



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
February 7, 2023**

PRESENT: Mayor Mike Savage
Deputy Mayor Sam Austin
Councillors: Cathy Deagle Gammon
David Hendsbee
Becky Kent
Trish Purdy
Tony Mancini
Lindell Smith
Shawn Cleary
Kathryn Morse
Patty Cuttell
Iona Stoddard
Pam Lovelace
Lisa Blackburn
Paul Russell
Tim Outhit

REGRETS: Councillor Waye Mason

STAFF: Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer
John Traves, Executive Director, Legal and Legislative Services/Municipal Solicitor
Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk
Catie Campbell, Legislative Assistant
Andrea Lovasi-Wood, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m., and recessed at 11:57 a.m. Council reconvened at 1:01 p.m. The Council recessed at 2:47 p.m. and resumed at 3:07 p.m. Council moved into an In Camera (In Private) session at 4:25 p.m. and reconvened at 4:55 p.m. Council adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Savage called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

Jah'Mila, an Atlantic Canadian musician, sang "Lift Every Voice" before Council to honour African Heritage Month.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted special community announcements and acknowledgements.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 24, 2023

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

THAT the minutes of January 24, 2023 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions:

- Item 18.1 – Councillor Morse – Information Item 8: Green Network Plan Coordination and Resourcing to be moved to Feb 7 Council Agenda for discussion, motion and vote
- Information Item 9 – Proclamation – Canadian School Counselling Week – February 6-10, 2023
- Information Item 10 – Proclamation – Family Violence Prevention Week – February 12-18, 2023

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve recommendations in the following agenda items:

- 15.1.3 – Terms of Reference for HRM's Solid Waste Strategy Review;
- 15.2.1 – 2023/24 Multi-Year Capital Plan;
- 15.3.1 – Halifax Rugby Football Club; and
- 15.4.1 – Councillor Appointments to Boards and Committees.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Purdy, Mason, Cuttell

6. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

7. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

8. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

9. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

10. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

11. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

12. HERITAGE HEARING

12.1 Case H00526: Request to Include the church building and cemetery at 1608 Hammonds Plains Road, Hammonds Plains in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality

The following was before Council:

- Heritage Advisory Committee report with attached staff report dated November 23, 2022
- Extract from the December 13, 2022 Regional Council minutes
- Staff presentation dated February 7, 2023

Seamus McGreal, Planner III gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from Council.

The hearing opened at 1:11 p.m.

Mayor Savage noted that the property owner was not present.

MOVED by Councillor Lovelace, seconded by Councillor Outhit

THAT the hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Lovelace, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the request to include 1608 Hammonds Plains Road in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality, as shown on Map 1 of the November 23, 2022 report, as a municipal heritage property under the Heritage Property Act.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mason

13. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

13.1 Correspondence

Correspondence was received and circulated for items: 15.1.3, 15.1.6, 15.5.1, 16.1 and 18.1.

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

13.2 Petitions

The Municipal Clerk submitted a petition from the community regarding Opposition to Park Closure, Clayton Park West with approximately 257 signatures requesting for Council to oppose the consideration of the closure of the Park West School Park: PID 40682411, thus preventing construction of a new school at this site.

13.3 Presentations

13.3.1 North American Indigenous Games (NAIG) Update

The following was before Council:

- Presentation

Brendon Smithson, Chief Executive Office, NAIG 2023 and Neal Alderson, Director of Marketing and Communications, NAIG 2023 gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

14. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

15. REPORTS

15.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

15.1.1 Active Transportation Priorities Plan Amendments - Rural Active Transportation

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated January 16, 2023

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Cuttell

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to include the list of 17 Candidate Rural Communities and the updated map of Candidate Rural Communities and Spines to the Active Transportation Priorities Plan, as described in the Discussion section of the staff report dated January 16, 2023.

