

TOWN OF AMHERST
Regular Council Meeting
Minutes

Date: November 26, 2018
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Council Chambers, Town Hall

Members Present	Mayor David Kogon Deputy Mayor Sheila Christie Councillor Vince Byrne Councillor Darrell Jones Councillor Wayne MacKenzie Councillor Terry Rhindress
Members Absent	Councillor Jason Blanch
Staff Present	Greg Herrett, CAO Jason MacDonald, Deputy CAO Operations Bill Schurman, Director Recreation Natalie LeBlanc, Deputy Clerk Tom McCoag, Corporate Communications Officer Kim Jones, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Taylor, Business Development Officer Andrew Fisher, Manager of Planning & Strategic Initiatives Dwayne Pike, Acting Police Chief

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kogon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m, and introduced Amherst Youth Town Council member Rohin Minocha-McKenney.

2. O CANADA

Reverend Dan Green did the singing of O Canada.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

3.1 Approval of the Agenda

Moved By Deputy Mayor Christie

Seconded By Councillor MacKenzie

That item 4.3 Capital Budget Amendment - Erncliff CNR Crossing be deferred to the December 17, 2018 regular meeting of Council.

Against (1): Councillor Rhindress
Motion Carried

Moved By Councillor Byrne

Seconded By Councillor MacKenzie

To approve the agenda as amended.

Motion Carried

3.2 Approval of Minutes

3.2.1 October 22, 2018 Regular Council

Moved By Councillor Byrne

Seconded By Deputy Mayor Christie

To approve the minutes of the October 22, 2018 regular meeting of Council.

Motion Carried

3.2.2 October 25, 2018 Special Council

Moved By Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded By Councillor Jones

To approve the minutes of the October 25, 2018 special meeting of Council.

Motion Carried

4. REQUESTS FOR DECISION

4.1 Travel Expense Policy & Hospitality Policy

Moved By Deputy Mayor Christie

Seconded By Councillor Byrne

That Council approve the proposed Expense Reimbursement Policy and Hospitality Policy, and further that the existing Travel Policy #3000-01 be repealed.

Motion Carried

4.2 CIBC Children's Foundation Funding

Moved By Councillor Jones

Seconded By Deputy Mayor Christie

That Council accept a donation of \$8,000 from the CIBC Children's Foundation to fund a corresponding contribution of \$5,000 to Fundy Hockey School, and \$3,000 to Amherst Bantam Baseball.

Motion Carried

4.3 Capital Budget Amendment - Erncliff CNR Crossing

Deferred to the December 17, 2018 regular meeting of Council.

4.4 Downtown Parking Lot Leases

Moved By Councillor Jones

Seconded By Deputy Mayor Christie

That Council approve the lease agreements for public parking lots and authorize the Mayor and CAO to sign them.

Motion Carried

4.5 Planning Advisory Committee Citizen Appointment

Moved By Councillor Rhindress

Seconded By Councillor Jones

That Council appoint Larry Pardy to the Planning Advisory Committee for a term ending March 31, 2021.

Motion Carried

4.6 Land Use Bylaw Amendment - Cannabis - First Reading

Moved By Deputy Mayor Christie

Seconded By Councillor Byrne

That Council give First Reading to the Bylaw P-2-24 to amend the Land Use Bylaw to regulate cannabis-related uses as shown in the attachment, and schedule a Public Hearing for December 17, 2018.

Motion Carried

5. INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.1 Legal Opinion - Residency Status

Information item; no direction given or action required.

5.2 Asphalt Plant Update

Information item; no direction given or action required.

6. INTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 Planning Advisory Committee

Information item; no direction given or action required.

6.2 Amherst Board of Police Commissioners

Information item; no direction given or action required.

6.3 Amherst Youth Town Council

Information item; no direction given or action required.

7. EXTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1 Cumberland Public Libraries

Information item; no direction given or action required.

7.2 Cumberland YMCA

Information item; no direction given or action required.

7.3 Cumberland Joint Services Management Authority

Information item; no direction given or action required.

7.4 Northern Region Solid Waste Committee

No report.

7.5 L. A. Animal Shelter

No report.

7.6 Tourism Strategic Planning Committee

Information item; no direction given or action required.

7.7 Senior Safety Committee

Information item; no direction given or action required.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Councillor Jones

Seconded By Deputy Mayor Christie

To adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Motion Carried

Kimberlee Jones
Municipal Clerk

David Kogon, MD
Mayor