

WELCOME MARCH!



There are many wonderful events happening this month: International Women's Day, March Break, St. Patrick's Day, the first day of Spring and recognition of the Day to

Eliminate Racial Discrimination.

March is shaping up to be a busy month! Focusing on finalizing the municipal capital and operating budgets for 2021/22 will keep me busy. You can sign-up to speak at the Budget Committee sessions as we want to hear your suggestions on how to allocate your tax dollars.

This month's newsletter has information on the Community Grants Program, seasonal job opportunities with HRM Parks & Recreation and much more!

Want to chat about a municipal program or service, call me at **902.240.7926** or email lona.Stoddard@halifax.ca.

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HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL, BUDGET COMMITTEE AND HALIFAX & WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Virtual meetings of Halifax Regional Council, Budget Committee and Halifax & West Community Council will take place on the following dates:

Regional Council:

Tuesday, March 9th at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 23rd at 10:00 a.m.

Budget Committee:

Wednesday, March 3rd at 9:30 a.m. Friday, March 5th at 9:30 a.m. (Contingency Date)

Wednesday, March 10th at 9:30 a.m. Friday, March 12th at 9:30 a.m. (Contingency Date)

Wednesday, March 24th at 9:30 a.m. Friday, March 26th at 9:30 a.m. (Contingency Date)

Wednesday, March 31st at 9:30 a.m.

Halifax & West Community Council:

Tuesday, March 30th at 6:00 p.m.

Please confirm meeting dates and times on our website as dates and times are subject to change.

HALIFAX & WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL UPDATES

On February 16th, the Halifax & West Community Council gave first reading on **Case** 23274: Secondary and Backyard Suites -Housekeeping Amendments.

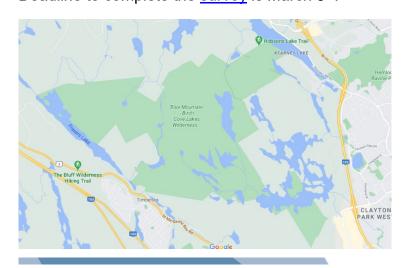
- 1. to consider the proposed amendments to the Land Use By-laws for Halifax Peninsula to complete housekeeping amendments to the provisions regarding secondary and backyard suites and schedule a public hearing.
- to consider approval of the proposed amendments to the Land Use By-law for Halifax Mainland to complete housekeeping amendments to the provisions regarding secondary and backyard suites and schedule a joint public hearing with North West Community Council.

Click <u>here</u> for more information on the February 16th meeting.

BLUE MOUNTAIN - BIRCH COVE LAKE WILDERNESS AREA TRAILHEAD SURVEY

A friendly reminder - HRM has a survey concerning how the proposed Hobsons Lake Trailhead might impact how you enter the Blue Mountain-Birch Cove Lake Wilderness area.

Deadline to complete the survey is March 5th.





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SLOW DOWN!



Halifax District RCMP reminds motorists to slow down in school zones and to be courteous at school pick-ups and drop-offs.

If the posted speed limit in a school zone is 50 km/h, motorists must slow to a maximum of 30 km/h when children are present.

If the posted limit is higher than 50 km/h, motorists must slow to a maximum of 50 km/h when children are present.

Let's work together to help keep our school areas safe!

COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM 2020/21



Reminder that the 2021 Community Grants Program deadline for applications is March 31st. The program provides annual cash grants to registered non-profit organizations and charities located throughout the Halifax region. There are two types of grants:

- a project grant of up to \$5,000
- a capital grant of up to \$25,000

At present, the program provides assistance to specific types of projects in the following categories:

- Arts and Crafts
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Environment
- Emergency Assistance & Neighbourhood Safety
- History
- Housing
- Leisure
- Recreation

Here are the links to the guide and application form:

<u>2021 Community Grants Program Guide</u> <u>book</u> (contains application).

<u>2021 Application Fillable pdf</u> (please review Program Guidebook)

For assistance, please contact Peter Greechan, Community Developer for Grants and Contributions, at: 902.490.7310 or greechp@halifax.ca.



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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY - MARCH 8TH



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DID YOU KNOW...

As I reflect on International Women's Day, I think of the many brave and inspiring women who forged the way for me in municipal politics. I respect and honour the sacrifices they made as I am certain their campaigns were challenging - perhaps more so than the challenges I faced campaigning during a global pandemic!

