

## AMHERST TOWN COUNCIL RFD# 2024041 Date: April 22, 2024

TO: Mayor Kogon and Members of Council

SUBMITTED BY: Natalie LeBlanc, Municipal Clerk

**DATE:** April 22, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Amendment to the Council Committees Policy #10350-32

**ORIGIN**: By-Law and Policy Review.

**LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY**: MGA 23(1) The council may make policies (b) regulating its own proceedings and preserving order at meetings of Council

**RECOMMENDATION**: That Council approve the amendments to the Council Committees Policy #10350-32.

**<u>BACKGROUND</u>**: The Proceedings of Council Policy was recently amended to change the reference to *in-camera* meetings to *closed session* meetings.

**DISCUSSION**: During a recent review of the Council Committees Policy, it was noted that through out the policy it still made reference to *in camera* meetings. Staff are recommending these references be changed to *closed session*.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**: There are no financial implications to amending this policy.

**<u>COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT</u>**: There has been no community engagement. If Council approves the amendments the policy will be available on the Town of Amherst website.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:** There are no environmental implications.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE IMPLICATIONS:** There are no social justice implications.

## ALTERNATIVES:

- 1- Approve the policy with amendments
- 2- Do not approve the policy, and suggest other amendments

ATTACHMENTS: Council Committees Policy #10350-32 with amendments

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

