



Town of Amherstburg Council Brief

Highlights from the February 23rd, 2026 meeting of Council:

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Council adopted the following minutes:

- 2026 02 09 - Special Council Meeting Minutes - Planning

RECOGNITIONS

Heritage Property Plaque Presentations

A Heritage Property Plaque was presented to recognize the Gibb House.

REPORTS

Austin Toddy Jones Park Washroom Roof Replacement Tender No. 2026-001

Council approved a total project budget of \$190,000 for the Austin Toddy Jones Park washroom renovations, addressing roof replacement, insulation, and required mechanical and electrical upgrades to support year-round use. The \$60,000 funding shortfall will be covered through reallocations within the existing Roofing Assessment and Replacement Program. Council also awarded the construction contract to Valente Contracting Inc. and authorized the CAO and Town Clerk to execute the agreement and any related change orders.

H. Murray Smith Centennial Park Update – Park Options

Council has approved moving forward with Option 1 for improvements to H. Murray Smith Centennial Park, within the total approved budget of \$1,060,000. The project will include two fenced tennis courts, two non-fenced sports courts, and a 10-foot-wide accessible asphalt multi-use trail, along with parking, seating, landscaping, and related amenities. Council also approved reallocating \$80,000 from existing capital projects to fully fund the improvements and authorized Administration to tender the project and execute the necessary agreements, provided costs remain within the approved budget.

Town of Amherstburg Comments re: MTO Southwestern Ontario Transportation Planning Study and Strategic Goods Movement Network

Council has directed Administration to submit comments to the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario as part of the Southwestern Ontario Transportation Planning Study, to highlight the importance of strong provincial transportation connections to support the Howard Industrial Park District and future goods movement needs.

Re-Addressing Proposal for Portion of 2nd Concession North

Council has approved the re-addressing of a portion of 2nd Concession Road North to correct longstanding numbering inconsistencies and improve emergency response and service delivery. Property owners will be contacted with details about the change and may apply for reimbursement of eligible address-related expenses. Council has approved funding of up to \$23,000 from the Contingency Reserve to support resident reimbursements and associated implementation costs.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Summary of Additional Residential Units (ARU) Developed in 2025

Council received the summary report for information.

Integrity Commissioner's Recommendation Report

Council received and accepted the Integrity Commissioner's report, acknowledged the findings regarding conduct under the Town's Code of Conduct, acknowledged the member's resignation, and indicated its support for the report's recommendations.

CONSENT CORRESPONDENCE

Essex-Windsor Solid Waste Authority Resolution 11-2026 Re Green Bin Program P&E Campaign Summary

Council received the correspondence from the Essex-Windsor Solid Waste Authority regarding the Green Bin Program Campaign Summary.

CORRESPONDENCE

Proclamation Request - Victims and Survivors of Crime Week - Windsor Essex Child/Youth Advocacy Centre (WECYAC)

Council proclaimed May 10th through May 16th, 2026 as Victims and Survivors of Crime Week in the Town of Amherstburg.

CONSENT OTHER MINUTES

Council received the following minutes:

- Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes - January 15, 2026
- Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes - January 21, 2026

OTHER MINUTES

Drainage Board Meeting Minutes – February 3, 2026

Council received the February 3, 2026 Drainage Board minutes and related drainage reports, provisionally adopted By-law 2026-002 to authorize the second reconsidered Engineer's Report for the Lakewood Drain No. 3 & Pumping Scheme, approved the recommended drainage apportionments, and received the Ministry's overview and fact

sheet for information.

NEW BUSINESS

208 St. Arnaud Site – Development Update and Resident Notification

Council directed Administration to report back at a future meeting regarding 208 St. Arnaud, including details on the site's development timeline, current zoning and permitted uses, and any accessible components. Council also directed that letters be sent to area residents regarding the commercial use of the site.

Letter of Support for Grant to WEBC Regarding Bike Skills Area

Council has approved the continued use of the Bike Skills Area at the Windsor-Essex Bike Community Trails at the Libro for the next five years and directed Administration to send a letter confirming this commitment to WEBC by March 2, 2026.

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