



Brockton Buzz Newsletter – August 2024 Issue

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Council Vacancy – Applications Being Accepted for Councillor Position

A vacancy exists on the Municipality of Brockton Council for one (1) Councillor. Council will fill this vacancy by appointment in accordance with the Council Vacancy Replacement Procedure Policy. The term of this position is from the date of Council appointment (October 1, 2024) until the swearing in of the next Council after the 2026 Municipal and School Board Election. To be considered for appointment, individuals must meet the following qualifications as outlined in the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended:

- Resides in or be the owner or tenant of land in the Municipality of Brockton, or the spouse of such owner or tenant;
- Is a Canadian citizen;
- Is at least 18 years old; and
- Is not prohibited from voting under Section 17(3) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* or otherwise by law.



Interested individuals must complete a Council Vacancy Application Form (Nomination Form)/Declaration of Qualification, and a Freedom of Information (FOI) Release Form, and submit in person at the Clerk's Office. Nominations will be accepted by the Clerk's Office during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday) commencing at 8:30 a.m. on August 15, 2024 until September 16, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. A candidate may withdraw their nomination by filing a written withdrawal in-person with the Clerk's Office by 2:00 p.m. on September 19, 2024.

Candidate(s) shall also submit to the Clerk, a personal statement of qualification for consideration of Council. Personal statements will be typewritten on letter size (8 ½" x 11") paper, shall not exceed two (2) pages (one-sided only) in length, and will include the Candidate(s) name and address. Statements that do not meet these requirements shall not be included in any Council Meeting Agenda, or be provided to Council by the Clerk.

Certified registered Candidates will be afforded the opportunity to address Council for a period of not more than ten (10) minutes and may be asked questions by Council during a Special Council Meeting to be held on October 1, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Bruce County Administration Building located at 30 Park Street in Walkerton, Ontario.

Visit Brockton.ca/CouncilVacancy for more information on the Council Vacancy process.

Accessible Parking Space Relocated at 100 Scott Street, Walkerton

The accessible parking space has relocated outside of 100 Scott Street, Walkerton in front of the Post Office and Municipal Office. The new parking space accommodates persons with disabilities so that they can use the sloped sidewalk with improved access to both the Post Office and Municipal Office. Thank you to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for their input on this project!



Tax Installment Due Dates – September 30, 2024 and November 29, 2024

Any payment received in our office after the due date will be considered late and any outstanding taxes will be subject to penalty and interest charges as per the Municipal Act. Please allow 2 to 3 days for processing if you are paying through your financial institution's online banking system. Visit Brockton.ca/Taxes for more information.





Bruce County Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Bruce County has released their **2024 Bruce County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule**. Residents of Bruce County are welcome to attend any of the locations to drop off household hazardous waste. Household Hazardous Waste will be collected in Brockton on September 14, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Bruce County Transportation Yard – 94 Bruce Road 2, Walkerton.

Upcoming Recreation Programs and Events:

Centennial Pool Schedule: Please visit Brockton.ca/Pool for more information including Swimming Lessons, Aquafit, Lane Swim, Parent & Tot Swim, Toonie Tuesday's, Free Swim Friday's, a list of Sponsors, Private Rentals and more!

New Late Morning **Aquafit** Class at 11:30 a.m. Monday to Friday (no classes during the week of August 12-16, 2024).

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Lane Swim 10:30 - 11:30 am	Public Swim 2:00 - 4:00 pm	Lane Swim 7:00 - 8:00 am	Public Swim 2:00 - 4:00 pm	Lane Swim 7:00 - 8:00 am	Public Swim 2:00 - 4:00 pm	Parent & Tot 10:30 - 11:30 am
Public Swim 12:00 - 3:00 pm	Public Swim 6:30 - 8:30 pm	Public Swim 2:00 - 4:00 pm	Public Swim 6:30 - 8:30 pm	Public Swim 2:00 - 4:00 pm	Public Swim 6:30 - 8:30 pm	Public Swim 12:00 - 3:00 pm
Private Rentals Available		Aquafit 6:30 - 7:20 pm Public Swim 7:30 - 8:30 pm		Aquafit 6:30 - 7:20 pm Public Swim 7:30 - 8:30 pm		*Private Rentals Available*

Music in the Park: Bring a chair and join us in Walkerton's Downtown Market Garden 7:00 p.m. the last Sunday in August (25th) for some Music in the Park! Tylor O'Neil will be performing, be sure not to miss this one! Concession Stand being ran by the Walkerton Optimist Club. Donations appreciated. Please note that international "Music on the Porch" day is Saturday August 31st, which will include musical performances in the Market Garden starting at 2:00 p.m.! For more information please call 519-881-0625 x 201.

Pooch Plunge: September 4th (evening)! The Municipality of Brockton is partnering with St. John's Ambulance (SJA) to run a special end-of-the-season swim for local canines at Walkerton Centennial Pool, in support of SJA's Dog Therapy Program! Please call St. John Ambulance at 519-364-7004 to register (limited spots available).

Babysitting Course: Friday, September 27, 2024 (PA Day) from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Walkerton Fire Hall. This course is aimed at youth ages 11-14. Please register online at Brockton.ca/Programs.

PA Day Camp Programs are returning this Fall! If you are in need of child care during upcoming PA Days, Brockton has you covered with a line-up of exciting camps to be offered this coming Fall, Winter and Spring! Please register at Brockton.ca/Programs - Youth Programs (limited space available).