The first female elected to County Council was Mary Francis King-Myers, elected in 1938!



Halifax County Council including Mary King, ca. 1940s. Photograph by Allen Fraser. HMA 312-1F-010.

The following is a list of elected officials for the county of Halifax/Dartmouth from the 1930s to today who were female. This list includes only those elected to the county areas and does not include the many who were elected to the City of Halifax, City of Dartmouth and Town of Bedford. For the full list of elected officials of the female gender go to the municipal archives website.

 Mary Theresa King - first female Councillor, County of Halifax, District 27; Canada's first female councillor in a rural municipality, 1938-1949

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- Mary Theresa King-Myers Councillor, District 27, County of Halifax, 1949-1950
- Mary Theresa King-Myers Councillor, District 27, County of Halifax, 1956-1958
- **Eileen Stubbs** Councillor, District 14, County of Halifax, 1958-1960
- Mary Theresa King-Myers Councillor, District 6, County of Halifax, 1961-1967
- **Norma Mosher** Councillor, District 23, County of Halifax, 1964-1967
- **Silvia F. Hudson** Councillor, District 6, County of Halifax, 1967-1973
- Margaret B. Snair Councillor, District 7, County of Halifax, 1969-1973
- **Silvia F. Hudson** Councillor, District 14, County of Halifax, 1973-1976
- Francene J. Cosman Councillor, District 17, County of Halifax, 1976-1979
- Elizabeth A. Lawrence Councillor,
 District 3, County of Halifax, 1975-1981
- **Helena D. Poirier** Councillor, District 2, County of Halifax, 1976-1991
- Elizabeth A. Lawrence Salton first female Warden, County of Halifax, 1979-1982
- Lois Wiseman Councillor, District 20, County of Halifax, 1979-1988; Deputy Warden, 1985-1988
- **Judy Smiley** Councillor, District 11, County of Halifax, 1988-1996
- Colleen Hache Councillor, District 19, County of Halifax, 1994-1996
- Theresa Scratch Councillor, District 20, County of Halifax, 1994-1996
- Lynn Turner Councillor, District 23, County of Halifax, 1994-1996

In 1996, the Town of Bedford, City of Dartmouth, City of Halifax and County of Halifax amalgamated to become Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM). The following list are those areas that were formerly in the "county" areas but are now part of the HRM. Due to various district boundary changes over the years, including one that saw a reduction from 23 districts to 16, you will note that the district numbers have changed.

- **Diana Whalen** Councillor, HRM District 16, Rockingham-Wentworth, 2000-2003
- Linda Diane Mosher Councillor, HRM District 17 Purcell's Cove-Armdale, 2000-2012
- Krista Snow Councillor, HRM District 2 Waverly-Fall River-Beaver Bank, 2003-2008
- Debbie Hum Councillor, HRM District 16, Rockingham-Wentworth, 2003-2012
- Becky Kent Councillor, HRM District 8 Woodside-Eastern Passage, 2004-2008
- Mary Wile Councillor, HRM District 10 Clayton Park West, 2004-2012
- Jackie Barkhouse Councillor, HRM District 8 Woodside-Eastern Passage, 2007-2012
- Lorelei Nicoll Councillor, HRM District
 4 Cole Harbour, 2008-2012
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 4 Cole Harbour-Westphal, 2012-2020;
 Deputy Mayor, 2014-2015
- Lisa Blackburn Councillor, HRM
 District 14 Upper/Middle Sackville-Beaver
 Bank, 2016-present; Deputy Mayor,
 2019-2020.
- Cathy Deagle Gammon Councillor, HRM District 1 Waverley, Fall River and Musquodoboit Valley, 2020-present
- Becky Kent Councillor, HRM District 3
 Dartmouth South Eastern
 Passage, 2020-present
- Trish Purdy Councillor, HRM District 4
 Cole Harbour Westphal Cherry
 Brook, 2020-present



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- Kathryn Morse Councillor, HRM District 10 Halifax - Bedford Basin, 2020present
- Patty Cuttell Councillor, HRM District
 11 Spryfield Sambro Loop Prospect
 Road, 2020-present
- Iona Stoddard Councillor, HRM District
 12 Timberlea Beechville Clayton Park
 Wedgewood, 2020-present
- Pam Lovelace Councillor, HRM District 13 Hammonds Plains - St.
 Margaret's, 2020-present
- Lisa Blackburn Councillor, HRM
 District 14 Upper/Middle Sackville-Beaver
 Bank, 2020-present; Deputy Mayor,
 2019-2020.

