

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at 6:00 PM

**Held via WebEx Video and Teleconference**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT		STAFF PRESENT
<b>Mayor:</b>	Ted Lojko	Shellee Fournier, CAO
<b>Councillors:</b>	Dave Anderson	Penny Kelly, Clerk/CEMC
	Adrian Haird	Brenda Guy, Manager of Planning and Development
	Matt Harper	Melanie Kirkby, Treasurer
	Mike Kench	Kari Lambe, Manager of Community Services
	Dennis O'Connor	Don Richards, Superintendent of Water / Wastewater
	David Osmond	
<b>Regrets:</b>		Paul McMunn, Manager of Public Works

<b>1.</b>	<b>Call Meeting to Order</b>
	Mayor Lojko called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.
<b>2.</b>	<b>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest &amp; General Nature Thereof</b>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mayor Lojko declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Report Council-CS-2020-32, entitled "Lease Agreement – 2 King Street East", as his partner submitted an Expression of Interest (EOI); as well, he was a contributor to his campaign.</li> <li>Deputy Mayor Harper declared a pecuniary interest with respect to Report Council-CS-2020-32, entitled "Lease Agreement – 2 King Street East", as his employer, Gananoque Boat Line (GBL), submitted an Expression of Interest (EOI).</li> </ol>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Closed Meeting of Council (Beginning at 5:00 PM)</b>
	<p><b>Move Into Closed Session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moved by Councillor 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 5:00 PM for the purpose of discussing items under: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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 with respect to 1000 Islands Kayaking, and; various parcels of land, and;</li> <li>Personal Matters Concerning an Identifiable Individual, Including Municipal or Board Employees with respect to the Trees and Trails Advisory Panel, vacancy and appointment.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Move Out of Closed Session at 5:58 PM</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>Matters Arising from Closed Session</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mayor Lojko reported that Council discussed two (2) items 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 with respect to 1000 Islands Kayaking, and Various Parcels of Land, and; one (1) item under Personal Matters Concerning an Identifiable Individual, Including Municipal or Board Employees regarding the Trees and Trails Advisory Panel, vacancy and appointment.</li> <li>The following will be considered.</li> </ul>

	<p align="center"><b>Motion #20-235 – Trees and Trails Advisory Panel – Vacancy and Appointments</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond    <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench          BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE REMOVES PETER MURRAY FROM THE TREES AND TRAILS ADVISORY PANEL AND APPOINTS DAVID FRID AS A MEMBER TO THE ADVISORY PANEL.</p> <p align="right"><b>CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</b></p>
<b>6.</b>	<p><b>Public Question / Comment</b> (Only Addressing Reports on the Agenda)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There being none, the Chair moved on to the next item on the Agenda.</li> </ul>
<b>7.</b>	<p><b>Disclosure of Additional Items</b></p>
	<p>1. Leeds Condominium Corporation #8 – Comments on By-law Pertaining to Water and Sewer Rates for 2021 (+Response)</p> <p>2. Budget Deliberations Schedule – Request to Change – Councillor O’Connor</p>
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Presentations / Awards / Deputations</b> – None</p>
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Delegations</b></p> <p>1. Joanne van Dreumel, Executive Director, 1000 Islands History Museum</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joanne van Dreumel, appeared before Council and presented two (2) PowerPoint presentations entitled “1000 Islands History Museum – Year-End Report”, and; “2020 Artefact Oversight Committee Report”.</li> <li>• Following the presentations, Council considered Council Reports 2020-CAO-21, and 2020-CAO-22.</li> </ul>
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Mayor’s Declaration</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayor Lojko announced the passing of Ken Stewart and expressed condolences to his wife and family.</li> </ul>
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Public Meetings</b> – None</p>
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p>
	<p>1. Accounts Payable – October 11 to 26, 2020</p>
	<p>2. <b>Thousand Island Youth Boxing Club – Council Grant Request</b></p>
	<p align="center"><b>Motion #20-243 – Thousand Island Youth Boxing Club – Council Grant Request – Postpone to Budget Deliberations</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Haird    <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench          BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE POSTPONES THE THOUSAND ISLANDS YOUTH BOXING CLUB COUNCIL GRANT REQUEST TO THE 2021 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS.</p> <p align="right"><b>CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</b></p>
	<p>3. Chris McDonald – Service Delivery Review (+Response)</p>
	<p>4. Ministry of Finance – 2021 Ontario Municipal Partnership Fund (OMPF) Allocations</p>
	<p>5. Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority (CRCA) – Draft 2021 Budget for Review</p>
	<p>6. Ministry of Environment – Blue Box – Draft Transition Schedule</p>
	<p>7. United Counties of Leeds and Grenville (UCLG) – Media Release – Highlights of Counties Council Meeting – October 22, 2020</p>
	<p>8. Minutes – Police Services Board (PSB) – September 11, 2020</p>
	<p>9. Minutes – Planning Advisory Committee – September 29, 2020</p>