Megan Backos, Active Transportation Planner and David McIsaac, Manager, Active Transportation responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mason

15.1.2 Proposed Administrative Order 2022-008-ADM, Respecting the Implementation of Area Rates to Fund Sidewalks Outside of the Urban Tax Area in the Halifax Regional Municipality and Amendments to Administrative Order 2019-005-ADM, Respecting the Establishment and Use of Community Area Rates in the Halifax Regional Municipality – Rural Active Transportation

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated January 27, 2023
- Extract from the January 10, 2023 Regional Council minutes

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt proposed Administrative Order Number 2022-008-ADM, Respecting the Implementation of Area Rates to Fund Sidewalks Outside of the Urban Tax Area in the Halifax Regional Municipality, as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated January 27, 2023; and**
- 2. Adopt the amendments to Administrative Order Number 2019-005-ADM, Respecting the Establishment and Use of Community Area Rates in the Halifax Regional Municipality, as set out in Attachment 3 of the staff report dated January 27, 2023, to remove new sidewalks as an approved use of funds.**

Megan Backos, Active Transportation Planner and David McIsaac, Manager, Active Transportation responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mason

15.1.3 Terms of Reference for HRM's Solid Waste Strategy Review

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated January 20, 2023
- Correspondence from John Cascadden

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

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the terms of reference for reviewing and updating the municipality's Solid Waste Strategy in accordance with the Key Themes outlined in the staff report dated January 20, 2023.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Purdy, Mason, Cuttell

15.1.4 Case 23961: Amendments to Dartmouth Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law, Greenbank Court and Cove Lane, Dartmouth

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated January 27, 2023
- Extract from the January 24, 2023 Regional Council draft minutes

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

1. **Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Dartmouth Municipal Planning Strategy and the Dartmouth Land Use By-law to permit the development of single unit dwellings on R-1 (Single Family Residential) zoned properties along Greenbank Court and Cove Lane; and**
2. **Follow the public participation program outlined in the Community Engagement section of the staff report dated January 27, 2023.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mason

15.1.5 First Reading Proposed By-Law T-800, Respecting Property Tax Billing for Tax Relief Recipients

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated January 27, 2023
- Extract from the January 24, 2023 Regional Council draft minutes

MOVED by Councillor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to By-law T-800 Respecting Property Tax Billing for Tax Relief Recipients, the purpose of which is to permit once per year property tax billing for organizations that have been accepted into the Municipality's Tax Relief for Non-Profit Organizations Program, as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated January 27, 2023.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mason

15.1.6 Property Matter – Park West School Park

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated January 16, 2023
- Correspondence from Ed Merlin, Charlene M. Boyce, Andrew Saweczko, Pat Rhodenizer, Karen Saweczko, Shauna Wadden, Charlene Boyce, Donna Prosser, Janet Steele, Murray Hartwell, Paul and Diane Raymond, Bob Manzer, Rory Saweczko, Sue Wyse, Nancy Boland, Mary and Keith Preston, Joe Mosher, Rosemarie Dennis, Allan J. Snook, Diana C. Whalen, Glenn Stewardson, B. Richards and P. Rhodenizer, Charles Steele, Shannon LeBlanc, Jean MacDougall, Nicole Martin, Shailender Kalra, Karen Simpson, Muqtader Akram Mohammed, Jessica Grant, Eyitayo Adara, Shanshan Luo, Ymanada Reddy, Carol Anne Gallant, Andrew Saweczko, Andrew Saweczko, Naoko Nakamura, Patrick Manning, Pam Millett, Anne-Marie Lynch, Tricia Morine, Dale Pettipas, Laura Ankcorn, Yasser AIDhamin, Jill Callaghan, Raya Al-khaidairy, Emad Massoud and Nabiha Atallah, Sebastian Schlosser, Wendy McDonald, Arumugasamy Prabhuram, Sujitha Radha, Andrew and Erin Cogswell, Anne Thibodeau, Dustin Larade, Donnie MacDougall
- Staff presentation dated February 7, 2023

Mike Wile, Acting Director, Corporate Real Estate gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOVED by Councillor Stoddard, seconded by Councillor Morse

