



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Held on Tuesday, December 7, 2021 at 6:00 PM

Held via WebEx Video and Teleconference

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT		STAFF PRESENT
Mayor:	Ted Lojko	Shellee Fournier, CAO
Councillors:	Dave Anderson	Penny Kelly, Clerk/CEMC
	Adrian Haird	David Armstrong, Manager of Public Works
	Matt Harper	Brenda Guy, Manager of Planning and Development
	Mike Kench	Gord Howard, Fire Chief
	Dennis O'Connor	Doug Wark, Manager of Community Services
	David Osmond	Scott Gee, Chief of Police
Regrets:		Melanie Kirkby, Treasurer

1.	Call Meeting to Order
	Mayor Lojko called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM, with the following Council Members present: Deputy Mayor Osmond, Councillor Anderson, Councillor Harper and Councillor O'Connor.
2.	Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof
	1. Deputy Mayor Osmond declared a pecuniary interest regarding the Public Meeting with respect to the Plan of Subdivision – SD2021-01 – Vacant Lands East of Garfield – RGH Developments Inc. and Report Council PD-2021-19, as he resides on Garfield Street.
	2. Councillor O'Connor declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Report Council-CAO-2021-18, as his Gallery landlord owns/resides at 130 King Street East.
3.	Closed Meeting of Council (Beginning at 5:00 PM)

Motion #21-204 – Closed Session – Additional Item for Discussion

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Osmond

Seconded by: Councillor Harper

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE EXERCISE ITS RIGHT UNDER THE PROCEDURE BY-LAW NO. 2016-094, SECTION 17.10, TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL ITEM TO THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA WITH RESPECT TO ONE (1) ITEM UNDER PERSONAL MATTERS CONCERNING AN IDENTIFIABLE INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING MUNICIPAL OR BOARD EMPLOYEES, WITH RESPECT TO A COUNCILLOR VACANCY ON THE 1000 ISLANDS HISTORY MUSEUM BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

CARRIED – UNANIMOUS, by those present

	Move into Closed Session
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moved by Deputy Mayor Osmond that the Council of the Town of Gananoque in accordance with Section 239.2 of the <i>Municipal Act</i>, moves into Closed Session at 5:03 PM for the purpose of discussing: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Three (3) items under Personal Matters Concerning an Identifiable Individual, Including Municipal or Board Employees, regarding the naming of Corporate Assets, Tourism Advisory Panel vacancy / appointment and; a Council vacancy on the 1000 Island History Museum Board of Directors; 2. One (1) item under a Position, Plan, Procedure, Criteria or Instruction to be Applied to any Negotiations Carried on or to be Carried On By or on Behalf of the Municipality or Local Board, and; 3. One (1) item under a Proposed or Pending Acquisition or Disposition of Land by the Municipality.
	CARRIED – UNANIMOUS, by those present

12.	Mayor's Declaration
	<p>1. Year of the Garden 2022 – 100th Anniversary of the Canadian Nursery Landscape Association – January 1 to December 31, 2022</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mayor Lojko proclaimed 2022 as the Year of the Garden and further proclaimed that Saturday, June 18, 2022, be recognized as Garden Day in the Town of Gananoque.
	<p>2. Remembering Peter Murray</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mayor Lojko, on behalf of Council, recognized the passing of Peter Murray on November 18, 2021, and the legacy that Peter left behind by establishing the Gananoque Trails and rebuilding Gananoque's Urban Forest. Peter will be greatly missed.
13.	Public Meetings
	<p>**Deputy Mayor Osmond declared a pecuniary interest as he resides on Garfield Street and disconnected from the meeting.</p>
	<p>1. Plan of Subdivision – SD2021-01 – Vacant Lands East of Garfield – RGH Developments Inc. (+Council Report PD-2021-19)</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Public Meeting was held with respect to a Plan of Subdivision pursuant to Section 51 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990 regarding a Plan of Subdivision received from RGH Development Inc., File No. SD2021-01, for the property municipally and legally described as Vacant Lands East of Garfield Street to develop the subject lands with twenty-six (26) single family dwellings and two (2) semi-detached dwellings. Mayor Lojko read the Public Meeting statement and; requested that the Manager of Planning and Development present the proposed Plan of Subdivision. Brenda Guy, Manager of Planning and Development provided an overview of Report Council-2021-PD-2021-19, Ms. Guy noted that there were public concerns/submissions received from Laurie and Gerard Cadue (90 Birch Street), and; Bruce and Marian McLeod (75 Garfield Street), regarding stormwater management and blasting at the property and; prior to the meeting on December 7th, 2021, staff received another concern regarding the above, plus a traffic flow concern from Doug and Karen Pattimore. The Conditions of Draft Subdivision approval must be met prior to the registration of the Plan, and; as part of the 55 conditions the Town is required to seek a Traffic Background Study. Through the Chair, Brenda requested that Kyle Nielissen from Forefront Engineering address the blasting and stormwater management concerns. The Chair invited Mr. Nielissen to provide an overview. Mr. Nielissen presented a slide with respect to the comments that were received by Forefront Engineering Inc., responding to the rock excavation and blasting. He informed that the Ontario Provincial Standard Specification (OPSS). MUNI 120 sets out: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The regulation for use of explosives onsite. That contractors are required to hire a third-party consultant within the specified areas to conduct a pre-blast survey (i.e. depth of blasting, type of rock in proximity etc.). The third-party Blast Monitoring Consultant monitors the entire operation with four (4) vibration monitors recording the vibration levels on an ongoing basis. Typically, the blasting load maximums would be far below the allowable limits. All blasting personnel onsite will be licensed and have specific training to work in urban areas. The blasting contractor carries specific insurance for blasting. Any complaints and/or property damage inquiries are investigated by the contractor and third-party consultant. Mr. Nielissen indicated that there would be some blasting, but it is not anticipated that there will be a lot due to the existing sewer inverts and lay of the land leads to the site be raised up substantially.

