

**Amherst Town Council
Special Meeting
Minutes**

Date of Meeting: Thursday, August 29, 2013
Location: Council Chambers, Town Hall

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

Staff Present: Greg Herrett, CAO
Vince Arbing, Treasurer
Sarah Wilson, Accountant
Ben Pitman, Director TPW
Ian Naylor, Acting Police Chief
Rebecca Purdy, Executive Assistant
Kim Jones, Policy and HR

Others Present: Gary Bickerton, CA – Auditor

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Small called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Moved By: Deputy Mayor George Baker
Seconded By: Councillor David March
To approve the agenda.**

Motion Carried

3. REQUEST FOR DECISION

3.1. Audited Financial Statements

**Moved By: Councillor Terry Rhindress
Seconded By: Councillor David March
That Council accepts the Audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the Town of Amherst for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013, which have been audited by Gary Bickerton, CA with the firm Jorgensen and Bickerton, as recommended by the Audit Committee.**

Motion Carried

**Moved By: Councillor Frank Balcom
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor George Baker
That Council accept the Audited Conventional Amherst Water Utility Financial Statements for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2013, which have been audited by Gary Bickerton, CA from the firm Jorgensen and Bickerton, as recommended by the Audit Committee.**

Motion Carried

Moved By: Councillor Lisa Emery
Seconded By: Councillor Terry Rhindress
That Council appoint the firm of Jorsengen and Bickertopn as auditors for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2014, as recommended by the Audit Committee.

Motion Carried

3.2. Tender - One Ton Dump Truck and Salt Spreader

Moved By: Councillor David March
Seconded By: Councillor Terry Rhindress
That Council award the tender to supply a one ton dump truck and salt spreader to the low bidder, Tantramar Chev Buick GMC, in the amount of \$46,608.60 plus HST, with funding to come from the 2013-14 capital budget.

Motion Carried

3.3. Tender - Welding Services

Moved By: Councillor Lisa Emery
Seconded By: Councillor Frank Balcom
That Council award the tender for welding services for the Town of Amherst to A&M Fabrication Inc. at their low bid of \$60 per hour for regular welding, \$60 per hour for mobile welding, and \$60 per hour for aluminum welding.

Motion Carried

3.4. Funding Request - Amherst Athletics

Moved By: Councillor David March
Seconded By: Councillor Terry Rhindress
That Council approve funding in the amount of \$500 under the Town's Grants to Organizations Policy in support of Amherst Athletics Midget AA Baseball Team for hosting their provincial competition in Amherst August 23-25.

Motion Carried

3.5. Funding Request - Amherst Curling Club

Councillor Lisa Emery declared a potential conflict and excused herself from the discussion and decision on this matter.

Moved By: Councillor Robert Bird
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor George Baker
That Council approve funding to the Amherst Curling Club in the amount of \$2,750 in support of initiating the Little Rocks Program.

Motion Carried

4. ADJOURNMENT

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

Gregory D. Herrett, CA
 Town Clerk and CAO

Robert Small
 Mayor