<b>15.</b>	<b>Motions (Council Direction to Staff)</b>
	<b>1. Notice of Motion – Recreation Skating Program – Councillor Osmond</b>
	<p><b>Motion #20-244 – Notice of Motion – Recreation Skating Program</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond      <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench  BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE APPROVES A RECREATION SKATING PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN AN ORGANIZED PROGRAM AT THE LOU JEFFRIES ARENA, DURING THE 2020-2021 ICE SEASON (TOTAL OF 19 WEEKS), AT AN AMOUNT OF \$400 PER WEEK TOTALLING \$7,600, AND THAT THIS INITIATIVE BE FUNDED FROM RESERVES;</p> <p>AND FURTHER THAT STAFF UPDATES THE CURRENT GANANOQUE &amp; TLTI RECREATION CENTRE COVID-19 SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND PROCEDURES TO INCLUDE THE RECREATION SKATING PROGRAM.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED – 4 Ayes, 3 Nays</b></p>
	<b>2. Notice of Motion – Amend Community Improvement Program (CIP) – Councillor Osmond</b>
	<p><b>Motion #20-245 – Amend Community Improvement Program (CIP)</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond      <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench  BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2020-125, BEING A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 2020-079, BEING A BY-LAW TO ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CIP), TO AMEND SECTION 5.3. ELIGIBILITY, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 5.3.B) TO INSERT THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE “<b>REGISTERED NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WITH A PHYSICAL LOCATION ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC ARE ELIGIBLE.</b>”.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>DEFEATED – 3 Ayes, 4 Nays</b></p>
<b>16.</b>	<b>Notice Required Under the Notice By-law – None</b>
<b>17.</b>	<b>Committee Updates (Council Reps)</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Councillors provided their updates.</li> </ul>
<b>18.</b>	<b>Discussion of Additional Items</b>
	<b>1. Leeds Condominium Corporation #8 – Comments on By-law Pertaining to Water and Sewer Rates for 2021 (Correspondence and Response attached)</b>
	<b>2. Budget Deliberations Schedule – Request to Change – Councillor O’Connor</b>
	<p><b>Motion #20-246 – Budget Deliberations Schedule – Proposal to Change Meeting Dates</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor O’Connor      <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Anderson  BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE AMENDS THE BUDGET DELIBERATIONS 2021 MEETING DATES TO THE FOLLOWING:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2020 – 4:00 PM TO 9:00 PM, AND;</li> <li>2. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2020 – 4:00 PM TO 9:00 PM.</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED – 5 Ayes, 2 Nays</b></p>

19.	<b>Staff Reports</b>
<b>Council-CAO-2020-21 – Arthur Child Heritage Museum Thousand Islands History Museum Funding Proposal (+Delegation)</b>	
	<p><b>Motion #20-236 – Arthur Child Heritage Museum Thousand Islands History Museum Funding Proposal</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond                      <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench  BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE REFERS THE ARTHUR CHILD HERITAGE MUSEUM (ACHM)/THOUSAND ISLANDS HISTORY MUSEUM FUNDING PROPOSAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$49,182 TO THE 2021 BUDGET DELIBERATION PROCESS, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT CAO-2020-21.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</b></p>
<b>Council-CAO-2020-21 – Artefact Oversight Committee Report</b>	
	<p><b>Motion #20-237 – Artefact Oversight Committee Report</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond                      <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench  BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE RECEIVES THE 2020 ARTEFACT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORT, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT CAO-2020-22.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</b></p>
	<p><b>By-law No. 2020-125 – Amend By-law No. 2016-055 – Artefact Collections Management Policy – Include Town Hall Historical Objects</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond                      <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench  BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS A BY-LAW NO. 2020-125 BEING A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 2016-055, REGARDING THE TOWN HALL HISTORICAL OBJECTS AS DESCRIBED IN ATTACHMENT 3, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT CAO-2020-22.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</b></p>
	<p><b>Motion #20-238 – Addition of Various Items to Town’s Civic Collection</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond                      <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench  BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE APPROVES THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONS TO THE TOWN’S CIVIC COLLECTION:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. BOARDING PASSES. “MOONLIGHT EXCURSION TO ALEXANDRIA BAY, TUESDAY, JUNE 29TH, 1915, STEAMER THOUSAND ISLANDER”;</li> <li>2. POSTCARD. ““BONNIEBURNE” ANNEX TO BLINKBONNIE-ON-THE-ST. LAWRENCE, GANANOQUE, ONT., CANADA”;</li> <li>3. SOUVENIR PRINT CARDS, SCENES OF 1000 ISLANDS;</li> <li>4. PHOTOGRAPHIC PRINTS. “OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHS - CANADA STEAMSHIP LINE LTD.”;</li> <li>5. PRODUCT PACKAGE/GIFT BOX. “WEBSTER’S MEN’S SHOP”;</li> <li>6. PAMPHLET. “GRACE UNITED CHURCH 1836 – 1936, SOUVENIR OF CENTENARY CELEBRATION”;</li> <li>7. CANADA POST MAIL CARRIER’S BAGS;</li> <li>8. KEN’S GIFT SHOP PRODUCT PACKAGE (GIFTBOX);</li> <li>9. WOODLEY’S JEWELLERS PRODUCT PACKAGE (GIFTBOX), AND;</li> <li>10. ENGAGEMENT RING BOX WITH ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS,</li> </ol> <p>AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT CAO-2020-22.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</b></p>

