

Community Herald
Councillor Russell Walker
District 10
Halifax-Bedford Basin West

Park Improvements

Installation of the new playground equipment at Tremont Plateau Park is complete. The area has been freshly landscaped and is now ready for the community's enjoyment.

Renaming of Park

On July 23 Regional Council approved a report from the Asset Naming Committee which recommended 23 names be added to the commemorative name list. If you have any questions or would like more information about submitting names, please visit <http://www.halifax.ca/civicaddress/NameHRM.html>, call 490-5347 or email civicadd@halifax.ca

In District 10 the Willett Street Reserve will be renamed to Mary Clayton Memorial Park. Come celebrate the Grand Opening on Wednesday, August 28th at 11:00 am.

Mary Clayton was born in England on May 23, 1819. She and her husband immigrated to Halifax in 1863 with their seven children. Her husband passed away a year later leaving Mary a widow with seven young children. Mary established a second-hand clothing business in their home. Over the years, M. Clayton & Sons grew to become a thriving business. In 1895 they built a five story factory at the corner of Barrington and Jacob Streets (now Scotia Square). It was the largest clothing manufacturer east of Montreal, and employed between 400 and 500 people in the best equipped clothing factory in Canada. The company offered innovative profit-sharing, and medical and savings plans for their employees, unusual for the time. During both World Wars, Clayton & Sons contributed to the war effort by manufacturing uniforms for the armed forces.

In 1904, the Clayton family built a summer home in the southern end of Rockingham Village, which was later converted into a permanent residence. In 1959, the property was sold to developers, who planned and built a new subdivision, appropriately named Clayton Park. Mary Clayton died in 1907.

Road Construction – Dunbrack Street

Road construction continues until the end of September on Dunbrack Street from Langbrae Drive to Ross Street. During this work, lane drops will be in place. Motorists should expect delays and are requested to find alternate routes. HRM apologizes for any inconvenience this work may cause.

Metro Transit – Moving Forward Together

Metro Transit will be engaging residents to discuss topics related to public transit in HRM; why it's important, and how you believe it should grow in the next five years. The results will be used to establish the community's goals and aspirations for the future of transit in the region, and will direct the development of Metro Transit Five Year Service Plan. This is your chance to make an impact; it's your transit system, and it's time for us to move forward together. Public sessions are scheduled for September 9 (St. Agnes Church Hall), September 11 (Sackville Legion), and September 12 (Holiday Inn, Dartmouth). Sessions will be held in both the afternoon and evening on these dates. More information about the public meetings, and about online engagement, will be available in the coming weeks. For more information, please contact movingforward@halifax.ca.

On Tuesday, July 23, Halifax Regional Council approved a new \$8-million bus terminal on Lacewood Drive. The proposed site will be built between the Canada Games Centre and Mainland North Linear Parkway Trail. This site provides opportunities for active transportation connections, as well as enhances the level of public transit available at the Mainland Common for users of the Keshen Goodman Library, Canada Games Centre, baseball diamonds, Halifax West High School, Soccer Nova Scotia, and passive recreational opportunities. There is also significant existing and potential ridership within close proximity to the site terminal.