

**Minutes of a Special Meeting of Amherst Town Council  
Held in Council Chambers – Amherst Town Hall  
Monday, July 23, 2007 at 1:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Jerry Hallee  
Deputy Mayor George Baker  
Councillor Robert Angel  
Councillor Dale Fawthrop  
Councillor David March  
Councillor Terry Rhindress  
Gregory Herrett, CAO  
Rebecca Purdy, EA

**REGRETS:** Councillor Ed Chitty

Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM. This special meeting was duly advertised, and was called in order for Council to consider awarding tenders for the Robert Angus Drive Sidewalk, the Stadium Elevator, the Solid Waste Collection Agreement, and to set the uniform charge for solid waste collection.

**Moved by Deputy Mayor George Baker, seconded by Councillor Terry Rhindress to approve the agenda as circulated.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**RA Drive Sidewalk – RFD#2007081**

Greg Herrett reviewed the Request for Decision with Council, advising that tenders closed on July 5 for the construction of a concrete sidewalk along Robert Angus, with one tender being received, from Newcon Construction, in the amount of \$27,948.50 +HST.

**Moved by Councillor Robert Angel, seconded by Councillor Dale Fawthrop that Council accept the tender as submitted by Newcon Construction to construct a new concrete sidewalk along Robert Angus Drive from Dairy Queen to South Albion Street at the following unit prices:**

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| <b>Curb (concrete, at gas chamber)</b>  | <b>\$55.00/m</b>              |
| <b>Sidewalk (concrete, as per plan)</b> | <b>\$98.00/m<sup>2</sup></b>  |
| <b>Retaining Wall</b>                   | <b>\$35.00/ft<sup>2</sup></b> |
| <b>Topsoil &amp; sod</b>                | <b>\$ 8.50/m<sup>2</sup></b>  |
| <b>Steel handrail</b>                   | <b>\$1,800.00 ea</b>          |

**To be funded from the 2007/2008 approved Capital Budget.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Stadium Elevator – RFD#2007082**

Greg Herrett reviewed the Request for Decision, advising Council that tenders for the installation of a new elevator at the Amherst Stadium closed on Thursday, July 12, 2007, with two tenders being received: OTIS Canada Inc. in the amount of \$154,000 + HST, and ThyssenKrupp Elevator (Canada) Ltd. in the amount of \$119,370 + HST. He pointed out that this pre-tender is an integral component of the plan to complete Phase 3 of the Stadium Renovation Project, and is included in the capital project budget.

**Moved by Deputy Mayor George Baker, seconded by Councillor David March that Council accept the low tender as submitted by ThyssenKrupp Elevator (Canada) Ltd. to install a new elevator at the Amherst Stadium at their low tender price of \$119,370.00 + HST, as a part of Phase 3 of the Stadium Renovation Project.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Three Stream Solid Waste Collection – RFD#2007083**

Greg Herrett reviewed the Request For Decision with Council. Tenders closed on June 12, 2007 for the award of a new five-year contract for three-stream solid waste collection. Three tenders were received: PBS Waste Services - \$775,000; MP Waste Waste Services - \$860,595; and Stronge & Son Contracting Ltd. - \$1,105,300 with HST extra in all tenders.

Moved by Councillor David March, seconded by Councillor Dale Fawthrop that Council approve the award of a five-year contract for three stream residential solid waste collection to PBS Waste Services, effective September 17, 2007, contract to include a special spring collection for appliances and furniture, a special Christmas tree collection, and special spring and fall leaf and yard waste collection, at their low tender price of \$775,000 plus HST, plus \$100 per tonne for a special spring collection of construction and demolition debris.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**Uniform Charge – Solid Waste Collection – RFD#2007084**

Greg Herrett reviewed the Request For Decision with Council, and explained that, at the time the 2007/2008 budget was approved (April 30, 2007), Council was aware that the solid waste collection agreement would be expiring September 15, 2007 and deferred setting the solid waste collection uniform charge until a new agreement was in place. The motion just approved by Council to award the solid waste collection contract to PBS Waste Services will result in an increase in the annual cost of solid waste collection.

Moved by Councillor Dale Fawthrop, seconded by Councillor Terry Rhindress that Council adopt the following resolution implementing the Uniform Solid Waste Charge at \$155 per customer, this rate including bi-weekly three-stream solid waste collection, a special spring collection for furniture and appliances, a special spring collection for construction and demolition debris, a two-week leaf and yard waste collection each spring and fall, and a Christmas tree collection in January and April of each year.

**RESOLUTION – SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT UNIFORM CHARGE**

**WHEREAS** Council has included in its estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008, the amount of \$481,883 to be expended for the purpose of Solid Waste Management, a purpose for which the Town may expend funds; and

**WHEREAS** there are approximately 3,109 dwelling units within the boundaries of the Town of Amherst in residential premises with less than four such dwelling units; and

**WHEREAS** the Council may, under paragraph 75(4) of the *Municipal Government Act*, in lieu of levying an area rate, levy a uniform charge on each dwelling unit in the area;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that an annual uniform charge of \$155.00 be levied for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2008 on residential premises with less than four dwelling units within the boundaries of the Town of Amherst and that these uniform charges are due and payable on September 28, 2007 with interest to be charged on all final tax accounts outstanding on or after October 1, 2007 at the rate of 1% per month, 12% per annum.

**MOTION CARRIED**

On motion Councillor Terry Rhindress the meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM.

APPROVED:

Gregory D. Herrett, CA  
Chief Administrative Officer

Jerry Hallee  
Mayor