean.

Cleaning up the beach area and putting a parking fee in place - the funds could be used to better the harbor area.
Clean the beach front and seaweed problem
Entertainment
Beach
cleaning up the water and the washrooms
Beach area
Consultants from other similar communities. What will drive economic growth while maintaining the heritage of the park.
Boat parking when someone won't move their boat from the boat parking spot I feel threaten after approaching them. Need and asked for a sign be put in our boat parking spot we have had to put our own sign there.
Parking and upgrading the pier to accommodate more boat slips.
Guided tours and vendor opportunities. Beach restoration. Kayak and canoe rentals.
Tourist attraction with shops, restaurants. Present restaurant is not open for dinner and the food is horrible.
Food, shade and more waste baskets
Shops,shopping market area, nicer beach, KEEP IT CLEAN!
all of the above
Make it attractive and draw people there. Maybe look into the cost of a bouncy platform play area in the water like the one in Tudhope park in Orillia. They recover costs by charging people to use it.
Dredging
This may have already been done, but if not, the Township should consider a master plan for the harbour area that looks at current and future needs for this area, that aligns with growth plans and Durham Region's master plan
fix the pier. i know its federal so someone needs to be getting on top of that.
A solution to the dirty shoreline and contaminated water.
Clean lake.
Maintaining the pier
Clean up the sand and find a way to get rid of the muck. Piling it up at the end of the Sandy area is not good, stinky!Dirty! Breeding ground for who knows what. Clean up garbage on the rocks of the pier.
Right now forget all the above plans..Launch Ramps..Launch Ramps..Launch Ramps.Before somebody gets hurt! Those ramps and dock were made 20 some odd yrs ago for 14ft aluminum boats with single axle roller trailers! The ramps and dock are way to short.Most of the boats that use the ramps now are 20ft and larger and heavier and use double axle bunk
Cleaning the waterfront
Putting in a restaurant
Getting rid of the coffins
Not putting in ugly art statues that don't represent the community
Public Docking and fines for people using the existing spots overnight!!
Keeping it well maintained
Water quality
Getting the water cleaner
Water quality.

The run off of polluted water into lake Simcoe
Upgrading as a whole. I don't believe there is one issue that is most important.
working toward cleaning up the water so kids can swim again.
Coordinate improvements of the Harbour with a plan to support Beaverton's businesses and benefit the local community.
In short, better washroom facilities and security to protect the investments should be the current priority.
we have a Gem in the harbor and we ignore the possibilities. lets have boat cruises, dances
A grande design is needed. The Fairgrounds and Curling club should be relocated to another area. This would provide the necessary acreage and open access needed for a park and harbour that would serve the whole community and attract tourists and cottages. A hotel would lengthen the seasons and provide much needed winter employment .
Footbridge to Ethel Park.
Some style of bridging for Ethel Park from a safety aspect. More slips for transients.
A total redesign to make it more people friendly and functional.
Maintain park cleanliness..
A project like a good sized picnic shelter or gazebo.. something that can actually be utilized by the community through all seasons would be a great addition.
New and better washroom facilities.
Remove all of the above. With the new splash pad and natural beauty-- don't interfere as when you do it is truly a disaster as noted above.
Indoor year round swimming pool!
A complete re-think about what is possible there. It represents a rare opportunity. DO NOT WASTE IT BY THINKING SMALL!
Activities and events that will draw people from town and beyond...Brockton's Big Bite for example
The pier
Generating revenue by charging none residents for parking and using that money to offset the costs of other projects. Maybe that could pay for the swim platforms getting the parking properly organized
Dressing up the pier, replacing broken swimming platforms, adding more inviting sitting area, maybe even a bit of a canopy, maybe even an ice resistant foundation for the SkyWomen. Lets bring some "class" to the area to rival anywhere else on the lake.
Bridge.
Definitely have the Harbour dredged and cleaned up with obnoxious weeds removed.
Certainly a detriment to propellers of boats etc.
Cleanliness and promotion for tourist stop.
Being sure the Pier is safe for swimmers.
Increasing entrepreneurial opportunities to add more value to the space for visitors.
get rid of the caskets
Cleaning up the water and the waterfront!
We need to do something to put ourselves on the map!
Bridge

