



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
MINUTES
AUGUST 18, 2020**

PRESENT:

Mayor Mike Savage
Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn
Councillors: Steve Streach
David Hendsbee
Bill Karsten
Lorelei Nicoll
Sam Austin
Tony Mancini
Waye Mason
Lindell Smith
Shawn Cleary
Russell Walker
Stephen Adams
Richard Zurawski
Matt Whitman
Paul Russell
Tim Outhit

STAFF:

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer
John Traves, Municipal Solicitor
Phoebe Rai, A/Municipal Clerk
Simon Ross-Siegel, Legislative Assistant
Andrea Lovasi-Wood, Legislative Assistant

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The special meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m., and recessed at 12:05 p.m. Council reconvened in at 1:05 p.m. Council recessed at 3:05 p.m. and reconvened at 3:20 p.m. Council recessed at 5:00 p.m. and reconvened at 6:02 p.m. Council recessed at 8:00 p.m. and reconvened at 8:11 p.m. Council adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. and Council paused for a moment of reflection.

The Mayor acknowledged Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer received the Long Service Award from the Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators for twenty years of service.

The Mayor acknowledged Fire Chief Ken Stuebing was appointed first Vice President of the International Association of Fire Chiefs.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 7 and July 21, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT the minutes of July 7 and July 21, 2020 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Additions:

14.1 Councillor Mancini – Special Grant Request – Greater Burnside Business Association (GBBA)

Council requested that item 13.2 PROPERTY MATTER be deferred pending a decision of Regional Council for item 11.2.1 Case 21808 - Amendments to the Dartmouth Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law for Burnside Industrial Park and City of Lakes Business Park, Dartmouth first, to which Council agreed.

Council requested that item 13.5 PROPERTY MATTER be dealt with in public, to which Council agreed.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Deputy Mayor Blackburn

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve agenda items 11.1.5, 11.1.9 and 11.1.11.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Walker

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

6. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

7. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

8. VIRTUAL HERITAGE HEARINGS – 6:00 P.M.

8.1 Case H00467 - Request to Include 10175 Highway 7, Salmon River Bridge in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality

The following was before Council:

- A Heritage Advisory Committee report dated February 27, 2020 with attached staff recommendation report dated February 4, 2020
- An extract from the special Regional Council Minutes from March 10, 2020
- A staff presentation dated August 18, 2020
- An applicant presentation dated August 18, 2020

Heritage Hearing date set at Regional Council on March 10, 2020.

Mayor Savage opened the Heritage Hearing and invited staff to present on Case H00467.

Seamus McGreal, Planner III, Regional Planning gave an overview of the property, 10175 Highway 7, Salmon River Bridge, recommended to be registered as a heritage property which is owned by Brenda Hattie-Longmire and elaborated on the criteria used to assess the heritage aspects of the property.

Mayor Savage invited the applicant to come forward and address Council.

Brenda Hattie-Longmire, applicant, gave an overview of the history of the property, Myer's Keep built in 1857, which is a twin to the Fisherman's Life Museum in architecture and building materials. The applicant has completed several restoration projects and expressed their commitment to continued restoration of the home and the barn on the property.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT the public hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Streach

THAT Halifax Regional Council include 10175 Highway 7, as shown on Map 1 of the staff report dated February 4, 2020, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality as a municipal heritage property.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8.2 Case H00476 - Request to Include 6047 Jubilee Road, Halifax, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality

The following was before Council:

- A Heritage Advisory Committee report dated February 27, 2020 with attached staff recommendation report dated February 12, 2020
- An extract from the special Regional Council Minutes from March 10, 2020
- A staff presentation dated August 18, 2020

Heritage Hearing date set at Regional Council on March 10, 2020.

Mayor Savage opened the Heritage Hearing and invited staff to present on Case H00476.

Seamus McGreal, Planner III, gave an overview of the property, recommended to be registered as a heritage property which is owned by Sarah and Ian Bezanson and elaborated on the criteria used to assess the heritage aspects of the property. MacGreal noted that the following elements of the property; age, architectural importance, significance of architect/builder, architectural merit (construction type / building technology / style), architectural integrity and relationship to surrounding area.

