

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Held on Tuesday, January 16, 2024, at 6:00 PM Held via WebEx Video, Teleconference and In-Person

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT		STAFF PRESENT
Mayor:	John Beddows	Melanie Kirkby, Acting CAO / Treasurer
Councillors:	Colin Brown	Penny Kelly, Clerk/CEMC
	Matt Harper	Brenda Guy, Manager of Planning and Development
	Patrick Kirkby	David Armstrong, Manager of Public Works
	Anne-Marie Koiner	Gord Howard, Fire Chief
	Vicky Leakey	Scott Gee, Police Chief
	David Osmond	
Regrets:		Jeff Johnston, Manager of Parks and Recreation

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1.	Call Meeting to Order		
	Mayor Beddows called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.		
2.	Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof – None		
3.	Closed Meeting of Council – None		
4.	Canadian National Anthem		
	The National Anthem was sung.		
5.	Land Acknowledgement Statement		
	Mayor Beddows read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.		
6.	Public Question / Comment (Only Addressing Motion(s) or Reports on the Agenda)		
	A Member of the public addressed Reports listed on the Agenda.		
7.	Disclosure of Additional Items		
	King Street Productions – 2024 First Peoples' Performing Arts Festival – Request for Funding		
8.	Delegations – None		
9.	Presentations / Awards / Deputations		
10.	Mayor's Declaration - None		
11.	Public Meetings – None		
12.	Expression of Interest to Sit on Finance Working Group / Appointments		
	 Penny Kelly, Clerk, conducted the process to receive Expression of Interests from Council Members interested in sitting on the Finance Working Group. The following Members of Council expressed their interest: Councillor Koiner, Deputy Mayor Leakey, Councillor Brown, Councillor Harper and Councillor Kirkby. Members voted in the order that names were presented: 		
	Councillor Koiner 3		
	Deputy Mayor Leakey 3		
	Councillor Brown 5 Councillor Harper 4		
	Councillor Harper 4 Councillor Kirkby 5		
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The following recommendation was considered.

By-law No. 2024-007 – Amend By-law No. 2022-124 – Finance Working Group Moved by: Councillor Brown Seconded by: Councillor Kirkby BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2024-007, BEING A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 2022-124, BEING A BY-LAW TO APPOINT COUNCIL MEMBERS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES, ADVISORY PANELS AND BOARDS TO REMOVE DEPUTY MAYOR VICKI LEAKEY AND COUNCILLOR ANNE-MARIE KOINER FROM THE FINANCE WORKING GROUP AND REPLACE WITH

- 1. COUNCILLOR COLIN BROWN, AND;
- 2. COUNCILLOR PATRICK KIRKBY.

CARRIED - UNANIMOUS

13. Unfinished Business

Council-REC-2024-01 - Fireworks vs. Alternative Displays for Canada Day Festivities

Motion #24-002 – Fireworks vs. Alternative Displays for Canada Day Festivities Moved by: Councillor Harper Seconded by: Councillor Osmond BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE DIRECTS STAFF TO PROCEED WITH OPTION #1 (MAINTAIN STATUS QUO. PROCEED WITH THE TRADITIONAL FIREWORKS SHOW OF 20 MINUTES, WHICH IS FUNDED IN THE CURRENT BUDGET OF \$13,000), FOR THE CANADA DAY 2024 EVENT, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT REC -2024-01.

CARRIED - 5 Ayes, 2 Nays

14. Motion #24-001 – Approval of Minutes – December 19, 2023

Motion #24-001 – Approval of Minutes – December 19, 2023

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Leakey Seconded by: Councillor Kirkby
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE
HEREBY ADOPTS THE REGULAR COUNCIL MINUTES OF TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 19, 2023.

