

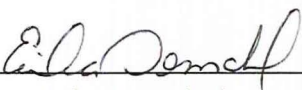



**SPECIAL JOINT MEETING WITH
TOWNSHIP OF LEEDS AND THE THOUSAND ISLANDS
COUNCIL MINUTES**

For June 12, 2015 @ 9:00 AM

At Township of Leeds and Thousand Islands Council Chambers – 1233 Prince St., Lansdowne, ON

Item		
COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT		
TOWN OF GANANOQUE		TOWNSHIP OF LEEDS AND THE THOUSAND ISLANDS
MAYORS	Erika Demchuk	Joe Baptista
COUNCILLORS	Brian Brooks Jeff Girling Joe Jansen Jan Hayes Anne Warren Dwayne Fletcher	Jeff Lackie Harold Emmons Vicki Leakey Liz Huff John Paul Jackson Gerry Last
STAFF PRESENT:	Shellee Evans, CAO Bonnie Dingwall, Director Of Corporate Services/Clerk Sherri Ogilvie, Acting Director Public Works Gerry Bennett, Fire Chief Melanie Kirkby, Treasurer Shelley Hirstwood, Economic Development Manager Brenda Guy, Community Development Manager	Milena Avramovic, CAO Vanessa Latimer, Clerk Kimberly Almeida, Deputy Clerk Sarah Huskinson, Treasurer Elaine Mallory, Director of Planning and Development Michael Touw, Director of Public Works Gerry Bennett, Fire Chief
CALL TO ORDER – Mayors Baptista called the meeting to order; with both Mayors Baptista and Demchuk welcoming everyone to the meeting.		
ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA		
Motion No. 2015-202 Moved by: Councillor Gerry Last Seconded by: Councillor Brian Brooks Be it resolved that the Councils of the Town of Gananoque and Township of Leeds and the Thousand Island hereby adopt the Agenda of June 12, 2015 as posted.		
CARRIED		
DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF – NONE STATED		
ITEMS FOR REVIEW OR DISCUSSION		
Joint Economic Development Opportunities Staff Resources where available Fire Chief Services Joint Purchasing Efficiencies Council Training – Use of Social Media Participate in Strategic Plan Process of the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands and Town Joint Sub-Committees: OLG Casino Lou Jeffries and TLTI Community Centre (Arena)		

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<p>Motion No. 2015-203 Moved by: Councillor Gerry Last Seconded by: Councillor Anne Warren Be it resolved that the Councils direct their respective CAO's to investigate opportunities that support the Municipalities collaboration regarding the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff Resources where available Fire Chief Services Joint Purchasing Efficiencies Council Training – Use of Social Media Participate in Strategic Plan Process of the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands <p>Further, that the Councils support the following Joint Sub-Committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> OLG Casino Lou Jeffries and TLTI Community Centre (Arena) 	
CARRIED	
<p>Summary of comments included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Joint Economic Development critical on a regional basis – critical to maintain sustainability – regional marketing required o Sharing of Staff expertise between municipalities o Next Joint meeting be just before budget deliberations commence to ensure joint purchasing savings are investigated. o Town and Township CAO's will meet regularly o Town and Township Councils meet quarterly o Joint Council and staff training opportunities for such things as: Social Media; WHMIS, First Aid, etc. o Participate in the Strategic Planning process of each municipality o Police Services – OPP and Town of Gananoque Police Services o Lou Jeffries Gananoque and Township of Leeds and Thousand Islands Community Center – name too long. Investigate changing it to Lou Jeffries Community Centre (or Arena) o OLG Sub-committee – original focus is complete (keeping in Region). Focus may change based on needs. o Joint Recreation sub-committee o Contractors Dock improvements have been completed – pilot project – measurement will be based on feedback from contractors using the dock, and the islanders o Via Railway Station divestment to municipality – critical to keep it open and viable for the regional economic development industry – work beautification at the station and on marketing of service 	
<p>Motion No. 2015-204 Moved by: Councillor Vicki Leakey Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Girling Be it resolved that the Councils of the Town of Gananoque and Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands hereby direct staff to obtain farther information with respect to the VIA Rail Station and bring back a report to their respective Councils.</p>	
CARRIED	
ADJOURNMENT	
<p>Motion No. 2015-205 Moved by: Councillor Vicki Leakey Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Girling Moved by: Councillor Brian Brooks Seconded by: Councillor John Paul Jackson Be it resolved that this Special Meeting of the Councils of the Town of Gananoque and Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands hereby adjourn.</p>	
CARRIED	
 Mayor, Erika Demchuk	 Clerk, Bonnie Dingwall