Mayor Savage invited the applicant to come forward and address Council.

Ian Bezanson, applicant, gave an overview of the history of the property and the restoration work they have performed to the property which is a timber frame home unique to the brownstone homes found on this section of the Jubilee Road streetscape. The applicant expressed their commitment to continued restoration of the home.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the public hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council include 6047 Jubilee Road, as shown on Map 1 of the staff report dated February 12, 2020, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality as a municipal heritage property.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

9.1 Correspondence

The Clerk noted that correspondence was received for items: 11.1.10, 12.2 and 12.3. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

9.2 Petitions

9.2.1 Councillor Cleary

Petition from four residents of Shady Lane calling for a curb replacement to replace asphalt curbs with concrete curbs.

9.3 Presentations

9.3.1 Halifax Regional Water Commission

i) Halifax Regional Water Commission Accountability Report

The following was before Council:

- An information report from the Chair of the Halifax Regional Water Commission dated August 18, 2020
- A presentation from Cathie O'Toole, General Manager, Halifax Regional Water Commission

Cathie O'Toole gave an overview of the Halifax Water Commission's 2019/2020 Accountability Report and responded to questions from members of Regional Council.

Jamie Hannam, Director of Engineering, Halifax Regional Water Commission, responded to questions from members of Regional Council regarding the Sullivan's Pond Storm Sewer Renewal Project.

10. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

11. REPORTS

11.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

11.1.1 Interim Community Museums Grant Program - Recommended Awards Fiscal Year 2020, Program Update, and Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 2018-010-ADM, Respecting Interim Grants to Community Museums

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated June 22, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt amendments to Administrative Order 2018-010-ADM Respecting Interim Grants to Community Museums, as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated June 22, 2020 to extend the term of the Community Museums Grant Program and increase the maximum Operating Grant threshold, broaden the scope of eligible Project Grants, and to remove reference to “accredited” museums;**
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to draft proposed amendments to Administrative Order 2018-010-ADM Respecting Interim Grants to Community Museums with respect to the addition of a Capital Grant award category commencing in fiscal year 2021 and submit a Supplementary Recommendation Report to Regional Council to include feedback from program participants; Contingent upon the amendments to Administrative Order 2018-010-ADM proposed under Recommendation 1, it is further recommended that Halifax Regional Council:**
- 3. Approve twelve (12) multi-year Operating Grants at a combined total cost of \$119,000 to March 31, 2023 as set out in Table 1 of the staff report dated June 22, 2020;**
- 4. Approve the addition of the Sheet Harbour and Area Heritage Society to the program and a multiyear Operating Grant in the amount of \$3,000 per annum to March 31, 2023 as set out in Table 2 of the staff report dated June 22, 2020;**
- 5. Approve a one-time Project Grant in the amount of \$5,000 to the Lake Charlotte Heritage Society; and**
- 6. In accordance with the COVID-19 Administrative Order, award grants without a recommendation from the Grants Committee.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Walker, Adams

11.1.2 Community Grants Program 2020 - Referrals (Supplementary Report)

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated July 10, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Austin

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Suspend the Rules of Procedure under Administrative Order One of the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order under Schedule 2 the Audit and Finance Standing Committee Terms of Reference;**
- 2. Approve a grant of \$2,000 to the Dartmouth Dragon Boat Association towards the purchase of equipment; and**

3. Approve a conditional capital grant in the amount of \$25,000 to the Sheet Harbour Chamber of Commerce towards the construction and installation of floating docks from Operating Account M311-8004 Community Grants.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Walker, Adams

11.1.3 2020-21 Budgets and Business Plans for Area-rated Services and Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 2018-003-ADM, Respecting Private Road Maintenance

