THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF

GANANOQUE

Canadian Gateway to the 1000 Islands

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Held on Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 4:00 PM

Held via Teleconference and Virtual

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT		STAFF PRESENT
Mayor:	John Beddows	Melanie Kirkby, CAO
Councillors:	Colin Brown	Penny Kelly, Clerk / CEMC
	Patrick Kirkby	Lynsey Zufelt, Deputy Clerk
	Anne-Marie Koiner	Jeff Johnston, Manager of Parks, Recreation & Facilities
	Vicki Leakey	David Armstrong, Manager of Public Works
	David Osmond	Amanda Trafford, Business Coordinator
Regrets:	Matt Harper	Brenda Guy, Manager of Planning and Development
		John Morrison, Treasurer
		Guest / Facilitator
		Suzanne Gibson (Suzanne Gibson & Associates)

1.	**Call Meeting to Order**
	Mayor Beddows called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.
2.	**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof** – None
3.	**Public Questions/Comments**
	• Members of the Public commented on the Strategic Plan.
4.	**2026 to 2030 Strategic Plan Review – Suzanne Gibson (Suzanne Gibson & Associates), Facilitator**
	• Suzanne Gibson appeared before Council and presented a PowerPoint presentation, attached, that provided a high-level overview of the 2026 to 2030 Strategic Plan and informed that the Plan being review reflects information from the Public Survey Findings (January to February 2026); the Public Engagement Forum (February 10, 2026), and; options for Council's consideration regarding the Vision and Mission.
	Motion #26-086 – 2026 to 2030 Strategic Plan Vision Statement **Moved by:** Councillor Brown **Seconded by**: Councillor Kirkby BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE HEREBY APPROVES OPTION #4 (THE GATEWAY TO THE 1000 ISLANDS – A VIBRANT AND WELCOMING WATERFRONT TOWN WHERE PEOPLE, COMMUNITY AND OPPORTUNITY THRIVE FOR GENERATIONS.), AS THE VISION STATEMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE 2026 TO 2030 STRATEGIC PLAN. **CARRIED – UNANIMOUS**

	Motion #26-087 – 2026 to 2030 Strategic Plan Mission Statement **Moved by:** Mayor Beddows **Seconded by**: Deputy Mayor Leakey BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE HEREBY APPROVES OPTION #4A (TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY WITH INTEGRITY AND EXCELLENCE TO DELIVER RELIABLE, RESPONSIBLE SERVICES, SUPPORT A RESILIENT LOCAL ECONOMY, AND PRESERVE AND ENHANCE THE CHARACTER, ASSETS AND EXPERIENCES THAT DEFINE GANANOQUE.), AS THE MISSION STATEMENT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE 2026 TO 2030 STRATEGIC PLAN. **CARRIED – UNANIMOUS**
	By-law No. 2026-043 – 2026 to 2030 Strategic Plan **Moved by:** Councillor Koiner **Seconded by**: Mayor Beddows BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2026-043, BEING A BY-LAW TO ADOPT THE 2026 TO 2030 STRATEGIC PLAN, AS PRESENTED AND AMENDED ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH, 2026. **CARRIED – UNANIMOUS**
5.	**Questions from the Media**
6.	**Confirmation By-law**
	By-law No. 2026-042 – Confirming By-law – Wednesday, May 13, 2026 **Moved By:** Councillor Osmond **Seconded By:** Councillor Kirkby BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GANANOQUE PASS BY-LAW NO. 2026-042, BEING A BY-LAW TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL AT ITS SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 2026, BE READ THREE TIMES AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 13TH DAY OF MAY 2026. **CARRIED – UNANIMOUS**
7.	**Next Meeting(s):** Wednesday, May 20, 2026 at 5:00 PM
8.	**Adjournment**
	Moved By: Mayor Beddows Be it resolved that Council hereby adjourns this special meeting of Council at 7:00 PM. **CARRIED – UNANIMOUS**

John S. Beddows, Mayor	Penny Kelly, Clerk