TO: Mayor Kogon and Members of Amherst Town Council

SUBMITTED BY: Natalie LeBlanc, Municipal Clerk

DATE: March 27, 2023

SUBJECT: Citizen Appointments to the Planning Advisory Committee

ORIGIN: Membership of all three of our PAC citizen appointees expire March 31, 2023.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: Planning Advisory Committee Policy.

RECOMMENDATION: That Council re-appoint Ron Wilson and Creighton McCarthy to the Planning Advisory Committee for two-year terms effective April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2025, and further appoint Jim Lamplugh to the Planning Advisory Committee for a one-year term effective April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024.

BACKGROUND: The Planning Advisory Committee has three citizen appointee members all of which expire March 31, 2023. The role of the Planning Advisory Committee is to advise Council respecting the preparation, or amendments to, the Town's Municipal Planning Strategy, Land Use Bylaw and Subdivision Bylaw, as well as other general land use planning matters. This Committee also hears appeals and makes decision with respect to Dangerous and Unsightly Premises, and acts as the Heritage Advisory Committee.

DISCUSSION: We received four applications, two from our current appointees Ron Wilson and Creighton McCarthy, as well as one from Bill Archer and one from Jim Lamplugh.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: There are no financial implications regarding committee appointments; they are volunteers.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: A notice was placed in the Cumberland Wire February 15, 2023 and on Town of Amherst social media advertising for these appointments, with a March 6, 2023 deadline for applications.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS: There are no environmental implications.

SOCIAL JUSTICE IMPLICATIONS: There are no social justice implications to appointing members.

ALTERNATIVES: Appointments are necessary as all three of our current citizen appointments expire March 31, 2023.

ATTACHMENTS:

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