<p>The Harbour is ICONIC! Yet is treated as a nuisance or a liability. The Harbour needs an overall plan that embraces many issues. Locals and first nations should be involved. The goal should be to make the harbour an attractive destination that would in turn attract additional investment. It could be a thing of beauty and attract commerce and arts</p>
<p>Keeping it clean.</p>
<p>Think strategically regarding visitors and residents and how to draw EVERYONE to the area, keeping with the vision of showcasing our waterfront. We need inviting and meaningful space, not just a sculpture, playground and a few picnic tables. A short term solution is a pavilion/gazebo for gatherings and events.</p>
<p>Creating activities and having people engaged in this space.</p>
<p>Families having a place to go at no cost</p>
<p>Cleaning up the upper level of the Beaverton harbour</p>
<p>open access for the residence people</p>
<p>Upkeep.</p>
<p>people should be able to park one side of the hill</p>

15. If you have any other comments regarding the Beaverton Harbour, please explain.

It's a gem for Brock Township and we must invest in this. Some things like Sky Woman come virtually for free and others are well worth our investment in terms of tourism dividends

We have big potential here

I appreciate your hard work in trying to make our harbour the best it can be. :)

Build the bridge.

Thank you Lions Club for everything they do and continue to do.
Rubber or something similar would be better than wood chips but I think that money can be spent better else where for the time being.

Signage on highway 12 to promote and advertise downtown Beaverton/Beaverton Harbour

The harbour is a unique attribute Beaverton has. Let's use it to promote our great town.

Make federal government fix pier and harbor based on townships specs or walk away from taking over.

It needs green number in case of emergency's

Beaverton has 2 beaches the township has been doing very good this year at keeping the north beach cleaned up but there is a lot more that could be done. A breakwater wall across there would be perfect. The beach is disappearing and it won't be long before the road is eroded away. It would be better to fix now instead of having to replace the road.

There is a ton of opportunity that we are currently missing out, could mirror more of the beach/parks in Orillia by providing food options such as food truck, and a nice place to dine on a patio by the water.

I really don't think a footbridge is a good idea at the cost of 2.5 mil. as stated before.

Make tourism more aware of the great place the area is.

We are a lake front community that doesn't make any use of the lake to draw tourists, Beaverton Harbour was once very grand looking but now unnatural with pier that seems to provide water break for boaters but not much else. Past pics of Harbour seem more scenic, and might enhance usage if water area reopened. Again not sure why the giant pier system other than waves and for boats. Maybe there are better options.

Fix the lights going out to the pier

Beaverton Council is missing the boat ... open your eyes and just look at the water. Would you or your children swim in that harbour water? I sure hope not.

Beaverton's entire economic future rests on the water quality bring improved!!! The goal should be pristine water!

As well need to get more garbage bins for people to use those instead of water or just leaving it on ground,
It could be very beautiful space and would bring people into our town and hopefully help support small town Businesses,

Removing some of the parking from the upper park to the lower park would allow the opportunity to run trails throughout

Don't add more statue, structure etc. It becomes an eye sore. Keep it simple.

Previous councils have never taken a proactive approach to the most important asset our township has. Hopefully the current council doesn't follow in their footsteps. So much potential and zero action

No thank you.

<p>Need a marquee sporting store (e.g. Cabelas, Sail) in town to draw people to activities. Need to connect downtown revitalization with the Harbour for an overall experience. E.g. shopping, dining, entertainment and waterplay. But water quality need remediation (bok choy farm at waters edge)</p>
<p>Advertising and transpiration to the pier fro. Downtown. Carriage rides. Wagon rides. Bike rentals. Trishaws.</p>
<p>2 questions devoted to skywoman? And nothing about real tourism or economic development? Or purchasing the harbour from the feds? This is a good first start but hopefully much more discussion and involvement happens before staff or council make informed longterm decisions</p>
<p>Need to justify the cost for additional projects instead of other essential maintenance work in town.</p>
<p>The Harbour should be made attractive to boaters- more dining options it would be a good place for a sat am farmer's market</p>
<p>Open up the beach at the filtration plant, that would give us another 100 ft. Of access and maybe even set up beach volleyball nets</p>
<p>Police presence on weekends and evenings occasionally</p>
<p>Adding more things to look at will not make the area better for residents, local people don't use the waterfront because its dirty and there is not enough to do. clean , appealing swimming would attract more repeat tourism.</p>
<p>Bathrooms should be improved and open every day. Nice walkway from upper lot (ball diamond) down to pad to encourage proper use, place to rinse off at the beach so the splash pad isn't being used as a shower, relocation of portapotties- on a warm busy day the smell is overwhelming</p>
<p>It's sad to live in a waterfront community vthat really seems to neglect the lakes environment. I have seen video circulating on FB regarding the farm on Mara dumping into the lake and wonder if there is any plan in effect to stop this?</p>
<p>Replacing swim platforms only makes sense if water quality is kept healthy enough that people can safely swim.</p>
<p>Get rid of the boxes.</p>
<p>Please make this a priority. It was such a great place and brought thousands of people in. Now it is sad sad sad. Make it beautiful and inviting again. I know it takes time and money, but this is a very worthy cause</p>
<p>Kayak, canoe, SUP rentals. A ferry tot he island</p>
<p>Just brainstorming, maybe remove fence around water treatment plant and open it up to the public. More park space and waterfront. It is only run by one person, door is locked why fence it? Just for thoughts.</p>
<p>The Harbour is one of the best parts of Beaverton. It's small town quaintness with some big city features such as the playground and water park.</p>
<p>AS a 20 year resident, I have seen positive improvements like the splash pad and the kayak dock. Having the township assign workers to keep the beach & park area cleaner was a good first step.</p>