Thank you for your service and for being my inspiration to also serve my community as an elected official.

MARCH BREAK - MARCH 15TH - 19TH



Looking for some fun activities during March Break? How about checking out the public libraries for a variety of interesting events.

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY – MARCH 17TH



INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION - MARCH 21ST

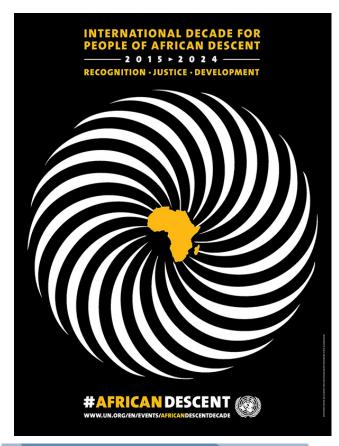


This year, the International Day for the Elimination of Racial

Discrimination is focused on the midterm review of the <u>International Decade for People of African</u>

<u>Descent</u> undertaken by the Human Rights Council in Geneva as part of its 43rd session.

The United Nations General Assembly reiterates that all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights and have the potential to contribute constructively to the development and well-being of their societies.



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WE'RE HIRING!



Exciting <u>summer job opportunities</u> are available in a variety of disciplines. Gain experience and build your resume while being active and having fun.

Application Deadline: March 7th

Summer Recreation Canoe/Kayak Instructor Summer Recreation Canoe Renter Summer Recreation Sailing Instructor Outdoor Pool Lifeguard/Supervisor - Bedford Outdoor Pool Lifeguard/Supervisor - Cole Harbour Summer Oval Supervisor Summer Oval Skating Monitor

Application Deadline: March 28th

Summer Recreation Coordinator Summer Recreation Day Camp Leader Specialized Inclusion Support Coordinator Summer Inclusion Support Staff Summer Youth Leadership Coordinator

Application Deadline: April 18th

Summer Community Arts Support Coordinator

Summer Recreation Art Instructor

Summer Recreation Dance Instructor

Summer Recreation Skate Park Instructor

Summer Recreation Tennis Instructor

Summer R.E.C. Van Coordinator

Summer R.E.C. Van Leader

Summer Youth Live Vehicle Operator

STEP UP TO LEADERSHIP 2021 PROGRAM



HRM's Parks and Recreation Volunteer Services offers a free, nine-session <u>Step Up to</u> <u>Leadership</u> course. Developed by volunteers, for volunteers, the course covers a wide range of topics to help you develop leadership skills and build strong communities.

For more information, contact Devon Bundy, Community Developer at 902-225-5806 or email: bundyd@halifax.ca.

Location: Fairbanks Centre

54 Locks Road, Dartmouth

(Shubie Park)

Date: Thursdays, starting March 18th

(running for nine weeks)

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Register online at <u>halifax.ca/myrec</u> using the course code 00038442 or, call 902-490-6666.



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SUMMER 2021 RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION



Registration begins at 10:00 a.m. daily for all ages:

- Tuesday, March 9 dryland programs
- Tuesday, March 23 aquatics programs

Participants are encouraged to register by phone at (902)-490-6666 or <u>online</u>.

Information on Summer Day Camp registration will be announced at a later date.

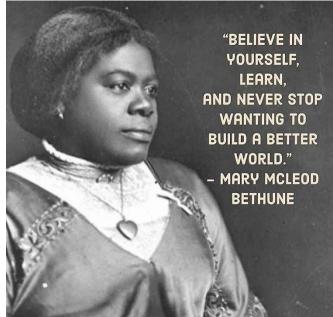
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I currently serve on the following boards and committees along with Regional Council and the Halifax & West Community Council:

- Appeals Standing Committee
- Transportation Standing Committee
- Halifax and West Community Council
- Community Design Advisory Committee
- Heritage Advisory Committee
- Community Monitoring Committee





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