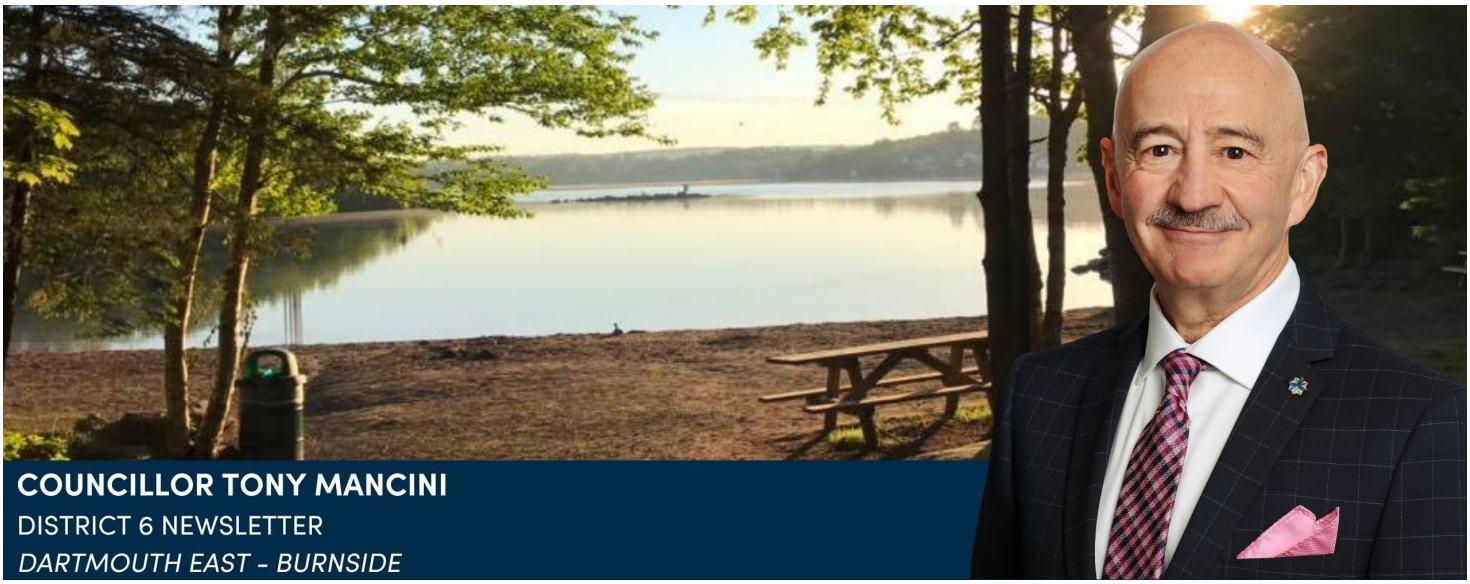


COUNCILLOR TONY MANCINI
DISTRICT 6 NEWSLETTER
DARTMOUTH EAST - BURNSIDE

Together We Can Build Safe, Healthy, Active Communities

WELCOME JUNE

Summer is just around the corner! I'm sure we are all looking forward to some warmer weather.

I want to give a big congratulations to all the 2026 graduates. I wish you all the best as you embark on the next chapter of your life.

I also want to congratulate this year's District 6 Citizenship Award recipient. Thank you for your dedicated service to our community.

June 21 is Father's Day. I want to take this opportunity to wish all fathers and father figures a very happy Father's Day. Thank you for all you do!

As always, please reach out with any of your municipal questions or concerns. I'm always happy to hear from you!

BIENVENUE EN JUIN

L'été approche à grands pas! Je suis certain que nous avons tous hâte de profiter d'un temps plus chaud.

Je tiens à féliciter chaleureusement tous les diplômés de 2026. Je vous souhaite tout le meilleur alors que vous entamez le prochain chapitre de votre vie.

