



### Brockton Buzz Newsletter – July 2022 Issue

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### Notice of Land Disposition – East Ridge Business Park

On July 12, 2022, the Council of the Municipality of Brockton will declare lands within the East Ridge Business Park in Walkerton to be surplus to the needs of the Municipality. The 7:00 p.m. Council Meeting will be broadcast electronically and livestreamed to the Municipality of Brockton’s Agenda Management Software, eSCRIBE.



Visit [Brockton.ca/LandDisposition](http://Brockton.ca/LandDisposition) for more details. Please contact Fiona Hamilton, Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk) by [email](mailto:) or call 519-881-2223 Ext. 124 for more information, or if you would like to submit a comment in relation to the disposal of the Property.

### 2022 Municipal and School Board Election

The Municipality of Brockton is conducting Municipal and School Board Elections this October by internet and telephone vote. The voting period will be open from 10:00 a.m. on October 17, 2022 until 8:00 p.m. on October 24, 2022.



**Are you thinking of running for Municipal Council?** The nomination and registration period is open until August 19, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

**Wondering if you are on the Voters List, or verify that your information is correct?** Visit [Voterlookup.ca](http://Voterlookup.ca), a website owned by the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) responsible for identifying eligible electors, to confirm that you are on the Preliminary List of Electors.



Stay tuned for more information about the 2022 Election on our website [Brockton.ca/Election](http://Brockton.ca/Election)!

### Brockton Recognized Recipients of Civic Award and Good Neighbour Award at Volunteer Recognition Event

The Municipality of Brockton is fortunate to have so many dedicated individuals who generously donate their time and talents. Brockton prides itself on our caring and welcoming nature, which is embodied by all of our volunteers. The Municipality hosted our Volunteer Recognition Event on June 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Cargill Community Centre to celebrate our Committees and Service Clubs who are a valuable asset to the Municipality. We recognize your resilience and optimism throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, and as we begin to gather again and return to host in person events. The Municipality also recognized two individuals as the recipients of the new Brockton Civic Award and Brockton Good Neighbour Award. Please join us in congratulating Cally Quish as the 2022 Brockton Civic Award Winner and Richard Popiez as the 2022 Brockton Good Neighbour Award Winner! Learn more on our [website](http://website) or view photos on [Facebook!](http://Facebook!)





### Two (2) Hour Parking Reminder

The Municipality of Brockton would like to remind motorists of parking restrictions. Please look for posted signage and obey the prescribed restrictions. The By-Law Department will be conducting patrols to ensure parking spaces are available to both shoppers and businesses. Motorists who fail to comply may be fined and/or towed at the owner's expense.

For alternate parking, the Municipality of Brockton has four (4) public parking lots located in downtown Walkerton.

Please visit [Brockton.ca](http://Brockton.ca) for more details concerning parking regulations.

### Build Your Brockton Community Engagement Website

The Municipality's community engagement website, [Build Your Brockton](http://Build Your Brockton), has had a refresh! Check out the new homepage of the [website](http://website) which includes our various projects for community information and engagement.



Our current featured project is the [Cemetery By-Law Update](http://Cemetery By-Law Update) – Residents are encouraged to provide their comments regarding the draft Cemetery By-Law over the next few weeks. Comments will be considered as part of the By-Law review which will be presented to Council in August.

More projects will be added over the remainder of the year. We thank everyone for their continued engagement and encourage you to [register](http://register) to the site to stay informed on what's to come!

### Early Investment in Education and Skills Grant

The Municipality of Brockton is pleased to present the Early Investment in Education and Skills Grant aimed at supporting youth, continuing skills development, workplace training, youth enrichment and more. Brockton residents, businesses and schools are encouraged to apply before funding runs out.



Looking for something to do this summer with the kids? Brockton Imagineers Camp focuses on designing, building and creating projects while learning all about engineering, science, technology and mathematics. Camp is scheduled for: July 11-15, August 2-5, and August 22-26. Bonus! Brockton has a new grant opportunity that will pay for up to half the registration fees. Funding is available through the Early Investment in Education and Skills Fund.

For more information and to apply for funding, visit [Brockton.ca/EIES](http://Brockton.ca/EIES)

### Junior Firefighter Camp


Contact our Fire Prevention Officer, Dave West, if you are interested in becoming a Junior Firefighter! Send your submissions to [Dave West](mailto:Dave West) by July 7<sup>th</sup> to be considered for the Junior Firefighter Camp occurring August 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 for ages 10 to 12 years at a cost of \$148.00 occurring at the Walkerton Fire Hall.

