

**Amherst Town Council
Committee of the Whole
Minutes**

Date: May 22, 2020
Time: 11:00 am
Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

Members Present Mayor David Kogon
Deputy Mayor Sheila Christie
Councillor Vince Byrne
Councillor Darrell Jones
Councillor Wayne MacKenzie
Councillor Terry Rhindress

Staff Present Greg Herrett, CAO
Shelley Rector, Chief Financial Officer
Tom McCoag, Corporate Communications Officer
Cheryl Laliberte, Community Wellbeing Manager
Sarah Wilson, Manager of Financial Services
Kim Jones, Municipal Clerk
Natalie LeBlanc, Deputy Clerk

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the requirement for physical distancing, this was a virtual meeting held via Zoom.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Kogon called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

2. Council Direction Requests

2.1 Community Support Area Rate

Moved By Deputy Mayor Christie

Seconded By Councillor Byrne

That the Community Support Area Rate as presented be forwarded to the May 25, 2020 regular meeting of Council for approval.

MOTION CARRIED

2.2 Tax Exemption Policy Amendment

Moved By Councillor Byrne

Seconded By Councillor MacKenzie

That Council refer the approval of the proposed revisions to the Tax Exemption Policy to the May 25, 2020 regular Council meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

Moved By Councillor Byrne
Seconded By Deputy Mayor Christie
To direct staff to further investigate the Tax Reduction Policy as it relates to the inclusion of the Guaranteed Income Supplement and overall threshold.

MOTION CARRIED

- 3. Adjournment**
Moved By Councillor Rhindress
Seconded By Councillor Byrne
To adjourn the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Kimberlee Jones
Municipal Clerk

David Kogon, MD
Mayor