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated June 5, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the attached Resolution to Approve Area Rates and Uniform Charges for fiscal 2020/2021 (Appendix A), Schedule of Area Tax Rates (Appendix B), and Budgeted Revenues (Appendix C) of the staff report dated June 5, 2020.**
- 2. Amend item 1 of the resolution of May 21, 2019 to extend the allocation date for the financial support for the recapitalization of the Hammonds Plains Community Centre from March 31, 2021 to September 30, 2023.**
- 3. Amend the resolution of May 23, 2017 on the Area Rate Fee for Three Brooks Homeowner's Association to replace the map dated September 14, 2012, with the revised map date June 15, 2020, as per Appendix G.**
- 4. Adopt the amendments to Schedule 6 of Administrative Order 2018-003-ADM, Respecting Private Road Maintenance, as set out in Appendix H of the staff report dated June 5, 2020, to replace the typo of "amp" with the word "map".**
- 5. Adopt the amendment to Schedule 18 of Administrative Order 2018-003-ADM, Respecting Private Road Maintenance, as set out in Appendix H of the staff report dated June 5, 2020, to replace the map date of Jan 14, 2019, with the correct date of March 5, 2019.**
- 6. In accordance with section 16 of the Private Road Maintenance Cost Recovery Administrative Order, waive the requirement for a meeting of the property owners for the Gill Cove Road Maintenance Homeowners Association.**

Councillors requested clarification on the terms of the Maplewood Village Residents Association area rate suspension. John Traves, Municipal Solicitor, confirmed that the area rate would not be collected in the 2020-21 Fiscal Year.

Renee Towns, Manager of Revenue, Treasurer agreed to contact the Association to determine their intent moving forward and bring forward further information in the 2021-22 Budgets and Business Plans for Area-Rated Services report.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Walker, Adams

11.1.4 Budget Increase to Mackintosh Depot Replacement Account - CB000089

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated July 17, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. Approve an unbudgeted withdrawal in the amount of \$3,500,000 (net HST included) from the Capital Fund Reserve, Q526;
2. Increase the multi-year funding for Project Number CB000089 – Mackintosh Depot Replacement by \$3,500,000 (net HST Included) in fiscal year 2022/23 as outlined in the Financial section of the staff report dated July 17, 2020.
3. Increase Purchase Order No. 2070799716 by \$181,970 (net HST included) for EXP Services Inc. from Project No. CB000089 – Mackintosh Depot Replacement as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated July 17, 2020.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (14 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Blackburn, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Zurawski, Russell, Outhit

Against: Councillor Whitman

Not present: Councillors Walker, Adams

11.1.5 Trail Etiquette Signage

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated June 26, 2020

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council endorse the trail etiquette signage process as indicated in the staff report dated June 26, 2020.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Walker

11.1.6 Administrative Order 50 Disposal of Surplus Real Property – PID 00424358 - 948 Pockwock Road, Upper Hammonds Plains

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated July 15, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council set a date for a public hearing to consider the sale of 948 Pockwock Road, Upper Hammonds Plains, identified as PID 00424358, to the Upper Hammonds Plains Community Development Association as per the terms and conditions outlined in Table 1 of the staff report dated July 15, 2020.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Adams

11.1.7 Second Reading Proposed By-law D-500, Respecting District Energy

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated June 23, 2020
- An extract from the draft Special Regional Council Minutes of July 21, 2020

First Reading was given July 21, 2020.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Suspend the rules of procedure under Schedule 5, the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee Terms of Reference, of Administrative Order One, the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order; and**
- 2. Adopt By-law D-500, Respecting District Energy, as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated June 23, 2020.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Adams

11.1.8 First Reading Proposed By-law P-508, an Amendment to By-laws P-500 and P-507, Respecting Parking Meters for the Regulation of Parking of Vehicles Left Standing in the Halifax Regional Municipality - Parking Fine Increase

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated July 16, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Deputy Mayor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to proposed By-law P-508, Respecting Parking Meters for the Regulation of Parking of Vehicles Left Standing in the Halifax Regional Municipality, set out as Attachment B of the staff report dated July 16, 2020, the purpose of which is to:
(a) amend section 17 of By-law P-500, the Parking Meter By-law; and
(b) amend By-Law P-507 to correct a typo.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Adams

11.1.9 Facility Operating Agreement – Musquodoboit Valley Bicentennial Theatre and Cultural Centre

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated June 26, 2020

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate and execute a Facility Operating Agreement with the Musquodoboit Valley Bicentennial Theatre and Cultural Centre substantially in the same form as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated June 26, 2020.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Walker