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Determine that PIDs, 40724619, 40774077 and a portion of 40682411 as shown on Attachment "A" (the "Subject Lands") of the staff report dated January 16, 2023 are no longer needed for parks, playgrounds or similar public purposes;**
- 2. Declare PID's 40724619, 40774077 and a portion of 40682441 as shown on Attachment "A" of the staff report dated January 16, 2023 surplus to municipal requirements and categorize as 'Intergovernmental Transfer', as per Administrative Order 50; and**
- 3. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate and execute an Agreement of Purchase and Sale of PID's 40724619, 40774077 and a portion of 40682441 with the Province, which agreement shall contain a reversionary interest for the Subject Lands back to HRM, on terms satisfactory to the Chief Administrative Officer.**

John Traves, Executive Director, Legal and Legislative Services/Municipal Solicitor, Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer and Richard Harvey, Manager, Policy and Planning responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (14 in favour, 2 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Austin, Councillors Deagle Gammon, Hendsbee, Kent, Purdy, Mancini, Smith, Cleary, Cuttell, Stoddard, Blackburn, Russell, Outhit

Against: Councillors Morse, Lovelace

Not present: Councillor Mason

15.1.7 Proposed Tax Relief for Non-Profit Organizations Program Redesign Concept

The following was before Council:

- Revised staff report dated January 31, 2023
- Staff presentation dated February 7, 2023
- Image from Councillor Russell

Peta-Jane Temple, Team Lead, Grants and Contributions and Renee Towns, Director, Revenue/Treasurer gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to direct staff to:

- 1. Draft a new Administrative Order as outlined in the Discussion Section and Attachment 1 of the staff report dated January 31, 2023 to repeal and replace the Tax Relief For Non-Profit Organizations Administrative Order, and;**
- 2. Report to Council through the Grants Committee for consideration of the resulting draft Administrative Order.**

Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer and Jerry Blackwood, Executive Director Finance & Asset Management/Chief Financial Officer responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOVED by Councillor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council defer Item 15.1.7 to a future meeting of Regional Council pending the receipt of a supplementary report to review Schedule C, which may include adding new categories, subcategories, or tiering of certain types of organizations, size or value of property, or other characteristics where these organizations differ and the increases and decreases that result from the proposed tax exemption.

Councillor Deagle Gammon proposed that the supplementary report be provided to Regional Council to allow for a potential implementation timeline of 2024/25. As provided for in section 53 (2) of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, the amendment was accepted as friendly.

The motion now read:

MOVED by Councillor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council defer Item 15.1.7 to a future meeting of Regional Council pending the receipt of a supplementary report to review Schedule C, which may include adding new categories, subcategories, or tiering of certain types of organizations, size or value of property, or other characteristics where these organizations differ and the increases and decreases that result from the proposed tax exemption with a potential implementation timeline of 2024/25.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mason

15.1.8 Penhorn Lake Park – Opalridge Drive – Partial Park to Street Conversion

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated February 2, 2023

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Austin, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Declare the portion of the Penhorn Lake Park, Dartmouth, shown as Parcel OD-3 in Attachment “A” of the staff report dated February 2, 2023, surplus to municipal requirements, and categorize as ‘Economic Development’, as per Administrative Order 50 (2)(e).**
- 2. Subject to the approval of the above recommendation:**
 - a. Approve the sale of Parcel OD-3 to Penhorn Residential Holdings GP Limited at market value and on terms and conditions to be negotiated by the Chief Administrative Officer; and,**
 - b. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to direct the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute a Warranty Deed, the agreement of purchase and sale, and such other agreements, pursuant to Administrative Order 2018-004-ADM Respecting Real Property Transactions, as may be necessary, including HRWC stormwater easements and temporary construction agreements with the Developer.**

Erin MacIntyre, Director, Development Services responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (15 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Austin, Councillors Deagle Gammon, Hendsbee, Kent, Purdy, Mancini, Smith, Cleary, Morse, Cuttall, Stoddard, Lovelace, Blackburn, Outhit

