



Brockton Buzz Newsletter – December 2018 Issue

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Inaugural Council Meeting

On Monday, December 3, 2018 the 2018-2022 Term of Brockton Council will be sworn in at the Inaugural Council Meeting. Members of the public are invited to attend to celebrate the new Term of Council at 7:00 p.m. in the Bruce County Administration Building (30 Park Street, Walkerton).



2019 Council Meetings

Brockton Council are currently determining the dates for their 2019 Council Meetings. The meetings will be posted to our website Brockton.ca/Council and our [Community Calendar](#) when the dates have been finalized.

Holiday Closures for Municipal Office, Recreation Office, and Child Care Centre

The Municipal Office and Recreation Administration Office will be closing on Monday, December 24, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. for the Christmas Break. The offices will reopen on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. Council and staff wish you a safe and happy holiday!

The Brockton Child Care Centre will be closing on Monday, December 24, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. for the Christmas Break. The Child Care Centre will be closed December 25, 2018 until January 1, 2019. The Child Care Centre will reopen on Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

Landfill Holiday Hours

Brant Landfill

The Brant Landfill will be closed on Wednesday, December 26, 2018 for Boxing Day. The Brant Landfill will be open on Saturday, December 22, 2018 and Saturday, December 29, 2018 as normal.

Greenock Landfill

The Greenock Landfill will be open on Saturday, December 22, 2018 and Saturday, December 29, 2018 as normal. Regular hours will resume Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

Walkerton/Hanover Landfill

The Walkerton/Hanover Landfill will be **open** the following dates: Saturday, December 22, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Thursday, December 27, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Friday, December 28, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Saturday, December 29, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 2, 2019 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

The Walkerton/Hanover Landfill will be **closed** the following dates: Monday, December 24, 2018, Tuesday, December 25, 2018, Wednesday, December 26, 2018, Monday, December 31, 2018 and Tuesday, January 1, 2019.

Holiday Household Waste/Garbage Pickup

The Municipality of Brockton will be implementing the following schedule for household waste/garbage pickup over the Christmas holidays for Brant and Walkerton.

- Monday, December 24, 2018 – Brant Pickup moved from Tuesday to Monday
- Wednesday, December 26, 2018 - Tuesday Walkerton Pickup will occur with the Wednesday Walkerton Pickup
- Monday, December 31, 2018 – Brant Pickup moved from Tuesday to Monday
- Wednesday, January 2, 2019 – Tuesday Walkerton Pickup will occur with the Wednesday Walkerton Pickup



Garbage Pickup Continues Weekly in 2019

Household Waste/Garbage will continue to be picked up every week into the 2019 year. Brant and Walkerton West Residents have garbage pickup on Tuesdays. Walkerton East Residents have garbage pickup on Wednesdays. Greenock Residents have garbage pickup on Fridays. The dates have also been added to our [Waste Calendar](#). For more information visit Brockton.ca/HouseholdWaste.

2019 Blue Box/Recycling Calendars

The 2019 Blue Box/Recycling Calendar is available to view on our website Brockton.ca/BlueBox. The dates have also been added to our [Waste Calendar](#). Bruce Area Solid Waste Recycling will be mailing Recycling Calendar Booklets to Brockton households.

Christmas Tree Drop Off

Natural Christmas trees can be dropped off in the Walkerton Community Centre parking lot at the far west entrance (driveway to the back ball diamonds) no later than Sunday, January 13, 2019 for disposal.



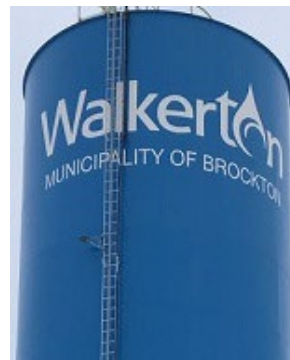


Online Billing Services

The Municipality of Brockton will be offering an e-billing service beginning in 2019. You may opt to have your tax and water bills delivered directly to your email inbox. We will no longer be offering e-post as a delivery option. You can enroll for this service by filling out an e-billing form on our website at Brockton.ca/Payments.

Walkerton Water Tower Refurbished

The south standpipe water tower in Walkerton has been refurbished and repainted with the new Walkerton logo. The Municipality is working to implement the Walkerton re-branding initiative as a Clean Water Living Community. Brockton received a \$5,000 grant from Spruce the Bruce, through Brockton's Community Improvement Committee, to help cover the cost of painting the tower with the new logo. The structure is a focal point for residents and visitors approaching Walkerton from Highway 9. It can be seen easily on the major highway, in town and in the media. The north water tower will receive the same makeover when it requires refurbishment.