11.1.10 First Reading Proposed By-law T-1004, an Amendment to By-law T-1000, Respecting the Regulation of Taxis, Accessible Taxis and Limousines and Proposed Amendments to

Administrative Order 15, Respecting License, Permit and Processing Fees - Taxi Broker, Transportation Network Companies (TNC) and Appeals-Related Amendments

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated July 10, 2020
- Correspondence from Anissa Macleod, Director, Atlantic Region, MADD Canada and Andrew Murie Chief Executive Officer, MADD Canada

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to By-law T-1004, Respecting the Regulation of Taxis, Accessible Taxis and Limousines, the purpose of which is to amend By-law T-1000, the Halifax Regional Municipality Taxi and Limousine By-law as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated July 10, 2020.

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council amend proposed By-law T-1004 to change the requirement for Vulnerable Sector Checks for TNC Drivers under section 43.1K by:

- 1. adding the word “and” at the end of subclause (i);**
- 2. striking out subclause (ii) in clause (c);**
- 3. renumbering subclause (iii) to subclause (ii); and**
- 4. adding a new clause (ca) to immediately before clause (d) to read: “(ca) has provided to the TNC original documents from the issuing agency, dated within 30 days of approval to be a TNC Driver and then every two years thereafter, outlining acceptable results of investigations related to the applicant for a vulnerable sector check”**

Councillors spoke in favour of annual vulnerable sector checks as proposed by staff.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND DEFEATED. (7 in favour, 9 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Mancini, Mason, Whitman

Against: Deputy Mayor Blackburn, Councillors Nicoll, Austin, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Zurawski, Russell, Outhit

Not present: Councillor Adams

Concerns were raised regarding the proposed by-law’s potential impacts to climate change goals as identified in HalifACT 2050.

MOVED by Councillor Zurawski, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the motion be deferred pending a supplementary report confirming that climate change issues are mitigated so as to conform with HalifACT 2050.

Councillor Austin proposed a friendly amendment to the motion for deferral to add “and a response from the province regarding per trip fees” to the motion as an additional condition for the return of the item to Regional Council, to which the Mover agreed. The amendment now reads:

THAT the motion be deferred pending a supplementary report confirming that climate change issues are mitigated so as to conform with HalifACT 2050 and a response from the province regarding per trip fees.

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer indicated that a report with respect to conforming with HalifACT 2050 would take some months and there is no guarantee that province will respond regarding amendments to the *Motor Vehicle Act* to enable per trip fees.

MOTION TO DEFER PUT AND DEFEATED. (5 in favour, 12 against)

In favour: Councillor Austin, Smith, Cleary, Adams, Zurawski,

Against: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Blackburn, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Mancini, Mason, Walker, Whitman, Russell, Outhit

The motion now reads:

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to By-law T-1004, Respecting the Regulation of Taxis, Accessible Taxis and Limousines, the purpose of which is to amend By-law T-1000, the Halifax Regional Municipality Taxi and Limousine By-law as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated July 10, 2020.

MAIN MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (12 in favour, 5 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Blackburn, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Whitman, Russell, Outhit

Against: Councillors Smith, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Zurawski

11.1.11 Volunteer Search and Rescue Grants Program – Recommended Awards Fiscal Year 2020

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated July 8, 2020

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve four (4) Operating Grants as described in the Discussion section of the staff report dated July 8, 2020 for a combined total of \$133,508 from Operating Account C801-8004;**
- 2. Approve a Capital Grant in the amount of \$7,792 to the Sheet Harbour and Area Ground Search and Rescue from Operating Account C801-8004; and**
- 3. In accordance with the Covid-19 Administrative Order, award the grants without a recommendation from the Grants Committee.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Walker

11.1.12 Mandatory Education and Supplementary Education Funding

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated July 14, 2020
- Handout from Halifax Regional Centre of Education

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer:

1. to engage in conversations with the Provincial Departments of Education and Early Childhood Development, Municipal Affairs and Housing with the objective of having the mandatory education contribution policy reviewed, and
2. to only begin to pay 100% of supplementary education funding upon Halifax Regional Center of Education's (HRCE) provision of a plan satisfactory to the Chief Administrative Officer of how they intend to deliver the fine arts program that is paid for by HRM during COVID pandemic.

