



## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AMHERSTBURG

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To: Mayor and Members of Town Council

Subject: Appointment to the Dangerous Dog Appeal Committee

#### 1. RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that:

1. Section 3.4 of the Town's Boards and Committee's Appointment Policy **BE WAIVED**; and,
2. Tony Pietrangelo **BE APPOINTED** to serve on the Dangerous Dog Appeal Committee.

#### 2. BACKGROUND:

The Dangerous Dog Appeal Committee is a quasi-judicial advisory committee responsible for hearing the appeal of designations of dangerous dogs as issued by the By-law Enforcement Division. The mandate of the Dangerous Dog Appeal Committee is to hear and determine all appeals in accordance with the procedures established under the *Statutory Powers Procedure Act*.

The regular committee composition is three appointed lay members. One of the three positions is currently vacant.

Section 3.4 of the Town's Boards and Committees Appointment Policy states:

"Members will not be appointed to more than two (2) Boards or Committees in a Term of Council."

#### 3. DISCUSSION:

As reported to Council on March 3, 2022, an initial call for applications was unsuccessful in finding an applicant. A second call for applications was issued and a single application has been received, which is provided for Council consideration under separate cover.

An appointment for the remainder of the term will provide a member with valuable experience should they wish to apply to serve on the committee in the next term of Council. Further, the continuation of the vacancy on the Committee could be an issue if an appeal is lodged before the end of the term and so warrants that this position be filled.

The appointment of this member would require Council to waive section 3.4 of the Boards and Committee's Appointment Policy to allow a member to be appointed to more than two Boards or Committees in a Term of Council. The Dangerous Dog Appeal Committee is a quasi-judicial body that only meets as needed to address appeals of designations of dogs as being dangerous, and therefore does not carry the same risk that an appointment to multiple Advisory Committees may carry in terms of undue influence. Given the purposefully limited scope of this committee's mandate to only address those matters put before it and not to provide advice or recommendations to Council, the intention behind that limiting provision is not at issue.

**4. RISK ANALYSIS:**

There are no risks associated with adopting the recommendation of this report.

**5. FINANCIAL MATTERS:**

There are no financial matters associated with the recommendations of this report.

**6. CONSULTATIONS:**

Valerie Critchley, Director of Legislative Services and Clerk  
Bill Tetler, Manager of Licensing and Enforcement

**7. CONCLUSION:**

It is recommended that Tony Pietrangelo be appointed to the Dangerous Dog Appeal Committee for the balance of the term to redress appeals of such designations, as needed.



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**Policy and Committee Coordinator**

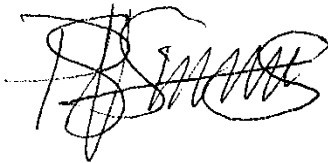
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