



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
May 8, 2018**

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

REGRETS: Councillor Lisa Blackburn

STAFF: Jacques Dubé, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
John Traves, Municipal Solicitor
Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk
Liam MacSween, Legislative Assistant
Phoebe Rai, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m., and recessed at 2:55 p.m. Council reconvened at 6:00 p.m. and adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. and Council stood for a moment of reflection.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – 2018 CITIZENSHIP AWARDS – 6:00 P.M.

Deputy Mayor Mason welcomed all those in attendance for the 2018 Citizenship Awards. Mayor Savage and Councillors presented the awards to the following students:

Emma Horne	Musquodoboit Rural High School
Bronwyn Lea Naugler	Duncan MacMillan High School
Spencer Dwyer	Gaetz Brook Junior High School
Ethan Smith	Oyster Pond Academy
Jadyn Goodrick	Ross Road School
Marillia Arriaga	Eastern Passage Education Centre
Jared Keyes	Graham Creighton Junior High School
Isabelle Cook	Sir Robert Borden Junior High School
Lauren Carmichael	Astral Drive Junior High School
Caleb Burt	Bicentennial School
Maximos Millar	Fountain Academy of the Sacred Heart
Mollie Oates-Johnson	King's View Academy
Heidi Girard	Caledonia Junior High School
Austin Moquin	Ellenvale Junior High School
Caleb Currie	Eric Graves Memorial Junior High School
Ozward McGuire	John Martin Junior High School
Mychael Paris	Oxford School
Lamisa Safiur Rahman	Highland Park Junior High School
Braedon Cruickshanks	Cunard Junior High School
Sophie Tsaltas	Gorsebrook Junior High School
Genna Beed	Halifax Central Junior High School
Zachary Shiferaw	Sandy Lake Academy
Brianna Boddy	Saint Agnes Junior High School
Jaylyn Publicover-Harrie	Elizabeth Sutherland School
Bernd Zwanziger	Clayton Park Junior High School
Charlotte Samson	École secondaire du Sommet
Kate Jollimore	Brookside Junior High School
Jessica Norman	Herring Cove Junior High School
Eric Muszalski	Halifax Christian Academy
Omar Hamdan	Maritime Muslim Academy
Angela Ying	Park West School
Ireland Firth	Ridgecliff Middle School
Courtney Mason	Five Bridges Junior High School
Olivia Thurier	Madeline Symonds Middle School
Jenna Lewis	Millwood High School
Grayson Walker	Sackville High School
Skyler Boylan	Rocky Lake Junior High School
Sarah Bell	Armbrae Academy
Michelle Nguyen	Fairview Junior High School
Anisha Rajaselvam	Sacred Heart School of Halifax
Harshita Pasumarthi	Halifax Grammar School

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 10, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT the minutes of April 10, 2018 be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions:

16.2.3 Councillor Endorsement Table Officer - Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Resolution – Private and Confidential

17.1 Councillor Karsten – District Capital Request – United DFC Soccer Club

17.2 Councillor Mancini – Tick Awareness Campaign

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

6. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

Mayor Savage declared a conflict with respect to Item No. 16.2.1 - Appointment to Halifax Port Authority – Private and Confidential Report.

7. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

8. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

9. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

10. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE

12. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

12.1 Correspondence

The Clerk noted that no correspondence was received by the Municipal Clerk's Office.

12.1.1 Request for Fly-Past – Canada Day – Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo

The following was before Council:

- Correspondence from Jennie King, Managing Director/Executive Producer, Royal International Tattoo dated April 23, 2018

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council grant permission for a performance by the SkyHawks, the Canadian Armed Forces Parachute Team on the Halifax Common, Sunday, July 1, 2018 at 11:30 a.m., as they require a clearance of 2,500 to 13,000 feet above ground level for up to 25 minutes to supplement the 2018 production of the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not Present: Councillor Blackburn

12.2 Petitions

12.2.1 Councillor Cleary

Councillor Cleary submitted a petition containing nine signatures from residents of Letson Court requesting exemption from sidewalk snow clearing.

12.3 Presentation – NONE

13. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

14. REPORTS

14.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

14.1.1 Amendments to Administrative Order 2015-004-OP, Respecting Traffic Calming

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated March 28, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Outhit

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to Administrative Order 2015-004-OP, Respecting Traffic Calming, as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated March 28, 2018.