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer informed Council of a response received from Halifax Regional Centre of Education (HRCE) detailing how the HRCE delivered its fine arts program during the COVID pandemic and their plans for the upcoming school year. Dubé recommended that Council amend the motion to remove the second part of the motion.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT the motion be amended by removing item part 2 from the motion.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED (16 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Blackburn, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Russell, Outhit

Against: Councillor Whitman

The motion now reads:

THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to engage in conversations with the Provincial Departments of Education and Early Childhood Development, Municipal Affairs and Housing with the objective of having the mandatory education contribution policy reviewed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.13 First Reading Proposed By-law G-200, Respecting Grade Alteration and Stormwater Management Associated with Land Development; First Reading Proposed By-law L-402, an Amendment to By-law L-400, Respecting Lot Grading; First Reading Proposed By-law S-701, an Amendment to By-law S-700, Respecting Swimming Pools; Proposed Administrative Order 2020-010-OP, Respecting Stormwater Management Standards for Development Activities and Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 15, Respecting License, Permit and Processing Fees

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated July 10, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Deputy Mayor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. Give First Reading to proposed By-law G-200, Respecting Grade Alteration and Stormwater Management Associated with Land Development, as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated July 10, 2020, the purpose of which is to set out grade alteration standards for the Municipality and to replace the following By-laws:
 - a) former Town of Bedford By-law 23290, Respecting the Movement of Topsoil, the Movement of Earth and the Alteration of the Grade of Land,
 - b) Halifax County Municipality By-law 40, Respecting the Regulations and Controls of the Removal and Movement of Topsoil and Earth and the Alteration of the Grade of the Land, and
 - c) Halifax County Municipality By-law 41, Respecting Gravel Pits and Excavations;
2. Give First Reading to proposed By-law L-402, Respecting Lot Grading, the purpose of which is to amend By-law L-400, as set out in Attachment D of the staff report dated July 10, 2020;

3. Give First Reading to proposed By-law S-701, Respecting Swimming Pools, the purpose of which is to amend By-law S-700, as set out in Attachment F of the staff report dated July 10, 2020.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.2 HARBOUR EAST MARINE DRIVE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

11.2.1 Case 21808 - Amendments to the Dartmouth Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law for Burnside Industrial Park and City of Lakes Business Park, Dartmouth

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated August 7, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to consider the proposed amendments to the Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy (SMPS) and Land Use By-law (LUB) for Dartmouth, as set out in Attachments A and B of the January 28, 2020 staff report, to re-designate and rezone lands within Burnside Industrial Park and City of Lakes Business Park, and schedule a public hearing.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.2.2 Case 20756 - Amendments to the Dartmouth Municipal Planning Strategy for 246 Waverley Road and 2 and 4 Montebello Drive, Dartmouth

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated August 7, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to consider amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Dartmouth as set out in Attachment A of the June 1, 2020 staff report, to re-designate lands at the southeast corner of Waverley Road and Montebello Drive (Civic 246 Waverley Road, and 2 and 4 Montebello Drive), to the WR Mixed-Use sub-designation, and schedule a public hearing.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.3 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

11.3.1 Case H00493 – Request to Include 53 Queen Street, Dartmouth in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated July 24, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council set a date for a heritage hearing to consider the inclusion of 53 Queen Street, Dartmouth, as shown on Map 1 of the staff report dated March 6, 2020, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.3.2 Case H00474 – Request to Include 1342 Robie Street, Halifax in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated May 1, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council set a date for a heritage hearing to consider the inclusion of 1342 Robie Street, Halifax, as shown on Map 1 of the staff report dated May 1, 2020, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.3.3 Case H00478 - Request to Include 40 and 82 Tall Trees Lane, Halifax in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated July 10, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Deputy Mayor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council set a date for a heritage hearing to consider the inclusion of 40 and 82 Tall Trees Lane, Halifax, as shown on Map 1 of the staff report dated July 10, 2020, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.3.4 Case H00477 - Application to Demolish 64 Wentworth Street (John Misener House), Dartmouth, a Registered Municipal Heritage Property

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated July 24, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council refuse the application to demolish the registered heritage building at 64 Wentworth Street, Dartmouth.

