

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

Date: November 22, 2021
Time: 4:00 pm
Location: Zoom Virtual Meeting

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

Staff Present Jason MacDonald, Chief Administrative Officer
Michael Hunter, Chief Financial Officer
Dwayne Pike, Police Chief
Greg Jones, Director of Fire Services
Andrew Fisher, Director of Planning & Strategic Initiatives
Aaron Bourgeois, Director of Operations
Kim Jones, Director of Corporate Communications and
Community Well Being / Municipal Clerk
Tom McCoag, Corporate Communications Officer
Natalie LeBlanc, Deputy Clerk

Others Present David Scott, LED Roadway Lighting
Jeff Libis, LED Roadway Lighting
Victoria Stevens, LED Roadway Lighting

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this was a virtual meeting held via Zoom.

1. Call to Order

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

1.1 Approval of Agenda

Moved By Councillor Baker

Seconded By Deputy Mayor Christie

That the agenda be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

1.2 Approval of the Consent Agenda

Moved By Councillor Fawthrop

Seconded By Councillor Emery

To approve the consent agenda with the removal of items 3.4, 3.5, 4.1 and 4.2.

MOTION CARRIED

1.3 Approval of Minutes

1.3.1 October 18, 2021

The following motion was approved as part of the consent agenda:

Moved By Councillor Fawthrop

Seconded By Councillor Emery

To approve the minutes of the October 18, 2021 Committee of the Whole meeting as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

2. Council Direction Requests

2.1 Request to Present - Amherst Area Heritage Trust

Moved By Councillor Landry

Seconded By Councillor Emery

To invite Amherst Area Heritage Trust to give a presentation to Council at the January 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

2.2 Snow and Ice Management Policy Amendments

Moved By Councillor Fawthrop

Seconded By Councillor Baker

That Council refer approval of the amendments to the Snow and ice Management Policy to the regular meeting of Council on November 29, 2021.

MOTION CARRIED

2.3 Emergency Shelter

Moved By Councillor Landry

Seconded By Councillor Davidson

That staff be directed to further investigate the possibility of an emergency shelter for this fiscal year in consultation with the Holy Family Catholic Church, the Shelter Committee and any other local organizations including the YMCA of Cumberland and report back to Committee of the Whole at the December meeting if not sooner.

MOTION CARRIED

3. Information Items

3.1 Noise Bylaw

Information item only; approved as part of the consent agenda.

3.2 Yield Signs Memo

Information item only; approved as part of the consent agenda.

3.3 Addressing Drugs and Addictions

Information item only; approved as part of the consent agenda.

3.4 Strategic Priorities Update

Information item.

3.5 Procurement Update

Information item.

3.6 Cumberland Business Connector CEO Report

Information item; approved as part of the consent agenda.

3.7 Task Manager

Information item.

4. Monthly Reports

4.1 Corporate Services

Information item. Council was requested to submit any 2022/23 capital budget items they may have to staff as soon as possible.

4.2 Operations

Information item; no direction given or action required.

4.3 Police Services

Information item; approved as part of the consent agenda.

4.4 Fire Services

Information item; approved as part of the consent agenda.

4.5 Planning & Strategic Initiatives

Information item; approved as part of the consent agenda.

4.6 Community Well Being

Information item; approved as part of the consent agenda.

5. In Camera

Moved By Councillor Landry

Seconded By Councillor Emery

That the Committee move to an In Camera session.

MOTION CARRIED

6. Adjournment

Moved By Councillor Landry

Seconded By Councillor Davidson

To adjourn the meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

Kimberlee Jones
Municipal Clerk

David Kogon, MD
Mayor