

# Regular Council Meeting

## Minutes

**Date of Meeting:** Monday, March 23, 2015  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Town Hall

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

**Members Absent:** Mayor Robert Small

**Staff Present:** Greg Herrett, CAO  
 Ian Naylor, Police Chief  
 Jason MacDonald, Deputy CAO Operations  
 Kim Jones, Human Resources  
 Vince Arbing, Treasurer  
 Bill Schurman, Director Recreation  
 Rebecca Purdy, Executive Assistant

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

In Mayor Small's absence, Deputy Mayor Baker chaired the meeting. He called it to order at 7:00 PM.

### 2. O'CANADA

### 3. HEARINGS/PRESENTATIONS/PETITIONS

#### 3.1. Introduction - Amherst Youth Town Council Members

Councillor Balcom introduced Madelynn Carter and Jordan Hunter, members of the Amherst Youth Town Council.

### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

#### 4.1. Approval of the Agenda

**Moved By:** Councillor David March  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Lisa Emery  
 To approve the agenda.

**Motion Carried**

#### 4.2. Approval of Minutes

**Moved By:** Councillor Terry Rhindress  
**Seconded By:** Councillor Frank Balcom  
 To approve the minutes of the February 23, 2015 regular meeting and the February 26, 2015 special meeting.

**Motion Carried**

### 5. REQUESTS FOR DECISION

#### 5.1. Repeal Anti-Litter Bylaw - Second Reading

**Moved By:** Councillor Lisa Emery  
**Seconded By:** Councillor David March  
 That Council approves second reading of a Bylaw to Repeal the Anti-Litter Bylaw, D-5, approved by Council on August 19, 1968 and amended on 19 February, 1981.

**Motion Carried**

**Bylaw to Repeal Anti-Litter Bylaw, D-5**

1. This is a bylaw to repeal the **Anti-Litter Bylaw, D-5**.
2. The Anti-Litter Bylaw approved by Council on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1968, and amended on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of February 1981 is hereby repealed.

**5.2. Repeal Town Clerk's Pension Bylaw - First Reading**

**Moved By: Councillor Robert Bird**

**Seconded By: Councillor Terry Rhindress**

**That Council approves first reading of a Bylaw to Repeal the Town Clerk's Pension Bylaw, B-5, approved by Council on January 21, 1985.**

**Motion Carried**

**Bylaw to Repeal the Town Clerk's Pension Bylaw**

1. This is a by-law to repeal Town Clerk's Pension Bylaw, B-5
2. The "Town Clerk's Pension Bylaw" approved by Council on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 1985, is hereby repealed.

**5.3. Policy Review Project**

**5.3.1. Repeal Policies (Water Meters & Program Registration Fees)**

**Moved By: Councillor Frank Balcom**

**Seconded By: Councillor Lisa Emery**

**That Council repeal the following two policies: 31700-01 Water Meters and 72000-05 Program Registration Fees.**

**Motion Carried**

**5.4. Citizen Appointments to Boards & Committees**

**5.4.1. Amherst Board of Police Commissioners**

**Moved By: Councillor Lisa Emery**

**Seconded By: Councillor Terry Rhindress**

**That Council re-appoint Harold Miller and William Hiltz to the Amherst Board of Police Commissioners for one-year terms expiring March 31, 2016, and that Council appoint D. A. Fairbanks to the Amherst Board of Police Commissioners for a two-year term expiring March 31, 2017.**

**Motion Carried**

**5.4.2. North Tyndal Wellfield Advisory Committee**

**Moved By: Councillor Terry Rhindress**

**Seconded By: Councillor David March**

**That Council appoint George Maston to the North Tyndal Wellfield Advisory Committee for a one-year term expiring March 31, 2016.**

**Motion Carried**

**5.4.3. Planning Advisory Committee**

**Moved By: Councillor David March**

**Seconded By: Councillor Lisa Emery**

**That Council re-appoint Cathy LeBlanc to the Planning Advisory Committee for a term of one year, expiring March 31, 2016, and that Council appoint William Crossman to the Planning Advisory Committee for a term of two years, expiring March 31, 2017.**

**Motion Carried**

**5.5. Approval of 2013-14 Financial Statements - Amended**

**Moved By: Councillor Frank Balcom**

**Seconded By: Councillor David March**

**That Council accepts the 2013-14 Audited Financial Statements, as amended, and as approved by the Town of Amherst Audit Committee at its meeting on October 2, 2014.**

**Motion Carried**

**5.6. Appointment of Auditor for Y/E March 31, 2015**

**Moved By: Councillor Robert Bird**

**Seconded By: Councillor Terry Rhindress**

**That Council appoint the chartered accountant firm Jorgensen Bickerton to be the Town's Municipal Auditor for the fiscal year April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015 as recommended by the Town of Amherst Audit Committee**

**Motion Carried**

**6. INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**6.1. Municipal Alcohol Project - Final Report**

**7. INTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**7.1. Amherst Board of Police Commissioners**

Councillor Emery presented the Police Commission report included in the agenda.

**7.2. Amherst Youth Town Council**

Councillor Balcom presented the Amherst Youth Town Council report included in the agenda.

**7.3. Downtown Business Advisory Committee**

Councillor March presented the Downtown Business Advisory Committee report included in the agenda and addressed comments and enquiries from members of Council.

**8. EXTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**8.1. Cumberland YMCA - No report**

**8.2. Cumberland Joint Services Management Authority**

Councillor Bird presented the Cumberland Joint Services Management Authority report included in the agenda and addressed comments and enquiries from members of Council.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Prior to the adjournment, D/Mayor Baker expressed appreciation to the gymnastics group for their event last weekend and the house league hockey tournament for this weekend; he thanked the staff, public works in particular, for their work throughout this extraordinarily difficult winter. March break program at the Stadium was well organized.

**Moved By: Councillor Terry Rhindress**

**Seconded By: Councillor Robert Bird**

**To adjourn at 7:35 PM**

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Gregory D. Herrett, CA  
Town Clerk and CAO

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Robert Small  
Mayor