There is currently no vision for Beaverton Harbour. We are underdeveloped when compared to Sutton, Orillia and other communities on Lake Simcoe. It's time to create a strategic plan for the community and economic development that supports tourism and a sustainable environmental plan. The beach is closed too often
I think that whomever dreams up most of the ideas for Beaverton and the harbor should stop
Maybe in the future contact service for a shuttle to get boaters into town. I am sure the stores would like to share in this service.
If the cottages on the river west of Barney's had commercial zoning it could be of great benefit to the community as has been proven in similar situations such as Port Dover Ontario, Granville island in Vancouver, the piers in San Francisco or the Oakland waterfront.
The Harbour should be connected with the town Centre with a (seasonal) promenade of shops, boutiques, cafes, restaurants, art shops and galleries.
Congratulations on your efforts. It's time to concentrate in this valuable asset.
Thanks for the survey. Excellent idea.
More garbage bins. Perhaps look at other towns like Port Perry who use their waterfronts a lot for festivities, beer fest, markets, art markets, artisans etc.
Foot bridge is a silly idea. Dump that money into a new recreation centre that all of Brock can enjoy.
Beaverton Harbour needs a vision. It needs commitment from the Federal Government. It needs a professional Master Plan - and I don't mean the Harbour of the Future Plan which is a total disaster. Thank you for the survey.
Hold fun fund raising events to help costs. Not auctions, they leave out people who would spend some of their money but don't because they can't afford higher bids. Raffle/sell tickets for things. Then you get money from more people, not just those who can afford to bid. I know I would donate towards making our Harbour a better place.
Please connect with the Durham Regional Police force to do more regular visits here and perhaps consider installing surveillance cameras in problem areas- especially the often vandalized upper level washroom building.
Non Brock Twp residents should have to pay to use boat launch, splash pad and beach/pier
I think solving some of the existing issues at the Harbour before starting new projects would be the best course of action.
As much as I support development of Beaverton's Downtown the harbour is what makes Beaverton unique in terms of tourism and development. If we can make the harbour a destination for tourism a greater number of people will stop in the downtown and contribute to the local economy.
use your natural features as a tourist attraction
The access to water is a differentiator for the Township, it can be utilized for attracting people to the community however the township needs to have a long term strategy to insure that it is protected and enhanced as such for the long term.
There was a study done 20 years ago ask bill vieveen
A pedestrian walkway should not be built period, Ethel Park does not require this!
Woodchips! And beach sludge clean up
Focus on Township owned property and not take responsibility for Federal owned infrastructure. Hold off on adding additional features that may attract more users, however may also impact the natural beauty of the location.