CARRIED - 6 Ayes, 1 Abstain

15. Staff Reports

Council-FIN-2024-01 - 2024 Operating and Capital Budget

Motion #24-003 – 2024 Joint Services Transfer, Health Unit and Employee Health Benefits Renewal

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Leakey **Seconded by:** Councillor Koiner BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE DIRECTS STAFF TO PROCEED WITH OPTION #3 (ADOPT THE 2024 OPERATIONAL BUDGET AS DRAFTED), OF THE 2024 JOINT SERVICES TRANSFER, HEALTH UNIT AND EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFITS RENEWAL, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT-FIN-2024-01.

CARRIED - 5 Ayes, 2 Nays

By-law No. 2024-001 – 2024 Operating and Capital Budget

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Leakey **Seconded by:** Councillor Koiner BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE READS BY-LAW NO. 2024-001, A FIRST AND SECOND TIME ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024, BEING A BY-LAW TO ADOPT THE 2024 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS,

AND FURTHER, THAT BY-LAW NO. 2024-001, BE CONSIDERED AND READ A THIRD TIME FOR FINAL PASSAGE ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024, AS PRESENTED IN REPORT COUNCIL-FIN-2024-01.

CARRIED - UNANIMOUS

Council-FIN-2024-02 – Water and Wastewater Operating and Capital Budget and Rates

By-law No. 2024-002 – Water and Wastewater Operating and Capital Budget and Rates

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Leakey **Seconded by:** Councillor Koiner BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE READS BY-LAW NO. 2024-002, A FIRST AND SECOND TIME ON JANUARY 16, 2024, BEING A BY-LAW TO ADOPT THE 2024 WATER AND WASTEWATER RATES, OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGETS,

AND FURTHER, THAT BY-LAW NO. 2024-002, BE CONSIDERED AND READ A THIRD TIME FOR FINAL PASSAGE ON FEBRUARY 6, 2024, AS PRESENTED IN REPORT COUNCIL-FIN-2024-02

CARRIED - UNANIMOUS

Council-FIN-2024-03 – Interim Tax Levy By-law

By-law No. 2024-003 - Interim Tax Levy By-law

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Leakey **Seconded by:** Councillor Koiner BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2024-003, BEING A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO ISSUE BILLS FOR THE 2024 INTERIM TAX LEVY, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT FIN-2024-03.

CARRIED - UNANIMOUS

Council-FIN-2024-04 – Short-Term Borrowing By-law

By-law No. 2024-004 - Short-Term Borrowing By-law

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Leakey **Seconded by:** Councillor Koiner BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2024-004, BEING A BY-LAW TO AUTHORIZE SHORT-TERM BORROWING, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT FIN-2024-04.

CARRIED – UNANIMOUS

Council-FIRE-2024-01 – Amend By-law No. 2018-010 – Appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Official

By-law No. 2024-006 – Amend By-law No. 2018-010 – Appoint Municipal Law Enforcement Official

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Leakey **Seconded by:** Councillor Koiner BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2024-006, BEING A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW NO. 2018-010, A BY-LAW TO APPOINT MUNICIPAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE, AS PRESENTED IN COUNCIL REPORT FIRE-2024-01.

CARRIED - UNANIMOUS

Council-LIB-2024-01 - Gananoque Public Library Quarterly Report

Motion #24-004 – Gananoque Public Library Quarterly Report
Moved by: Deputy Mayor Leakey Seconded by: Councillor Koiner
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE
RECEIVES THE GANANOQUE PUBLIC LIBRARY QUARTERLY REPORT, AS
PRESENTED IN REPORT COUNCIL LIB-2024-01.

CARRIED - UNANIMOUS

16. | **Motions** (Council Direction to Staff)

1. Ensuring Electric Vehicle Charging Station Accessibility - Mayor Beddows

***At this point, Mayor Beddows vacated the Chair in order to speak to the Motion.

***Deputy Mayor Leakey took the Chair.

***Moved by Councillor Brown and seconded by Councillor Harper to remove the word "ENSURE" in its entirety and replaced with "RECOMMEND".

