



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
May 21, 2019**

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
Richard Zurawski
Matt Whitman
Lisa Blackburn
Steve Craig
Tim Outhit

REGRETS: Councillor Stephen Adams

STAFF: Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer
John Traves, Municipal Solicitor
Sherryl Murphy, Deputy Clerk
Liam MacSween, Legislative Assistant
David Perusse, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m., and recessed at 3:00 p.m. Council reconvened at 3:15 p.m. and recessed at 3:22 p.m. Council reconvened at 6:00 p.m. and recessed at 7:48 p.m. Council reconvened at 7:59 p.m. and adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Mancini called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.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:

18.1 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE - Bus Stop Theatre Cooperative Funding Request

18.2 Councillor Nicoll - Improved Visibility for Crosswalk Signage

Council agreed by consensus to defer consideration of Item No. 18.1 to the June 4, 2019 meeting of Halifax Regional Council.

Councillor Cleary requested that Information Item No. 5 Memorandum from the Acting CFO/Director of Finance, Asset Management and ICT dated April 30, 2019 re: Funding Request – The Vimy Foundation be brought forward for discussion at the June 4, 2019 Halifax Regional Council.

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Two-third majority vote required.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Council agreed to remove agenda item 15.1.3 from the consent agenda.

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Walker

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve item 15.1.1.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Adams, Outhit

6. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

7. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

8. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

9. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

10. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

11. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

12. PUBLIC HEARINGS

12.1 By-law N-200, Respecting Noise – Exemption Request – Glen Arbour Golf Club

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 25, 2019

Tanya Phillips, Program Manager By-Law Standards, spoke to Council about the request for an exemption from By-law N-200, respecting Noise, made by the Glen Arbour Golf Club. Phillips noted that that Glen Arbour Golf Club is seeking to increase the number of permitted events to eight (8) for the current year.

Mayor Savage invited the Applicant to come forward and address Council.

Mike Young, Glen Arbour Golf Club, spoke to Council about the requested exemption, noting that they currently have four (4) events planned for the summer.

Mayor Savage reviewed the rules of procedure for public hearings and opened the public hearing for anyone wishing to speak on the matter.

The Mayor called three (3) times for members of the public wishing to speak on the matter. There being none, it was MOVED by Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the public hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the Glen Arbour Golf Club's application for an exemption from the provisions of the Noise By-Law pursuant to the contents of the staff report dated April 25, 2019.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Streach and Adams

12.2 Case 20160 – Amendments to the Planning District 5 (Chebucto Peninsula) Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law for 90 Club Road and a portion of PID 40072530, Harrietsfield

The following was before Council:

- A Halifax and West Community Council report dated April 10, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated January 8, 2019
- A staff presentation titled "Public Hearing for Case 20160"
- An extract of Draft Minutes – April 30, 2019 Halifax Regional Council

Stephanie Salloum, Planner III, Current Planning, provided Council with a presentation on Case 20160: Amendments to the Planning District 5 (Chebucto Peninsula) Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law for 90 Club Road and a portion of PID 40072530, Harrietsfield. to rezone 90 Club Road to allow the development of commercial and residential uses.

Mayor Savage invited the Applicant to come forward and address Council.

Allan Stevens, Civtech Engineering, on behalf of the Applicant, noted that they were available to take questions from members of Council.

Mayor Savage reviewed the rules of procedure for public hearings and opened the public hearing for anyone wishing to speak on the matter.

Katie Campbell, Cunard Street, asked how many units are expected to be produced from this development, and how many of these would be affordable housing units. They additionally asked what the current footpath easement is used for, and what the impact of the development would be on the use of this easement.

Allan Ruffman, Ferguson's Cove Road, noted an inconsistency between the Zoning Map, which shows the area to be rezoned from P5 to C2 as well as the area that is to be rezoned from P5 to R2, and the Survey Plan, which shows that the property east of the survey property is not included in the Survey Plan. Ruffman asked whether the rezoning should continue to the east of the property owned by the Applicant.