Rather than get consultants ask your Lions club members sir ideas. Everything they have ever brought to town has improved it. Instead of spending the money on consultants spend it on beautifying the township
I don't like how most of the boat parking is now being taken up with rented spots. It's a safe harbour for people to come in and use off of the lake if there's a storm or they want to use the restaurant. There is very little space for them to park which is unfortunate. The additional spots past the boat houses are fine, BUT not in rough weather.
I think the township is always relying heavily on volunteers, service organizations and grants from the other levels of government. The onus should be on the township to initiate and complete projects. What members of the public have done in the past definitely outweighs anything initiated or completed by the township.
It is a nice area that could be better. Keep up to good work on improving it. And Please no more of those baby coffin benches with a pathway that is harder to walk on than plain grass.
Think big and try to appeal to seniors,kids,teens etc something for everyone
Fenlon Falls, Bobcaygeon and Bala are packed with boats and people all summer. Understandably they can access the towns by boat . It would be wonderful if we could get closer to town even as far as the skateboard park . If the boat houses beyond the restaurant become available it would be great if they were turned into Lakeside artisans Store
I own a marketing agency here in beaverton and would love to help out in any way that I can. You can contact me at 416-529-2994 or alljackedupdesign@gmail.com
Thanks you for investing in it, I love going with my family.
Bathrooms
Some dedicated designated loading/unloading parking spots in front of the finger docks might help with congestion in the lot.
I am disappointed that the group who put in the Alexes and Gardens didn't plan for the maintenance of them.
Other towns would love to have a area like this but Beaverton takes it for granted.
- out of towners could pay nominal parking fee for harbour, locals could park free, that would ease congestion and/or bring in revenue for cleaning up after tourists
All have been said above. It is the key to the economic success and sustainability of the town core.
I have another smaller boat and would like to able to park in my boat docking area and go shopping in town rather than bringing the big boat over to shop.
Remove the "coffins". What an expensive fautpas that was.
Seriously, the eating facility is to small and not very clean aswell as accompanied by less then friendly staff sometimes ruining a whole outing.
Please take this survey that I have taken the time to fill out and read it to council. I'm giving you these ideas for free. No consulting charges. You're welcome.
the waterfront has been closed for most of the summer due to it not being safe to swim. lets address the issue of filthy water and how we can correct it. orillia has a nice waterfront that you can ride your bike along a path, stop for ice cream at a hut.
It's hard to please everyone but with Beaverton growing parking at the harbour will be a problem. People will have to get used to parking up the hill by the fields and track.
It is very important to our village in both summer and winter!

<p>The whole area opposite the pier could probably be utilized if someone would come up with a plan. Why not make it a park area with swimming, seating, viewing area, boardwalk. Look to other communities to see what they have done. Effort needs to be made to draw tourists into the area and a well advertised beach does that. Signage on main roads is poor</p>
<p>[c.ontinued from question 14] trailers because of the boats bigger size and weight. There are no rollers on a bunk trailer so it has to be backed up a long way into the water directly under the boat.the boat can,t be winched and or rolled onto the trailercause there are no rollers so the bunk trailers fall off the existing ramps into holes get stuc</p>
<p>A licensed diner would supply jobs and attract visitors to the harbour. Or at least a diner that serves into the evening!!</p>
<p>While rebuilding, the lighting should be dark-sky certified. Basically no light should shine horizontally from the fixtures Or skyward. Note: IDSA International Dark Sky Association.</p>
<p>The skywoman would obviously help mark the location of the harbour. Every year I know Iâ€™m trying to explain to someone where it is. Expanding and connecting the area properly to higher ground and the north side would help a lot.</p>
<p>We moved here a year ago and were so happy to find Beaverton Harbour. Our 5 Grandkids spend time with us in the summer and were excited to have a place to go for a day trip to swim, play & picnic. Now that excitement is gone and it is only a place to go to play for a short time and then they are bored !!!!</p>
<p>The Harbour is the best asset Brock Township has in regards to tourism.</p>
<p>think outside the box. if someone said that the local governing bodies can not go into making money, then i say, the people who pay the taxes pay you and the bills. We are allowed to make money so let us make money to help pay the bills. after all, the money you are in charged with is actually ours.</p>
<p>Beaverton Harbour is an opportunity waiting to happen. Local efforts to refresh and make the area more successful have done little to address the missed opportunity of a large, welcoming, mixed use Harbour Park. Nothing should be done here before a Masterplan for the whole area is completed. Various government levels would support this idea \$\$\$</p>
<p>Floating small sailboat and canoe club on North East shore of Harbor mouth. Township doing a great job of keeping North East beach clean!</p>
<p>Hope common sense prevails in developing any planning for the harbour.</p>
<p>People continually referring to it as a harbour... The township should be up-front with the public and acknowledge the fact that it is the mouth of a river .. much of which is actually 'flood plain' as per Lake Simcoe Conservation's own specs.. The community must be made aware otherwise speculation on development opportunities become unrealistic.</p>
<p>If the Federal government walks away from their obligations they must fund the major repairs of a capital nature that will be required.</p>
<p>Thanks you to all of those that where involved in the creation of the splash pad and in the upkeep. Job well done and very much appreciated.</p>
<p>The boat ramp is steep in angle and price. Locals should not have to pay.</p>
<p>Just to be stored to itâ€™s old glory</p>
<p>There have been many changes already made to the harbour. Why would you not have done this survey sooner. Maybe you should have some of the local boaters involved</p>

