



COUNCILLOR STEVE CRAIG
DISTRICT 15 - LOWER SACKVILLE



DEAR RESIDENTS



As summer draws near, I would like to update you on a number of new developments, infrastructure improvements, community celebrations, and other municipal initiatives in Lower Sackville.

I continue to ensure my decisions are well thought out, balanced, open, transparent and communicated respectfully. In this way my actions and one vote contribute to achieving results that are in our collective best interest now and in the future.

If you have any questions, concerns or ideas, I'm always available to meet. I am as close as a phone call, an e-mail, a Tweet, a text message or a Facebook post.

I wish you a wonderful summer. Sincerely,

OPEN HOUSE | MEET YOUR COUNCILLOR

Please join me as I host an Open House with the residents of District 15. I encourage anyone with municipal issues/questions to attend to speak to me directly. Any feedback or suggestions will be welcome.

Wednesday, September 23, 2015 | 6:30PM-8:30PM
Sackville Public Library | Fenerty Room | 636 Sackville Drive

NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meetings of the North West Community Council are open to the public, and are held every 3rd Monday of the month. For more information on meeting place, agenda and minutes, please check out the web page at halifax.ca/Commcoun/central/index.php

HOW CAN WE HELP?

CALL CENTRE

Call 311 toll-free from anywhere throughout HRM and our friendly and knowledgeable agents can provide you with a wide variety of municipal information and services in over 150 languages using a telephone interpretation service. Hours of operation: 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily Closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

CALL MY OFFICE

For assistance with municipal issues, please contact my Constituency Coordinator, Nadine Yuriev by email at Nadine.Yuriev@halifax.ca or by calling 902.490.1577.

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STAY CONNECTED

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STAY INFORMED

Visit my web page for up-to-date information on HRM related issues at halifax.ca/District15/

Police Non-Emergency 902.490.5020
Fire 902.490.5530
Mayor's Office 902.490.4010
Council Office 902.490.4050



Due to Canada Post distribution areas, some residences which are not in District 15 may receive this newsletter. I apologize for any confusion this may cause and hope you still find the information useful.



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CAPITAL PROJECTS | LOWER SACKVILLE

For the 2015 -16 construction season, the following projects were approved in this year's budget:

Street Recapitalization

Glendale Drive | Smokey to Rankin
 Riverside Drive | Civic 1530 to Lennox
 Lennox Drive | Riverside to Lynnville
 Rogers Drive | Rankin to Smokey
 Sampson Drive | carry-over from 2014

Microsurfacing

Beaver Bank Road | Sackville to Windgate
 Glendale Drive | Cobequid to Civic 61
 Sackville Drive | Beaver Bank to Florence

Microsurfacing Shopping List

Old Sackville Road | Sackville to Sackville Cross
 Old Sackville Road | Beaver Bank Connector to Walker

Planer Patching

Cobequid Rd | Glendale to First Lake

New Sidewalk

Cobequid Rd | Sackville to Glendale (design only)
 Glendale Dr | McDougall to Metropolitan

Retaining Walls

250 Sackville Drive

Bridges

Sackville Cross Road | replacement
 Old Sackville Road | Hwy 101
 Sackville Drive | rehabilitation
 Old Beaverbank Road | rehabilitation

STREET LIGHTS

Many residents have recently expressed concern about burnt-out street lights in the community. Last August, the Municipality purchased all remaining streetlight fixtures still under Nova Scotia Power ownership. Under the new model, we believe long-term that better service standards can be obtained. HRM is in the process of catching up with a backlog of repairs and we ask for your patience during this transition. HRM's goal is to change all standard lights to LED within the next 24 months. If you are aware of a street light that is out, please report it by calling 311 and provide as much detail as you can about the location. It will then be added to the list of replacements.

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS

Applications are available for residential property tax exemptions. **Do you qualify? If you have applied in previous years, did you receive your application in the mail?** For answers to these questions, visit halifax.ca/taxes/exemption or call 311.