The Mayor called three (3) times for any other members of the public wishing to speak on the matter. There being none, the Mayor invited the applicant to come forward and respond to any items raised during the public hearing.

Allan Stevens, Civtech Engineering, responded to some of the questions raised during the public hearing, noting that lots 1, 2, and 3 will be zoned R2. They further noted that there would be a maximum of two (2) units on each lot.

It was then MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT the public hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law for Planning District 5 (Chebucto Peninsula), as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated January 8, 2019, to enable the conversion of a former satellite receiving station to a commercial use at 90 Club Road, Harrietsfield and to permit residential uses on the remainder of the property and a portion of PID 40072530, Harrietsfield.

Responding to questions from members of Council, Salloum noted that with regards to the abutting property, staff have reached out to the property owner to get consent to rezone their property to be consistent with the R2 zoning. Salloum added that the property owner has since provided their consent to the proposed rezoning.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors: Streach and Adams.

Deputy Mayor Mancini took the Chair at 6:27 p.m.

Mayor Savage left the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

12.3 Case 20577 - Amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax and Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula, and a proposed development agreement to enable an eight-storey building (plus penthouse) on the lands fronting Robie Street, Cunard Street, and Compton Avenue, Halifax (Joint Public Hearing with Halifax and West Community Council)

The following was before Council:

- A Halifax and West Community Council report dated April 10, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated March 22, 2019
- A staff presentation titled "Public Hearing for Case 20577"
- Presentation from the applicant titled "Robie + Cunard"
- An extract of Draft Minutes – April 30, 2019 Halifax Regional Council
- Correspondence from Gloria Ferris, Rebecca Jamieson, Jennifer Berry, Brad Fougere, Mike Cowie, Renee Gruszecki, Elizabeth Precious, Susan McCurdy, Sophie Pilipczuk, Katherine Kitching, Rollie Thompson, Joanne Light, Peggy Cameron, Susan Grandy, Claire Rillie and Halifax Women's House Co-Operative.

Jesse Morton, Planner II, provided Council with a presentation on Case 20577: Amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax and Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula, and a proposed development agreement to enable an eight-storey building (plus penthouse) on the lands fronting Robie Street, Cunard Street, and Compton Avenue, Halifax.

Responding to questions from members of Council, Morton noted that with regards the parking garage entrance on Compton Avenue, HRM engineering staff recommended the use of the side street rather than Robie Street, due to the impact on local traffic.

Deputy Mayor Mancini invited the Applicant to come forward and address Council.

Cesar Saleh, WM Fares Architects, on behalf of the Applicant, provided Council with a presentation on Case 20577: Amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax and Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula, and a proposed development agreement to enable an eight-storey building (plus penthouse) on the lands fronting Robie Street, Cunard Street, and Compton Avenue, Halifax.

Responding to questions from members of Council, Saleh noted that the street walls on Cunard Street were initially set at four (4) and five (5) storeys. However, based on the input of HRM staff, an additional break was added along the street wall on Cunard Street; going from three (3) storeys, to four (4), and then five (5). They further noted that the street wall on Compton Avenue is a consistently three (3) storeys.

Deputy Mayor Mancini reviewed the rules of procedure for public hearings and opened the public hearing for anyone wishing to speak on the matter.

Katie Campbell, Cunard Street, spoke to Council about the proposal, noting that there are concessions being given to the Developer, such as an increase from four (4) storeys to eight (8). Campbell questioned whether the Developer is making enough concessions in return for the benefit of the community. Specially, Campbell asked whether affordable housing would be a sufficient component of the plans for the property.