Against: Councillor Russell

Not present: Councillor Mason

15.2 BUDGET COMMITTEE

15.2.1 2023/24 Multi-Year Capital Plan

The following was before Council:

- Budget Committee report dated January 30, 2023 with attached staff report dated January 11, 2023

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

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Approve the Base Capital Budget for 2023/24, and approve in-principle the Schedule of 2024/25, 2025/26, 2026/27 Base Capital Plan set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated January 11, 2023;**
2. **Approve the Strategic Initiatives Capital Budget for 2023/24, and approve in-principle the Schedule of 2024/25, 2025/26, 26/27 Strategic Initiatives Capital Plan as per Attachment 2 of the staff report dated January 11, 2023;**
3. **Approve the schedule of 2023/24 Capital Reserves Withdrawals as per Attachment 4 of the staff report dated January 11, 2023;**
4. **Approve the schedule of 2023/24 Multi-year Capital Projects as per Attachment 5 of the staff report dated January 11, 2023;**
5. **Direct the Chief Administrative Office to prepare a staff report with options, funding sources and strategies for the 2024/25 and 2025/26 Capital Budgets for the Bedford Library within Mill Cove and a Fire Station in the Larry Uteck West Bedford Area;**
6. **Request a briefing note with options to fund library Capital budget projects at their 2022/23 approved allocations for 2023/24 budget approvals within the proposed 2023/24 Multi-Year Capital Plan to the Budget Adjustment List;**
7. **Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a briefing note to provide options to fund the West Bedford Fire Station on Science Park Drive within the proposed 2023/24 Multi-Year Capital Plan and refer the matter for discussion as part of the Budget Adjustment List;**
8. **Include a reduction of \$755,000 for one-time reduction to CR21001: Urban Forestry Plan Implementation as outlined in the Briefing Note BN002 within the proposed 2023/24 Capital budget as amended;**
9. **Include an increase of \$3,000,000 for new sidewalks, Active Transportation CR 200001, within the proposed 2023/24 Capital budget, including funding options, to the Budget Adjustment List as a capital over budget option for consideration, beginning in 2024/25;**
10. **Request a Briefing Note with an update on the 2014/15 approved project, “MacDonald Park Ball Field Lighting” (deferred due to land tenure) including:**
 - a. **Confirmation of the continuation of project planning in 2023/24;**
 - b. **Information on tenure arrangements, leasing, timing related to land tenure, design & construction, and operating implications; and**
 - c. **A recommendation for inclusion in the capital budget for design and construction to the Budget Adjustment List; and**

11. **Direct the Chief Administrative Officer prepare a briefing note to provide options to advance the funding of the Capital Projects for the Eastern Shore Lifestyle Centre (Sheet Harbour Fire Station - CB210018 & Sheet Harbour Recreation Centre - CB000080) to commence over 2024/25 & 2025/26 fiscal years instead of the current timeline in the Capital Budget Book.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Purdy, Mason, Cuttell

15.3 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

15.3.1 Halifax Rugby Football Club

The following was before Council:

- Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee report dated January 27, 2023

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

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

1. **Engage with Halifax Rugby on their planned consultation on the proposed project as presented at the January 19, 2023 Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting; and,**
2. **Prepare a staff report assessing the proposal for alignment with municipal plans and priorities including the January 2022 Gorsebrook Park Plan and identifying possible funding sources.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Purdy, Mason, Cuttell

15.4 EXECUTIVE STANDING COMMITTEE

15.4.1 Councillor Appointments to Boards and Committees

The following was before Council:

- Executive Standing Committee report dated January 26, 2023 with attached staff report dated December 12, 2022

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

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Appoint Councillor Lovelace to the Women's Advisory Committee, for a term to the end of the Council term;**
2. **Appoint Councillor Stoddard to the African Descent Advisory Committee, for a term to the end of the Council term; and**

3. It is further recommended that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to provide a staff report to:
 - a. Consider amendments to the Women's Advisory Committee Terms of Reference to remove the requirement that one of the members be a member from the Executive Standing Committee; and
 - b. Consider amendments to the African Descent Advisory Committee Terms of Reference to remove the requirement that one of the members of Council be a member from the Executive Standing Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Purdy, Mason, Cuttell