SACKVILLE SPLASH PAD UPDATE

Just in time for summer fun!! The long awaited Kinsmen Park Splash Pad will be open on June 30th. The Splash Pad, located just behind the Kinsmen Centre at 71 First Lake Drive, will be a great addition to the area and will add to the fun around the beach.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS SUMMER EVENTS

Canada Day |
July 1

www.hrmcanadaday.ca

Sackville Patriot Days |
June 25th-July 1

www.patriotdays.ca

SACKVILLE PATRIOT DAYS WEDNESDAY JULY 1ST | EVENTS

9:00AM	Canada Day Parade Sackville Drive
10:30AM	Patriot Days Awards Ceremony/ Cake Cutting/BBQ- Rock Church
11:00AM	Flag-Raising Ceremony. Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Canadian Flag - Fultz House Museum
2:00-3:30PM	Sand Castle Contest-Kinsmen Beach
2:00-3:30PM	Teddy Bear Picnic- Kinsmen Park

Halifax International Busker Festival
July 29-August 3

www.buskers.ca/



RESIDENTIAL SINGLE UNIT



UP TO **6** CLEAR BAGS

OR

UP TO **5** CLEAR BAGS + **1** DARK BAG

CAN BE A STANDARD SIZE SOLID COLOUR BAG

THESE BAGS MAY BE PLACED IN CANS

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CURBSIDE CHANGES TO SOLID WASTE

Starting August 1, 2015 new program requirements will be enforced at the curb.

Clear bags will be required for garbage, with each residence allowed 1 dark bag within the collection limit. Bags may also be placed in cans to address privacy concerns. A garbage can may act as a dark bag, but garbage must be tied up in smaller bags inside the can.

Kraft paper bags will be required for excess leaf and yard waste. Leaf and yard waste can still be placed in the green cart, but grass clippings will no longer be collected curbside in favour of grasscycling and backyard composting. Boxboard (cereal and cracker boxes) will be accepted with paper for recycling, though it can still be used to contain wet kitchen scraps in the green cart.

For more information about the changes at the curb, please visit our website at halifax.ca/recycle/contact.php

Solid Waste educators are also promoting the upcoming changes and proper source separation and preparation of material upon request. Residents can request a presentation or in home visit through wasteless@halifax.ca or 311.

MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER | HALIFAX TRANSIT UPDATE



For a first glance review of the proposed changes to transit that will affect transit users in the Sackville area, I would encourage residents to visit the website maketransitbetter.ca to learn more.

If you are travelling within Sackville, to Bedford Commons, Clayton Park, Burnside, or downtown Halifax, the draft plan includes shorter trips and longer service days for getting to and from work, classes, events, activities and appointments.

SACKVILLE HIGH DANCE MARATHON

This past April, Sackville High School held their second Dance Marathon in support of the IWK. The students and staff at many of our high schools including both Millwood High and Sackville High worked extremely hard and surpassed their goal by raising over \$56,000. Quoting from their donation website, "Together, we are a generation fighting for the next."

Thank you to the students, teachers, and volunteers who made this fundraiser a success!



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BEDFORD | SACKVILLE GREENWAY

You may know that the wonderful Bedford – Sackville Greenway is part of the overall Sackville Greenway (SG). The Sackville Rivers Association's visioned conservation corridor from Fort Sackville in Bedford to Uniacke House in Mount Uniacke is approximately 40 kilometers.

This year and next, the Little Sackville River Greenway connector will be built from Sackville Drive, along the river to Glendale Drive by Smokey Drive. In addition to the \$756,000 project, an additional \$400,000 is budgeted for a bridge across the river next year.

In the 2013 public consultations for the Active Transportation (AT) Plan Review, the SG scored high marks as one of HRM's AT priorities for the next 5 years. As a result, the 2014 Halifax Active Transportation Plan recommended and received Regional Council approval to allocate a large segment of the funding that is normally divided among several HRM Community Trail Associations, to this project. For more information on the Sackville Greenway check sackvillerrivers.ns.ca/

We are looking forward to seeing you on the Sackville Greenway!

Halifax Volunteer Awards 2015

Each year, Halifax Regional Municipality, the Mayor and Regional Council recognize the extraordinary contributions of individuals and groups who volunteer their time and skills to provide services and programs in HRM communities. I would like to thank all volunteers across HRM for your invaluable service. The recipients of the 2015 Awards from District 15 were: Veronica Parker (not pictured), Carl MacKeigan, Yvonne Savoury



Carl MacKeigan



Yvonne Savoury

CITIZENSHIP AWARDS 2015

Each year, HRM presents an award to outstanding grade 9 students in the Municipality. The recipients are chosen based on qualities of leadership in the school and community, and commendable performance in the courses in which they are enrolled. I would like to congratulate **Connor Adams** from Sackville High School for receiving the award this year.