CARRIED – 5 Ayes, 2 Nays

Motion #24-005 – Ensuring Electric Vehicle Charging Station Accessibility
Moved By: Mayor Beddows

Seconded By: Councillor Koiner
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE
DIRECTS STAFF TO PREPARE A REPORT ON THE CHANGES NECESSARY TO
BY-LAWS AND, IF REQUIRED, THE OFFICIAL PLAN, TO PROVIDE THE TOWN
WITH THE AUTHORITY TO RECOMMEND THAT ALL FUTURE PERSONAL
ELECTRICAL VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS BUILT IN GANANOQUE
INCLUDE A PERCENTAGE OF ACCESSIBLE UNITS IN ACCORDANCE WITH
THE AODA.

CARRIED - 6 Ayes, 1 Nay

***Deputy Mayor Leakey vacated the Chair.

***Mayor Beddows resumed the Chair.

17. | Correspondence

- 1. Accounts Payable December 11, 2023 to January 7, 2024
- 2. United Counties of Leeds & Grenville Media Release Counties Partnership, Provincial Funding, Allocates 44 New Licensed Childcare Spaces in Gananoque by end of 2024

Motion #24-006 – United Counties of Leeds & Grenville (UCLG), Gananoque and YMCA of Eastern Ontario – Childcare – Direction to Staff Moved by: Deputy Mayor Leakey Seconded by: Councillor Koiner BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE DIRECTS STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD WITH NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE UNITED COUNTIES OF LEEDS AND GRENVILLE AND THE YMCA OF EASTERN ONTARIO REGARDING THE ALLOCATION OF 44 NEW LICENSED CHILDCARE SPACES IN GANANOQUE.

CARRIED - UNANIMOUS

- 3. Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Infrastructure Canada's Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund (DMAF)
- 4. Leeds, Grenville & Lanark District Health Unit Board of Health Summary December 14, 2023
- Cataraqui Conservation News Release Cataraqui Conservation Issues
 Watershed Conditions Statement Water Safety for Inland Lakes and Streams

18. Notice Required Under the Notice By-law

 Mayor Beddows advised that a Public Meeting is scheduled to be held at the regular Council meeting of Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 6:00 PM, to consider a Proposed Official Plan Amendment and Class III Development Permit – OPA6-19 & DP2023-18 relating to 740 King Street West.

19. Committee Updates (Council Reps)

Members of Council provided their updates.

20. Discussion of Additional Items

- 1. King Street Productions 2024 First Peoples' Performing Arts Festival Request for Funding (Attached)
 - Mayor Beddows invited Jane Needles to speak to the King Street Productions request for funding for the 2024 First Peoples' Performing Arts Festival.
 - Council considered the following recommendation.

Motion #24-007 – King Street Productions – 2024 First Peoples' Performing
Arts Festival – Request for Funding

Moved by: Councillor Koiner Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Leakey BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE

	REFERS THE KING STREET PRODUCTIONS FUNDING REQUEST FOR THE 2024 FIRST PEOPLES' PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL, TO THE COMMUNITY GRANT AND TOURISM ADVISORY PANEL (TAP) APPLICATION PROCESS.		
	CARRIED – UNANIMOUS		
21.	Questions from the Media – None		
22.	Confirmation By-law		
	By-law No. 2024-005 – Confirming By-law – January 16, 2024 Moved By: Deputy Mayor Leakey Seconded By: Councillor Koiner BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2024-005, BEING A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 16 TH , 2024, BE READ THREE TIMES AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 16 TH DAY OF JANUARY 2024.		
	CARRIED - UNANIMOUS		
23.	 Next Meeting(s): Mayor Beddows advised that the Special Closed Council meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 18, 2024, has been postponed. Regular Council – Tuesday, February 6, 2024 at 6:00 PM 		
24.	Adjournment		
	Moved By: Deputy Mayor Leakey Be it resolved that Council hereby adjourns this regular meeting of Council at 8:54 PM. CARRIED – UNANIMOUS		
John S. Beddows, Mayor		Penny Kelly, Clerk / CEMC	