



**HALIFAX AND WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
April 19, 2016**

PRESENT: Councillor Steve Adams, Chair
Councillor Russell Walker, Vice Chair
Councillor Waye Mason
Councillor Jennifer Watts
Councillor Reg Rankin
Councillor Linda Mosher

STAFF: Ms. Phoebe Rai, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. and adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Adams, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 29, 2016

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT the minutes of March 29, 2016 be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions: 16.1 Herring Cove Road Traffic Concerns

16.2 BMX Park on Chain Lake Field

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Two-third majority vote required.

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

7.1 Councillor Rankin – Re-purposing of HRM Public Lands in Timberlea

The following was before Community Council:

- An extract of the minutes from the May 6, 2014 meeting of Halifax and West Community Council

Notice of Motion was provided at the meeting held on March 29, 2016.

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax and West Community Council rescind the May 6, 2014 resolution to approve that Halifax and West Community Council request a staff report outlining the merit of converting a small portion of HRM public land, located adjacent to the Beechville-Lakeside-Timberlea School, formerly used as a soccer field, to be re-purposed to a drop off area for school children providing safe access to the school and reducing related vehicular traffic along Mountain Maple Drive.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

9. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

10. HEARINGS – NONE

11. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

11.1 Correspondence

11.1.1 “Cyanobacterial toxins in lakes- medical implications”

The following was before Community Council:

- Correspondence from S. M. Mandaville dated March 30, 2016

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT the correspondence dated March 30, 2016 be forwarded to Environmental Performance staff for consideration.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

11.2 Petitions - None

11.3 Presentation - None

12. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

13. REPORTS

13.1 STAFF

13.1.1 Staff Presentation – Status of the Centre Plan

The following was before Community Council:

- A staff presentation dated April 19, 2016

Mr. Jacob Ritchie, Urban Design Program Manager, provided the staff presentation regarding the status of the Centre Plan. He outlined what the plan is intended to achieve and provided detail regarding the seven themes where the Centre Plan can help shape policy. Mr. Ritchie concluded by noting that there will be several workshops held in May at different locations across the Regional Centre.

A discussion ensued with Mr. Ritchie providing the following details:

- Staff are currently drafting Planning Workbooks to help facilitate broader community engagement to achieve ambitious consultation targets. The workbook will contain information on the seven themes and define a scope of questions that will solicit useful information.
- Staff are investigating 3D visualization tools that can be used where the municipality is considering adding height and density.
- The density bonusing study provided information to help assess land value.

The Chair thanked staff for the presentation.

13.1.2 Case 19554: Rockingham South, Halifax Mainland - Phase 1 Amending Development Agreement, Phase 2 Development Agreement, Phase 3 Development Agreement

The following was before Community Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated March 2, 2016
- A staff presentation dated April 19, 2016

Mr. Miles Agar, Planner, gave a brief overview of the staff report. He clarified that before the Community Council for consideration are one Stage II Amending Development Agreement for Phase 1 and two Stage II Development Agreements for Phases 2 and 3, respectively.

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Rankin

THAT Halifax and West Community Council:

1. Approve, by resolution, the Stage II Amending Development Agreement for Phase 1 of Rockingham South as shown in Attachment "A" of this report to allow for a maximum of 6 units within a townhouse block and ground floor local business uses in the multiple unit residential buildings;
2. Approve, by resolution, the Stage II Development Agreement for Phase 2 of Rockingham South as shown in Attachment "B" of this report to allow for 1 mixed use building and 1 multiple unit residential building;
3. Approve, by resolution, the Stage II Development Agreement for Phase 3 of Rockingham South as shown in Attachment "C" of this report to allow for 2 minor commercial buildings and 1 multiple unit residential building;
4. Require that the Amending Development Agreement shown in Attachment "A" of this report be signed by the property owner within 120 days, or any extension thereof granted by Council on request of the property owner, from the date of final approval by Council and any other bodies as necessary, including applicable appeal periods, whichever is later; otherwise this approval shall be void and any obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end;
5. Require that the Development Agreement shown in Attachment "B" of this report be signed by the property owner within 120 days, or any extension thereof granted by Council on request of the property owner, from the date of final approval by Council and any other bodies as necessary, including applicable appeal periods, whichever is later; otherwise this approval shall be void and any obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end; and
6. Require that the Development Agreement shown in Attachment "C" of this report be signed by the property owner within 120 days, or any extension thereof granted by Council on request of the property owner, from the date of final approval by Council and any other bodies as necessary, including applicable appeal periods, whichever is later; otherwise this approval shall be void and any obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end.

Councillors expressed some concern regarding the retaining wall in Schedule K, but spoke in favour of the absence of driveways from main roads, providing for continuous curbs and plenty of street parking.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13.1.3 Safe Waterfront Access, PID 00560789

The following was before Community Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 11, 2016

Councillor Watts left the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Walker

THAT Halifax and West Community Council recommend that Regional Council direct staff to retain the roadside property at PID#00560789 for its scenic values for users of Highway #333 and the community and not designate the site as safe water access to Prospect Bay.

In the ensuing discussion it was suggested that the property may offer opportunities for other passive recreational activities.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

14. MOTIONS – NONE

15. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE

16. ADDED ITEMS

16.1 Herring Cove Road Traffic Concerns

The following was before Community Council:

- A staff information report dated March 12, 2016

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Walker

THAT Halifax and West Community Council recommend that Regional Council forward the report dated March 12, 2016 to staff to consider for inclusion in the recommended traffic solutions to be placed in the capital budget for the 2017/18 fiscal year.

A brief discussion ensued with Councillors indicating that the motion is not intended to circumvent the forthcoming integrated mobility plan.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

16.2 BMX Park on Chain Lake Field

The following was before Community Council:

- A staff information report dated April 11, 2016

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Rankin

THAT Halifax and West Community Council request a recommendation report assessing the feasibility of establishing additional BMX sites in the area.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

17. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

18. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public participation held and closed. No speakers present.

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - May 17, 2016

20. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Phoebe Rai
Legislative Assistant