15.5 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

15.5.1 Councillor Lovelace – Modernize Land Use By-laws with Zone for Park and Open Space Public Land

The following was before Council:

- Request for Council Consideration form from Councillor Lovelace
- Correspondence from Jason Breeze, Brian Sweet, Patt Dunphy, Mike Mackasey, Lindsay Lee, Walter N. Regan

MOVED by Councillor Lovelace, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to provide a staff report and return to Council with recommendations to modernize rural and suburban land use by-laws to rezone or establish a zone for municipal park and open space land specifically for park and community use.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mason

16. MOTIONS

16.1 Councillor Smith

The following was before Council:

- Correspondence from Sharon D. Brown Ross

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to provide a staff report that provides options regarding potential future uses of 5812-14 North Street, Halifax that would recognize its historical importance, including but not limited to:

1. Collaborating with the property owner to preserve and commemorate the property's history as part of a redevelopment;
2. Purchasing the property for preservation and redevelopment by the municipality; or

- 3. Purchasing the property with the goal of providing the space to non-profit healthcare or affordable housing service providers associated with the African Nova Scotian Community in North End Halifax.**

Councillor Smith proposed that North End Halifax be removed from part 3 of the motion. As provided for in section 53 (2) of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, the amendment was accepted as friendly.

The motion now read:

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

That Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to provide a staff report that provides options regarding potential future uses of 5812-14 North Street, Halifax that would recognize its historical importance, including but not limited to:

- 1. Collaborating with the property owner to preserve and commemorate the property's history as part of a redevelopment;**
- 2. Purchasing the property for preservation and redevelopment by the municipality; or**
- 3. Purchasing the property with the goal of providing the space to non-profit healthcare or affordable housing service providers associated with the African Nova Scotian Community.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mason

17. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council convene to In Camera (In Private) to discuss Item 17.1 LEGAL ADVICE.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

17.1 LEGAL ADVICE – Private and Confidential Report – Information Item Brought Forward from January 24, 2023

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private).

The following was before Council:

- Private and confidential information report dated January 18, 2023
- Private and confidential handout dated February 6, 2023

17.2 PERSONNEL MATTER – Private and Confidential Report

This matter was dealt with in public as follows:

The following was before Council:

- Private and confidential staff report dated January 23, 2023

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Kent

That Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential report dated January 23, 2023; and**
2. **Direct that the private and confidential report dated January 23, 2023 be maintained private and confidential.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mason

Private and Confidential Information Items

1. Private and Confidential In Camera (In Private) Information Report – re: Public Safety
2. Private and Confidential In Camera (In Private) Information Report – re: Legal Advice

18. ADDED ITEMS

18.1 Councillor Morse – Information Item 8: Green Network Plan Coordination and Resourcing (to be moved to February 7 Council Agenda for discussion, motion and vote)

The following was before Council:

- Request for Consideration form from Councillor Morse
- Correspondence from Kortney Dunsby, Walter N. Regan,

MOVED by Councillor Morse, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Budget Committee to consider the inclusion of a full-time Green Network Coordinator staff position to lead implementation of the Green Network Plan through the Regional Plan and in alignment with Council's other strategic priority plans including Integrated Mobility Plan (IMP) and HalifACT as an option over budget as part of the Budget Adjustment Process (BAL) in the 2023/2024 Planning and Development budget and business plan.

Council noted that in the briefing note consider options that the Green Network staff position be funded from HalifACT or from Property, Fleet and Environment through the 3% climate action tax.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (11 in favour, 5 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Austin, Councillors Deagle Gammon, Hendsbee, Mancini, Smith, Morse, Cuttall, Stoddard, Lovelace, Blackburn, Outhit

Against: Mayor Savage, Councillors Kent, Purdy, Cleary, Russell

Not present: Councillor Mason

19. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

20. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

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Iain MacLean
Municipal Clerk