Staff responded to questions regarding traffic calming, crosswalk safety measures, traffic review processes and updates and revisions to the HRM Traffic Safety and Management Policy.

Council discussed amending the staff recommendation to reduce the length of streets eligible for traffic calming, reducing speed limits in school zones during arrival and dismissal times, and publicly posting traffic calming requests/reviews on the HRM website.

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor suggested that Council could request a supplementary staff report on the proposed amendments.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

The following motion was proposed:

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a supplementary staff report regarding Administrative Order 2015-004-OP, Respecting Traffic Calming, for staff to consider the following additional amendments:

- **Reduce length of the streets owned by the Municipality to 100 metres that are eligible for traffic calming**
- **Reduce 85th percentile speed to 30 km/h during arrival & dismissal times;**
- **Reduce 85th percentile speed to 40 km/hr for residential streets; and**
- **Publicly post on the HRM website all of the traffic calming reviews that have taken place over the past 5 years.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not Present: Councillor Blackburn

14.1.2 Award – Unit Price Tender No. 18-231, Asphalt Overlays Phase 1, Various Locations

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 10, 2018

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council award Tender No. 18-231, Asphalt Overlays Phase 1 – Various Locations, to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Dexter Construction Company Limited for a Total Tender Price of \$1,790,602 (net HST included) with funding from Project Account No. CR000009 – Street Recapitalization, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated April 10, 2018.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

14.1.3 AN103: HRM Asset Names, April 19, 2017 – October 17, 2017

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 24, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Streach

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve:

- (a) The addition of the names Grand Chief Gabriel Sylliboy and Port Wallace to the existing Commemorative Names List as shown on Attachments A and B of the staff report dated April 24, 2018;**
- (b) The renaming of Admirals Cove Park to Admiral Cove Park and Mainland Commons to Mainland Common and to correct typographical errors as shown on Attachment C;**
- (c) The renaming of Pleasant Drive Park to Petpeswick Lake Park, Prince Arthur Junior High School Park to Dartmouth South Academy Park, Terence Bay Road Park to Terence Bay River Park, and the renaming of Village Plaza – Musquodoboit Harbour Fitness Lifestyle Centre to Musquodoboit Harbour Recreation Centre and Library as shown on Attachments D, E, F and G;**
- (d) The naming of the playfield at 857 Upper Governor Street, North Preston to Arnold DJohnson Playfield as shown on Attachment H and the naming of the trail in the Dartmouth Harbour East Recreation Campus, 30 Spectacle Lake Dr, Dartmouth as shown on Attachment I and Map 1 to the Spectacle Lake Trail; and**
- (e) The administrative park names as shown on Attachment J.**

Gayle MacLean, Civic Addressing Coordinator noted the following:

- The proposed naming of the playfield on 857 Upper Grovner Street came directly from the applicant.
- The applicant who requested that Grand Chief Gabriel Sylliboy be added to the commemorative names list suggested that the name be applied to a park; the application was received in June 2017.
- All names added to the commemorative naming remain in place until a municipal asset becomes available and a recommendation report is generated for the consideration of Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

14.1.4 Property Acquisition – 6810 Bayers Road, Halifax

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report March 13, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into an Agreement of Purchase and Sale for the acquisition of 6810 Bayers Road, PID No. 00032557, as per the key terms and conditions outlined in Table 1 of the Private and Confidential Information Report dated March 13, 2018.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Deputy Mayor Mason, Councillor Blackburn

14.2 AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE

14.2.1 Community Grants Program 2017 – Transfer of Funds from M311-8004 to General Contingency Reserve, Q421

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated April 20, 2018 with attached staff report dated February 12, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Craig

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Transfer the \$25,000 approved for a grant to the Sac-A-Wa Canoe Club, and the \$25,000 approved for a grant to the Sheet Harbour and Area Chamber of Commerce under the 2017 Community Grants Program from M311-8004 to the General Contingency Reserve, Q421; and**
- 2. Authorize the withdrawal of \$50,000 from the General Contingency Reserve to fund the two (2) capital grants, \$25,000 for a grant to the Sac-A-Wa Canoe Club and the \$25,000 for a grant to the Sheet Harbour and Area Chamber of Commerce, as approved under the 2017 Community Grants Program, to be incurred in 2018-19, subject to confirmation of the required Federal government funding and a demonstrated ability to proceed with construction.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Deputy Mayor Mason; Councillor Blackburn