Upcoming Fitness Programs: Please visit Brockton.ca/Programs for details on upcoming programs including Chair Yoga, Zumba Gold, SPIN, Total Body Sculpt and more! Interested in Pickleball? Indoor Pickleball will be returning to the Cargill Community Centre this Fall!

Skating and Ice Season is upon us - Stay tuned to Brockton.ca/Skating for everything "ice", including the Public Skating Schedule and more (coming soon)!

Be sure to follow the Municipality of Brockton on [Facebook](https://Facebook.com/Brockton) and [Instagram](https://Instagram.com/Brockton), for all future updates!

Brockton Dollars

Brockton Dollars gift certificates are redeemable at participating stores, restaurants, and other commercial establishments in denominations of \$10, \$25 and \$50. 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. Visit Brockton.ca/BrocktonDollars to learn more. If you're a Brockton retailer, service provider, or restaurant wishing to join the program, please [email our Community Development Coordinator](mailto:communitydevelopment@brockton.ca).



Employment Opportunities

If you are passionate about providing the very best services in a municipal environment and are looking for a place to challenge yourself and grow, we want you on our team! Visit our Careers webpage for current employment opportunities: Brockton.ca/Jobs

Brockton's Community Engagement Website

The Municipality of Brockton reminds you to register to get involved on our community engagement website, buildyourbrockton.ca! This community engagement website invites feedback from the community on various projects such as Dog Park Feedback, Tennis Court Rehabilitation, Development Charges Study, and more! Share your feedback and learn more about what's happening in your community.





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.



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Add Your Events to Brockton's Community Calendar

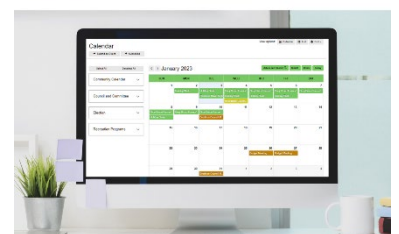
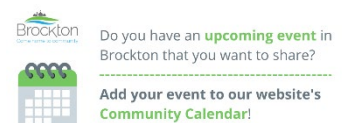
Make sure your 2024 events are featured on Brockton's free Community Calendar! Your event must be organized by a non-profit, or community organization and be held within Brockton.

The steps to adding your event are simple:

- 1 Visit calendar.brockton.ca and click on **Submit an Event**.
- 2 Login if you have an account, or create one if it's your first time adding an event.
- 3 Add in your events, edit, and update your events from there

It's that simple! Each event is reviewed and approved before being added to the calendar, so it won't appear right away. Once your event is on the calendar, we may help spread the word through the Brockton Buzz newsletter, and social media.

If you're having any troubles, please let us know by calling 519-881-2223 or emailing web@brockton.ca.



Community Events

Brockton is where generations of people come together to play, celebrate and enjoy life. Visit Brockton.ca/Events to learn more about events happening in our community!

- **Pigstock – Baseball Tournament and Dance**
The Dirt Pigs Foundation are proud to host their annual Slo-Pitch baseball tournament August 15-18, 2024! Pigstock features baseball, refreshments, dance on Saturday, August 17th from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. featuring live music, breakfast on Saturday, August 17th and Sunday, August 18th and Family Fun Day on Sunday including children's programs! Visit dirtpigs.com to learn more.
- **Lemonade for Wishes**
Join Cassandra Cassidy of Premiere Mortgage Centre and Nicole Schnurr and Heather Keip of eXp Realty Ladies n' Gents on Saturday, August 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at Market Garden park (312 Durham St, Walkerton) for their Lemonade for Wishes fundraiser, in support of Make-A-Wish. Stop by our stand to make a donation and grab a glass of lemonade! You can also make a donation online through [Make-A-Wish's website](#).



Community Events (Continued)

- **Pedal for Saugeen Hospice**

You're challenged to Pedal for Saugeen Hospice! Join at the Bruce Power Regional Soccer Park for the first-ever bike rally. Cyclists of all ages and abilities are invited to pedal through scenic routes, taking in the beauty of Bruce County's surroundings while making a difference in the lives of those in need of compassionate end-of-life care. Registration kicks off at 8:00 a.m. and the ride starts at 9:00 a.m., at 50 Eastridge Rd, Walkerton (Bruce Power Regional Soccer Park) on August 25, 2024. Riders can choose between a 16 km or 40 km route starting next to the future site of the Saugeen Hospice. Come pedal with purpose and help us build a brighter future for our community. Together, we can make every journey count. Learn how to register, fundraise and donate at on [Race Roster's website](#).

- **Elmwood Homecoming**

Elmwood is celebrating 170 years and invite the community to join in Homecoming celebrations August 30-September 1, 2024. Visit [Elmwood Homecoming's website](#) for more information on the events occurring.

- **Doors Open Brockton**

Doors Open Brockton is occurring on Saturday, September 28, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. featuring 12 historic and unique sites in Brockton. Visitors can tour the participating sites for free. [Doors Open Ontario](#) is a program of the [Ontario Heritage Trust](#), with funding support from the [Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport](#). The following 12 sites are going to be featured on Doors Open Brockton on September 28, 2024 open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with one exception: Brockton Heritage Committee Archives, Bruce County Bookstore, Bruce County Walkerton Patrol Shop, Cargill Museum, Flach Family Homestead, Hammond Power Solutions Inc., Saugeen Masonic Lodge, St. Paul's United Church, Walkerton Agricultural Society, Walkerton Clean Water Centre, Walkerton Jail (Jail open from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.), and Victoria Jubilee Hall. Visit [Brockton.ca/DoorsOpen](#) to learn more.