Seamus McGreal, Planner III, Regional Planning answered Council questions regarding the legal timelines associated with applications to demolish registered heritage buildings. If Council votes to refuse the application to demolish, the applicant will be legally allowed to demolish the property between October 1, 2022 and October 1, 2023.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.4 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

11.4.1 Councillor Cleary – Assistance for the Beirut Explosion

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council's consideration form submitted by Councillor Cleary

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Deputy Mayor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council pledge up to \$200,000 toward Beirut explosion assistance and direct the Chief Administrative Officer to work with the Lebanese Community and/or Honorary Consul for Lebanon to determine the best use of funds and return to Council with a recommendation and a source of funds.

Council entered into a discussion raising questions of whether the proposed donation would be matched by the federal government and if such an expenditure is within the municipal mandate.

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor, advised that a staff report would be required, and the Audit and Finance Standing Committee would need to determine the source of funds before making a pledge.

A friendly amendment was accepted to refer the matter to the Audit and Finance Standing Committee.

THAT Halifax Regional Council consider pledging up to \$200,000 toward Beirut explosion assistance and direct the Chief Administrative Officer to work with the Lebanese Community and/or Honorary Consul for Lebanon to determine the best use of funds and refer the matter to the Audit and Finance Standing Committee to identify a source of funds.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (15 in favour, 2 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Blackburn, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Zurawski, Whitman, Russell, Outhit

Against: Councillor Karsten, Adams

11.4.2 Councillor Hendsbee - By-law C-1000, Respecting Charges for the Resolution of Inadequate Water Supply

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council's consideration form submitted by Councillor Hendsbee

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report proposing amendments to By-Law C-1000, Respecting Financing and Charges for Homeowners to Resolve Inadequate On-Site Water Supply to include other property types pursuant to Section 4 of the By-law.

It was noted that Council in 2018 had determined not to adopt such amendments.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED (12 in favour, 5 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Mancini, Smith, Walker, Adams, Whitman, Russell, Outhit

Against: Deputy Mayor Blackburn, Councillors Austin, Mason, Cleary, Zurawski

12. MOTIONS

12.1 Councillor Mancini - Right-of-Way Wildflower Pilot Project

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council's consideration form submitted by Councillor Mancini

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to outline the costs and benefits of a pilot project to replace grass with wildflowers in the Right-of-Way at Akerley Boulevard.

Council requested that consideration be given to storm water management, types of wildflowers planted and sightlines.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12.2 Councillor Mason – Review of enforcement delivery and role of police agencies in HRM

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council's consideration form submitted by Councillor Mason
- Correspondence from Kayla Forsyth, David and Kim Robertson

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Deputy Mayor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to outline a process and timeline for a broad review of policing and public safety, which shall examine the potential for shifting or creating programs for civilian delivery of non-core police functions. This review shall include but not limited to traffic enforcement, public safety, community standards, mental health, and municipal enforcement functions, and will include a plan for engaging with the public, stakeholders, subject matter experts and, subject to their agreement, participation of the Board of Police Commissioners.

Council entered into a discussion about the importance of including the RCMP and the province in the process because of potential changes to the Police Act, the delivering of policing services and mental health services.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12.3 Councillor Zurawski

The following was before Council:

- Correspondence from Judy Saunders, Chair and Darlene Grant-Fraser, President of the Tourism Industry Association of Nova Scotia, Mary Ellen Donovan, Janet Barlow, Executive Director Hike Nova Scotia, Friedemann Brauer, Linda Davis, Marion Stork, Margot Metcalfe, John Wesley Chisholm, Eleanor Kure, James Boyer, Michael Basford, Jia-Ming Scott, Sheila McKim, and Walter Regan

MOVED by Councillor Zurawski, seconded by Deputy Mayor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council move a motion that, for clarity for staff and certainty for the public, Council makes clear that the full working outline as represented on Map 11, including the western lands to Cox Lake represents Council's ideal or aspirational vision for the future Blue Mountain Birch Cove Lake park, and not the outdated, truncated and obsolete park outline derived from the 2006 environmental assessment for highway 113. And that this clarification be represented on the www.halifax.ca web site and reflected in the upcoming staff report on park planning.