<p>If i had a dream i would love to rebuild some the worn down residence into some waterfront retail opportunities. There is real beauty in the area year round. Step one maybe to consider establishing special zoning for the area. Lets think "out of the box"</p>
<p>Unfollow politics and thought the pier repairs have been approved by two different Councils. Why are we asking again?</p>
<p>Having the Harbour dredged would certainly help the ice jam ups in the winter and a big help to land owners of properties and especially the Marina along the river bank up stream.</p>
<p>Please re consider my recent survey as it was sent by another party who does not have a computer.</p>
<p>Not everyone has a computer do you understand?</p>
<p>i would like to see more investment in gardens and butterfly gardens and professional landscaping. i have nearly been hit by a car driving fast out of the lot while crossing the road to the park.</p>
<p>there are not enough comfortable sitting places in the shade.</p>
<p>It would be lovely if more of the "public" water access points in Ethel park were maintained as all of them except the post office box access have been lost due to lack of maintenance. These are public access points that should be maintained for all.</p>
<p>nothing now</p>
<p>Please look around at other towns especially for bridge project. You will be surprised at the cost. The estimated cost is very misleading to the public and I hope the municipality and council can back up that cost and did not grab it out of the sky.....</p>
<p>Beaverton harbour needs to be developed as a way of furthering the development of the town itself. It is a missed opportunity in an underdeveloped part of the province.</p>
<p>We have something special I would like to continue to be proud of it.</p>
<p>Having a mission/vision in place will result in greater appreciation and usage of the harbour. Please think strategically and long term impact of proposals brought forward, inc. cost benefit analysis of implementation. I see individual "squeaky wheels" that gain momentum, and there should be thoughtful & transparent decisions made to benefit ALL.</p>
<p>it a tough thing catering to all different interest groups and service organizations. I think everyone would agree that the harbour is an asset that is under-utilized. I think any action that is considered needs to make Beaverton a stronger community, having a kayak launch (talk about the 1%), a walking bridge or a 40ft statue will not do this</p>
<p>The harbour should be one of our main tourist attractions right now people outside of town ask why we are having boxes which look like coffins and boxes of weeds as our entrance into bar Harbour this does not make any sense to me this should be one of our spectacular attractions of our town</p>
<p>Sidewalk needed over the tracks</p>
<p>Dangerous situation for scooters and baby strollers</p>

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Beaverton Harbour Advisory Committee

Date: Wednesday, February 03, 2021

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Location: Electronic Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Minutes

Present: Christine Dukelow, Ryan Lloyd, Councillor Claire Doble, Councillor Cria Pettingill, Ralph Davidson, Paul Nelson, Randy Straeten, Paula Warder

Staff Present: Maralee Drake, Clerk's Assistant, Paul Lagrandeur, Director of Public Works

1. Call to Order

The Clerk's Assistant called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m. and reviewed meeting procedures.

Members of the committee provided brief introductions of themselves.

2. Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair

Moved by Cria Pettingill that Christine Dukelow be appointed as Chair.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Paul Nelson that Randy Straeten be appointed as Vice Chair.

MOTION CARRIED

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

The committee discussed requirements of disclosing pecuniary interest and were advised the onus is on the committee member to disclose any conflicts of interest, and that staff cannot direct any member to disclose a conflict and that should a member of the public have a concern they may bring the issue forward with the Municipal Clerk.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

None

5. Hearing of Deputations

None

6. General Items

1) Terms of Reference

The Clerk's Assistant reviewed the Terms of Reference for the Beaverton Harbour Advisory Committee (BHAC).

2) Revised Meeting Schedule

Moved by Claire Doble to approve the revised BHAC Meeting Schedule for 2021.

MOTION CARRIED

3) Review of Documents

The committee discussed the optimal way in which to review the documents and requests that have been forwarded to the committee by Council, and determined the most efficient way to provide recommendations will be to create an overarching mandate and vision for the Harbour, and then to make recommendations based on that plan.

