

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

Date: May 2, 2024
Time: 12:00 pm
Location: Council Chambers, Town Hall

Members Present
Mayor David Kogon
Deputy Mayor Dale Fawthrop
Councillor Charlie Chambers
Councillor George Baker (via Zoom)
Councillor Hal Davidson
Councillor Leon Landry
Councillor Lisa Emery

Staff Present
Jason MacDonald, Chief Administrative Officer
Sharon Bristol, Director, Community Living
Sean Payne, Corporate Communications Officer
Natalie LeBlanc, Municipal Clerk
Cindy Brown, Administrative Assistant

1. Call to Order

Mayor Kogon called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

1.1 Territorial Acknowledgement

Mayor Kogon gave the Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Community Support Grants

The Director of Community Living Sharon Bristol reviewed the Community Support Grants spreadsheet included in the agenda package with Council. Council agreed to the following:

Grants to Organizations

Amherst Little League Baseball Association	\$2,500
Amherst Little League Baseball – defer	
Cumberland County Transition House	\$10,000
Cumberland County Museum – Councillor Emery declared a conflict of interest for this item	\$ 4,000
After the School Bell Food Program	\$ 5,000 – Social Equity
Food Assistance Network	\$10,000 – Social Equity
We Remember Society – Deputy Mayor Fawthrop declared a conflict of interest for this item	\$ 1,000
The Travelers – Not recommending	
Maggie’s Place – Not recommending	
Maggie’s Place – rental fee waived for Seed Saturday	
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul	\$ 3,000 – Social Equity
Autism Nova Scotia Cumberland Chapter	\$ 4,000
CANSA – Councillor Davidson declared a conflict of interest for this item	\$ 4,000 – Social Equity
Sexual Health Centre for Cumberland	\$ 5,000

Events

ARHS Reunion – Councillor Davidson declared a conflict of interest for this item – Not Recommending	
LA Animal Shelter	\$ 500
Fibre Arts Festival 2024 – Councillor Emery declared a conflict of interest for this item	\$ 2,000
The Great Amherst Scarefest	\$ 2,000
YMCA of Cumberland – Not Recommending	
Border Town Biker Bash	\$ 5,000
Cumberland Acadian Society – Councillor Landry declared a conflict of interest for this item	\$ 3,000

Athletic or Sport Related Events / Activities

Cumberland Allstars Cheerleading	\$ 1,000
Fundy Youth Soccer Club – Not Recommending	
Amherst Kodokan Judo Academy – stadium rental fee waived	
EB Chandler Track & Field	\$ 1,000
Amherst & Area TaeKwon-Do Parents Association	\$ 1,000
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Other

NSCC	\$15,000 – Social Equity
Cumberland Imagination Library Dollywood Foundation – defer	
Amherst 50+ Club	\$ 5,000
Opiod Council	\$ 500 – Social Equity
Royal Canadian Legion Branch 10	\$10,000
Amherst Downtown Business Association	\$ 3,000
Cumberland Housing and Homelessness Creative Pathways (for arts/crafts education)	\$ 5,000 – Social Equity
Spring Street Academy Home and School Association – Councillor Landry declared a conflict of interest for this item – Not Recommending	\$ 3,000
MITACS Funding	\$ 7,500 – Social Equity
LA Animal Shelter	\$50,000
In The Works – Deputy Mayor Fawthrop declared a conflict of interest for this item	\$35,000 – Social Equity Reserves

3. Adjournment

There being nothing further, Mayor Kogon adjourned the meeting.

Natalie LeBlanc
Municipal Clerk

David Kogon, MD
Mayor