14.3 EXECUTIVE STANDING COMMITTEE

14.3.1 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order One, Respecting the Procedures of the Council - Potential Changes to the Audit and Finance Standing Committee

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from the Executive Standing Committee dated April 23, 2018 with attached staff report dated January 26, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the amendments to Schedule 2 of Administrative Order One - the Audit and Finance Standing Committee Terms of Reference (Attachment B to the January 26, 2018 staff report) to allow for the addition of up to two members of the public as members of the Audit Committee; and**
- 2. Direct the Clerk's Office, in accordance with the Public Appointment Policy, to initiate a process to recruit up to two members of the public, who have an accounting designation and experience working with or in the public sector, to join the Halifax Regional Municipality Audit Committee.**

In response to a question of clarification, Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer noted that staff will be seeking applications from individuals with a Certified Professional Accountant or Chartered Accountant designation with Audit experience.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

14.4 HALIFAX AND WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

14.4.1 Implementation of Local Street Bikeways on Vernon-Seymour and Allan-Oak Corridors

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from Halifax and West Community Council dated April 20, 2018 with attached staff report dated February 13, 2018

Councillor Mason declared personal residency on Vernon Street.

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the implementation of Local Street Bikeways on Vernon-Seymour and Allan-Oak Street corridors as described in the February 13, 2018 staff report

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

14.5 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

14.5.1 H00458: 2018-2019 Heritage Incentives Program

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from the Heritage Advisory Committee dated April 26, 2018 with attached staff report dated March 20, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the recommended grants to the properties listed in Attachment A of the staff report dated March 20, 2018, and approve as “standby” the recommended properties listed in Attachment B, conditional upon the applicants’ compliance with Sections 29 through 35 of Administrative Order Number 2014-002-ADM, Respecting the Heritage Incentives Program.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

14.6 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

14.6.1 Licensing Option for Dogs Under the Age of 6 Months

The following was before Council:

- A Request for Council’s Consideration form dated May 8, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report with respect to creating a licensing option for dogs under the age of six months.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

14.7 ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE

14.7.1 Federal Funding Opportunity: Low Carbon Economy Challenge

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee recommendation dated May 3, 2018 with attached staff report dated April 6, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to submit Expressions of Interest through the Low Carbon Economy Challenge for the following projects:

- Alderney 5 Upgrades
- Scotiabank Centre Waste Heat Recovery
- Dartmouth Sportsplex Cogen Plant
- Pool Filtration System Upgrades
- Landfill Gas Utilization at Otter Lake Landfill
- Halifax Organics Management and Long-Term Operating Contract RFP
- Cogswell District Energy System

In response to questions of clarification, Shannon Miedema, Manager of Energy and Environment noted that the Alderney 5 project will seek to gain efficiency and reduce green-house gas emissions.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

15. MOTIONS – NONE

16. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

16.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – April 10, 2018

The following motion was passed in public session:

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mason, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT the In Camera (In Private) minutes of April 10, 2018 be approved as circulated. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

16.2 Personnel Matter

16.2.1 Appointment to Halifax Port Authority – *Private and Confidential Report*

Deputy Mayor Mason assumed the position of Chair. Mayor Savage left the meeting.

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential recommendation report from the Executive Standing Committee dated April 23, 2018

The following motion was passed in public session:

MOVED by Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the appointment to the Halifax Port Authority Board of Directors as set out in the Discussion Section of the April 18, 2018 private and confidential staff report;**
- 2. That the appointment be released to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidate; and**
- 3. That the private and confidential Executive Standing Committee report dated April 23, 2018 not be released to the public.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

In Favour: Deputy Mayor Mason; Councillors Streach; Hendsbee; Karsten; Nicoll; Austin; Mancini; Smith; Cleary; Walker; Adams; Zurawski; Whitman; Craig

Against: Councillor Outhit

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillor Blackburn

Mayor Savage joined the meeting and reassumed the position of Chair.

