

Amherst Town Council

Special Meeting

Minutes

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, November 01, 2016
Location: Community Credit Union Business Innovation Centre

Members Present: Mayor-elect David Kogon
 Councillor-elect Jason Blanch
 Councillor-elect Vince Byrne
 Councillor-elect Sheila Christie
 Councillor-elect Darrell Jones
 Councillor-elect Wayne MacKenzie
 Councillor-elect Terry Rhindress

Staff Present: Greg Herrett, CAO
 Ian Naylor, Police Chief
 Jason MacDonald, Deputy CAO Operations
 Vince Arbing, Treasurer
 Bill Schurman, Director Recreation
 Ben Pitman, Engineer
 Greg Jones, Fire Chief
 Rebecca Purdy, Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order

The CAO called the meeting to order and welcomed members of the incoming Council and the public. There were approximately 160 people in attendance

2. National Anthem - Julie Carde

The CAO called on Julie Carde to lead in the singing of O' Canada.

3. Opening Prayer - Father David Myles

Father David Myles offered an opening prayer.

4. Election Results

The CAO presented the results of the Municipal Election held on Saturday, October 15, 2016. As Clerk and in accordance with Section 129(1) of the *Municipal Elections Act*, for a four year term of office, he declared the following elected having received the largest number of votes cast:

For the Office of Mayor: David P. Kogon

For the Council (6 positions): Jason Blanch, Vince Byrne, Sheila Christie, Darrell Jones, Wayne MacKenzie, and Terry Rhindress.

5. Administration of Oaths & Code of Conduct (3699, 3700)

As Justice of the Peace for the Province of Nova Scotia, the CAO administered the Oaths of Office to the newly elected Mayor and Council. Each Council member also signed a Statement of Commitment to the Code of Conduct.

Once Sworn, Mayor Kogon assumed the role of Chair of the meeting.

6. Election of Deputy Mayor (3701)

Mayor Kogon opened the floor for nominations to the Office of Deputy Mayor.

Moved By: Councillor MacKenzie

Seconded By: Councillor Byrne

That Councillor Sheila Christie be nominated for the Office of Deputy Mayor

Motion Carried

Mayor Kogon asked three times for further nominations. There being none, he declared Councillor Christie acclaimed as the Deputy Mayor. This was ratified by the following motion:

Moved By: Councillor Jones

Seconded By: Councillor Byrne

That Councillor Sheila Christie be appointed as Deputy Mayor for a one-year term ending October 31, 2017

Motion Carried

7. Comments by Members of Council

Each Councillor was given an opportunity to make comments.

8. Comments by Mayor


Mayor Kogon addressed the audience and Council.

9. Adjournment


Moved By: Councillor Jones

Seconded By: Councillor Rhindress

To adjourn at 7:40 PM



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



David Kogon, MD
Mayor