Je souhaite également féliciter le récipiendaire du Prix de citoyenneté du district 6 de cette année. Merci pour votre dévouement exemplaire envers notre collectivité.

Le 21 juin, c'est la fête des Pères. Je profite de l'occasion pour souhaiter une très bonne fête à tous les pères et aux figures paternelles. Merci pour tout ce que vous faites!

Comme toujours, n'hésitez pas à communiquer avec moi pour toute question ou préoccupation de nature municipale. C'est toujours un plaisir de vous lire et de vous entendre!

JUNE IS NATIONAL INDIGENOUS HISTORY MONTH

June is National Indigenous History Month, a time to honour the history, heritage and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples across Canada. In the municipality, we are committed to strengthening our relationship with Indigenous communities in our region and honouring the significant contributions of Indigenous Peoples past and present.

Learn more about our commitment and explore ways to get involved during this time and beyond by visiting our website.

CURBSIDE GIVEAWAY WEEKEND

Curbside Give Away Weekend is coming up on June 6 and 7 in the Halifax Regional Municipality – rain or shine!

This is a great opportunity to reduce the amount of items ending up in the landfill, while allowing others the chance to find a special treasure to enjoy. Just leave your unwanted household items on the curb with a sign that says 'FREE'.

Unclaimed items must be removed from the curb by dusk on Sunday. Consider donating unclaimed items to charitable organizations and place any garbage material out for collection on your regular collection day.

For more information on the event and to find additional details, visit the website.

CELEBRATE PRIDE MONTH IN HALIFAX

The Halifax Regional Municipality is proud to recognize Pride Month in June each year. While Pride Month is a time to celebrate and demonstrate our continued allyship and support for the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, it is also a time to recognize the barriers that community members continue to face.

While Pride Month is recognized in many places in June to commemorate the date of the 1969 Stonewall Rebellion in New York City, the Halifax Pride Festival focuses its programming on a historical event closer to home: the first Pride march in Halifax, which took place in July 1988.

To honour our unique journey, the Halifax Pride Festival will be held from July 16 to 26. Hosting the festival in July allows us to recognize our distinct history and our beginnings as a march while also celebrating Pride Month in June.

For Halifax Pride Festival events as well as Pride resources check out @hfxpublib, @stmargaretsbaypride, @easternshorepridens and @halifaxpride.

I had the opportunity to meet folks from across the Country participating in The Governor General's Canadian Leadership Conference.

CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

Congratulations to the 2026 District 6 Citizenship Award recipient. The citizenship award is awarded to one Grade 9 student from each school who has high academic standing but also contributes to bettering their community through participation in extracurricular programs, leadership and service. Thank you to all our amazing 2026 Citizenship Award recipients. The future is bright!

Sophie Moore, Eric Graves Memorial Junior High

Sophie's family

ALDERNEY LANDING IS LOOKING FOR A RESIDENT TO JOIN THEIR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors at Alderney Landing leads the strategic direction and governance of Alderney Landing, a not-for-profit community arts and culture organization located in Dartmouth. This position involves working closely with the Board and CEO, who oversee the day-to-day operations, to ensure the organization's long-term success, community impact, and alignment with its mission and vision.

For more details email Cass Hannay
cass@alderneylanding.com

CELEBRATE THE FIFA WORLD CUP IN HALIFAX JUNE 11-12

Canada Celebrates FIFA World Cup 2026 is coming to Halifax. Canada Celebrates is a series of FREE, public events designed to bring the excitement of the FIFA World Cup into communities across Canada.

Each stop will transform a public space into a vibrant gathering place where fans of all ages can come together to celebrate the beautiful game. Don't miss it – find more details on Discover Halifax's website.

I had an amazing tour aboard the French Naval Ship LHD Dixmude

NEIGHBOUR WEEK JUNE 21-27

The Halifax Regional Municipality is inviting residents to start planning and take part in Neighbour Week from June 21 to 27, 2026.

