



AMHERST TOWN COUNCIL

RFD# 2023050

Date: April 24, 2023

TO: Mayor Kogon and Members of Amherst Town Council

SUBMITTED BY: Natalie LeBlanc, Municipal Clerk

DATE: April 24, 2023

SUBJECT: Citizen Appointment to the Amherst Board of Police Commissioners

ORIGIN: Current citizen membership terms expired March 31, 2023

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: Bylaw Respecting the Amherst Board of Police Commissioners

RECOMMENDATION: That Council appoint Angela Ryan-Bourgeois to the Amherst Board of Police Commissioners effective April 24, 2023 to March 31, 2024.

BACKGROUND: Holly MacDonald was appointed last March for a two-year term expiring March 31, 2024. Sandy Fairbanks was recently re-appointed to a one-year term. As the other one-year citizen appointment expired on March 31, 2023, there is still a citizen vacancy on the Board.

DISCUSSION: When we advertised for expressions of interest to serve on the Board, Angela Ryan-Bourgeois expressed interest; however, was not in a position to formally apply. Ms. Ryan-Bourgeois has as since expressed her desire and ability to serve on the Board and staff are recommending she be appointed to fill the vacancy and give the Board a full compliment of voting members.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: As these are volunteer positions there are no financial implications.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT: The ad seeking expressions of interest appeared in the Amherst Newspaper on February 15, 2023. The ad was also promoted through our social media channels.

SOCIAL JUSTICE IMPLICATIONS: There are no social justice implications.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS: There are no environmental implications.

ALTERNATIVES: Do not make this appointment and continue to seek an expression of interest.

ATTACHMENTS: Bylaw Respecting the Amherst Board of Police Commissioners, C-1

Report prepared by: Natalie LeBlanc

Report and Financial approved by:

