

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BROCK

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

December 1, 2006 to November 30, 2010

INAUGURAL MEETING

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2006

The Inaugural Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brock, in the Regional Municipality of Durham, was held on Monday, December 4, 2006, in the Municipal Administration Building Council Chamber, 1 Cameron Street East, Cannington, Ontario.

MEMBERS OF COUNCIL:

MAYOR	-	Larry O'Connor
REGIONAL COUNCILLOR	-	John Grant
COUNCILLORS:		
Ward 1	-	Mike Manchester
Ward 2	-	Harold Lodwick
Ward 3	-	Anthony Woodruff
Ward 4	-	David Marquis
Ward 5	-	Ted Smith

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:

CLERK-ADMINISTRATOR	-	George S. Graham
TREASURER	-	Michael H. Legge
FIRE CHIEF	-	Rick Harrison
CHIEF BUILDING AND PLUMBING OFFICIAL	-	Joseph J. Bonura

I. CALL TO ORDER

Clerk-Administrator George S. Graham called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. following which he welcomed all persons who were present to witness the inauguration of the newly-elected Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Brock who will represent the municipality for a four-year term of office from December 4, 2004 to November 30, 2010.

Clerk-Administrator George S. Graham outlined, for the benefit of those present, the titles of the various Acts that are contained in the Provincial Statutes, which govern the composition and manner in which the municipality conducts its affairs and functions. He explained the composition of Council as being governed by the Regional Municipality of Durham Act, revised Statutes of Ontario 1990; the four year term of all offices which commences on December 1st in a regular election year, as being governed by the Municipal Elections Act, and the date and time of the first meeting of the newly-elected council as being governed by the Municipal Act, 2001. He concluded by stating that no business shall be proceeded with at the first meeting until the Declarations of Office have been made by all the members present.

II. DECLARATIONS OF OFFICE

Clerk-Administrator George S. Graham called upon the Members having been duly elected to make and subscribe a Declaration of Office as follows:

Mayor:	Larry O'Connor
Regional Councillor:	John Grant
Councillors:	
Ward 1	Mike Manchester
Ward 2	Harold Lodwick
Ward 3	Anthony Woodruff
Ward 4	David Marquis
Ward 5	Ted Smith

The Clerk-Administrator, upon having received the Declarations of Elected Office, deemed the council organized, then requested Mayor Larry O'Connor to stand and

receive the Chain of Office, following which, he turned the chair over to the Mayor of the Township of Brock.

III. PRAYERS and DEVOTIONS Father Wilfried Lenius, St. Joseph's Catholic Church

Mayor Larry O'Connor called upon Father Wilfried Lenius to conduct prayers and devotions for the newly-elected members of Council as they embark upon their role as a council. Father Lenius congratulated the members of council, advising that they taken on quite an undertaking. He reiterated a comment made by Mr. Turner, former Prime Minister of Canada, who spoke at the recent Liberal leadership convention and who remarked that the office of public life is like the vocation of religious life. He offered words of encouragement insofar as the courage that will be required to make decisions that will not please everyone, the need to be honest, polite and to organize their priorities. In closing he advised that the position of a member of council is not a popularity contest and likened the role to religious vocation as all authority is from God who will provide authority.

Father Lenius closed with a prayer.

IV. MAYOR'S REMARKS Mayor Larry O'Connor

Mayor Larry O'Connor commented that this is the first all male council in some years, noting further that no doubt the women close to the members of council will have some influence. He advised it is an honour to be the sixth Mayor of Brock Township and that during this term there will be change in the structure of meetings in order to expedite decisions to be made. He noted decisions facing the new council locally, such as a new animal shelter, a library in Cannington and a fire hall in Sunderland. At the regional level, he and Regional Councillor John Grant will work to see an addition constructed at Gillespie Gardens and an EMS Rapid Response Centre in Brock Township. Mayor O'Connor advised he will continue to work with the Province with respect to a community health centre in Brock Township. As well, he looks forward to working with the new council and the public. He thanked those who ran for election and acknowledged two former Brock Councillors who were in attendance, Keith Rynard and Clare Bagshaw. He also acknowledged Rev. Ron Davies and Father Wilfried Lenius, who he thanked for his comments and words of encouragement.

