

NOTE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Council Vacancy Application may only be filed in person; it may not be faxed or e-mailed • It is the responsibility of the person applying to file a complete and accurate application 		Council Vacancy Application	
Instruction Please print or type information (except signatures)			
Applicant Full Name: <u>Hayden Oberle</u>		For the Office of: Councillor	
Applicant's full qualifying address within the municipality			
Street Number: [REDACTED]		Street Name: [REDACTED]	
Municipality <u>Brockton</u>		Province <u>ON</u>	Postal Code <u>N0G 2V6</u>
Applicant's full mailing address within the municipality (if different from qualifying address above)			
Street Number:		Street Name:	
Municipality		Province	Postal Code
Declaration of Qualification			
I <u>Hayden Oberle</u> the applicant mentioned in this form, declare that I am presently legally qualified or would be presently legally qualified if I were not a member of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario or the Senate House of Commons of Canada, to be elected and to hold the office for which I have applied and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath.			
Declared before me at the <u>Municipality</u> of <u>Brockton</u> in the <u>County</u> of <u>Bruce</u> this <u>2nd</u> day of <u>January</u> , 2026. <small>Sarah [REDACTED] Johnson, a Commissioner, etc., Province of Ontario, for the Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton. Expires January 29, 2026.</small>			
Signature of Clerk or Commissioner, etc. <u>Sarah Johnson</u>		[REDACTED] Signature of Applicant	
Date Filed (yyyy/mm/dd) <u>2026/01/02</u>	Time Filed <u>12:50 pm</u>	Signature of Clerk or Designate <u>Sarah Johnson Deputy Clerk</u>	
Certification by Clerk or Designate I the undersigned clerk of this municipality do hereby certify that I have examined the application of the aforesaid applicant filed with me and am satisfied that the applicant is qualified to be appointed and that the appointment complies with the Act.			
Signature 	Date Filed (yyyy/mm/dd) <u>January 8, 2026</u>		



Municipality of Brockton
Council Vacancy

Freedom of Information (FOI) Release

Municipal Elections Act, 1996

Name of Applicant:

Hayden Oberle

Applicant for the Office of:

Councillor

In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, as amended, I hereby authorize Brockton staff to include on the Municipality of Brockton's website and make available to any person the following information with respect to my candidacy for the council vacancy:

Address:

[REDACTED]

Telephone Number(s):

[REDACTED]

E-mail address:

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
(signature of nominated candidate)

2 Jan 2026
(date)

Personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, and will be used for authorizing candidate information to be placed on the Municipality of Brockton website or made available for public inspection in office of the Clerk, Municipality of Brockton, until the next municipal election. Questions about this collection of personal information should be directed to the Clerk at 100 Scott Street, P.O. Box 68, Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0, 519-881-2223 Ext. 124

Walkerton, Ontario, N0G 2V0

To Brockton council, staff, and residences,

My name is Hayden Oberle, and I am seeking appointment for the vacant Brockton Council seat. I am a lifelong resident of Brockton, raised on my family's farm, and I am currently a first-year Bachelor of Science in Agriculture student at the University of Guelph, minoring in Chemistry. I am proud to call Brockton my home. Not only because of where I come from, but because of where I believe our community can go.

I am running for this position because I believe Brockton needs youthful energy, a fresh perspective, and strong representation for the next generation, alongside the experience already present on council. There is a growing age gap between municipal leadership and the broader population, particularly young adults, students, and young families. I want to help bridge that gap by bringing new, youthful voices back into local government and ensuring decisions made today reflect both tradition and long-term sustainability.

I have lived on our family farm in Brockton since birth. Agriculture is not just an industry to me, it is a way of life. From an early age, I learned the values of hard work, accountability, and community responsibility. Those values continue to guide me today, whether in my academic studies, business ventures, or leadership roles. I remain actively involved in Walkerton minor baseball and soccer, and I understand firsthand the importance of recreation, volunteerism, and community pride in small towns.

My experiences in public service, governance, and leadership speak directly to my qualifications as a councillor. In 2025, I served as a Central Poll Supervisor with Elections Canada, overseeing election-day operations for a polling station serving over 2,200 voters in the Huron–Bruce federal riding. In this role, I supervised poll workers, enforced legal procedures, managed conflict resolution, and ensured the integrity of the democratic process under pressure. I also served as a Deputy Returning Officer with Elections Ontario, administering voting for over 500 voters, verifying documentation, and maintaining strict impartiality and transparency. These roles required professionalism, attention to detail, and a deep respect for democratic institutions, qualities essential for effective municipal governance.

Beyond elections, I have consistently held elected and executive leadership positions in student governance and community organizations. I currently serve as President of the Ontario Agricultural College Class of 2029, where I chair executive meetings, set priorities, and oversee class finances, managing over \$8,000 in revenue allocated toward initiatives and charitable causes. I am also Vice-President of the Agribusiness & Farm Management Club, where I coordinate industry-focused programming and connect students with agricultural professionals. Additionally, I serve as Vice-President of Johnston Hall's Interhall Council, representing residents and advocating for student opportunities.

These roles have given me direct experience in policy discussion, budgeting, stakeholder engagement, consensus-building, and accountability. The same core responsibilities expected of a municipal councillor. They have also taught me how to listen carefully, represent diverse viewpoints, and lead with both confidence and humility.

My professional experiences further strengthen my ability to serve Brockton effectively. I am the Founder and Manager of Oberle Agricultural Solutions, a business that supplies experienced agricultural

labour to local farms. Through this company, I have employed and supervised a team of four, coordinated contracts with multiple clients, and provided labour support across dairy, poultry, swine, and cash crop operations. This experience has given me a practical understanding of workforce challenges, farm economics, and the realities facing local producers.

Furthermore, I am a Co-Founder and Tour Director of the RDO Regional Open Golf Tour, which my co-founders and I launched in the Bruce–Grey–Huron region. Coordinating seven events involving over 30 athletes requires logistics management, sponsorship coordination, marketing, and community engagement. These skills are directly transferable to municipal project oversight.

Academically, my studies reflect my commitment to innovation, sustainability, and agriculture-focused economic development. In my Introduction to Agri-Food Systems course, I developed a proposal aimed at strengthening Canada’s agri-food security through the construction of a dairy processing facility powered by small modular nuclear reactors. This project required market analysis, cost evaluation, and technical feasibility assessment, blending agricultural knowledge with engineering and energy systems thinking.

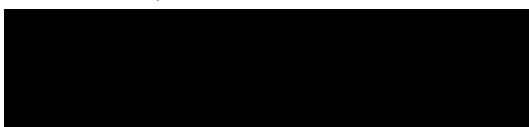
Looking ahead, my long-term career goal is to become a high school chemistry teacher at Sacred Heart High School in Walkerton, my alma mater. This aspiration reflects my commitment to education, mentorship, and giving back to the community that shaped me. I want Brockton’s youth to see that meaningful careers, leadership opportunities, and futures exist right here at home.

If appointed to council, I will bring energy, preparation, and a strong work ethic. I will listen to residents across all age groups, advocate for agriculture and rural development, and work collaboratively with council and staff. I do not claim to have all the answers; however, I do bring a curiosity, dedication, and a willingness to learn.

Brockton is at a pivotal moment. Balancing growth, sustainability, and community identity requires diverse perspectives at the table. I believe my background, leadership experience, and generational perspective uniquely position me to contribute meaningfully to council and to help engage the next generation of Brockton residents in local government.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and commitment to our community. I am the right candidate to best serve the people of Brockton.

Sincerely,



Hayden Oberle