Neighbour Week is an opportunity to build strong connections through community-led events and simple acts of neighbourly kindness. Residents are invited to organize and participate in activities of all sizes that help bring neighbours together. Check out the Neighbour Week Community Event Map to explore what's happening nearby and find inspiration.

Small gestures matter. Saying hello, introducing yourself or checking in on a neighbour helps build stronger connections and more welcoming, supportive and safe communities. For more information, ideas and resources, or to register an event, visit our website.

JUNE IS RECREATION MONTH

June is Recreation Month – a time to move, explore and celebrate the services that support healthy living in our communities. Our diverse recreation programs, services and facilities are essential to our communities and we want to make sure they are available to everyone.

To celebrate Recreation Month, we are offering free, fun-filled activities across the region as well as celebrating Recreation Day on June 6.

To find out what is going on in your community during this month, visit our website for event listings.

I had a wonderful evening at the Italian Club for the Festa della Repubblica celebration marking the 80th anniversary of the Italian Republic.

ALDERNEY FERRY SERVICE RESUMED

The Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents that the Christopher Stannix ferry hasreturned to regular service as of Friday, May 29 on its usual schedule of every 15 minutes on weekdays, from 7 a.m. to 8:15 p.m.

The Christopher Stannix ferry had been out of service since May 22 due to a steering system issue that required proprietary manufactured parts to be shipped internationally. The parts arrived, were installed and the vessel has now returned to service following successful testing and sea trials.

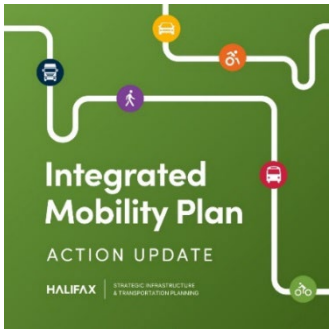
The Craig Blake ferry continues to undergo scheduled inspections, as well as a significant repair, and will not be available for service until later this year.

Updates on the Craig Blake ferry will be provided in future public service announcements, on the Halifax Transit service disruptions webpage and on Halifax Transit and municipal social media platforms.

The municipality thanks residents for their patience during this service impact.

Square Roots produce bundling!

INTEGRATED MOBILITY PLAN – 2026 ACTION PLAN UPDATE



The Halifax Regional Municipality has updated its Integrated Mobility Plan (IMP) to better respond to the transportation challenges our fast-growing city is facing.

The IMP is a nationally recognized roadmap that guides how we build safe, healthy, connected, and affordable ways for people to move around Halifax. It focuses on moving people—not just vehicles—and supports the creation of livable, complete communities.

Originally approved by Regional Council in 2017, the IMP has already seen major progress, with about 75 per cent of its original actions completed or incorporated into everyday municipal practice. The 2026 Action Update reflects this progress and aligns the plan with newer strategies, including HalifACT 2050, the Rapid Transit Strategy, and the realities of Halifax's significant population growth. The update also introduces a new fifth pillar—Equity—to help guide decision-making and ensure mobility improvements benefit all residents.

Key themes in the updated plan include expanding transit priority and preparing for future bus rapid transit, completing the all-ages-and-abilities bike network, filling critical sidewalk gaps, using technology to improve traffic flow, strengthening data and monitoring, and collaborating with regional partners on shared priorities.

Learn more about the IMP and the 2026 Action Update

WILDFIRE SEASON

Wildfire season runs from March 15 to Oct. 15. While burning restrictions are in effect year-round, additional restrictions are in effect during wildfire season. Always check our Before You Burn website before starting a fire.

If burning is permitted, follow these safety guidelines:

- Never leave your fire unattended as unattended fires can spread quickly and become dangerous.
- Completely extinguish your fire - douse it with water, stir the ashes and repeat until everything is cool to the touch.