V. COUNCILLORS' REMARKS:

Regional Councillor - John Grant

Regional Councillor John Grant advised that over the next four year term of council, members of council must be aware of the impact of high taxes on area constituents and to be mindful of road conditions. These two concerns, as well as regard for the environmental impact of the Brock Landfill, health services and policing were the main issues raised during the recent election campaign and are important issues to deal with.

Regional Councillor Grant acknowledged the attendance of his wife and mother-in-law, advising they are two very important people in his life and further advising that he is very proud to be a Canadian. He commented on the freedoms we enjoy and that his mother-in-law is testimony to the fact in that many years ago she had to swim to freedom from a country unlike ours, and not everyone making the swim were as fortunate that day to make it to freedom as she did.

Ward 1 Councillor - Mike Manchester

Ward 1 Councillor Mike Manchester thanked those present for attending, advising it has been quite a journey for him. He congratulated his colleagues on their election and voiced special thanks to the constituents of Ward 1, noting that he campaigned on accessibility. He thanked his friends and family and former Ward 1 Councillor Karen Windatt for her years of public service and devotion to public life. Councillor Manchester thanked his wife Shirley for her support, advising that a spouse invests as much into an election campaign. He advised that he is excited at the challenges the next four years will bring and looks forward to working with council and staff. He sees the newly elected council as one with the experience and enthusiasm to see the municipality reach its full potential and be the best place to live and grow.

Ward 2 Councillor - Harold Lodwick

Ward 2 Councillor Harold Lodwick thanked the residents of Ward 2 for putting their faith in him to represent them. He advised that he looks forward to working with council and staff and acknowledged the support of his wife.

Ward 3 Councillor - Anthony Woodruff

Ward 3 Councillor Anthony Woodruff advised it is an honour to represent the constituents of Ward 3 and he is humbled by this appointment. He advised that he looks forward to working with the council, further thanking his family and supporters for their time and support during the election campaign. Councillor Woodruff advised that he will work hard and that his door will always be open. He advised that a community is comprised of social groups who reside in an area and share government. He is a firm believer of community and looks forward to working with civic minded residents and facing the challenges the next four years will bring.

Ward 4 Councillor - David Marquis

Ward 4 Councillor David Marquis congratulated Mayor Larry O'Connor and the other members of council on being elected to this term of council, and also acknowledged Peter Prust and Chris Wilson who also ran for election in Ward 4, congratulating them on their campaign. He noted the new faces on council but noted the experience those faces bring, advising that he considered himself a "recycled politician" having served 12 years previously on the municipal council in the capacities of ward and regional councillor. He advised of his interest in politics and is honoured to have been elected, advising further that this council will be challenged on a number of things during their term and that he believes that this municipality is on the edge of development which needs to be controlled. Councillor Marquis advised that he looks forward to the next four years and acknowledged the support of his wife. He also thanked those present for attending this meeting.

Ward 5 Councillor - Ted Smith

Ward 5 Councillor Ted Smith commented that there is not a lot for him to say that hasn't already been said and that he looks forward to working with council. He thanked his wife and family members for their support which will enable him to devote his time to this position. Councillor Smith advised that his parents have always been interested and closely followed politics, which resulted in his exposure and interest in politics at an early age. He also acknowledged the impact that former teacher and Township of Brock Mayor Allan McPhail had on his interest in politics, advising that he looks forward to working with the council, meeting future challenges and contributing as best he can.

VI. CONSIDERATION OF BY-LAWS

Resolution No. 1,2,3-Inaugural

By-law Number 2039-2006-AP – to appoint a Member of Council to act from time to time in the place of the Head of Council, was read three times and passed in open council. The Mayor and Clerk-Administrator were authorized to sign the by-law on behalf of the municipality and to have same engrossed in the by-law book of the municipality.

Resolution No. 4,5,6-Inaugural

By-law Number 2041-2006-AP – to appoint the Chairs of the Standing Committees of Council, was read three times and passed in open council. The Mayor and Clerk-Administrator were authorized to sign the by-law on behalf of the municipality and to have same engrossed in the by-law book of the municipality.

Prior to calling for a motion to adjourn, Mayor Larry O'Connor thanked those present for attending and recognized those Township of Brock staff members in attendance. He then invited those present to the Cannington Community Centre to partake in the luncheon which has been arranged.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 7-Inaugural

MOVED BY Harold Lodwick and SECONDED BY Ted Smith that we do now adjourn at 11:53 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

MAYOR

CLERK-ADMINISTRATOR