



9.	<b>Delegations</b>
	<p><b>1. The Compostables – Tikvah Mindorff</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tikvah Mindorff appeared before Council and presented a PowerPoint presentation entitled “The Compostables – Saving the Planet One Compost at a Time”</li> <li>• A request was made to Council to consider the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the Town enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with The Compostables that includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Include this initiative on the Town’s website and incorporate the composting schedule in the annual Garbage and Recycling schedule;</li> <li>• Provide a subsidy for the first 500 residents to participate in the program, and;</li> <li>• Provide composting services to the Town of Gananoque for 5 years.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>
10.	<b>Mayor’s Declaration</b>
	<p><b>1. Elizabeth Barnett Day – February 21, 2021</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayor Lojko proclaimed Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 be celebrated as “Elizabeth Barnett Day” in the Town of Gananoque.</li> </ul>
11.	<b>Public Meetings</b>
	<p><b>1. Andrew Grunda, Principal, Watson and Associates – Development Charges</b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Council of the Town of Gananoque held a public meeting under Section 12 of the <i>Development Charges Act, 1997</i>, as amended. The purpose of the meeting was to give the public an opportunity to ask questions, provide comments, and make representations on the 2021 Development Charges Background Study.</li> </ul> <p>This study calculates new development charges for <b>Services Related to a Highway or Roadway, Parks and Recreation, Wastewater Services, Housing Services, Other Services such as Background Studies.</b></p> <p>Prior to receiving the public comments, Mr. Andrew Grunda, Consultant from Watson &amp; Associates Economists Ltd., provided a brief presentation of the findings of the study.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Andrew Grunda, presented an overview of the Development Charges and explained next steps.</li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayor Lojko invited Council members to ask questions and provide comments with respect to the Development Charges. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayor Lojko, Councillor Kench and Councillor Anderson requested clarification on next steps, calculation of Development Charges and Industrial Development Charges.</li> <li>• Andrew responded to each question and advised that Council will be presented with a further report, prior to consideration of adoption of the DC in the coming months. Council will have until November 2021, to the adopt the By-law.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayor Lojko invited members of the public to ask questions and provide comments.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Q: Marion Sprenger asked the following questions. Andrew’s response is noted below.</b></p> <p><b>1. Could a sliding scale for square footage or value to attract more Affordable housing be implemented?</b></p> <p>A: Some municipalities have implemented in its By-laws exemption for Affordable Housing. For example: Some may define that there is an exemption which may be a reduction to the charge, or; some have a Committee or Affordable Housing Policy and that is used as their guide.</p> <p>Of note, Development Charges are imposed at the time of Building Permit issuance and in some instances, affordability might not be determined at that time, only at the time of occupancy.</p>