Moved by Claire Doble that the BHAC Committee discuss a vision for the harbour at the initial meetings prior to moving forward with providing recommendations for council.

MOTION CARRIED

Mr. Davidson requested follow up on a water quality studies that have been completed in the past. The Director of Public Works advised that the water quality study was completed as part of the ReWilding project and that those documents will be included in the next agenda package for the committee's consideration.

- a) Skywoman Deputation – Council April 15, 2019
- b) Rewilding Deputation – Council – February 4, 2019
- c) Harbour Survey – 2019
- d) Naturalizing Berm
- e) Breakwall Northern Spit Deputation – COW – January 11, 2021
- f) Pedestrian Bridge – Council – June 3, 2019
- g) Harbour Parking

4) Skywoman Recommendations & Next Steps

Discussion occurred regarding the status of the Skywoman project. The committee enquired if the Skywoman project was formally approved by Council to which the Clerk's Assistant advised she would follow up.

5) Next Steps

During roundtable discussion the committee noted the following areas as points of focus and consideration for discussions on harbour improvements:

- Re-directing attraction from the businesses on Highway 12 to downtown Beaverton
- Water quality
- Connect the downtown to the waterfront - walkability
- Heavy use during peak of summer for the splash pad and lake and winter for ice fishing
- Permanent washroom/changeroom facilities
- Increased seating, potential concert area

- Issues with facilities being vandalized
- The need for projects and additions to the harbour to be integrated cohesively
- Incorporating a Master Plan for the harbour into a Strategic Plan for the community
- Potential Federal Harbour Divestiture
- Available infrastructure
- Inclusion of fairgrounds and parking as part of harbour
- Importance of consulting with parties of interest including: Durham Region Economic Development, Planning Departments, Recreation Departments, Boathouse owners, yacht club members, community groups, organizations that use the fairgrounds, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority
- Using the harbour as a point of attraction and destination point
- Evaluating harbours in other municipalities
- Utilizing the harbour as a means for bringing income to the Township
- The Durham Region Water pumping station
- Potential investors
- Improving upon existing projects and infrastructure already in place
- Creation of transient boat slips, and charging for their use
- Regular review of maintenance standards and basic upkeep (paint, garbage cans, location of portable washrooms etc.)
- Creation of an attractive and clean waterfront – potential berm to retain added sand

Chair Christine Dukelow asked committee members to bring forward value statements of what they wish to see for the harbour to the next meeting.

Chair Christine Dukelow requested that at the next meeting, committee members come prepared to discuss their varying qualifications and experiences that would be beneficial to working on this project.

Committee members enquired if an external organization should be retained for a professional review of the harbour and development of a plan. The Director of Public Works advised that professional studies are very expensive, and the mandate of the committee is to provide feedback on the projects that have been assigned by Council, and that previous studies should be used as a basis for the development off a Harbour mandate and vision. The Clerk's Assistant noted that any recommendations made need to be approved by Council before they will be implemented.

Ryan Lloyd noted that there are small projects and items that can be taken care of immediately and that a master plan for the harbour could be integrated into the Official Plan for the Township.

Councillor Pettingill volunteered to research any plans that are in place for the harbour at Fenelon Falls.

7. Other Items & Inquiries

1) New Business

Mr. Davidson advised that the Beaverton Horticultural Society has requested permission from Council to update the existing flower beds at the harbour as part of their centennial project for 2022, noting the beds plan to be used for a community garden.

2) Next Meeting – March 3, 2021

8. Adjournment

Moved by Paul Nelson to adjourn the meeting at 4:08 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED



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Beaverton Harbour Advisory Committee

Date: Wednesday, March 03, 2021

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Location: Electronic Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Minutes

Present: Christine Dukelow, Ryan Lloyd, Councillor Claire Doble, Councillor Cria Pettingill, Ralph Davidson, Paul Nelson, Randy Straeten, Paula Warder

Staff Present: Maralee Drake, Clerk's Assistant

1. Call to Order

Chair Dukelow called the meeting to order at 2:36 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Paul Nelson that the minutes of the February 3, 2021 meeting be approved.
MOTION CARRIED

4. Hearing of Deputations

None

5. General Items

1) Committee Member Experience and Qualifications

The Committee engaged in a roundtable discussion and provided explanations of their reasons for volunteering for the committee, their qualifications and any previous experience that is relevant to the work being done by the committee.