Shannon Kam, Compton Avenue, expressed concerns with the proposal before Council, noting that the height of the building is excessive, and should be limited to five (5) storeys. They noted concerns relating to the maintenance and upkeep of the building, as well as the impact that blasting would have on neighbouring properties. They additionally noted concerns relating to the increased volume of traffic. They suggested that local traffic control measures should be implemented before the development is permitted to proceed.

Sandra Lee, Compton Avenue, spoke to Council in support of the proposed development, noting that residents need to expect these types of developments in the downtown core. They added that they feel as though there has been a lot of thought and respect put into the proposal.

Allen Ruffman, Ferguson's Cove Road, questioned whether the current proposal would be permitted in its current form if it was required to meet the requirements set forth in the most current iteration of the yet-to-be approved Centre Plan. They noted that they are uneasy about this project receiving approval prior to the Centre Plan being in place.

Ken Kam, Compton Avenue, expressed concerns with the proposal before Council, noting that the impact to the larger community needs to be carefully considered. They noted that traffic congestion, which is already an issue in the area, would be negatively impacted by the development. They suggested that Council and HRM staff consider looking at putting in rotaries and roundabouts as a means of alleviating some of these traffic flow issues. Kam suggested that Council consider deferring the approval of this project until these larger issues are more carefully examined.

Carroll Godsmen, West Street, expressed concerns with the proposal before Council, noting their concerns with the impact on the volume of traffic on Robie Street. They expressed the view that this would not be an ideal location for commercial enterprise and retail. They additionally expressed concerns with the lack of affordable housing options provided by the development. They noted that the high volume of units would lead to increased tenant turnover, and increased instability in the neighbourhood.

Susan Love, Compton Avenue, expressed concerns with the proposal before Council, noting that the current owner of the property does not have a great track record in maintaining the properties in question. They expressed concerns with the scope of the development and suggested that a more community focused design process would be preferable.

Deputy Mayor Mancini called three (3) times for any other members of the public wishing to speak on the matter. There being none, the applicant was invited to come forward and respond to any items raised during the public hearing.

Cesar Saleh, WM Fares Architects, responded to some of the points raised during the public hearing. They noted that the proposed height, as well as other aspects of the development, are consistent with the Centre Plan. With regards to the upkeep and maintenance of the property, Saleh noted that this would be something that would be addressed in the terms of the development agreement. They noted that steps will be taken prior to demolition to mitigate any issues with rodents, mitigation measures which have been successful in the past. With regards to blasting, they noted that the HRM's Blasting By-law regulates the industry, including compensation regimes. They concluded that the proposal before Council was developed in a collaborative and transparent manner and has been scrutinized against the Centre Plan.

It was then MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT the public hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Walker

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law (LUB), as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated March 22, 2019, to allow for an eight-storey (plus penthouse) mixed-use building by development agreement at 2180 Robie Street, 2178 Robie Street, 2176 Robie Street, 2166 Robie Street, 2164 Robie Street, 2162 Robie Street, 6020 Cunard Street, 6018 Cunard Street, 6014 Cunard Street, and 6025 Compton Avenue, Halifax.

Responding to questions from members of Council, Morton noted that while the proposed development largely conforms with the requirements set out in the 2017 version of the Centre Plan, the Centre Plan has been updated several times since then. They noted that the development would not meet some of the standards set out in the 2019 version of the Centre Plan. With regards to traffic calming, Morton noted that a traffic assessment would be required prior to examining calming measures. Speaking to the current bus stop on Robie Street, Morton noted that it was not flagged as an issue with regards to this development proceeding. They added that the Integrated Mobility Plan designates Robie Street as a potential transit corridor.

Councillor Smith expressed concerns with the proposed street wall height on Robie Street and Cunard Street, and requested that Council consider an amendment reducing the street wall heights.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Attachment A of the staff report, Section 6.2.1 (1), clause G, be amended to read: “restrict street wall height to a maximum of 4 stories along Robie street and to a maximum of 3 stories along Cunard Street” and schedule a new public hearing.