**Council-CSC-2020-03 – Council and Committee of the Whole 2021 Meeting Schedule**

**Motion #20-240 – Council and Committee of the Whole 2021 Meeting Schedule**

**Moved by:** Councillor Osmond                      **Seconded by:** Councillor Kench  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE APPROVES THE 2021 COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING SCHEDULE, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT CSC-2020-03.

**CARRIED – UNANIMOUS**

**Council-CS-2020-32 – Lease Agreement – 2 King Street East**

**\*\*Mayor Lojko and Deputy Mayor Harper declared pecuniary interests and were disconnected from the meeting.  
\*\*Councillor Osmond took the Chair.**

**By-law No. 2020-122 – Lease Agreement – 2 King Street East**

**Moved by:** Councillor Haird                      **Seconded by:** Councillor Kench  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2020-122, BEING A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR (OR DESIGNATE) AND CLERK TO SIGN A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CHRIS BASSELL O/A SWEET SHACK (TO BE INCORPORATED) FOR 2 KING STREET EAST FROM NOVEMBER 9, 2020 TO DECEMBER 31, 2024, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT CS-2020-32.

**CARRIED – UNANIMOUS, by those present and voting**

**\*\*\*Mayor Lojko and Deputy Mayor Harper were reconnected to the meeting.  
\*\*\*Councillor Osmond vacated the Chair.  
\*\*\*Mayor Lojko resumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.**

**Council-CS-2020-33 – Amend Fees & Rates By-law No. 2016-047 – 2021 Marina Rates**

\*Moved by Councillor Osmond and Seconded by Councillor Anderson that the recommendation be amended to include the following **“AND FURTHER THAT THE COMMUNITY SERVICES MANAGER BRING BACK A REPORT REGARDING THE INTRODUCTION OF NON-RESIDENT RATES WITH RESPECT TO THE MARINA RATES FOR COUNCIL’S CONSIDERATION.”**

**CARRIED – UNANIMOUS**

**By-law No. 2020-123 – Amend Fees & Rates By-law No. 2016-047 – 2021 Marina Rates – Schedule ‘K’**

**Moved by:** Councillor Osmond                      **Seconded by:** Councillor Kench  
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2020-123, BEING A BY-LAW TO AMEND THE GENERAL FEES AND RATES BY-LAW NO. 2016-047, MUNICIPAL MARINA SERVICES, SCHEDULE ‘K’, AS OUTLINED IN THE INFORMATION / DISCUSSION SECTION OF COUNCIL REPORT-CS-2020-33;

AND FURTHER THAT ALL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FEES COLLECTED BE TRANSFERRED TO THE MARINA RESERVE ACCOUNT, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT-CS-2020-33,

AND FURTHER THAT THE COMMUNITY SERVICES MANAGER BRING BACK A REPORT REGARDING THE INTRODUCTION OF NON-RESIDENT RATES WITH RESPECT TO THE MARINA RATES FOR COUNCIL’S CONSIDERATION.