Brockton Welcomes Investors from the Greater Toronto Area

Brockton helped host a group of 30 investors from the Newcomer Centre of Peel recently, touring them by bus and presenting various opportunities for investment throughout the region. It was part of a broader initiative by the Saugeen Economic Development Corporation and five member municipalities: Brockton, Hanover, West Grey, Wellington North and Minto, known as "Saugeen Connects." Participants praised the tour and are following up on several opportunities. For many investors it was their first time in rural Ontario.



Winter Parking Restrictions

Motorists are restricted from parking on any streets in the Municipality of Brockton between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. from November 1 through to April 30.

Accessibility of Winter Sidewalks

When cleaning snow from your driveway, please be aware that snow blocking sidewalks and roadways can be dangerous to fellow residents. Please shovel snow off the sidewalks to keep the area clear and accessible. A homeowner could be found liable if a resident was injured due to a snow pile up.



Brockton Parks and Recreation Programs

Brockton Parks and Recreation is excited to launch our online registration and booking software that allows you to register for programs and book facilities online! Winter registration begins Monday, December 3, 2018. To create your NEW online account go to Brockton.ca/Registration and follow the steps to set up your account!

Holiday Skating Opportunities

Holiday skating hours are from Noon to 2:00 p.m. beginning Monday, December 24, 2018 through January 4, 2019. Skating is not offered on December 25, 2018, December 26, 2018, December 30, 2018 or January 1, 2019. On December 31, 2018 only evening skating is available. Regular community skating opportunities will resume January 5, 2019.

Book your family holiday skate or shinny time during the holidays at a reduced ice rate. Call our Parks and Recreation Department at 519-881-0625 for more details or to book!

Holiday Day Camp

Holiday day camps will be December 27, 2018, December 28, 2018, January 2, 2019, January 3, 2019 and January 4, 2019. They will feature theme days such as Snowflakes and Cornflakes and Winter Wowza for kids' holiday adventures. Register at Brockton.ca/YouthPrograms by December 21, 2018.





Family Lego Fun

Come build, play and explore with Lego on Friday, January 4, 2019 at the Walkerton Community Centre from 10:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The cost is \$10.00 per family. Register with our Parks and Recreation Department!

New Fitness Programs

Everything gets better when you get active! New fitness programs include the Lunch Lifter and 7:30 a.m. Spin Class! The oldies and goodies can't be beat, such as the Body Toning with Weights, Yoga and Pilates! Check out all of our fitness classes at Brockton.ca/AdultPrograms.

New Year's Eve Family Skate

Brockton's Family New Year's Eve Skate, sponsored by the Walkerton Fire Association is set for Monday, December 31, 2018 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Walkerton Community Centre. Let's actively ring in the New Year!

Family Day of Play

Brockton's Family Day of Play will be on Monday, February 18, 2019. Stay tuned for updates!

Save the Date – Winter Trivia Night Series are scheduled for the following dates in 2019: January 18, February 15, and March 22 at 7:30 p.m. at the Walkerton Legion.

Holiday Fire Safety

With the Christmas season quickly approaching here are some items to keep in mind this year regarding fire safety for a safe and happy holiday. Our Elmwood and Walkerton Firefighters wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



- 1) Keep your Tree Fire Free:
 - Buy a fresh tree and make sure the base of the tree is immersed in water at all times.
 - Keep all candles away from the Christmas tree.
 - Check all sets of lights before putting them on the tree. Discard any lights that are damaged.
- 2) Keep candles in a sturdy holder away from children, pets and combustibles. Blow them out before leaving the room. Never leave a candle unattended.
- 3) Alcohol and fire are a dangerous mix. Keep a close eye on anyone attempting to cook or smoke under the influence of alcohol.
- 4) Ensure that your smoke alarms are installed on every floor and outside all sleeping areas. Test your alarms to ensure they are working correctly, remember only a working smoke alarm can save lives.

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On behalf of the Municipality of Brockton Council and Staff we hope that you may experience lots of love, laughter, joy and activity this Christmas and we wish you a very Happy New Year!

Community Events

Brockton is where generations of people come together to play, celebrate and enjoy life.

- **Canada's Largest Travelling Barn Dance Show**

Looking for a great Christmas gift? Consider purchasing tickets for this event! Cargill's Pickin' by the Pond Committee and Cargill District Community Fund present Canada's Largest Travelling Barn Dance Show at the Cargill Community Centre on Sunday, April 14, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. Doors open at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$30.00 available at the Walkerton Meat Market, Mildmay Tire Craft, Cargill Variety and Paisley Hair Garage. Call Cyndy Abel at 519-366-2317 for more information. Proceeds from the event will go towards the Cargill Community Centre Entrance Renovation Project.