



**WOMEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
DRAFT MINUTES  
July 7, 2022**

**PRESENT:** Jane McKay-Nesbitt, Chair  
Christine Qin Yang, Vice Chair  
Lilian Barraclough  
Haneen Al-Noman  
Councillor Iona Stoddard  
Councillor Lisa Blackburn  
Tanya Boudreau

**REGRETS:** Holly Gillis

**STAFF:** Catie Campbell, Legislative Assistant  
Alicia Wall, Legislative Support

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*The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m., and the Committee adjourned at 5:56 p.m.*

## **1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.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.

## **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 5, 2022**

The Committee noted the attendees need to be revised on the May 5, 2022 minutes.

MOVED by Councillor Stoddard, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

**THAT the minutes of May 5, 2022 be approved as amended.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

## **3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Christine Qin Yang, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

**THAT the agenda be approved as presented.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

## **4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE**

## **5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE**

## **6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE**

## **7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**

### **7.1 Correspondence – None**

### **7.2 Petitions – None**

### **7.3 Presentations**

#### **7.3.1 Basic Income and its Impact on Women**

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated July 7, 2022

Mandy Kay-Raining Bird, Basic Income Nova Scotia and Coalition Canada Basic Income gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

#### **7.3.2 Adsum House for Women and Children**

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated July 7, 2022

Sheri Lecker, Executive Director, Adsum House gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

## **8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

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**9. REPORTS – NONE**

**9.1 STAFF – NONE**

**9.2 COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES**

**9.2.1 Council Update**

Councillor Blackburn provided updates on Halifax Regional Council activities.

**9.2.2 Access to Abortion Services in HRM – Women's Advisory Committee**

MOVED by Christine Qin Yang, seconded by Tanya Boudreau

**THAT Executive Standing Committee recommend to Regional Council that the Mayor be asked to write a letter to the Federal Minister of Health opposing any bill or motion that is intended to restrict abortion or reduce access to abortions in Canada.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

**11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – September 8, 2022**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Alicia Wall  
Legislative Support