

**Minutes of a Special Meeting of Amherst Town Council
Held in Council Chambers – Amherst Town Hall
Wednesday, September 5, 2007 at 3:00 PM**

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

Mayor Hallee called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM. This special meeting was duly advertised, and was called in order for Council to consider the request from the Cumberland YMCA for financial assistance.

Moved by Councillor Ed Chitty, seconded by Councillor Terry Rhindress to approve the agenda .

MOTION CARRIED

Cumberland YMCA – RFD#2007087

Councillor David March read the following synopsis:

Over the past several months, the Town has been working with the YMCA to identify short, intermediate and long term solutions to its current financial situation. According to information provided by the YMCA, the organization has an accumulated deficit of about \$200,000.

Staff have worked through several scenarios with YMCA officials and in the end they are recommending a one-time operating grant of \$100,000. The YMCA has already been advanced \$13,000 of this so the net amount will be \$87,000.

The disbursement of this money will be contingent on the establishment of a “YMCA Recovery Committee” and the election of a Chair of that committee.

Moved by Councillor David March, seconded by Councillor Ed Chitty that Council accept the staff recommendation to disburse \$100,000 in total to the Cumberland YMCA, contingent on the establishment of a YMCA recovery committee.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

On motion by Councillor Ed Chitty, the meeting adjourned at 3:20 PM.

APPROVED:

Gregory D. Herrett, CA
Chief Administrative Officer

Jerry Hallee
Mayor