

**Minutes of a Special Meeting of Amherst Town Council  
Held in Council Chambers  
Friday, August 12, 2011 at 12:00 Noon**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Robert Small  
Deputy Mayor George Baker  
Councillor Robert Angel  
Councillor Robert Bird  
Councillor Dale Fawthrop  
Councillor Terry Rhindress  
Greg Herrett, CAO  
Vince Arbing, Treasurer  
Ben Pitman, Engineer  
Bill Crossman, fire Chief  
Jason MacDonald, Director of Planning and Development  
Roger MacIsaac, Director, Community and Economic Development  
Kim Jones, Executive Assistant

**REGRETS:** Councillor David March

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

*This special meeting of Amherst Town Council was duly called and advertised. The purpose of the meeting was to allow Council to consider the following issues:*

- Revised Agreement with Amherst Jr. A Ramblers Hockey Club
- Four Tenders 2011-2012 Capital Program
- Two funding requests

1.1 Approval of the Agenda M-1108-06  
Moved by Councillor Rhindress, seconded by Councillor Fawthrop to approve the agenda as circulated.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## 2. REQUEST FOR DECISION

2.1 Revised Agreement with Amherst Jr. A Ramblers, RFD#2012043 M-1108-07

*Councillor Bird declared a conflict and excused himself from the Council table during discussion and decision.*

Moved by Deputy Mayor Baker seconded by Councillor Fawthrop that Council approves the revised operating agreement with the Amherst Junior 'A' Ramblers, which removes the pre-season early opening, and authorizes the Mayor and CAO to sign the agreement on behalf of the Town.

**MOTION CARRIED**

2.2 Tender: Church Street Sanitary Sewers, RFD#2012047 M-1108-08

Moved by Councillor Angel, seconded by Councillor Rhindress that the Church Street Sanitary Sewer Replacement for the 2011 Capital Program not be awarded due to the fact that the tenders came in significantly over the approved capital budget.

**MOTION CARRIED**

2.3 Tender: Dickey Brook Culverts, RFD#2012046 M-1108-09

Moved by Deputy Mayor Baker, seconded by Councillor Bird that Council awards the replacement of the Dickey Brook culverts at Charles and Rupert Streets to Maritech Construction for the amount of \$267,591 plus HST, with funding to come from the 2011-2012 Capital Budget.

**MOTION CARRIED**

2.4 Tender: Capital Paving, RFD#2012044 M-1108-10

Moved by Councillor Fawthrop, seconded by Councillor Angel that Council awards the tender for the 2011 capital paving program to the low tender from Costin Paving and Contracting at the following unit prices:

- Concrete Curb - \$85 per meter
- Cold Milling - \$2.50 per square meter
- Asphalt Concrete Type C - \$90 per tone
- Manhole - Adjustment to Correct Elevation - \$200 each
- Water Valve Boxes – Adjustment to Correct Elevation - \$150 each

For an estimated total of \$386,180 plus HST, and with the work to be completed within 14 weeks of the notification of the award, and funding from the 2011-2012 Capital Budget.

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 2.5 Tender: Trackless, RFD#2012045 M-1108-11  
 Moved by Councillor Rhindress, seconded by Deputy Mayor Baker that Council awards the tender for a sidewalk tractor complete with medium duty snow blower and upgraded tires to the lowest compliant bidder, Saunders Equipment, in the amount of \$10,700 plus HST, and further, that Council authorizes the purchase of a flail mower attachment from Saunders Equipment in the amount of \$9,700 plus HST.

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 2.6 Funding Request: Sportsplex Study , RFD#2012048 M-1108-12  
 Moved by Councillor Bird, seconded by Councillor Angel that Council approves funding in the amount of \$2,250 to the Cumberland sportsplex Development Society towards a needs assessment for a new synthetic turf sports facility in the Amherst – Northern Cumberland area, this funding contingent on confirmation of all other provincial and municipal partner funding.

**MOTION CARRIED**

- 2.7 Funding Request: Midget AAA Baseball Nationals , RFD#2012049 M-1108-13  
 Moved by Councillor Fawthrop, seconded by Councillor Rhindress that Council approves funding in the amount of \$250 for the MacGregor Kinsmen Midget AAA Baseball Team representing Nova Scotia at the Canadian Nationals to be held in Regina from August 18 to 23, 2011, to support the attendance of Amherst resident Brad Murray.

**MOTION CARRIED**

### 3. ADJOURN

On motion by Councillor Rhindress the meeting adjourned at 12:30 PM.

#### APPROVED BY:

Gregory D. Herrett, CA  
 Town Clerk and Chief Administrative Officer

Robert Small  
 Mayor