16.2.2 Appointments to Regional Watersheds Advisory Board - *Private and Confidential Report*

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential recommendation report from the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee dated April 23, 2018, with attached private and confidential staff recommendation report dated February 21, 2018

The following motion was passed in public session:

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. Appoint the applicants as outlined in the recommendation section of the private and confidential report dated April 23, 2018, to the Regional Watersheds Advisory Board and that the identity of the appointees be released to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidates; and
2. That the private and confidential Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee report dated April 23, 2018 not be released to the public.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

16.2.3 Councillor Endorsement Table Officer - Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Resolution

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff recommendation report dated May 7, 2018

The following motion was passed in public session:

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. Endorse the candidate for Table Officer for the Federal of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated May 7, 2018;
2. Adopt the resolution required by FCM, in regard to the appointment as provided in Attachment 1; and
3. That the private and confidential staff report dated May 7, 2018 not be released to the public.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

16.3 Labour Relations

16.3.1 Halifax Professional Firefighters Local 268, International Association of Firefighters Amending Agreement - *Private and Confidential Report*

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff recommendation report dated April 19, 2018

The following motion was passed in public session:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Austin

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the Amending Agreement as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated April 19, 2018, and that the report not be released to the public.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

Private and Confidential Information Items

1. Private and Confidential In Camera (In Private) Information Report – re: Property Acquisition – 6810 Bayers Road, Halifax

17. ADDED ITEMS

17.1 Councillor Karsten – District Capital Request – United DFC Soccer Club

The following was before Council:

- A Request for Council consideration form dated May 8, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve a one-time exemption to grant a request for \$10,000.00 to the United DFC Soccer Club for the purchase of team uniforms, with \$2500.00 coming from each of the District 3, 4, 5, and 6 Capital Funds.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

17.2 Councillor Mancini – Tick Awareness Campaign

The following was before Council:

- A Request for Council Consideration form dated May 8, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Outhit

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on the implementation of an immediate TICK AWARENESS CAMPAIGN through PSA's, social media messaging and any other means of communicating public awareness on the issue of ticks including tips on how to protect your person/pet from ticks.

In response to a question of clarification, Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer advised that staff could provide some communication outreach for the current year. Dubé further noted that the requested staff report will address how the communication plan could be implemented in future years.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

In Favour: Mayor Savage; Deputy Mayor Mason; Councillors Streach; Hendsbee; Nicoll; Austin; Mancini; Smith; Cleary; Walker; Adams; Zurawski; Whitman; Craig; Outhit

Against: Councillor Karsten

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

18. NOTICES OF MOTION

18.1 Deputy Mayor Mason

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 22, 2018, I intend to introduce proposed amendments to Administrative Order 2014-007-ADM, Respecting Grants to Professional Arts Organizations, the purpose of which are to enact the procedural amendments to Administrative Order 2014-007-ADM as directed by Regional Council on February 13, 2018”.

18.2 Deputy Mayor Mason

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 22, 2018, I intend to introduce proposed *Administrative Order 2018-002-OP*, Respecting Universal Access to Municipal Facilities, the purpose of which is to ensure all municipal facilities become fully accessible”.

18.3 Deputy Mayor Mason

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held May 22, 2018, I intend to move First Reading of the proposed:

- (a) Schmidville Heritage Conservation Plan,
- (b) By-law H-700, the Schmidville Heritage Conservation District By-law which includes the Schmidville Heritage Conservation District Heritage Design Guidelines
- (c) Amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategies for Halifax, and
- (d) Amendments to the Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula,

The purpose of which is to encourage the preservation, rehabilitation, and restoration of the Schmidville historic buildings and public spaces.”

18.4 Councillor Nicoll

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 22, 2018 I propose to move First Reading of proposed By-Law U-104, which will:

1. Amend By-law U-100, Respecting User Charges, the purpose of which is to establish the Department of Community Services Transit Pass Program; and
2. Accept annual passes as proof of payment for dependents under 12 years of age who are accompanying the annual pass holder”.

18.5 Councillor Mancini

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 22, 2018, I intend to introduce proposed amendments to Administrative Order 46, Respecting HRM Asset Naming Policies, the purpose of which is to remove the word “fire” from the definition of eligible municipal buildings for naming”.

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Kevin Arjoon
Municipal Clerk