

AMHERST TOWN COUNCIL RFD# 2023041

Date: March 27, 2023

TO: Mayor Kogon and Members of Council

SUBMITTED BY: Natalie LeBlanc, Municipal Clerk

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SUBJECT: Intermunicipal Poverty Reduction Advisory Committee Citizen

Appointments

ORIGIN: Expiry of Town of Amherst citizens appointments to the Intermunicipal Poverty Reduction Advisory Committee

<u>LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY</u>: Intermunicipal Poverty Reduction Advisory Committee Terms of Reference.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council appointment Melissa Anne Johnson and Lynne Welton as Town of Amherst citizen representatives on the Intermunicipal Poverty Reduction Advisory Committee for a one-year term effective April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024.

BACKGROUND: The Town of Amherst has two members on the Intermunicipal Poverty Reduction Advisory Committee whose terms will expire the end of March. The Terms of Reference state that up to six members of the public may be appointed as voting members, with at least one representative from each municipal unit.

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: Following the call for expressions of interest staff received two applications, one from Melissa Anne Johnson, and one from Lynne Welton. Neither of the Town's current two citizens appointees reoffered.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: There are no financial implications to these appointments.

SOCIAL JUSTICE IMPLICATIONS: These appointments will allow the committee to function and continue their work to improve living conditions of citizens throughout the County.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS: None relating to appointment of members.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: An ad appeared in the Cumberland Wire on February 15, 2023. Expressions of interest were also solicited through Town of Amherst social media, with a deadline of March 6.





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<u>ALTERNATIVES:</u> Do not appoint at this time. This is not recommended as it will leave this Committee with no Town of Amherst citizen representation.

ATTACHMENTS: Intermunicipal Poverty Advisory Committee Terms of Reference Policy

Report prepared by: Natalie LeBlanc, Municipal Clerk Report and Financial approved by:

