



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
April 25, 2017**

PRESENT: Mayor Mike Savage
Deputy Mayor Steve Craig
Councillors: Steve Streach
David Hendsbee
Lorelei Nicoll
Sam Austin
Tony Mancini
Waye Mason
Lindell Smith
Shawn Cleary
Russell Walker
Stephen Adams
Richard Zurawski
Matt Whitman
Lisa Blackburn
Tim Outhit

REGRETS: Councillor: Bill Karsten

STAFF: John Traves, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Martin Ward, Acting Municipal Solicitor
Sherryl Murphy, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Krista Vining, Legislative Assistant
Phoebe Rai, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., and recessed at 12:03 p.m. Council reconvened at 1:02 p.m. and recessed at 2:55 p.m. Council reconvened at 3:13 p.m. and adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and Council stood for a moment of reflection.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NONE

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

Additions:

17.1 Invitation to Party Leaders to Present

The Deputy Clerk noted a request to have item 14.1.16 brought up on the agenda to be dealt with after item 14.1.1, to which Council agreed. The Deputy Clerk also noted regrets had been received from Councillor Karsten.

Councillor Streach requested Item 14.1.5 be addressed following the heritage hearings at 1 p.m. as he had an appointment to attend and would be leaving at 10:45 a.m., to which Council agreed.

Councillor Cleary requested Information Item 4 - Sidewalk Snow Removal Options be added to the next Council agenda for discussion.

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

6. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

6.1 Councillor Streach

Councillor Streach declared a conflict of interest for Item 14.1.2 - Award - Unit Price Tender No. 17-001, Fort Needham Memorial Park Improvements, explaining that the proponent is involved in his family's business.

Subsequently, Councillor Streach exited the meeting at 10:45 a.m. to attend an appointment and was not present when Item 14.1.2 was addressed.

7. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

8. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

9. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

10. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

11. HERITAGE HEARING – 1:00 P.M.

11.1 Case H00430 – Request to Register 59 Hawthorne Street, Dartmouth as a Municipal Heritage Property

This matter was dealt with later in the meeting, see page 9.

11.2 Case H00440 – Request to Register 68 Hawthorne Street, Dartmouth as a Municipal Heritage Property

This matter was dealt with later in the meeting, see page 9.

12. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

12.1 Correspondence

The Deputy Clerk noted that correspondence was received for item 14.4.2. This correspondence was circulated to Council. For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

12.2 Petitions

12.2.1 Councillor Hendsbee

Councillor Hendsbee submitted a petition containing 75 signatures on behalf of citizens residing on or traveling on Mozier Cove Road, situated on Sober Island HRM in the community of Guysborough Sheet Harbour. Citizens are petitioning the Department of Highways to give attention to the deficient infrastructure of Mozier Cove Road especially the low lying section of road across the beach which is impossible to maintain due to its elevation in relation to the bodies of water on either side.

Councillor Hendsbee asked that the petition be forwarded to staff and local MLA for their information.

13. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

Councillor Streach exited the meeting at this time.

14. REPORTS

14.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

14.1.1 Increase to Contract, Request for Proposal 15-334 Argyle and Grafton Shared Streetscape

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated March 23, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize an increase to contract for RFP No.15-334, Consulting Services - Argyle & Grafton Shared Streetscapes, to Ekistics Plan + Design, for changes to the contracted scope of work, in the amount of \$31,368 (net HST included), with funding from Project Account No. CD000002, Downtown Streetscapes - Capital Improvement Campaign, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated March 23, 2017.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Streach and Karsten

Council addressed item 14.1.16 at this time, as approved under the Order of Business.

14.1.16 Award – Unit Price Tender No. 17-200, Argyle & Grafton Shared Streetscapes

The following was before Council:

- A revised staff recommendation report dated April 13, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Award Tender No. 17-200, Argyle & Grafton Shared Streetscapes to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Dexter Construction Company Limited for a Total Tender Price of \$5,139,527 (net HST included);**
2. **Award the Construction Services component of RFP No. P15-334 Consulting Services - Argyle & Grafton Shared Streetscapes (Phase 3 - Construction including Construction Administration, Inspection and Certification Services), to Ekistics Plan + Design in the amount of \$337,072 (net HST included); and**
3. **Award Archaeological Monitoring and Reporting for this project to Davis MacIntyre & Associates Ltd in the amount of \$6,373 (net HST included).**
4. **Approve an increase to Project Account No. CD000002 – Downtown Streetscapes Capital Improvement Campaign in the amount of \$102,022 which will be funded through cost sharing as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated April 13, 2017 and approve cost sharing agreements in Attachments A, B and C of the staff report dated April 13, 2017.**

All of the above to be awarded with funding from Project Account No. CD000002 – Downtown Streetscapes – Capital Improvement Campaign, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated April 13, 2017.

Councillor Mason spoke to the majority of businesses on Argyle Street and Grafton Street and the Downtown Halifax Business Commission in support of moving forward with the shared streetscapes project now rather than waiting to do it in the fall or following year. Councillor Mason commented on Municipal staff and Dexter Construction working with businesses to minimize impact.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Streach and Karsten

14.1.2 Award – Unit Price Tender No., 17-001, Fort Needham Memorial Park Improvements

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated March 30, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Award Tender No. 17-001, Fort Needham Memorial Park Improvements, to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Turf Masters Landscaping Ltd., for a Total Tender Price of \$2,001,023 (net HST included) from Project Account No. CP000012, Fort Needham Master Plan Implementation, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated March 30, 2017.**
2. **Award construction and administration fees to Ekistics Planning & Design in the amount of \$75,404 (net HST included), with funding from Project Account No. CP000012, Fort Needham Master Plan Implementation, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated March 30, 2017.**

Councillor Smith highlighted the importance of having these improvements completed in time for the commemorative ceremony to mark the 100th anniversary of the Halifax Explosion.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Streach and Karsten

14.1.3 Award Tender 16-171, Dartmouth Sportsplex Revitalization – Construction Services

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated March 10, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council award Tender 16-171, Dartmouth Sportsplex Revitalization – Construction Services, to the lowest priced qualified bidder, Marco Maritimes Ltd., for a total cost of \$23,273,000 (HST fully refundable). Funding is available from Project Account CB000006 – Dartmouth Sportsplex Revitalization, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated March 10, 2017.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Streach and Karsten

Mayor Savage stepped down as Chair at this time and exited the meeting. Deputy Mayor Craig assumed the Chair.

14.1.4 First Reading Proposed By-law S-1002, an Amendment to By-Law S-1000, Respecting the Regulation of Sidewalk Cafés

The following was before Council:

- Extract of Regional Council draft minutes – April 11, 2017
- A staff recommendation report dated March 21, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to Proposed By-law S-1002, further amending By-law S-1000, the Sidewalk Café By-law, as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated March 21, 2017 and schedule a Public Hearing.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillors Streach and Karsten

14.1.5 First Reading Proposed By-Law L-137, an Amendment to By-Law L-100, Respecting Charges for Local Improvements - Extension of Municipal Water Service into Fall River Village

This matter was dealt with later in the meeting, see page 11.

**14.1.6 Community Grants Program - Trails Funding (Supplementary Report)
(i) Grants Committee Report Recommendation dated May 2, 2016**

The following was before Council:

- Extract of Regional Council minutes – May 10, 2016
- A report from the Chair of the Grants Committee dated May 2, 2016
- A staff supplementary report dated April 11, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council continue to provide eligibility for funding, through the Community Grants Program, to recreation trails that are located on property owned and operated by non-profit and charitable organizations until such time as:

1. **Council receives a staff report and recommendation respecting the possible adoption of a policy to regularize participation and funding consideration for HRM partnered trail associations; and**
2. **Council provides direction to the Chief Administrative Officer in respect of that report and recommendation.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillors Streach, Karsten and Mason

14.1.7 Proposed Administrative Order 2017-003-GOV, Respecting the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Advisory Committee

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated March 29, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt Administrative Order 2017-003-GOV, the FCM Advisory Committee Administrative Order, as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated March 29, 2017.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillors Streach, Karsten and Mason

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council appoint Mayor Mike Savage, Councillors Russell Walker, Bill Karsten, Lindell Smith, Wayne Mason, Sam Austin, David Hendsbee and Deputy Mayor Steve Craig to the 2018 FCM Conference Council Advisory Committee for a term beginning April 11, 2017 and ending July 1, 2018.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillors Streach, Karsten and Mason

14.1.8 Petition - Saraguay Place Snow Plowing

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated March 10, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to maintain the Municipality's existing winter sidewalk snow clearing services for Saraguay Place.

Members of Council were asked to defeat the motion, with Councillor Cleary explaining an alternative proposed motion to develop a policy in relation to the petition put forward by residents on Saraguay Place requesting that the Halifax Regional Municipality cease sidewalk snow clearing operations due to damage caused by snow removal equipment.

In response to questions raised, staff highlighted that six (6) of the eight (8) households on the street had endorsed the petition and now the Municipality has new equipment which will fit narrower sidewalks. Both staff and some members of Council expressed concern with risks around liability, accessibility and setting precedence having residents clear municipal sidewalks.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (11 in favour, 2 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Craig and Councillors Hendsbee, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Smith, Walker, Adams, Whitman, Blackburn and Outhit

Against: Councillors Cleary and Zurawski

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillors Streach, Karsten and Mason

14.1.9 Case 20756 – Municipal Planning Strategy Amendments for 246 Waverley Road and 2 and 4 Montebello Drive, Dartmouth

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated March 23, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Austin

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to:

- 1. Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Dartmouth to acknowledge the lands at the southeast corner of Waverley Road and Montebello Drive (Civic 246 Waverley Road and 2 and 4 Montebello Drive) within the Waverley Road Mixed Use sub-designation, to enable consideration of a development agreement for a multiple unit dwelling on these properties; and**
- 2. Follow the public participation program for municipal planning strategy amendments as approved by Regional Council on February 27, 1997.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillors Streach and Karsten

14.1.10 Mobile Sign Industry and Payment Methods

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 25, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to undertake consultations with internal and external stakeholders to consider possible by-law and administrative amendments to By-law S-801, Respecting Licensing of Temporary Signs and Administrative Order #15, Respecting License, Permit and Processing Fees and prepare a recommendation report with proposed amendments for Regional Councils consideration.

In response to questions raised, staff explained that the definition of a temporary sign is outlined in By-law S-801 and that Council has the authority to change or strengthen the definition and categories for signs. Clarification was also provided on phasing out accepting credit card payments over the phone through the 311 Centre which violates the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS), and the use of online banking to top up an escrow account to manage property taxes.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillors Streach and Karsten

14.1.11 Organics Management Consultation and Strategy

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated March 2, 2017
- A staff presentation dated April 25, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Approve the Organics Management Strategy as outlined on page 7 of the staff report dated March 2, 2017;**
2. **Approve the Request for Qualifications Key Terms as outlined in Attachment A of the staff report dated March 2, 2017;**
3. **Direct staff to issue a Request for Qualifications and return to Council with the recommended Request for Proposals Key Terms for input and approval prior to its issuance;**
4. **Direct staff to make application for subdivision approval to expand the Northern and Eastern lot boundaries of 61 Evergreen Place by 200 meters North and 100 meters East as conceptualized in Attachment D to the staff report dated March 2, 2017;**
5. **Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy, Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Halifax Land Use By-law to enable the expansion of HRM's Goodwood composting facility located at 61 Evergreen Place;**
6. **Follow the public participation program for municipal planning strategy amendments as approved by Regional Council on February 27, 1997; and**
7. **Approve in principle a community integration fund be established in the amount of \$1 million for the expansion of 61 Evergreen Place with \$350,000 in funding allocated toward the development of the Western Common Wilderness Common, \$325,000 in funding allocated toward infrastructure at the Prospect Road Community Center and \$325,000 in funding allocated to projects identified through a community consultation.**

Matt Keliher, Manager of Solid Waste Management presented the recommendations for the Organics Management Strategy and key terms for the Request for Qualifications (RFQ). Keliher highlighted the results of the public and stakeholder survey and responded to questions about moving forward with the RFQ and Request for Proposal (RFP) in relation to reducing/eliminating odor through state-of-the-art odor management technology. Keliher spoke about the new composting standards in Nova Scotia adopted in 2010, explaining that Nova Scotia Environment did not provide a timeline or instruct the Municipality to bring the current composting facilities to the 2010 standard. Keliher confirmed that there would be no windrow composting at the expanded facility/facilities.

Councillor Streach rejoined the meeting during deliberations of the motion.

Council recessed at 12:03 p.m. with a note being made that discussion of Item 14.1.11 would continue following the Heritage Hearings scheduled for 1:00 p.m.

Regional Council reconvened at 1:02 p.m.

Mayor Savage welcomed Nova Scotia College of Art and Design (NSCAD) President Dianne Taylor-Gearing and ceramics student Elsa Brittin, who presented a piece of artwork designed for display at City Hall. The Mayor thanked the NSCAD representatives for the gift.

11. HERITAGE HEARING – 1:00 P.M.

11.1 Case H00430 – Request to Register 59 Hawthorne Street, Dartmouth as a Municipal Heritage Property

The following was before Council:

- Extract of Regional Council minutes – February 21, 2017
- A report from the Vice Chair of the Heritage Advisory Committee dated February 6, 2017 with attached staff recommendation report dated December 6, 2016
- A staff presentation dated April 25, 2017

Jacob Ritchie, Urban Design Program Manager presented the application of owner, Kara MacGregor to register the property located at 59 Hawthorne Street, Dartmouth as a municipal heritage property.

Mayor Savage opened the heritage hearing and invited the applicant to address Council, to which the applicant declined.

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT the heritage hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the registration of 59 Hawthorne Street, Dartmouth as shown on Map 1 of the December 6, 2016 staff report, as a Municipal Heritage Property.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

11.2 Case H00440 – Request to Register 68 Hawthorne Street, Dartmouth as a Municipal Heritage Property

The following was before Council:

- Extract of Regional Council minutes – February 21, 2017
- A report from the Vice Chair of the Heritage Advisory Committee dated February 6, 2017 with attached staff recommendation report dated December 21, 2016
- A staff presentation dated April 25, 2017

Stephanie Salloum, Planner II presented the application of owners, Maura K. Donovan and Lynn A. MacDonald to register their property located at 68 Hawthorne Street, Dartmouth as a municipal heritage property.

Mayor Savage opened the heritage hearing and invited the applicant to address Council.

Maura Donovan, applicant, noted that there are currently no registered heritage properties in Dartmouth that are part of the residential reconstruction following the Halifax Explosion.

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT the heritage hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the registration of 68 Hawthorne Street, Dartmouth as shown on Map 1 of the December 21, 2016 staff report, as a Municipal Heritage Property.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

Council resumed discussion of item 14.1.11 at this time.

14.1.11 Organics Management Consultation and Strategy

This matter was introduced earlier in the meeting. See page 8 for details.

Matthew Keliher, Manager of Solid Waste, responded to questions of clarification, noting:

- Staff recommends against introducing grass to the compost program based on concerns regarding leachate, nitrogen content, grass-cycling and minimizing processing costs;
- The proposed RFQ would allow operators to propose both aerobic and anaerobic options for Council's consideration; and
- The RFQ provides risk mitigation strategies for a smooth transition between contractors.

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT the motion be amended to add "grass" to Section 9, paragraph 2 of Attachment A to the staff report dated March 2, 2017.

A number of Councillors expressed support for the amendment to receive information on how grass could be incorporated into the program should Council determine at a future date to do so. Other members of Council voiced concern that reintroducing grass to the compost program would have considerable negative implications for the facility and the costs would be prohibitive.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED. (9 in favour, 7 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Councillors: Hendsbee, Nicoll, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Whitman and Outhit

Against: Deputy Mayor Craig, Councillors: Streach, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith and Blackburn

Not present: Councillor Karsten

The question was called on the motion as amended:

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the Organics Management Strategy as outlined on page 7 of the staff report dated March 2, 2017;**
- 2. Approve the Request for Qualifications Key Terms as outlined in Attachment A of the staff report dated March 2, 2017, as amended to add "grass" to Section 9, paragraph 2;**
- 3. Direct staff to issue a Request for Qualifications and return to Council with the recommended Request for Proposals Key Terms for input and approval prior to its issuance;**

4. Direct staff to make application for subdivision approval to expand the Northern and Eastern lot boundaries of 61 Evergreen Place by 200 meters North and 100 meters East as conceptualized in Attachment D to the staff report dated March 2, 2017;
5. Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy, Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Halifax Land Use By-law to enable the expansion of HRM's Goodwood composting facility located at 61 Evergreen Place;
6. Follow the public participation program for municipal planning strategy amendments as approved by Regional Council on February 27, 1997; and
7. Approve in principle a community integration fund be established in the amount of \$1 million for the expansion of 61 Evergreen Place with \$350,000 in funding allocated toward the development of the Western Common Wilderness Common, \$325,000 in funding allocated toward infrastructure at the Prospect Road Community Center and \$325,000 in funding allocated to projects identified through a community consultation.

AMENDED MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

Council proceeded to deal with item 14.1.5 next on the agenda as requested by Councillor Streach.

14.1.5 First Reading Proposed By-Law L-137, an Amendment to By-Law L-100, Respecting Charges for Local Improvements - Extension of Municipal Water Service into Fall River Village

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated March 10, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Streach, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading:

1. to amendments to the Regional Subdivision By-law to extend the Water Service Area in Fall River, as set out in Attachment B of the staff report dated March 10, 2017, and schedule a Public Hearing;
2. to By-law L-137, further amending By-law L-100, the Local Improvement By-law, as detailed in Attachment C of the staff report dated March 10, 2017, to impose charges for the installation of water servicing in Fall River and adjoining lots along Fall River Road and Highway #2 to the Hwy 102 Overpass, Lockview Road to the Lockview School access, and McPherson Road and a portion of Ingram Drive, and schedule a Public Hearing.

Councillor Streach requested that Council consider an amendment as identified in Alternative 1 in the staff report dated March 10, 2017.

MOVED by Councillor Streach, seconded by Councillor Outhit

THAT Regional Council also request a staff report to the Audit and Finance Standing Committee regarding a contribution of \$25,000 to reflect the benefits directly received by its municipal properties in the service area.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

The question was called on the motion as amended:

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading:

1. to amendments to the Regional Subdivision By-law to extend the Water Service Area in Fall River, as set out in Attachment B of the staff report dated March 10, 2017, and schedule a Public Hearing;
2. to By-law L-137, further amending By-law L-100, the Local Improvement By-law, as detailed in Attachment C of the staff report dated March 10, 2017, to impose charges for the installation of water servicing in Fall River and adjoining lots along Fall River Road and Highway #2 to the Hwy 102 Overpass, Lockview Road to the Lockview School access, and McPherson Road and a portion of Ingram Drive, and schedule a Public Hearing;

And furthermore, that Regional Council request a staff report to the Audit and Finance Standing Committee regarding a contribution of \$25,000 to reflect the benefits directly received by its municipal properties in the service area.

AMENDED MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

14.1.12 Award – Request for Proposal 17-048 – HRM 2017 Insurance Renewal

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 5, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. Award RFP 17-048, HRM 2017 Insurance Renewal to Aon Reed Stenhouse Inc. for a one year term, effective June 1, 2017, renewable annually for a period not to exceed five (5) years, at an estimated cost in the first year of \$2,202,956 (HST Exempt) as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the staff report dated April 5, 2017.
2. Direct staff to negotiate remaining coverages with the successful proponent as outlined in the Discussion Section of the staff report dated April 5, 2017.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors: Streach, Karsten and Adams

14.1.13 Update regarding the Proposed Blue Mountain/Birch Cove Regional Park

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 5, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Zurawski, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to undertake additional analysis and advance discussions regarding the acquisition of lands or the rights to lands for public access as identified within the staff report dated April 5, 2017 and the Private and Confidential Information Report dated April 5, 2017, and report back to Regional Council with any prospective terms, conditions, and costs.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

14.1.14 Case 20227 - Incentive or Bonus Zoning Agreement - Mixed-Use Development at 5515 Clyde Street, Halifax

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 7, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into and execute, the Incentive or Bonus Zoning Agreement as provided in “Attachment A” of the staff report dated April 7, 2017 for the mixed-used development at 5515 Clyde Street, Halifax.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

Council recessed at 2:55 p.m. and reconvened at 3:13 p.m.

14.1.15 Supplementary Education Tax Rate for 2017-18

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 18, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve that:

- **the Operating Budget for Supplementary Education in the amount of \$15,648,600 gross expenditures and \$15,648,600 in area rate tax revenues be approved; and**
- **the tax rates for Supplementary Education, under Section 80 of the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, shall be set at the rate of \$0.027 per \$100 of the residential and resource assessment and at \$0.075 per \$100 of the commercial assessment.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

14.1.16 Award – Unit Price Tender No. 17-200, Argyle & Grafton Shared Streetscapes

This matter was addressed earlier in the meeting. See page 4 for details.

14.2 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

14.2.1 Halifax Green Network Plan – Planning & Implementation Directions

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Chair of the Community Planning & Economic Development Standing Committee dated April 10, 2017 with attached staff report dated February 2, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Outhit

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct that staff use the Halifax Green Network Plan Primer December 2016, attached as Attachment A of the staff report dated February 2, 2017, as the framework for the final phase of public engagement, and for the development of the full consolidated Halifax Green Network Plan, and that staff return to Council for its consideration of the resulting Plan.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

14.2.2 HRM Anti-Poverty Strategy

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Chair of the Community Planning & Economic Development Standing Committee dated April 7, 2017 with attached staff report dated March 28, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Collaborate with United Way Halifax and other partners on the development of an Anti-Poverty Strategy for the municipality.**
2. **Initially make up to \$20,000 of in-kind support available to develop the strategy.**
3. **Consider additional involvement in activities designed to reduce poverty based on the report arising from the consultations to be launched by the United Way.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Karsten and Whitman

14.3 TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE

14.3.1 Traffic Control Persons for Special Events

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Chair of the Transportation Standing Committee dated March 31, 2017 with attached staff report dated March 23, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Request that the Government of Nova Scotia amend the Nova Scotia Motor Vehicle Act to permit Traffic Control Persons to direct the movement of traffic for special events.**
2. **Request that the Government of Nova Scotia modify the Province's training and accreditation processes to reflect special events-related roles for Traffic Control Persons and Temporary Workplace Signers.**
3. **Request that the Government of Nova Scotia revise the Province's TC Manual to include standards, principles and guidelines applicable to special events-related traffic control scenarios.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

Councillor Streach left the meeting at 3:46 p.m.

14.4 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

14.4.1 Councillor Austin - Administrative Order 1 Public Presentations

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council's consideration form submitted by Councillor Austin

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report regarding potential changes to Administrative Order 1 section 45 (1) f regarding the automatic referral of presentations before Council to staff for review, comments and recommendations.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Streach and Karsten

14.4.2 Councillor Cleary – Commemoration of Edward Cornwallis on Municipal Assets and Reconciliation

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council's consideration form submitted by Councillor Cleary
- Correspondence from Donald Alexander Rankin, Rebecca Hannon, Frank Mosher, Scott Cote, and Dave Wright

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT Halifax Regional Council, in the spirit of the Council-adopted Statement of Reconciliation of December 8, 2015, request a staff report with terms of reference and a recommended composition for an expert panel to review and advise Council regarding any changes to the commemoration of Edward Cornwallis on municipal assets, including Cornwallis Park and Cornwallis Street, and recommendations to recognize and commemorate the indigenous history in the lands now known as Halifax Regional Municipality.

Councillor Cleary noted that this motion replaces the Notice of Motion provided at the Regional Council meeting held on April 11, 2017 as item 18.5.

Council entered into a discussion on the matter, noting that the motion would help remove an impediment to progress with Aboriginal and First Nations partners, and the expert panel should examine a range of options for Council's consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT the words “fact- or evidence-based” be added prior to “recommendations to recognize and commemorate” in the main motion.

Several Councillors suggested the amendment would be appropriate because it would emphasize the importance of evidence, rather than emotion, in the process. Other members of Council noted that evidence-based decision making was already adopted as a core value, so its inclusion in the motion would be redundant.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND DEFEATED. (4 in favour, 12 against)

In favour: Councillors: Hendsbee, Walker, Adams and Whitman

Against: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Craig, Councillors: Streach, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Zurawski, Blackburn and Outhit

Not present: Councillor Karsten

MAIN MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (15 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Craig, Councillors: Streach, Hendsbee, Nicoll, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn and Outhit

Against: Councillor Adams

Not present: Councillor Karsten

15. MOTIONS

15.1 Councillor Adams

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to acquire a portion of PID 00385989 to allow for access to the Terence Bay Lighthouse, in Terence Bay (PID 00385880).

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

16. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

The following matters were considered in public session. There was no In Camera (In Private) session convened.

16.1 Personnel Matter

Citizen and Councillor appointments to boards and committees in keeping with the Public Appointment Policy adopted by Regional Council in August 2011, to be found at <http://www.halifax.ca/boardscom/documents/Citizenrecruitmentpolicy.pdf>

16.1.1 Ratification of Citizen Appointments to Boards and Committees – *Private and Confidential Report*

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential report from the Standing Committees and Community Council Chairs dated April 13, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendations of the Standing Committee and the Community Council regarding the Citizen Appointments as outlined in Attachment # 1 of the private and confidential report dated April 13, 2017.**
- 2. It is further recommended that the Citizen Appointments be released to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidates.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

16.2 Contract Negotiations

A matter pertaining to contract negotiations and legal advice.

16.2.1 Sole Source Award – Rail Corridor Capacity Study – *Private and Confidential Report*

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff report dated March 16, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Approve the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential report dated March 16, 2017.**
2. **It is further recommended that the private and confidential report dated March 16, 2017 not be released to the public.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

17. ADDED ITEMS

17.1 Invitation to Party Leaders to Present

Mayor Savage stepped down from the Chair at 5:01 p.m. Deputy Mayor Craig assumed the Chair.

MOVED by Mayor Savage, seconded by Councillor Streach

THAT Halifax Regional Council invite each of the provincial party leaders or a designate to present to Council about how each sees the relationship between HRM and the Province moving forward following an election and that a list of issues be developed for the leaders to address.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Karsten

Mayor Savage resumed the Chair at 5:05 p.m.

18. NOTICES OF MOTION

18.1 Councillor Outhit

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on May 9, 2017, I propose to:

1. Introduce *Administrative Order 2017-001-OP, Placement of Crosswalk Flags Administrative Order; and*
2. Move First Reading of proposed By-law S-310, amendment to By-law S-300 Respecting Streets, to include crosswalk flags.

The purpose of which is to develop guidelines for the placement of Crosswalk Flags.”

18.2 Councillor Austin

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council scheduled for May 9, 2017, I intend to move Amendments to *Administrative Order SC-70, Respecting Closure of a portion of Marilyn Drive right-of-way, Dartmouth, and Administrative Order SC-71, Respecting Closure of a portion of*

Victoria Road right-of-way, Dartmouth, the purpose of which is to add Attachment C (Legal Description) to each Administrative Order.”

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Kevin Arjoon
Municipal Clerk