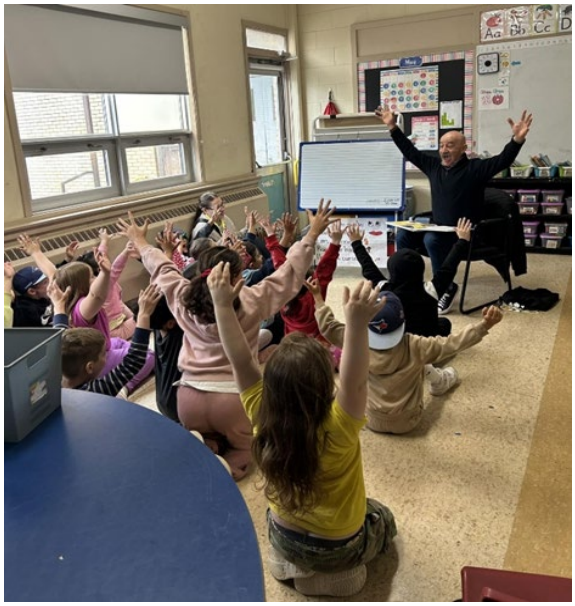
Residents can voluntarily register to receive a wildfire risk assessment for their property using the FireSmart standard.

To learn more about a FireSmart assessment, visit our website and for more information about wildfire safety, visit our website.

SUMMER PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Summer swimming classes are coming soon. Registration for aquatics at summer pools and beach sessions 1 and 2 will open on Tuesday, June 16. Don't miss the chance to participate in these lessons at our outdoor facilities. You can find the details for programs in your area online.

Beach sessions 3 and 4 will open Tuesday, July 21.



I had a blast reading to the Grade 1 class at Ian Forsythe Elementary School. They were an amazing group of kids.

I am grateful to the Coast and their readers for supporting me with votes for the 2026 Readers Choice Award for Best Councillor.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRAINING – WORKSHOPS RUN UNTIL JUNE 23

The Neighbourhood and Volunteer Services Team will be offering a wide selection of free workshops for residents who want to be more involved in their community or better serve the community organizations they're working with.

Check out the training catalogue and the spring 2026 workshop schedule on our website for details.

PROTECT YOURSELF DURING TICK SEASON

Tick season has begun - As temperatures rise, ticks become more active.

Nova Scotia is home to several kinds of ticks, but only blacklegged tick bites can cause illnesses like Lyme disease, Anaplasmosis, Babesiosis and Powassan virus.

Reduce your risk of getting a tick-borne illness by educating yourself, staying safe and performing tick checks after being outdoors. Learn more here.

UPCOMING REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

There are two Regional Council meetings scheduled for June. Regional Council meetings are held on Tuesdays:

- June 16
- June 23

Check out the full schedule of upcoming meetings – including committees here. Meeting agendas (including the specific start time of 10 a.m. or 1 p.m.) and a link to watch the video are generally available by the Friday prior to the meeting. Reports on the items that councillors vote on are available and are linked throughout the meeting agenda.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL SCHEDULE AND AGENDA

The Harbour East – Marine Drive Community Council normally meets on the first Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m. in the HEMDCC Meeting Space, Main Floor Alderney Gate, 60 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth. Meeting dates, time and location are subject to change. You can find agendas, report, and minutes online.

The HEMDCC webcast will be live on HRM's YouTube channel and agenda postings. Stay tuned for the video link to be shared closer to the next HEMDCC meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, June 10.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Halifax Regional Municipality is located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and traditional lands of the Mi'Kmaq people. The municipality acknowledges the Peace and Friendship Treaties signed in this territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People.

We also acknowledge the histories and legacies of the African Nova Scotian people and communities that have been here for more than 400 years.

The Acadians founded the first permanent settlement in North America on this land that would later become Nova Scotia. The Acadian people have contributed to the economic, cultural and social vitality of our province for more than 400 years. We recognize that the identity of the Acadian people is defined by its history, its language, its culture, its customs.

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Executive Standing Committee
Halifax Regional Library Board
Shubenacadie Canal Commission
Woodlawn High School Advisory Committee