

Regular Council Meeting

Minutes

Date of Meeting: Monday, April 27, 2015
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
 Roger MacIsaac, Director CED
 Ian Naylor, Police Chief
 Jason MacDonald, Deputy CAO Operations
 Vince Arbing, Treasurer
 Bill Schurman, Director Recreation
 Rebecca Purdy, Executive Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Introduction - Youth Town Council Member

Councillor Balcom introduced Amherst Youth Town Council member, Noah Sangster in attendance at the Council meeting. Noah is grade 10 student at Amherst Regional High School. and has been a member of the Amherst Youth Town Council for three years. Noah has a great skill for painting and drawing; he was solely responsible for the design, images and painting on this year's Christmas Parade float.

2. O'CANADA

Mayor Small called for a moment of silence in honour of the victims of the earthquake in Nepal prior to the National Anthem.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES

3.1. Approval of the Agenda

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

Motion Carried

3.2. Approval of Minutes - March 23, 2015

Moved By: Councillor Terry Rhindress
Seconded By: Deputy Mayor George Baker
 To approve the minutes of the March 23, 2015 regular meeting of Council.

Motion Carried

4. REQUESTS FOR DECISION

4.1. Repeal ABIDC Bylaw - Second Reading

Moved By: Councillor Lisa Emery
Seconded By: Councillor Frank Balcom
 That Council approves second reading of a Bylaw to Repeal the Amherst Business Improvement District Commission Bylaw, A-4, approved by Council on December 13, 1982 and amended on March 20, 1989.

Motion Carried

Bylaw to Repeal Amherst Business Improvement District Bylaw

1. This is a bylaw to repeal the Amherst Business Improvement District Bylaw, A-4.
2. The Amherst Business Improvement District Bylaw approved by Council on the 13th day of December, 1982, and amended on the 20th day of March, 1989 is hereby repealed.

4.2. Parking Bylaw - Repeal - First Reading

Moved By: Councillor Frank Balcom

Seconded By: Councillor David March

That Council approves first reading of a Bylaw to Repeal the Parking Bylaw, C-5, approved by Council July 21, 1975 with amendments on June 21, 1976, September 16, 1985, April 21, 1986 and April 18, 1994.

Motion Carried

Bylaw to Repeal the Town of Amherst Parking Bylaw

1. This is a by-law to repeal Town of Amherst Parking Bylaw, C-5.
2. The "Town of Amherst Parking Bylaw" approved by Council on the 21st day of July, 1975 and amended on the 21st day of June, 1976, the 16th day of September 1985, the 21st day of April, 1986, and the 18th day of April 1994, is hereby repealed.

4.3. Allowable Ice Rental Policy - Repeal

Moved By: Councillor Robert Bird

Seconded By: Deputy Mayor George Baker

That Council repeal the Ice Rental Policy, # 72300-06

Motion Carried

4.4. Field Bookings Policy - Repeal

Moved By: Councillor Terry Rhindress

Seconded By: Councillor David March

That Council repeal the Field Bookings Policy, # 72300-02

Motion Carried

4.5. Photocopying Policy - Repeal

Moved By: Deputy Mayor George Baker

Seconded By: Councillor Terry Rhindress

That Council repeal the Photocopying Policy, # 72000-06

Motion Carried

4.6. Donald Avenue Culvert Replacement - RFP

Moved By: Councillor David March

Seconded By: Councillor Lisa Emery

That Council accept the proposal for the Donald Avenue Culvert Replacement submitted by Maritech Construction in the amount of \$155,752.85 including all non-refundable taxes, to be funded by the Gas Tax Fund as a part of the 2015-16 Capital Budget

Motion Carried

4.7. East Victoria Street Infrastructure Renewal -Tender

Moved By: Councillor Lisa Emery

Seconded By: Councillor Frank Balcom

That Council award tender T-15-01 for the East Victoria Street infrastructure renewal project to the low compliant bidder, Beale & Inch in the amount of \$462,948.50 plus HST to be funded from Gas Tax in the amount of \$280,000 and long term borrowing of \$192,790 in the Amherst Water Utility

Motion Carried

4.8. Asphalt Patching - Tender

Moved By: Councillor David March

Seconded By: Councillor Lisa Emery

That Council award the tender for asphalt patching to the low compliant bidder, Costin Paving and Contracting at the following tendered unit prices to a maximum contract value of \$262,000 including non-recoverable HST:

PRODUCT	UNIT PRICE	UNIT
NSTIR Asphalt Concrete Type "E" sand mix, including tack coat in place for hand patching streets	\$250	Tonne
NSTIR Asphalt Concrete Type "E" sand mix, spreader patch, including tack coat in place	\$130	Tonne
NSTIR Asphalt Concrete Type "C" surface course spreader patch, including tack coat in place	\$120	Tonne
Asphalt Patching NSTIR Asphalt Concrete type "B" base course in place	\$240	Tonne
Asphalt Patching Service Cuts NSTIR Asphalt concrete type "C" course in place	\$240	Tonne
Type I Gravel base in place and compacted	\$35	m ³
Replace Asphalt Curbing including tack coat and backfill, topsoil and seed	\$40	Meter
Asphalt milling 50mm depth	\$30	m ²

Motion Carried

5. INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

5.1. West Highlands School

Councillor Emery read the email letter from Kevin Oulette included in the agenda, asking Council's reconsideration of the disposition of the vacated West Highlands Elementary School.

6. INTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1. Planning Advisory Committee

Councillor March presented a report on behalf of the Planning Advisory Committee.

6.2. Amherst Board of Police Commissioners

Councillor Emery presented a report on behalf of the Amherst Board of Police Commissioners.

6.3. Amherst Youth Town Council

Councillor Balcom presented a report on behalf of the Amherst Youth Town Council.

7. EXTERNAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.3. Cumberland Joint Services / Northern Region

Councillor Bird presented a report on behalf of the Cumberland Joint Services Management Authority and Northern Region Solid Waste Committee and addressed comments and enquiries from Council members.

7.4. L. A. Animal Shelter

Councillor Balcom presented a report on behalf of the L. A. Animal Shelter and addressed comments and enquiries from Council members.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Prior to the adjournment, Mayor Small commented on the reception held last week to honour the volunteers in the community, and all the events going on over the weekend. He congratulated Cumberland's Finest Women's Hockey Team, who brought home gold from the Gamblers Cup Hockey Tournament earlier this month in Las Vegas.

Moved By: Councillor Terry Rhindress
Seconded By: Councillor David March
To adjourn at 7:50 PM

Motion Carried

Gregory D. Herrett, CA
Town Clerk and CAO

Robert Small
Mayor