

AMHERST TOWN COUNCIL RFD# 2023026

Date: March 27, 2023

TO: Mayor Kogon and Members of Council

SUBMITTED BY: Natalie LeBlanc, Municipal Clerk

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SUBJECT: Citizen Appointment to the North Tyndal Wellfield Advisory Committee

ORIGIN: The North Tyndal Wellfield Advisory Committee Policy 31700-05 states that two members of each Council are to be appointed to the Committee, as well as two citizen members, one appointed by each the Town of Amherst and the Municipality of the County of Cumberland.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: Municipal Government Act, Section 44; and the North Tyndal Wellfield Advisory Committee Policy 31700-05

RECOMMENDATION: That Council appoint Keith Thompson as the Town of Amherst citizen member to the North Tyndal Wellfield Advisory Committee for a one-year term effective April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024.

BACKGROUND: The Town of Amherst citizen appointee membership expired October 31, 2022. No meeting of this Committee has been held since that time.

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: Following calls for expressions of interest staff received two applications, one from former county appointee Keith Thompson, and one from Bill Archer.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Citizen appointments to Committees are volunteer position, therefore there are no financial implications resulting from this appointment.

SOCIAL JUSTICE IMPLICATIONS: There are no social justice implications.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS: Having a knowledgeable citizen on the committee will assist with giving Council expert advice on matters regarding the protection of our groundwater.

<u>COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:</u> An ad calling for expressions of interest appeared in the Cumberland Wire on February 15, 2023 and Town social media with a deadline of March 6.

ALTERNATIVES: 1. Delay this appointment and continue to solicit expressions of interest;





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2. Make no citizen appointment at this time, however both of these options would leave the Committee with no citizen representation at this time.

ATTACHMENTS:

Report prepared by: Natalie LeBlanc Report and Financial approved by:

