Minutes of a Special Meeting of Amherst Town Council Held in Council Chambers Thursday, July 8, 2010 at 12:00 Noon

- PRESENT: Mayor Robert Small Deputy Mayor Terry Rhindress Councillor George Baker Councillor Robert Bird Councillor David March Greg Herrett, CAO
- **REGRETS:** Councillor Robert Angel Councillor Dale Fawthrop

ATTENDING: Jason MacDonald, Director of Planning and Engineering Vince Arbing, Treasurer Roger MacIsaac, Director of Community and Economic Development Rebecca Purdy, Executive Assistant Kim Jones, Executive Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

This special meeting of Amherst Town Council was duly called and advertised. The purpose of the special meeting is to allow Council to consider accepting proposals for the skatepark and a splash pad at Dickey Park, and to make necessary amendments to the capital budget.

1.1 <u>Approval of the Agenda</u> <u>M-1007-01</u> Moved by Councillor March seconded by Deputy Mayor Rhindress to approve the agenda as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

2. REQUEST FOR DECISION

2.1 <u>Skatepark Proposal, RFD#2010074</u> <u>M-1007-02</u> Moved by Councillor Bird seconded by Councillor March that Council accept the proposal provided by New Line Skateparks in the amount of \$353,936.20 plus HST for the construction of a skatepark in Amherst, and further, that the approved 2010-2011 capital budget for skatepark development be reduced from \$400,000 to \$369,100.

MOTION CARRIED

2.2 <u>Dickey Park Redevelopment – Splash Pad Proposal, RFD#2010073</u> <u>M-1007-03</u> Moved by Councillor Baker, seconded by that Council accept the proposal provided by ABC Recreation Ltd. in the amount of \$121,909.69 plus HST for the construction of a splash pad in Dickey Park, and further, that the approved 2010-2011 capital budget for Dickey Park Redevelopment be reduced from \$170,000 to \$134,000.

MOTION CARRIED

2.3 <u>Amend Capital Budget – Waste Water Treatment Facility, RFD#2010075</u> <u>M-1007-04</u> Moved by Deputy Mayor Rhindress seconded by Councillor March that Council approve an amendment to the 2010-2011 capital budget as it relates to the construction of the waste water treatment facility by increasing it from \$10,237,420 to \$11, 292,597, an increase of \$1,055,177, with the increased funding to come from long-term borrowing.

MOTION CARRIED

3. INFORMATION ITEMS

3.1 Amended 2010-2011 Capital Budget

On April 26, 2010, Council approved the general capital budget for the 2010-2011 fiscal year in the amount of \$15,891,998. That budget was amended on May 25 to reflect a shortfall of senior government funding for the Townshend Avenue reconstruction project, and again today with the three projects: Skatepark, Dickey Park Redevelopment, and the Waste Water Treatment Facility. The total capital budget is now \$16,703,275, and is funded as follows:

Capital Budget Revenue	As appro	oved April 26, 2010	As app	proved July 8, 2010
Capital borrowing	\$	1,177,874	\$	1,300,000
Capital from revenue		689,730		689,730
Transfers from reserves		376,264		517,324
Grants		1,926,186		8,973,780
Federal Gas Tax		250,000		335,600
Fund raising		90,000		0
Capital reserve carryover items		11,381,944		784,524
Bridge financing		0		4,102,317
TOTAL	\$	15,891,998	\$	16,703,275

4. ADJOURN

On motion by Deputy Mayor Rhindress, the meeting adjourned at 12:25PM.

APPROVED BY:

Gregory D. Herrett, CA Town Clerk and Chief Administrative Officer

Robert Small Mayor