

# Town of Amherstburg Council Brief

Highlights from the May 26th, 2025 meeting of Council:

#### **REPORTS**

#### Final Tax Rating By-Law 2025-035

Using the roll return as of December 31, 2024, from MPAC and the 2025 tax ratios set by the County of Essex, Council passed By-law 2025-035 to set and levy the 2025 property tax rates and authorized the signing of the by-law.

#### **New Cricket Pitch at Anderdon Park**

PaxPitch Sports proposed installing a cricket pitch at Anderdon Park to support the growing demand for cricket in the region. They have committed to fully funding the installation and operation of the field, while the Town provides greenspace and ongoing grass maintenance. Council directed Administration to negotiate an agreement with PaxPitch sports.

### Zoning By-law Amendment for a Housekeeping Zoning By-law Amendment, Institutional

Council has approved By-law 2025-032, a housekeeping amendment to Zoning By-law 1999-52, to clarify definitions, permitted uses, and zoning for institutional lands. This includes zoning updates for stormwater facilities and the Town's water treatment plant expansion lands.

Road Dedication of Reserve on Easy Street, Block 13, 12M-323, as a Public Highway A By-law dedicating Block 13 on 12M-323 as a Public Highway was presented to Council. Council approved the road dedication, passed by-law 2025-037 and authorized its signing.

## Riverview Subdivision – Request for Extension of Draft Plan Approval, Amending Subdivision Agreement, h-Removal

Council approved a three-year extension of the draft plan approval for the Riverview Subdivision and authorized the execution of an updated subdivision agreement with the new developer, Riverview Heights Development Inc. Council also approved the removal of the holding zone on the property, clearing the way for development to proceed. The County of Essex will be notified of the Town's support.

#### 2025 Special Events Approval Part 4

Council approved Part 4 Special Events brought forward which included the Canda Day event. An exemption was granted from the Noise By-law 2001-43 for the event.

#### Animal Control/Keeping of Animals By-law

Council requested amendments to By-law 2022-008 to address the management of feral cat colonies. The proposed amendments include requiring caregivers to register with the Town, follow prescribed feeding guidelines, and establishing penalties for non-compliance. Council also directed Administration to register groups involved in colony care to ensure proper management practices are followed, and that the amended by-law be brought back to Council for consideration.

#### Medical Tiered Response Agreement

Medical Tiered Response allows fire services to assist paramedics on life-threatening calls when they can arrive faster to provide urgent care like CPR or defibrillation. Council approved a revised agreement that outlines when fire services will respond to medical calls and safety and reporting updates to ensure effective use of resources to improve emergency response in Amherstburg.

#### **INFORMATION REPORTS**

#### Amherstburg Policing Activities Report – April 2025

Council received the activity report for information.

Provincial Consultation – Bill 17, Protect Ontario by Building Faster and Smarter Act Council received the report for information.

#### **CONSENT OTHER MINUTES**

Council received the minutes of the following:

- Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes April 17, 2025
- April 30, 2025 Committee of Adjustment Meeting Minutes
- Heritage Committee Meeting Minutes May 8, 2025

#### **NOTICE OF MOTION**

### Phase 3 of the Windsor Essex Bike Community (WEBC) Libro Centre Mountain Bike Trail Project – Councillor McArthur

Council authorized Phase 3 construction of the Windsor Essex Bike Community (WEBC) Mountain Bike Trail at the Libro Centre, subject to final design and location approval by Administration.

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