2) Overview of Harbour Jurisdictions

The Clerk's Assistant (Ms. Drake) advised that the Director of Public Works will provide the committee with a map detailing the areas of jurisdiction in the harbour. Mr. Straeten requested that the map include the parking lots and fairgrounds as those areas were included in the 1997 Harbour Study.

Mr. Nelson enquired if professional consulting had been included in the 2021 budget to which he was advised not.

Mr. Lloyd enquired if the committee would be included with the working being done on the Official Plan Review and requested that staff from the Township and Regional planning departments be included in committee discussions.

The committee discussed their mandate, terms of reference and how a harbour strategy recommended by the committee could be included in the Official Plans for the Township and Region. Concerns were raised regarding the importance of having a professional assist with the development of formal plans to ensure longevity and accountability in the execution of the plans.

Councillor Doble joined the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

Ms. Warder expressed frustration with the amount of time it has taken for any feedback and approvals on the Skywoman project, noting that funding and donations may be lost.

Committee members stressed the importance of creating a plan for the harbour before any decisions could be made for specific projects, noting that effective planning for the future takes a long time.

Councillor Doble advised that feedback from the community and stakeholder groups is important when providing a recommendation to Council.

Mr. Straeten advised that clarification of the Federal, Provincial, Regional and Municipal jurisdictions is required before any decisions and future plans can be established.

3) Skywoman Overview

Chair Dukelow noted the importance of including art for the creation of well-rounded public spaces.

The committee discussed the potential of the Skywoman project moving forward in the short term and being placed in a temporary position at the harbour or being created and put into storage until a final location has been selected.

Chair Dukelow provided a presentation on the Skywoman project outlining the funding positions, history of the project and requests by the Skywoman committee.

4) Additional Documents – Committee Observations

During roundtable discussion the committee discussed the 1997 Beaverton Harbour Development Plan and its continued relevance.

The Committee requested an update from the Public Works Department and CAO's office as to the status of the Federal Divestiture to which they were advised staff would follow up.

The Committee discussed a need for clarification on their mandate and their level of influence for recommendations and planning.

Moved by Ryan Lloyd that the Beaverton Harbour Advisory Committee be included as part of the Official Plan Review.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Doble noted that the Terms of Reference for the Committee state the committee will provide final recommendations to Council by December 31, 2021 which will not be feasible if recommendations are not provided until the Official Plan review is completed.

5) Next Steps

6. Other Items & Inquiries

1) New Business

2) Next Meeting – April 7, 2021

7. Adjournment

Moved by Claire Doble to adjourn the meeting at 4:01 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED



Beaverton Harbour Advisory Committee

Date: Wednesday, April 07, 2021

Time: 2:30 p.m.

Location: Electronic Meeting via Microsoft Teams

Minutes – DRAFT

Present: Christine Dukelow, Ryan Lloyd, Councillor Claire Doble, Councillor Cria Pettingill, Ralph Davidson, Paul Nelson, Randy Straeten, Paula Warder

Staff Present: Maralee Drake, Deputy Clerk, Paul Lagrandeur, Director of Public Works

1. Call to Order

Chair Dukelow called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

3. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Paul Nelson that the minutes of the March 3, 2021 meeting be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

4. Hearing of Deputations

None

5. General Items

1) Overview of Harbour Jurisdictions

The Deputy Clerk provided an overview of the areas of ownership in the Beaverton Harbour as per the maps provided in the agenda package. Mr. Straeten advised that the 7 lots are planned to be condominium living.

Moved by Paul Nelson that staff acquire maps with updated ownership and that the Provincial and Federal levels of government be contacted if necessary.

MOTION CARRIED

The committee noted that mapping should be obtained from Township or Regional staff if possible, and that the mapping be provided from a GIS system.

The committee discussed the leased boathouses and enquired as to the length of the leases and termination clause. The Deputy Clerk advised she would follow up.

Moved by Claire Doble that the financial impacts of ending the boathouse leases be investigated by staff.