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor clarified that the change proposed to Map 11, which is contained within the Regional Municipal Planning, must be achieved through the planning process and cannot be revised through a motion of Council alone. Traves suggested that as an alternative, Council may wish to direct staff to address the core wilderness area on Map 11 in the forthcoming staff report on park planning

MOVED by Councillor Zurawski, seconded by Councillor Austin

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Request a staff report directing that the Parks Planning process for Blue Mountain Birch Cove include the entire backcountry in addition to the core parklands identified in Map 11.**
- 2. That the Regional Plan review include considering revising Map 11 for Blue Mountain Birch Cove Park.**
- 3. Direct that HRM provide a more fulsome history and timeline of the Blue Mountain Birch Cove Park, including conceptual park maps, on the municipal website.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12.4 Councillor Cleary

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a report on an appointment process that would require the Chief Administrative Officer to bring up to three officials of the municipality who are qualified to serve as the Municipal Traffic Authority to the Transportation Standing Committee to interview and consider. The Transportation Standing Committee will then make a recommendation to Council for approval on its appointment under section 86(6) of the Motor Vehicle Act.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (13 in favour, 4 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Blackburn, Councillors Hendsbee, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Adams, Zurawski, Whitman, Russell, Outhit

Against: Mayor Savage, Councillors Streach, Karsten, Walker

12.5 Councillor Cleary

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council request the Mayor send a formal invitation to the Minister and Deputy Minister of Nova Scotia Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal to meet with the Mayor, Chief Administrative, and other staff as necessary, to begin discussions for additional authority under provincial legislation that would help Halifax achieve its goals for road safety, recognizing that Halifax Regional Municipality is different and has different staff expertise when compared to other municipalities and the Province.

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer confirmed there are some constructive conversations happening already with the province and would not recommend a separate letter from the Mayor at this time.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Streach

THAT this motion be deferred for up to six months or until the Chief Administrative Officer reports to Council on discussions with the province.

MOTION TO DEFER PUT AND PASSED. (16 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Blackburn, Councillors Streach, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Whitman, Russell, Outhit

Against: Councillor Hendsbee

13. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

13.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – June 23 and July 7, 2020

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT the In Camera (In Private) minutes of June 23 and July 7, 2020 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13.2 PROPERTY MATTER – Private and Confidential Report

A matter pertaining to providing instruction and direction to officers and employees of the Municipality pertaining to the acquisition / sale of land.

This matter was deferred to a future meeting of Council during the approval of the Order of Business.

13.3 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS – Private and Confidential Report

A matter pertaining to any subject, the discussion of which could, violate the confidentiality of information obtained from another body of government, or a public body.

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff report dated July 15, 2020

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Walker

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated July 15, 2020.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13.4 PERSONNEL MATTER – Private and Confidential Report

Citizen and Councillor appointments to boards and committees in keeping with the Public Appointment Policy adopted by Regional Council in August 2011, to be found at <https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/boards-committees-commissions/volunteer-boards-committees/public-appointment-policy>

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff report dated August 5, 2020

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Councillor Smith be nominated to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

Councillor Smith accepted the nomination.

The Mayor called three times for any further nominations. There being none, Councillor Smith was approved to represent Halifax Regional Council on the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Mason:

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the nomination of Councillor Smith to represent Halifax Regional Council on the FCM Board of Directors for a term to June 2022.**
- 2. Adopt the resolution required by Federation of Canadian Municipalities with respect to the Board of Director appointment as provided in Attachment 1 of the Private and Confidential report dated August 5, 2020.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13.5 PROPERTY MATTER – Private and Confidential Report

A matter pertaining to providing instruction and direction to officers and employees of the Municipality pertaining to the acquisition / sale of land.

