

Town of Amherstburg Council Brief

Highlights from the September 22nd, 2025 meeting of Council:

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Council adopted the following minutes:

- 2025 04 14 Special In-Camera Council Meeting Minutes Confidential
- 2025 05 26 Special Council Meeting Minutes
- 2025 06 09 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- 2025 09 08 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- 2025 06 24 Special Council Meeting Planning Minutes

RECOGNITIONS

Heritage Property Plaque Presentations

Heritage Property Plaques were presented to recognize two historic Town landmarks: King's Navy Yard Park and the former St. Anthony School (now the Lofts at St. Anthony). Heidi Baillargeon, Director of Parks, Facilities and Recreation, accepted the plaque for King's Navy Yard Park, while Mackie and Lisa Jones accepted on behalf of St. Anthony School.

REPORTS

Deslippe Drain – Tender Award

Council approved \$917,329.15 plus HST for the Deslippe Drain repair under Tender No. 2025-017, with funding from the Municipal Drain operating line of credit. The municipal portion will be covered by the Drainage Reserve upon project completion. An agreement with Shepley Excavating and Road Maintenance Ltd. was authorized.

Housekeeping Zoning By-law Amendment for Lands Located in the Howard Industrial Park District Secondary Plan

Council passed By-law 2025-057 to amend Zoning By-law No. 1999-52, implementing the Howard Industrial Park District Secondary Plan. The amendment rezones approximately 325 hectares of land to support future industrial development, ensuring an adequate supply of designated, zoned, and serviced industrial lands. The Mayor and Clerk were authorized to sign the by-law.

INFORMATION REPORTS

Amherstburg Police Activities Report – August 2025

Council received the report for information.

Lowes Sideroad – Sandwich Street PXO Engineering Estimate

Council directed Administration to proceed with Phase 1 and Phase 2 of a study for a potential pedestrian crossing at Lowes Sideroad and Sandwich Street, and approved funding of up to \$15,000 plus HST from the Plans and Studies Reserve. The study, to be completed by TYLin, will assess crossing options and provide preliminary cost estimates which will be brought back to Council for consideration, addressing a Council resolution from April 29, 2025.

Mill and Pave Program – County Consultation

Council received the report on investigating the potential cost benefits of tendering the Town's Mill & Pave program with the County of Essex. The review found that costs for similar projects are comparable, with minimal administrative savings but reduced operational flexibility for the Town. As a result, no financial advantage was identified at this time.

CONSENT CORRESPONDENCE

Ontario Ministry of Energy and Mines' Consultation on the Future of Community Natural Gas Expansion (ERO 025 0923)

Council received correspondence from the Ontario Ministry of Energy and Mines and directed staff to submit comments reflecting the municipality's priorities. The resolution will be shared with local MPPs, the Ministry of Energy, and other stakeholders.

CORRESPONDENCE

Request: Military Service Recognition Book of the Royal Canadian Legion

Council approved the purchase of a quarter-page advertisement for \$650 (including HST) in the Royal Canadian Legion Ontario Command's *Military Service Recognition Book*. The cost will be charged to the Council Donations Account. This publication honours Ontario's Veterans and supports programs for those facing challenges such as PTSD.

CONSENT OTHER MINUTES

Council received the minutes of the following:

August 6th, 2025 Committee of Adjustment Meeting Minutes

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