



**The Corporation of the Township of Brock**

**Special Council Minutes - Draft**

**September 28, 2021**

**Virtual Meeting**

Members Present: Mayor John Grant  
Regional Councillor Smith  
Ward 1 Councillor Michael Jubb  
Ward 2 Councillor Claire Doble  
Ward 3 Councillor Walter Schummer  
Ward 4 Councillor Cria Pettingill  
Ward 5 Councillor Lynn Campbell

Staff Present: Clerk/Deputy CAO Fernando Lamanna  
Deputy Clerk Maralee Drake  
Clerk's Assistant Deena Hunt  
Director of Public Works Paul Lagrandeur  
Receptionist/Clerk's Assistant Stefanie Stickwood

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**1. Call to Order & Moment of Silence - 7:00 p.m.**

Mayor Grant called the electronic meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and confirmed a quorum was present via electronic participation.

**2. Land Acknowledgement**

It is important to begin each public gathering with a Land and Territorial Acknowledgement, to recognize the Indigenous people for being good stewards of the land and environment, here where we are meeting today. The Township of Brock has traditionally been a hunting and fishing ground for First Nations people. We reside on and benefit from the Williams Treaty Territories, on the land of the Mississauga's and Chippewas. May we share the land as long as the sun rises, the grass grows and river flows.

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and Nature Thereof**

None.

**4. Closed Session**

None.

**5. Rise from Closed Session**

**6. Matters from Closed Session**

**7. Delegations**

None.

**8. Consideration of Business for Which Notice was Given**

**8.1 Durham Regional Police Services – North Durham Division Update**

Inspector Ryan Connolly, Durham Region Police Services, North Division, introduced Staff-Sergeant Lox Colquhoun and Superintendent Glenn Courneyea following which he provided an update which focused on:

(Data reflects the period of January 1 to September 15, 2021)

- Proactive patrols
  - bike: Brock 6.75, Uxbridge 6.5, Scugog 6.25
  - foot: Brock 138, Uxbridge 63, Scugog 138
  - ATV: Brock 14, Uxbridge 0, Scugog 140
  - snowmobile: Brock 80, Uxbridge 2, Scugog 44.75
- Arrests: 127 in Brock, the majority were breach, weapon assault, warrant, and drugs
- Traffic safety (compared to 2020)
  - traffic cautions increased by 39%
  - tickets increased by 18%
  - traffic stops increased by 9%
  - motor vehicle collisions increased by 4%
- Drug enforcement projects in response to an increase in substance dependency, property crime, thefts, and break and enters

- Project Ambassador: 8 search warrants; 17 individuals charged with over 55 charges laid; seizure of drugs with a street value over \$213,000; \$12,000 in Canadian currency; and seizure of a sawed off shotgun/ammunition
- Project Hellcat: 6 search warrants; 12 individuals charged with over 33 charges laid; seizure of drugs with a street value over \$12,000; \$4,550 in Canadian currency; and the seizure of a .22 caliber handgun/ammunition and 4 replica handguns
- Project Mosquito 2021 results (drug sweep): 9 search warrants; 10 grow ops dismantled (7 in North Division); 22 individuals charged with over 41 charges laid; and the seizure of drugs with a total street value of \$20,965,930.

Inspector Connolly advised that efforts would be made with respect to improved communication with the Township for the benefit of the public.

Council discussed the information provided and made the following comments/enquiries:

- the ratio of officers in North Durham compared to South Durham
- neighbourhood watch program for Beaverton and Sunderland
- volunteers for the satellite office in Beaverton
- who to contact when following up on a complaint
- security camera program registering
- Community Information Officer
- increase in property thefts
- recurring charges statistics
- traffic camera tickets statistics
- Project Mosquito operated all year
- short term rentals and residents complaints
- community safety zone ticket statistics
- police assistance during community parades

**Resolution: 1-18**

**Moved by** Regional Councillor Smith

**Seconded by** Councillor Schummer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Durham Regional Police Services North Division Update presentation be received.

**CARRIED**

## **9. Public Questions and Clarification**

### **9.1 Public Questions and Clarification - Ken Scruton**

1. Now that Beaverton's population continues to grow with the Marydel Homes subdivision near completion and the Osborne Street/Concession 5 subdivision underway, will Beaverton now see more police presence 24/7?
2. When will Beaverton see the Durham Region Police substation in Beaverton change to a "regular, open to the public police station", given that the population has increased to well over 4,000 people, with one subdivision nearly finished and another underway? Many in Beaverton would like to see this accessible daily, for reporting, concerns, problems, and background check certification.
3. When will Beaverton see increased police presence for the daily and evening speeding vehicles, especially on roads including: Mara Road, Victoria Avenue, Simcoe Street, Osborne Street, Main Street East and West Lakeland Crescent, the Marydel Homes Subdivision, King Street?
4. What will the Durham Region Police do to enforce the Ontario Highway Traffic Act concerning illegal modifications to vehicles, especially, as concerns muffler/tailpipe modifications?
5. When will Beaverton see police enforcement of speed limits, especially in Community Safety Zones, and the Beaverton Public School area where speed limit is posted at 30 km/h?

### **9.2 Public Questions and Clarification - Paul Nelson**

1. To bring Beaverton up to the same level of service that southern portions of Durham Region receive, how soon can Beaverton residents expect DRPS to open a 24/7 DRPS operations office in Beaverton's business district, including walk-in service for residents, as well as regular foot and vehicle patrols to better connect DRPS with Beaverton residents and business operators, and vice-versa?

2. How and when can DRPS increase more proactive policing efforts in Beaverton, including undercover/plain clothes information gathering, and other crime prevention steps, rather than just periodic drive-thru policing patrols and emergency call responses managed from far away Port Perry? Full time Beaverton Policing Services should be the goal!
3. What can Brock's elected officials and senior staff, as well as Brock's residents and business operators, do to improve Brock policing efforts and outcomes by DRPS?

9.3 Public Questions and Clarification - Dianna Vandenberg

1. Will there be more police presence in our area due to the increased amount of violence and break & enters occurring in our region?
2. Will the police be paying more attention to vandalism that is occurring on homeowners properties?
3. Increased presence during late hours to deter break and enters and vandalism? At late hours vehicles are being broken into, and properties are being scoped out and targeted. Residents feel scared.

9.4 Public Questions and Clarification - Terri Donovan

It seems that since the end of summer many cottages are not as occupied and seasonal residents along the Beach Roads are not up as much - that there have been more thefts of trailers and sea-doos. Quinn's Marina has also confirmed they are aware of some recent thefts in the Keswick area of trailers and sea-doos, and they all seem to have been stolen with a dually truck.

1. Therefore, what are police doing about this recent rash of thefts along the Beach Roads and in the area?
2. Could DRPS not set up a sting operation along one of the Beach Roads and have either, police waiting at each end of the beach to grab them, or have cameras set up that would catch the truck and license plates? These kinds of crimes don't seem to stop and only continue to escalate when the perception is that nothing is being done.

Thank you.

**10. Confirmation By-law**

By-law Number 3076-2021 - to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brock at its meeting held on September 28, 2021

**Resolution: 2-18**

**Moved by** Councillor Pettingill

**Seconded by** Councillor Jubb

BE IT RESOLVED THAT By-law Number 3076-2021, being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brock at its meeting held on September 28, 2021, be taken as read, enacted and signed by the Mayor and Clerk/Deputy CAO.

**CARRIED**

**11. Adjournment**

**Resolution: 3-18**

**Moved by** Councillor Schummer

**Seconded by** Councillor Campbell

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting of Council adjourn at this time 8:23 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Mayor

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Clerk