



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
December 4, 2018**

PRESENT:

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

STAFF:

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer
John Traves, Municipal Solicitor
Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk
Phoebe Rai, Legislative Assistant
David Perusse, Legislative Assistant

The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.

The agenda, reports, supporting documents, information items circulated, and video (if available) are online at halifax.ca.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m., Council moved into an In Camera (In Private) session at 1:47 p.m., reconvened in public session at 4:45 p.m. Council adjourned at 4:49 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 13, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT the minutes of November 13, 2018 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Councillor Cleary requested that Information Item 6 -- Memorandum from the Director of Planning and Development dated September 27, 2018 re: Integrated Mobility Plan (IMP) Implementation of Regional Centre "AAA" Bikeway Network be brought forward for discussion at the next meeting of Regional Council.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES- NONE

6. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS-NONE

7. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

8. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

9. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

10. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

12. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

12.1 Correspondence

The Clerk noted that correspondence was received for Committee of the Whole Item 5 and Council Information Item 6. 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 Zurawski

Councillor Zurawski re-submitted a petition originally presented on November 27, 2018 requesting the installation of traffic lights at the intersection of Grandhaven Boulevard and Washmill Lake Drive in Clayton Park. No further action taken.

13. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

14. REPORTS

14.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

14.1.1 Case 21639 – Initiation of Planning Document Amendments - Margeson Drive Master Plan - Margeson Drive and the Highway #101 Interchange, Middle Sackville

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated October 26, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Craig

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to:

1. **Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy, the Regional Subdivision By-law, the Secondary Municipal Planning Strategies and Land Use By-laws for Sackville and Beaver Bank, Hammonds Plains and Upper Sackville to enable mixed use residential, commercial, institutional and recreational development on lands surrounding the Highway 101 Interchange at Margeson Drive, Middle Sackville as shown on Maps 1-4 of the staff report dated October 26, 2018; and**
2. **Follow the public participation program as set out in Attachment D of the staff report dated October 26, 2018.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.1.2 Port Wallace Environmental Investigation

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 19, 2018

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to:

1. **Conduct an environmental assessment of the HRM-owned lands along Barry's Run and Mitchell's Brook that would form part of the proposed Port Wallace development PID 41301789 and 41376898) (See Attachment A of the staff report dated November 19, 2018, Figure 3.5.1 of the WSP Land Suitability Analysis, generally shown as Area F); and**
2. **Report the findings of the environmental assessment work to Regional Council prior to returning to them with a final recommendation report for the Port Wallace Secondary Plan project.**

Responding to questions of clarification, Jim Hunter, Environmental Performance Officer advised that the assessment was not expected to create significant delays for the Port Wallace Secondary Plan project.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.1.3 Ratification of Councillor Appointments from Standing Committees

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 29, 2018

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the recommendations of the Standing Committee Councillor Appointments as outlined in Attachment 1 of the report dated November 29, 2018.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.2 ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE

14.2.1 Halifax Solar City – Program Update and Extension

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee dated November 22, 2018

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the continuation of the Solar City Program as a clean energy, community-based program; and**
- 2. Direct staff to provide annual reports on the Solar City Program to the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee.**

Kevin Boutilier, Solar City Officer, Energy and Environment responded to questions, noting that the last solar panel system installed on a municipal building was in 2015 and there are no more proposed at this time, but staff will review this going forward. Boutilier laid out the difficulties in extending the program to multi-unit dwellings.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

15. MOTIONS - NONE

16. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

MOVED by Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT Halifax Regional Council convene to In Camera (In Private) to consider items 16.1 and 16.2.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Council moved into an In Camera (In Private) session at 1:47 p.m. and returned to public session at 4:45 p.m.

16.1 CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS – Councillor Outhit – Commuter Rail Update

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff information report dated November 9, 2018

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private).

16.2 PROPERTY MATTER – Councillor Karsten – Buy-Back Agreement

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff information report dated September 21, 2018

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private).

17. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

18. NOTICES OF MOTION

18.1 Councillor Cleary

"TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council on December 11, 2018, I propose to move that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on potentially creating new development charges for and /or regulating trees to be cut down on land that is developed for residential, commercial, and institutional purposes. The report should assess the advantages and disadvantages and the authority Halifax has to bring in such fees and regulation, given the enormous quantitative and qualitative benefits of trees as outlined in the Urban Forest Master Plan."

18.2 Deputy Mayor Mancini

"TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on December 11, 2018, I propose to move:

1. First Reading of proposed By-law S-501 amending By-law S-500, the Solar City By-law; and
2. Proposed amendments to Administrative Order 15, License Permits and Processing Fees

The purpose of which is to update the By-law and Administrative Order to better reflect the current program and its process for the installation of energy equipment and to remove barriers for future clean energy programs."

18.3 Deputy Mayor Mancini

"TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on December 11, 2018 I propose to move Administrative Order 2018-OP-006, repealing and replacing Administrative Order 24 Respecting Fire and Emergency Service in Halifax Regional Municipality, the purpose of which is to:

1. update the references in the Administrative Order;
2. update the responsibilities of Fire & Emergency Services to include Emergency Management Coordination and for the Local Assistant to the Fire Marshall; and
3. revise the minimum service levels and types."

18.4 Councillor Austin

"TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on December 11, 2018 I propose to move First Reading of proposed By-law N-205, amending By-law N-200, the Noise By-law, the purpose of which is to allow noise exemption applications to be approved by staff provided the applications meet certain criteria and other housekeeping amendments."

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:49 p.m. to reconvene into Committee of the Whole.

Kevin Arjoon
Municipal Clerk