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff report dated June 26, 2020

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated June 26, 2020; and**
- 2. To release the private and confidential staff report dated June 26, 2020 to the public.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14. ADDED ITEMS

14.1 Councillor Mancini – Special Grant Request – Greater Burnside Business Association (GBBA)

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council's consideration form submitted by Councillor Mancini

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Streach

THAT Regional Council request a staff report regarding providing a \$25,000 special grant to invest in the Greater Burnside Business Association's Open Burnside plan including possible funding sources.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

15. NOTICES OF MOTION

15.1 Deputy Mayor Blackburn

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on September 1, 2020, I propose to move amendments to Administrative Order 2020-009-ADM, Respecting COVID-19 the purpose of which is to adjust engagement practices to respect states of societal gathering and to continue to meet legislative, regulatory and policy process requirements."

15.2 Councillor Hendsbee

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on September 1, 2020 I propose to move First Reading of proposed By-law S-449, amending By-law S-400, Respecting Charges for Street Improvements, the purpose of which is to make the street paving requirements for provincially-owned village and subdivision gravel streets, otherwise known as "J" class streets, consistent with street improvements for HRM-owned gravel streets by eliminating surveying the property owners abutting the "J" class streets and requiring them to pay only 33% of the paving costs pursuant to a cost sharing agreement with the Province.

15.3 Councillor Nicoll

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on September 1, 2020, I propose to move amendments to Administrative Order 12, Respecting the Appointment of the Traffic Authority, the purpose of which is to appoint a new Traffic Authority.

15.4 Councillor Nicoll

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on September 1, 2020 I propose to move First Reading of proposed By-law S-311, amending By-law S-300, Respecting Streets, the purpose of which is to:

- 1) broaden the Engineer's power to grant Annual Permits, and
- 2) remove gender specific language.

15.5 Councillor Austin

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council, to be held on September 1, 2020, I propose to introduce a Policy pursuant to Section 325 of the Halifax Municipality Charter, Administrative Order SC-94, the purpose of which is to close a portion of Mount Hope Avenue, Dartmouth described as Parcel "Y".

15.6 Councillor Austin

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on September 1, 2020, I propose to introduce Administrative Order 2020-001-OP, Respecting Public Art the purpose of which is to repeal the 2008 Public Art Policy and establish a new updated Public Arts Policy.

15.7 Councillor Cleary

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council, to be held on September 1, 2020, I propose to introduce a Policy pursuant to Section 325 of the Halifax Municipality Charter:

- 1) Administrative Order SC-95, the purpose of which is to close a portion of Osborne Street, Halifax described as Parcel "A"; and
- 2) Administrative Order SC-96, the purpose of which is to close a portion of Wildwood Avenue, Halifax described as Parcels "B" and "C".

15.8 Councillor Adams

TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of Halifax Regional Council, I intend to introduce a motion requesting a staff report that HRM not renew land leases with the province related to parks and recreation; unless such leases are to be renewed at no more than \$1.00 per annum.

15.9 Councillor Zurawski

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on September 1, 2020, I propose to move a motion, that a senior level coordinating committee, led by HRM staff, be established for the Blue Mountain-Birch Cove Lakes Regional Wilderness Park. The purpose of this HRM, staff-led senior level coordinating committee, will be created to ensure

1. That land use, development decisions, and approvals involving adjacent and surrounding lands of the core wilderness area are compatible with the ecological mandates of the park, as outlined by the best ecological research, and do not adversely affect the viability and integrity of the future park.
2. The coordinating committee will be HRM staff led and comprised of advisors from the public, and NGOs such as, but not limited to the Ecology Action Centre (EAC) and Friends of BMBC Lakes.
3. Provide progress reports to HRM Regional Council once every six months, which will be made available to the public
4. Provide a monitoring plan, whose purpose is to protect the ecological integrity of the proposed park with an emphasis on ensuring public use compatible with the purposes of the future park.

15.10 Councillor Walker

TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on September 1, 2019 I propose to introduce Administrative Order 2019-007-ADM, Respecting Public Disclosure of Municipal

Grants, the purpose of which is to establish standards of practice in the identification, collection and public notification of grants, contributions, and specific financial concessions provided by the Municipality.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – September 1, 2020

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Phoebe Rai
A/Municipal Clerk