- Mr. Nielissen reiterated that a Traffic Impact Brief is a condition of draft approval, and; that existing and proposed traffic volumes have been reviewed.
- Mr. Nielissen noted that Ms. Guy addressed the drainage in the overview provided and added the following:
 - A Grading Plan is required as a condition of draft approval.
 - Forefront has completed a Stormwater Management Report.
 - The CRCA and G.D. Jewell Engineering completed multiple peer review of the Stormwater Management Reports.
 - Existing drainage issues have been brought to Forefront's attention and are addressed within the proposed Plan.
- Ms. Guy summarized by advising that this Application was reviewed by the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) during its November 30, 2021 meeting.

• **The Chair asked if any member of Council had any questions or comments?**

Q: Councillor Anderson asked if dwellings would have basements or be slab?

A: Mr. Nielissen advised that at this time he cannot confirm if the dwellings will have basement or be slab-on-grade. It is expected that due to the topography and shallow sanitary connections there will be a combination of both. This will be brought forward during the final approval process.

Q: Councillor Kench asked if Forefront Engineering and/or the Developer could address the "cut-sheet" of the road and sidewalk to put in a small boulevard or make a more gradual decline for ease of access for persons with disabilities?

- Mayor Lojko advised that during the PAC meeting the Manager of Planning and Development noted this for further review, however; due to the timing of this meeting and the PAC meeting, the Developer, Engineer or staff may not have had time to discuss this matter.

A: Ms. Guy advised that the matter had been noted in the PAC Minutes, and at this time discussions have not yet taken place.

A: Mr. Nielissen stated they will develop some road cross sections for review by Town staff during the final subdivision process prior to the detailed subdivision design being released. There are options to push the sidewalks back to the property design if this option is desired.

• **The Chair asked if any member of the public had any questions or comments?**

- There being none the Chair moved on to the next item on the Public Meeting.

• **The Chair asked if the Owner or Applicant have any additional questions or comments?**

- Mr. Nielissen thanked members of Council and staff for considering the Plan of Subdivision and hoped that this project will be very successful in Gananoque.

- The public meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

***At this point, Council considered the recommendation in Report Council-PD -2021-19.

14. Correspondence

***At this point, Deputy Mayor Osmond reconnected to the meeting

1. Accounts Payable – November 11 to 29, 2021

2. United Counties of Leeds and Grenville – Point in Time (PiT) Count Homelessness Report



Motion #21-198 – United Counties of Leeds and Grenville – Point in Time (PiT) Count Homelessness Report

Moved by: Councillor O'Connor

Seconded by: Councillor Anderson

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE

REFERS THE UNITED COUNTIES OF LEEDS AND GRENVILLE POINT IN TIME

26.	Adjournment
	<p>Moved by: Deputy Mayor Osmond Be it resolved that Council hereby adjourns this regular meeting of Council at 8:02 PM.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</p>
 _____ Ted Lojko, Mayor	 _____ Penny Kelly, Clerk / CEMC