MOTION CARRIED

2) Federal Divestiture Status

The Deputy Clerk (Ms. Drake) advised that the Township Consultant had provided the following information:

- Late 2017 the Federal Government contacted the Director of Public Works and Municipal Clerk/CAO about the potential of a harbour divestiture.
- They provided an engineer's report of what would be required to bring the harbour up to a condition to where the Township would take it on. The report estimated approximately \$600,000 in work. Staff reviewed the report and had many questions about the proposed work (ie. placement of sandbags), and Environmental Assessment concerns relating to potential contamination, along with issues with the swim ladders.
- In September 2018 a letter was sent to the Federal Government requesting a deputation to the new term of Council for background details and divestiture protocols
- In March of 2019 the Federal Government responded and said they would come to Council, but only would present in Closed Session
- March 2019 Council requested that staff respond to advise that the presentation must take place in an open session because of public interest and Ontario statutes and that Council would like the presentation to take place in April 2019. The Township has not yet received a response to this request.

How the Divestiture Process Works

- Offered first to the municipality and if they turn it down;
- Then offered to other public bodies and agencies if they say no;
- Then goes to private market
- If the Township takes over the Harbour, they have to sign an agreement with the Federal Government for a minimum number of years. If the Township decides to sell the harbour to someone else, they will have to pay the Federal Government fair market price as determined by the Federal Government.

Thorah Island Harbour

- Before the Township took it over it was completely re-done
- Cost was between \$600,000 - \$700,000
- Brand new harbour given to the Township

Mr. Straeten noted that the Federal Government was very willing to speak about the divestiture process for Thorah Island Harbour and advised that obtaining information from the Federal Government as a private citizen is very difficult. Mr. Straeten noted that the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority

(LSRCA) dictates how and when work along the lakeshore is done, but when Federal work is done, they do not require approvals from the LSRCA.

3) Next Steps

Councillor Doble advised of the importance to think of the harbour holistically, and to consider the washrooms, splashpad, parking and other projects as part of a larger plan for the community to enjoy.

Mr. Davidson noted that community organizations need to be considered in the planning process out of respect for their contributions to the harbour.

Councillor Pettingill requested the committee to consider the current parking situation at the harbour and provide feedback to be included in the final parking report going to Council. The committee discussed parking issues including signage, lack of space and paid parking and requested that the staff report be included on the next meeting agenda for committee consideration. Councillor Pettingill noted that the by-law incorporates a no-idling clause.

Chair Dukelow suggested the potential for the splash pad to be moved to the top of the hill and for the runoff water to be used in the washroom facilities which would increase available parking space. Councillor Doble enquired as to an approximate cost to do so.

The committee discussed the need to hire a consultant to complete a master plan to which the Deputy Clerk advised there is currently no budget to do so. Chair Dukelow noted that a motion could be put forward requesting Council to include consulting fees in the 2022 budget.

Councillor Pettingill advised that Fenelon Falls did not have a master plan when upgrades were made to their harbour.

Mr. Straeten recommended that the committee analyze recommendations made in previous reports and report back to Council based on those findings.

Mr. Straeten enquired as to having a Master Plan included in the Official Plan review process to which the Deputy Clerk advised that Ms. Vandenakker, Planner for the Township of Brock would be attending the next committee meeting, and that committee members can submit questions for the Planner prior to the next meeting.

Chair Dukelow requested that committee members compile the values and parameters for future commitments at the next meeting. Mr. Straeten advised he would re-circulate the summary of the 1997 study to the committee.

Councillor Pettingill enquired as to a committee recommendation on the Skywoman project, as Council has requested direction from this committee.

Mr. Lloyd expressed concern with temporarily placing the Skywoman sculpture and the associated costs if it would be moved in the future. Mr. Davidson suggested that the placement costs could be considered throw away costs and could be built into the Master Plan budget.

The committee discussed the Skywoman project and brought forward the following concerns

- Placing the statue temporarily and how that location could be decided upon
- Cost to place the statue and potentially move it again
- lack of formal approval or direction from council

- Importance of large decisions such as this be included within a master plan
- The time that has already elapsed in this decision not being made and those implications on the artist, volunteer committee and funding sources
- Time for the artist to create, ship and construct the statue
- The design of the statue and if it may be viewed as cultural appropriation
 - o Consultation processes with Indigenous groups
 - o Is it an accurate representation of the story
 - o Cost of the project if designed by Indigenous artists

Chair Dukelow advised that she would provide the committee with background information on the research and consultation that was done and that she could work with staff to determine if additional public consultation was possible.

6. Other Items & Inquiries

- 1) New Business
- 2) Next Meeting – May 5, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

7. Adjournment

Moved by Paula Warder to adjourn the meeting at 4:12 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED