

**Amherst Town Council
Committee of the Whole
Minutes**

Date: March 15, 2021
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Community Credit Union Business Innovation Center
Zoom Virtual Meeting

Members Present Mayor David Kogon
Deputy Mayor Hal Davidson
Councillor George Baker
Councillor Sheila Christie
Councillor Lisa Emery
Councillor Dale Fawthrop
Councillor Leon Landry

Staff Present Greg Herrett, CAO
Jason MacDonald, Deputy CAO Operations
Mike Hunter, Chief Financial Officer
Dwayne Pike, Police Chief
Greg Jones, Fire Chief
Andrew Fisher, Manager of Planning & Strategic Initiatives
Tamara Porter, Business Development Officer
Tom McCoag, Corporate Communications Officer
Kim Jones, Municipal Clerk
Natalie LeBlanc, Deputy Clerk

1. Call to Order - 4:00 p.m.

Mayor Kogon called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

1.1 Approval of Agenda

Moved By Councillor Baker

Seconded By Councillor Emery

That the agenda be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

1.2 Approval of the Consent Agenda

Moved By Councillor Emery

Seconded By Councillor Christie

To approve the consent agenda as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

1.3 Approval of Minutes - February 16, 2021

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

**Moved By Councillor Emery
Seconded By Councillor Christie
That the minutes of the February 16, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting
be approved as circulated.**

MOTION CARRIED

2. Council Direction Requests

2.1 Stadium Walking Track Hours

**Moved By Deputy Mayor Davidson
Seconded By Councillor Fawthrop**

**That Committee of the Whole forward to the March 22, 2021 regular meeting
of Council the approval of the extension of the 1.7 FTE Term Customer
Service Representative position until May 31, 2021 with the additional cost
to be funded from the Operating Reserve.**

MOTION CARRIED

2.2 'A' Fresh Start

**Moved By Councillor Christie
Seconded By Councillor Emery**

**That staff be directed to alter the process of making presentations and
public voting for the spring intake and award of the 'A' Fresh Start
Community Support Grant so that applicants who make the finals will
prepare a five-minute video presentation which will run on social media
with public voting occurring electronically.**

MOTION CARRIED

2.3 Noise Bylaw

**Moved By Councillor Christie
Seconded By Councillor Emery**

**That Council forward any comments regarding the draft Noise Bylaw to the
CAO and Chief Pike before the end of the March so they can seek legal
counsel's advice and bring the draft Noise Bylaw the April Committee of
the Whole meeting.**

MOTION CARRIED

2.4 NSPI Easement - Solar Garden Project

**Moved By Councillor Baker
Seconded By Councillor Landry**

**That the easement agreement with NSPI to facilitate the Solar Garden
project be forwarded to the March 22, 2021 meeting of Council to authorize
the CAO to execute the agreement.**

MOTION CARRIED

3. Monthly Reports

The following monthly reports were approved as part of the Consent Agenda. Information items only; no direction given or action required.

3.1 Corporate Services

3.2 Operations

3.3 Police Services

3.4 Fire Services

3.5 Planning & Strategic Initiatives

3.6 Business Development

4. In Camera.

Moved By Councillor Fawthrop

Seconded By Councillor Landry

That the Committee move to an In Camera session.

MOTION CARRIED

5. Adjournment

Moved By Councillor Landry

Seconded By Councillor Christie

To adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Kimberlee Jones
Municipal Clerk

David Kogon, MD
Mayor