

# Amherst Town Council

## Special Meeting

### Minutes

Date of Meeting: Monday, July 20, 2015  
 Location: Council Chambers, Town Hall

Members Present: Mayor Robert Small  
 Deputy Mayor George Baker  
 Councillor Robert Bird  
 Councillor Lisa Emery  
 Councillor David March  
 Councillor Terry Rhindress

Members Absent: Councillor Frank Balcom

Staff Present: Jason MacDonald, Deputy CAO Operations  
 Roger MacIsaac, Director CED  
 Ian Naylor, Police Chief  
 Vince Arbing, Treasurer  
 Bill Schurman, Director Recreation  
 Rebecca Purdy, Executive Assistant

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Small called the meeting to order at 4:07 PM

#### 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Moved By: Councillor Terry Rhindress**

**Seconded By: Councillor David March**

**To approve the agenda**

**Motion Carried**

#### 3. REQUEST FOR DECISION

##### 3.1. 100 East Victoria Street - HAC Recommendation

**Moved By: Councillor David March**

**Seconded By: Councillor Robert Bird**

**That Council accept the recommendation from the Heritage Advisory Committee and permit the demolition of the Municipal Registered Heritage Property located at 100 Victoria Street, the former Bank of Montreal Building.**

**Motion Carried**

##### 3.2. Tenders

###### 3.2.1. Capital Paving

**Moved By: Deputy Mayor George Baker**

**Seconded By: Councillor Robert Bird**

**That Council award the 2015-16 Capital Paving Tender, T-15-05 to the lowest bidder, Costin Paving and Contracting Ltd at their unit prices and our estimated quantities for a total amount of \$329,957 plus HST**

**Motion Carried**

###### 3.2.2. Amherst Water Utility 4 X 4 half ton truck

**Moved By: Councillor Terry Rhindress**

**Seconded By: Councillor Lisa Emery**

**That Council award the tender T-15-06 to supply a 4 X 4 half ton truck to Tantramar Chev Buick GMC at their low bid of \$28,985.59 plus HST**

**Motion Carried**

**3.2.3. Operations Department one ton truck**

**Moved By: Councillor David March  
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor George Baker  
That Council award the tender T-15-07 to supply a one ton truck to  
Tantramar Chev Buick GMC at their low bid of \$34,663.09 plus HST**

**Motion Carried**

**3.3. Innovation Centre Project**

**Moved By: Councillor David March  
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor George Baker  
That Council approves \$1,524,921 for the redevelopment of the  
Confederation Memorial Building into a Community and Business  
Innovation Center, with the Town's share of the project as \$524,921 and the  
remaining funding as \$100,000 from the Province of Nova Scotia, \$750,000  
from ACOA Innovative Communities Fund, and Community/private sector  
fund raising in the amount of \$150,000**

**Motion Carried**

**3.4. Appointment of Building Officials**

**Moved By: Councillor David March  
Seconded By: Councillor Lisa Emery  
That the following employees of the Municipality of the County of  
Cumberland be appointed as Building Officials for the Town of  
Amherst: Monty Maddison, Pat Boyce, Tom Trenholm, David Buell, and  
Steve Varner**

**Motion Carried**

**3.5. Amherst Police Facility - Commemorative Plaque**

In discussing the proposed wording on the plaque, Council added the Police Liaison, Scott White; Martin Patriquin's professional designation; and recognition of the Council Commission members.

**Moved By: Councillor David March  
Seconded By: Councillor Lisa Emery  
That Council approve the wording for a bronze commemorative plaque,  
including the amendments discussed, to be installed in the lobby of the  
new police facility located at 21 Havelock Street for its grand opening  
ceremony.**

**Motion Carried**

**3.6. Downtown Parking**

**Moved By: Councillor Robert Bird  
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor George Baker  
That the following changes be made to downtown parking lots:**

- **King Street Lot – That 12 parking spaces be changed from 2 hour to free all day;**
- **Library Parking Lot - That Council direct staff to create two rows of angled parking along the driveway to Prince Arthur Street and that the driving surface in this area be reconstructed and paved. And further, that the remainder of the area be converted back to grass for use by the library;**
- **Ratchford Street Lot, Blanche Lot and Theatre Lot - That no changes be made.**

**Motion Carried**

3.7. Dickey Park Sports Field

Moved By: Deputy Mayor George Baker

Seconded By: Councillor David March

That Council approves \$290,047 for the Dickey Park Sports Field Project, with the Town's share of the project as \$145,023.50 and the remaining from ACOA's Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program in the amount of \$145,023.50

Motion Carried

4. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By: Councillor Terry Rhindress

Seconded By: Councillor David March

To adjourn at 5:00 PM

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Gregory D. Herrett, CPA, CA  
Town Clerk and CAO

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Robert Small  
Mayor