**CARRIED – 6 Ayes, 1 Nay, as amended**

<b>Council-FIN-2020-39 – Safe Restart Phase 2 Grant Application</b>			
	<p><b>Motion #20-241 – Safe Restart Phase 2 Grant Application</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond      <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench  BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE DIRECTS STAFF TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR THE SAFE RESTART PHASE TWO GRANT, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT-FIN-2020-39.  <b>CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</b></p>		
<b>Council-FIN-2020-40 – Capital Matters Pending</b>			
	<p><b>Motion #20-242 – Capital Matters Pending</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond      <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench  BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE RECEIVES THE CAPITAL MATTERS PENDING UPDATE, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT FIN-2020-40.  <b>CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</b></p>		
<b>Council-RDS-2020-16 – Amend Traffic &amp; Parking By-law No. 2015-070 – Pine Street</b>			
	<p><b>By-law No. 2020-124 – Amend Traffic &amp; Parking By-law No. 2015-070 – Pine Street</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond      <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench  BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2020-124 TO AMEND BY-LAW 2015-070, BEING A BY-LAW TO REGULATE TRAFFIC AND PARKING ON ROADWAYS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. TO AMEND SCHEDULE XI, ONE-WAY ROAD, SECTION 34, TO ADD PINE STREET AS A ONE-WAY STREET (WEST TO EAST), BETWEEN STONE STREET SOUTH AND CHARLES STREET SOUTH;</li> <li>2. TO AMEND SCHEDULE VIII, STOP SIGNS AT INTERSECTION, SECTION 29, TO REMOVE IN ITS ENTIRETY THE WESTBOUND STOP SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION OF PINE STREET AND STONE STREET SOUTH, AND;</li> <li>3. TO AMEND SCHEDULE I, PARKING PROHIBITED, SECTION 9, TO REMOVE PARKING ON THE NORTH SIDE OF PINE STREET, FROM STONE STREET SOUTH TO THE WESTERLY DEAD END,</li> </ol> <p>AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT RDS-2020-16.  <b>CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</b></p>		
<b>20.</b>	<b>Questions from the Media</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mayor Lojko responded to questions from the Media.</li> </ul>		
<b>21.</b>	<b>Confirmation By-law</b>		
	<p><b>By-law No. 2020-120– Confirming By-law – November 3, 2020 (3 Readings)</b></p> <p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond      <b>Seconded by:</b> Councillor Kench  BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2020-120, BEING A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2020, BE READ THREE TIMES AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 3<sup>RD</sup>, DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020.  <b>CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</b></p>		
<b>22.</b>	<b>Next Meeting – Tuesday, November 17, 2020 at 6:00 PM.</b>		
<b>23.</b>	<b>Adjournment</b>		
	<p><b>Moved by:</b> Councillor Osmond  Be it resolved that Council hereby adjourns this regular meeting of Council at 8:35 PM.  <b>CARRIED – UNANIMOUS</b></p>		
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October 30, 2020

## **Comments on By-Law Pertaining to Water and Sewer Rates for 2021**

As President of Leeds Condominium Corporation #8 I have the following comments to make on behalf of the 15 units and 26 residents in our building:

1. We believe the proposed rate structure unfairly charges condominium owners more than their fair share.
  - a. For maintenance and capital replacement of lines on our street and to our building, the charge for our building should not be much more than any other residential unit. Although the pipe flowing into and the pipe flowing out of our building is of a bigger diameter the additional cost would not be 15 times that of a single family home.
  - b. A fairer method of allocating costs would be on usage. Condominium units are relatively sparsely populated. Our building averages 1.7 residents per unit – well below that of a single family dwelling. Our residents are almost exclusively senior citizens and many are not here for the colder months of the year.
2. We realize the Town is faced with a daunting task of funding the replacement of significant infrastructure as prior Councils have deferred the problem rather than deal with it as and when appropriate. However, there are Government funding programs available to assist municipalities facing these types of problems. We therefore urge Council to seek out assistance under Provincial and Federal programs to which this capital replacement project may qualify. The Federal Infrastructure Bank is one that comes to mind. Surely there are others.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Mark Roberts,

President, Leeds Condominium Corporation #8





Monday, November 2, 2020

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Thank you for your email sent to me today, for circulation to Council.

In response to your questions, the flat rate charges to each of your 15 units is equal to the charge to all of the other residential units in Gananoque. Although some of the units in your building only have 1 person living in them, the same could be said for many other residences in Gananoque. The consumption fees are directly related to usage and will reflect in your building, as in all other homes, the amount of water being provided.

The Town is faced with aging infrastructure with significant replacement and maintenance costs, as well as the daily operating costs to run the system. Gananoque applies for grants when ever there is an available opportunity. That does not mean that we receive every grant that is applied for.

I have investigated the Federal Infrastructure Bank as per your reference. This is an arms length organization of the Federal Government which assists with finding private loans for infrastructure projects which are not otherwise qualify for loans. Any of the necessary water and wastewater projects in the 10-year capital budget would be eligible for loans through infrastructure Ontario. The issue isn't getting a loan, the issue is that all loans must be repaid, which means further pressure on the annual operating budget.

Sincerely



Melanie Kirkby

Treasurer