



**AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE
DRAFT MINUTES
January 19, 2023**

PRESENT: Councillor Paul Russell, Chair
Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon, Vice Chair
Councillor David Hendsbee
Councillor Shawn Cleary
Councillor Iona Stoddard
Councillor Pam Lovelace

REGRETS: Mayor Savage

STAFF: Jerry Blackwood, Executive Director of Finance and Asset Management/
Chief Financial Officer
John Traves, Municipal Solicitor
Annie Sherry, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 1:31 p.m. and adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:31 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 – December 14, 2022

MOVED by Councillor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

THAT the minutes of December 14, 2022 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded Councillor Lovelace

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. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

7. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

9. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

10. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

10.1 Correspondence – None

10.2 Petitions – None

10.3 Presentation – None

11. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

12. REPORTS

12.1 AUDITOR GENERAL

12.1.1 Follow-up Review of Outstanding Recommendations – 2017-2019 Audits

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Report dated January 11, 2023
- Presentation dated January 19, 2023

Evangeline Colman-Sadd, Auditor General gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee regarding the scope of the audits.

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Deagle Gammon

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THAT the Audit and Finance Standing Committee forward the Follow-up Review of Outstanding Recommendations – 2017-2019 Audits Report dated January 11, 2023 to Regional Council for information.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.2 STAFF

12.2.1 Investment Activities Quarter Ending September 30, 2022

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Staff report dated January 6, 2023

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Deagle Gammon

THAT the Audit and Finance Standing Committee forward the Investment Activities Quarter Ending September 30, 2022 to Halifax Regional Council as an information item.

Vicki Robertson, Deputy Treasurer, Renée Towns, Director of Revenue & Treasurer, and Jerry Blackwood, Executive Director of Finance and Asset Management/ Chief Financial Officer responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.3 GRANTS COMMITTEE – NONE

12.4 MEMBERS OF STANDING COMMITTEE – NONE

13. MOTIONS – NONE

14. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

14.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – December 14, 2022

The following was dealt with in public as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT the In Camera (In Private) minutes of December 14, 2022 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

15. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

16. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair noted there were no registered speakers and called three times for any speakers present; there were none.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – To be determined

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:54 p.m.

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Annie Sherry
Legislative Assistant