

Highlights



The Brockton Regional Fire Training Centre offered 13 courses for over 65 students coming from all over Ontario.



The tennis/pickleball courts were rehabilitated along with the construction of the new concession stand/washrooms at Bruce Power Regional Soccer Park.



Community Services opened a pilot dog park at Lobies Park in May. The pilot project will be evaluated for a one year period.



The Municipality will be launching a new website this fall which will include a new design, menus, and more accessible features.



The Master Servicing Plan was adopted in April 2024. The plan established the preferred water/wastewater and stormwater servicing strategy and supports the future expansion of our community.



Six Business Improvement Grants were offered under the Community Improvement Grant which offered financial incentives to local businesses.

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The Brockton Heritage Committee archives will be on display at Doors Open on September 28, 2024. The public will have the ability to view the historic artifacts in the collection during this event.

Property files, maps and surveys, and cemetery records were also digitized. Due to the now rented office space at Victoria Jubilee Hall, paper records are being reorganized to increase the storage space at the Municipal Office and Victoria Jubilee Hall.

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Brockton Staff are assisting with the promotion of events in our hamlet communities, such as Elmwood and Cargill Homecoming along with Holmdale Rodeo, and Historic Cargill/Greenock Swamp Tours.

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The Municipality of Brockton signed a lease agreement to rent additional office space and accessible meeting rooms at Victoria Jubilee Hall.

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Community Services Staff held a meeting with the community groups and service clubs. During this meeting, a list of 2024 events were created and published on a rack card along with the website. Additionally, a new Early Investment in Education and Skills parameter was created to support the service clubs (training for Food Handling and Smart Serve).

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A Building Condition Assessment for the arena was completed. Staff are preparing for a third grant submission for the new arena.

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The Parks, Recreation and Cultural Master Plan is being implemented which includes rehabilitation of the tennis and pickle ball courts, the construction of the concession stands/washrooms at the soccer park , the pilot project dog park at the Lobies Park and trail

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Grant funding has been received for Saugeen Hospice. Servicing and Architectural plans are currently in progress, and staff continue to work with the group.

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As part of the Recreation Master Service and Facilities Plan , staff have began Phase II of the Optimist Park including the addition of more accessible equipment (we-go-round, learning and sensory wall and swing) and a new pavilion .

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The Community Safety and Policing Act was sworn into force April 1. 2024 and the Brockton Police Service Board was amalgamated into the South Bruce OPP Detachment Board.

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The Brockton Regional Training Centre for Fire Fighting is currently providing 13 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Courses with over 65 students enrolled and an expected additional 67 students to participate later this year.

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The Brockton Regional Training Centre for Fire Fighting received funding from the NWMO for the purchase of laptops to be used during NFPA course training.

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A housekeeping Zoning By-Law Amendment is underway to enhance parking requirements and support housing opportunities. Staff are also supporting Bruce County's Official Plan Review, and a Planning Justification Report was completed to support a boundary expansion.

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As a part of their Housing and Homelessness Plan, Bruce County created an Affordable Housing Development Toolkit. Staff participated in Bruce County's Housing Forums. Bruce County's Housing Action Plan has launched with municipal input to support affordable housing initiatives. Additionally, staff applied for the Housing Accelerator Fund and Housing Enabling Water System Fund Grant.

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Staff are working with developers to identify partnership opportunities to facilitate a variety of housing types, through available land parcels and funding applications.

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B.M. Ross and Associates Limited are finalizing the Environmental Assessment process for the Saugeen Riverbank Cliff Erosion. Staff also applied for a grant to assist in this project.

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The Municipality partnered with Saugeen Conservation to host a Saugeen River Clean Up on April 20 inviting members of the community to assist in cleaning up litter along the Saugeen River.

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Construction of East Ridge Business Park Phase 3 has begun. A promotional video for marketing purposes will be released this year. 16 additional acres will be available for sale.

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A joint Council Meeting was held between Brockton, Hanover, and West Grey to discuss each Council's preference for the future of the Saugeen Municipal Airport. An additional meeting will be held later this year to follow up on the decision of how to best move forward with this asset.

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Market Garden Park construction was completed in July 2023. A number of Municipal Events have been held in the park including Music in the Park, Summer Streetfest and Hometown Christmas Market. Additional robust plans for the Market Garden in 2025 will be implemented through the Community Development Coordinator.

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The Municipality hosted a Regional Job Fair in October 2023 at the Walkerton District Community School with various organizations and over 20 employers.

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Six Business Improvement Grants under the community improvement plan continue to be offered which provides financial incentives to local business owners.

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The local Business Directory continues to be updated and staff is supporting businesses in revising their listings on VistWalkerton.com.

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Council confirmed renewal of our Water/Wastewater Systems Operator Contract with Veolia Canada for an additional five years.

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Staff participated in various training courses to support succession planning, including leadership training, customer service training, diversity and inclusion training workshops, and are scheduled to participate in indigenous community awareness training.

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B.M Ross and Associates Limited is currently conducting a Development Charges Study. Development Charges 101 presentations were made to council and stakeholders. A public meeting will be held this Fall.

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A Level of Service study is underway to support Asset Management in the Municipality.

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The Brockton Child Care Centre is currently undergoing an organizational review focused on customer experience, quality of care, and supports that will support existing individuals enrolled at the centre, and its future growth

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Council adopted the Master Servicing Plan for water, wastewater, and stormwater facilities on April 9, supporting projected growth and future expansion of the community.

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The Asset Management Plan requirements are being met through the completion of Building Condition Assessments for municipal facilities and Level of Service Plans for the Municipality.