**"Do you want to be a Junior Firefighter? Tell us Why"**  
submissions can be written, a coloured poster, or video, and sent to [dwest@brockton.ca](mailto:dwest@brockton.ca)  
Applications deadline July 7<sup>th</sup>, successful applicants will be invited to join us at Camp.



### Jr. Firefighter Camp

August 2nd - 5th, 2022  
Ages 10-12 yrs  
Fee: \$148


Walkerton Firehall 

### Visitor Centre Open for Season

Did you know Brockton now operates a seasonal visitor information centre in Lobies Park? Stop by for regional maps and guides, and information on things to do in the area this summer. This is a great resource if you're hosting friends and family from out of town this summer. We also have copies of our Residents Guide available, in case you know of anyone thinking of moving here, or would like to welcome new neighbours.



### Brockton Dollars

 Brockton Dollars gift certificates are redeemable at participating stores, restaurants, and other commercial establishments in denominations of \$10, \$25 and \$50. Brockton Dollars can be purchased as gifts for friends and family, or be offered as acknowledgements to employees, while also supporting local businesses. They can be purchased from the Municipal Office at 100 Scott Street from Monday to Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or ordered in bulk through email. Businesses may redeem Brockton Dollars at the Municipal Office. If you're a Brockton retailer, service provider, or restaurant wishing to join the program, please [email our Community Development Coordinator](mailto:email our Community Development Coordinator).

### Brockton Parks and Recreation Department Activities:

**Canada Day Celebrations** are back! Join us on Friday July 1<sup>st</sup> from 11:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Centennial Park for a BBQ, Music, Swimming and Games. Fireworks will take place at Walkerton Community Centre at approximately 10:00 p.m.

A reminder that the Municipal Offices are closed on Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup> for Canada Day.





### Brockton Parks and Recreation Department Activities Continued:

**Music in the Park** will return on July 17<sup>th</sup> and August 21<sup>st</sup> at the Heritage Water Garden in Walkerton. Stay tuned for more details!

**Swim Lessons** are still available but there is limited space! Register today!

Spots are still available for the **Little Learners Day Camp** ages 4-5 years. Register today!



Visit [Brockton.ca/RecreationPrograms](https://Brockton.ca/RecreationPrograms) or [PerfectMind](#) to learn more about the different program opportunities offered. For more information call Brockton Parks and Recreation at 519-881-0625 or send an [email](#).

### Firework Safety

To minimize the risk of fire and burn injury, the fire service does not recommend family fireworks or informal neighbourhood displays. The fire service recommends attending public fireworks displays hosted by your municipality or other responsible organization. If you still choose to have family fireworks or an informal neighbourhood display, check with your local fire department about regulations regarding fireworks. Here are some important safety tips to be followed:



- Appoint a responsible person to be in charge. Only adults who are aware of the hazards and essential safety precautions should handle and discharge fireworks.
- Carefully read and follow the label directions on fireworks packaging.
- Always keep a water hose or pail of water close by when discharging fireworks.
- Discharge fireworks well away from combustible materials like buildings, trees and dry grass.
- Keep onlookers a safe distance away, upwind from the area where fireworks are discharged.
- Light only one firework at a time and only when they are on the ground. Never try to light a firework in your hand or re-light dud fireworks. For dud fireworks, it is best to wait 30 minutes and soak them in a bucket of water. Dispose of them in a metal container.
- Discharge fireworks only if wind conditions do not create a safety hazard.
- Keep sparklers away from children. Sparklers burn extremely hot and can ignite clothing, cause blindness and result in severe burns. As the sparkler wire remains hot for some minutes after burnout, it should be immediately soaked in water to avoid injury.
- If someone gets burned, run cool water over the wound for three to five minutes and seek medical attention, if necessary.

### Community Events

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

#### • **EPCOR Natural Gas Virtual Open Houses**

EPCOR Natural Gas Limited Partnership ("EPCOR") is proposing to bring natural gas service to a number of unserved areas in the Municipality of Brockton, the Municipality of West Grey and in the Township of Chatsworth and expand natural gas service in the Township of Arran-Elderslie and the Municipality of Kincardine. Virtual Open Houses are occurring June 21 to July 5, 2022 <https://www.solutions.ca/EPCOR-BrocktonER>. A questionnaire will be available as part of the open houses and residents will have the ability to submit comments and/or questions about the proposed project. Input and comments are due July 22, 2022.

