

**TOWN OF AMHERST  
Regular Council Meeting  
Minutes**

**Date:** October 24, 2022  
**Time:** 6:00 pm  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Town Hall

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

**Staff Present**  
Jason MacDonald, Chief Administrative Officer  
Dwayne Pike, Police Chief  
Greg Jones, Director of Fire Services  
Aaron Bourgeois, Director of Operations  
Andrew Fisher, Director of Planning & Strategic Initiatives  
Sarah Wilson, Director of Finance  
Krista Crossman, Director, HR & Customer Services  
Kim Jones, Director, Corporate Communications/Municipal Clerk  
Tom McCoag, Corporate Communications Officer  
Natalie LeBlanc, Deputy Clerk

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Kogon called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Mayor Kogon gave the territorial acknowledgement.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES**

**3.1 Approval of the Agenda**

Moved By Councillor Emery  
Seconded By Councillor Fawthrop  
To approve the agenda as circulated.

**Motion Carried**

**3.2 Approval of Minutes**

**3.2.1 September 26, 2022 Special Council**

Moved By Councillor Landry  
Seconded By Councillor Baker  
To approve the minutes of the September 26, 2022 special meeting of Council as included in the agenda package.

**Motion Carried**

**3.2.2 September 28, 2022 Council**

Moved By Deputy Mayor Christie  
Seconded By Councillor Emery  
To approve the minutes of the September 28, 2022 regular meeting of Council as included in the agenda package.

**Motion Carried**

**3.2.3 October 13, 2022 Special Council**

Moved By Councillor Baker  
Seconded By Councillor Fawthrop  
To approve the minutes of the October 13, 2022 special meeting of Council as included in the agenda package.

**Motion Carried**

#### 4. REQUESTS FOR DECISION

##### 4.1 Election of Deputy Mayor

Deputy Mayor Christie nominated Councillor Landry. Councillor Fawthrop seconded this motion.

Councillor Emery nominated Councillor Baker. There was no seconder, and Councillor Baker expressed he was not interested in the position.

Councillor Baker nominated Councillor Emery. There was no seconder.

There being no further nominations, Councillor Landry was elected Deputy Mayor for the November 1, 2022 to October 31, 2023 term.

##### 4.2 Council Committee Appointments

Moved By Councillor Emery

Seconded By Councillor Landry

That Council approve the following committee appointments effective November 1, 2022 to October 31, 2023

###### Mayor Kogon

- Regional Emergency Management

###### Councillor Davidson

- Planning Advisory Committee
- Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Committee

###### Councillor Baker

- CJSMA
- Northern Region Solid Waste Committee

###### Councillor Emery

- CJSMA
- Municipal Alcohol Project
- Regional Emergency Management
- Senior Safety Advisory Group
- Tyndal Wellfield Advisory Committee
- Inclusion, Diversity and Equity Advisory Committee
- Intermunicipal Tourism Committee

###### Councillor Fawthrop

- Cumberland Public Libraries Board
- LA Animal Shelter
- Tree Advisory Committee
- Tyndal Wellfield Advisory Committee
- YMCA Board of Directors
- Accessibility Advisory Committee

###### Councillor Landry

- Intermunicipal Poverty Reduction Committee
- Planning Advisory Committee
- Accessibility Advisory Committee

AND FURTHER, that Councillor Baker be appointed to the Amherst Board of Police Commissioners for a 3 year term, expiring October 31, 2025, and for clarity that Councillor Davidson's appointment to the Amherst Board of Police Commissioners expires October 31, 2023;

AND FURTHER, that all members of Council are also appointed to the Committee of the Whole of Amherst Town Council and the Town of Amherst Audit Committee.

Motion Carried

##### 4.3 Dr. & Mrs. H.E. Christie Foundation Donation

Moved By Deputy Mayor Christie

Seconded By Councillor Landry

That Council approve the request to receive a donation of \$12,000 from the Dr. & Mrs. H.E. Christie Community Foundation to fund a corresponding grant of \$12,000 to the Cumberland County Minor Hockey Association.

Motion Carried

- 4.4 **Flag Protocol Policy Amendment**  
**Moved By Councillor Davidson**  
**Seconded By Deputy Mayor Christie**  
**That Council approve of amendments to the Flag Protocol Policy 02300-04.**

**Motion Carried**

**5. INTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 5.1 **Planning Advisory Committee - No Report**  
Information item only; no direction given or action required.
- 5.2 **Amherst Board of Police Commissioners**  
Information item only; no direction given or action required.
- 5.3 **Audit Committee - No Report**
- 5.4 **Amherst Youth Town Council**  
Councillor Davidson would like to know why there has been no representation at Council meetings, and wants this to be followed up on immediately.
- 5.5 **Accessibility Advisory Committee**  
Deputy Mayor Christie asked about the repairs to the elevator at the stadium. The CAO replied parts have been order. She would like the Accessibility Committee to look at options and a longer-term solution if it can not be repaired soon. Councillor Landry will have this item placed on the agenda for the next Accessibility Committee meeting.
- 5.6 **Inclusion Diversity and Equity Committee - Emery**  
Information item only; no direction given or action required.

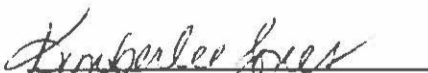
**6. EXTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

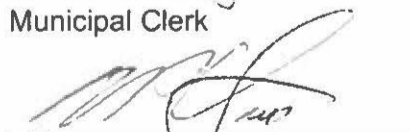
- 6.1 **Cumberland Public Libraries - Fawthrop**  
Information item only; no direction given or action required.
- 6.2 **Cumberland YMCA – Fawthrop**  
Information item only; no direction given or action required.
- 6.3 **Northern Region Solid Waste Management - Baker**  
Information item only; no direction given or action required.
- 6.4 **L. A. Animal Shelter - Fawthrop**  
Information item only; no direction given or action required.
- 6.5 **Senior Safety – No Report**
- 6.6 **Inter Municipal Tourism – No Report**
- 6.7 **Poverty Reduction - Landry**  
Information item only; no direction given or action required.
- 6.8 **Municipal Alcohol Project - No Report**

Before the meeting adjourned, Mayor Kogon took a moment to thank and recognize Deputy Mayor Christie for her six years of service on Amherst Town Council.

- 7. ADJOURNMENT**  
**Moved By Deputy Mayor Christie**  
**Seconded By Councillor Landry**  
**To adjourn the meeting.**

**Motion Carried**

  
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Kimberlee Jones  
Municipal Clerk

  
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David Kogon, MD  
Mayor