#### • **Walkerton Kinsmen Club Perc Dawson Memorial Golf Tournament**

Join the Kinsmen Club of Walkerton for the return of our annual golf tournament - all are welcome! The Kinsmen Club are hosting the Perc Dawson Memorial Golf Tournament on Saturday, July 9, 2022. Shotgun start is 10:00 a.m. at the Walkerton Golf and Curling Club. \$75 per person (\$300 per team), includes 9 holes, cart, bbq lunch, and prizes. To register your team contact Steve Travale at 226-222-1856 or [Email Steven](#).

#### • **Private Collectors Garage Tour**

The Rotary Club of Walkerton and Saugeen Hospice are hosting a Private Collectors Garage Tour on Saturday, July 16, 2022 in Walkerton. The Private Garage Tour will occur from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. featuring an incredible collection of classic automobiles, motorcycles, tractors, and memorabilia. Bring your own classic along for VIP parking at each location. Tickets are \$20.00. Tickets are available from [www.walkertonrotary.org](http://www.walkertonrotary.org), Holst Office Pro in Walkerton and Hanover, Brown's Pharmacy in Walkerton, Harley's Pub and Perk in Mildmay. A Pub and Smoked Pork Chop Dinner will occur from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall from 1685 Highway 9, South, Walkerton. Advanced tickets are \$20.00. For more information contact Myrna Inglis at 519-881-0586. Proceeds to go to Walkerton Rotary projects and Saugeen Hospice.

#### • **Walkerton 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Classic Car and Truck Show**

The Walkerton Agricultural Society are hosting the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Car and Truck Show on Saturday, July 23, 2022 featuring antiques, classics, hot rods, muscle cars, trucks, and bikes at the Walkerton Fair Grounds 206 Durham Street West from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There is no admission charge. Vendors are welcome. Call 519-881-0586 for more information.



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Visit [Brockton.ca/Subscribe](https://Brockton.ca/Subscribe) to sign up and receive Brockton News, Calendar Events, and Emergency Alerts sent directly to your email. You can also [subscribe](#) to our [Brockton Business Newsletter](#) which features bi-monthly updates from the Municipality of Brockton and our partners in community and economic development. We also encourage residents to follow us on social media for regular updates!

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[Brockton.ca/BusinessNewsletter](https://Brockton.ca/BusinessNewsletter)

### South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment – What3Words App

As you start to make your plans for the summer months, the South Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) is taking this opportunity to remind you about a mobile app that will help first responders locate you when you need us.

The OPP uses the mobile application what3words in its Provincial Communications Centres (PCCs). In an emergency situation, if a caller contacts an OPP PCC and doesn't know where they are, the app will help call-takers pinpoint the caller's location so that OPP officers can quickly respond and more accurately know where to find the person(s) in need.

Use of the app will benefit both frontline OPP officers and PCC staff. Through its global mapping system, the app labels every three squared metres with a unique three-word location tag. The PCC call taker is able to enter the three words into the system, which converts the tag into latitudinal and longitudinal coordinates. With the proper coordinates in hand, the PCC can direct officers to the precise location of the person in need.

When a member of the public contacts an OPP PCC, the call-taker will ask them if they are familiar with the app and if they have it downloaded onto their device. If they don't have the app already downloaded on their phone, the call-taker can send callers a link that will automatically show them their three-word location tag. This process requires minimal cellular and data signals for the caller's phone to first receive the link and then for them to open and load their location tag from it. If a caller already has the app downloaded on their device, it works without internet or data, so they can still provide the PCC with their location code even in locations without a cellular signal.

This will assist OPP officers in locating parties in remote and forested areas where signal is limited and on vast waterways. The use of technology can offer many benefits and the OPP is proud to incorporate progressive tools such as this one to assist with its goal of a safer Ontario for everyone. The OPP is encouraging members of the public to download the free app in case of emergency.

### South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment – School's Out for the Summer

Students are on summer break and the South Bruce Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), would like to see them enjoy the summer months safely. We can expect an increase in the amount of pedestrian traffic as scooters, rollerblades, skateboards, and bicycles take to the streets and sidewalks.

The South Bruce OPP is offering the following tips for a safe and enjoyable summer:

- Slow down and drive with care, especially near parks and recreation centres
- Use crosswalks or intersections to cross streets safely. Never step out into traffic between parked cars
- Bicycle helmets are required by law and reduce the risk of head injury by 85% when worn properly
- Ensure that swimmers are always properly supervised
- Never leave pets or children in a hot car
- Follow your children online. If you're not connected with them – who is?

Parents and care givers are asked to review safety rules with their youth. Summertime may be a break from learning, but it can't be a break from safety.