Councillor Mason spoke to the proposed amendment, expressing the view that based on examples of recent nearby developments, four (4) and five (5) storey street walls were too high.

Councillor Walker spoke in opposition to the proposed amendment, noting that members of the public did not note the height of the street walls as an issue during the public hearing.

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor, noted that the proposed amendment would constitute a ‘substantive amendment,’ which, if approved, would require that a new public hearing be scheduled.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND DEFEATED (7 in favour, 7 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Mancini, and Councillors Nicoll, Austin, Mason, Smith, Blackburn and Outhit.

Against: Councillors Hendsbee, Karsten, Cleary, Walker, Zurawski, Whitman and Craig.

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillors Streach and Adams.

Council returned to consideration of the original motion.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (12 in favour, 2 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Mancini, and Councillors Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mason, Cleary, Walker, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn and Craig.

Against: Councillors Smith and Outhit.

Not present: Mayor Savage and Councillors Streach and Adams.

13. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

13.1 Correspondence

The Deputy Clerk noted that correspondence was received for items 12.3 and 15.1.4. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

13.2 Petitions

13.2.1 Councillor Blackburn

Councillor Blackburn submitted a petition containing 25 signatures requesting the pavement of Sandy Lake Road in Beaver Bank.

14. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – April 30, 2019

14.1 Councillor Whitman – 2018/19 Third Quarter Halifax Transit Key Performance Indicator Report

The following was before Council:

- A staff information report dated April 23, 2019

Dave Reage, Director of Halifax Transit and Patricia Hughes, Manager of Scheduling provided an overview of the 2018/19 Third Quarter Halifax Transit Key Performance Indicator Report.

In response to questions from Council, Reage advised of continuing work on Access-A-Bus noting the addition of new software to assist in making last minute scheduling adjustments. Reage provided further information with respect to ongoing work with Transportation and Public Works staff to identify and improve bus stop accessibility.

In response to a follow up question, Reage advised that staff estimate fuel costs for Halifax Transit on world markets. Reage advised of an anticipated increase in the cost of diesel fuel based on market research.

Reage concluded by noting there was a 4.8 percent increase in ridership in the third quarter of 2018/19.

15. REPORTS

15.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

15.1.1 Appointment of Development Officer

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated December 6, 2018
- A private and confidential memorandum dated May 17, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Walker

THAT Halifax Regional Council appoint Peter Nightingale as Development Officer, pursuant to Subsection 258(1) of the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, and that this appointment be effective for the duration of the current conditions of their employment with the Halifax Regional Municipality.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Adams

15.1.2 Capital Budget Multi-year Process and Timeline

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 24, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to schedule Budget Committee meetings, as outlined in the Discussion section of the staff report dated April 24, 2019, to provide guidance for the 2020/21, 2021/22, and 2022/23 capital budget deliberations.

In response to question from Council, Crystal Nowlan, Manager of Asset Management advised that staff will report to Council on proposed projects for funding under the Federal Gas Tax program during the proposed Capital Funding Framework meeting scheduled for August 16, 2019.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Adams

15.1.3 Award – Sole Source, Commissionaires Nova Scotia

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated May 1, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- a) Award a sole source contract to Commissionaires Nova Scotia for the provision of Security Services at Halifax Public Gardens, renewable annually for a period not to exceed 10 years at an approximate annual cost of \$60,000 including net HST;**
- b) Award a sole source contract to Commissionaires Nova Scotia for the provision of Mail Room support, renewable annually for a period not to exceed 10 years at an approximate annual cost of \$60,000 including net HST;**
- c) Award a sole source contract to Commissionaires Nova Scotia for the provision of Security Services at Halifax City Hall, renewable annually for a period not to exceed 10 years at an approximate annual cost of \$151,000 including net HST;**
- d) Award a sole source contract to Commissionaires Nova Scotia for the provision of Gate openings and closings for 20 Municipal parks, renewable annually for a period not to exceed 10 years at an approximate annual cost of \$66,000 including net HST; and**
- e) Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to execute the contracts subject to terms and conditions agreeable to the Municipality and approved to form and authority by Legal Services.**

Staff responded to questions regarding the details of the contract.

The MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Adams

15.1.4 Award – Request for Proposal (RFP) 18-335 - Integrated Parking Technology Solution

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated April 24, 2019
- Correspondence from Sean Fraser and Chad Bowie

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Award RFP #P18-335, Integrated Parking Technology Solution to the highest scoring proponent, Cale Systems Inc., in the amount of**
 - a. \$2,108,888 (net HST included) with funding from Project No. C1990031 Parking Technology, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated April 24, 2019 and**
 - b. \$33,567 (net HST included) for subscription fees, support and maintenance fees for each month of operation as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated April 24, 2019.**

2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to execute a contract with Cale Systems Inc. for a five (5) year period and including options to renew annually for a maximum of fifteen (15) additional years as per the RFP, with commercial terms that are satisfactory to the Chief Administrative Officer and Director of Legal Services

In response to a question regarding local preference and procurement, John Traves, Municipal Solicitor advised that Council has considered local benefit and local preference procurement practices in the past and noted that the RFP for the Integrated Parking Technology Solution is characterized as a high value contract for goods and services which is subject to the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) mandated by the Federal Government in 2016. Traves further advised that due to overriding federal legislation, a local benefit or local preference lens cannot be applied to a RFP.

Staff responded to questions regarding the current mobile parking app provider, the transition between vendors, and security protocol around cloud based operations.

MOVED by Councillor Streach, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council defer consideration of the matter pending further information on the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) and the relationship between Hotspot and Cale Systems Inc.

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor provided further information respecting the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement advising that a contract over \$300,000 for goods and services is considered high value. Traves noted that under the agreement, local benefit or local preference cannot be used as grounds to contravene the agreement. Traves further advised that staff cannot approach a sub vendor of an unsuccessful bid regarding details of the scoring of the project.

MOTION TO DEFER PUT AND DEFEATED (4 in favour; 12 against).

In favour: Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Zurawski, Whitman

Against: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Blackburn, Craig, Outhit

Council agreed by consensus to have the Mayor respond to the correspondence received from Member of Parliament Sean Fraser.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED (13 in favour, 3 against).

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Zurawski, Blackburn, Craig, Outhit

Against: Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Whitman

Not present: Councillor Adams

15.2 NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

15.2.1 Hammonds Plains Community Centre Area Rate Request

The following was before Council:

- A report from North West Community Council dated May 14, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated February 25, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve financial support for the recapitalization of the Hammonds Plains Community Centre with \$150,000 in funding from the Hammonds Plains Common Area Rate to be allocated by March 31, 2021; and**
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to direct staff to only release funds to the contractor when:**
 - (a) the amounts are invoiced to Hammonds Plains Community Centre; and**
 - (b) payment of invoice has been approved by either Hammonds Plains Community Centre Board or a person authorized by the Board to approve it.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Adams

15.3 GRANTS COMMITTEE

15.3.1 Interim Community Museums Grant Program – Recommended Awards Fiscal Year 2019

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Grants Committee dated May 13, 2019 with staff recommendation report dated February 15, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve twelve (12) Operating Grants, three (3) Project Grants, and one (1) Special Project grant as detailed in Attachments 1 and 2 of the staff report dated February 15, 2019 at a combined cost of \$125,966 subject to budget confirmation in 2019-2020 from Operating Account M310-8004; and**
- 2. Refer the Urban Farm Museum Society of Spryfield and the Sheet Harbour and Area Heritage Society to the 2019-2020 Community Grants Program and the 2020-2021 Interim Community Museums Grant Program**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Streach, Adams

15.3.2 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 2014-001-ADM, Respecting Tax Relief To Non-Profit Organizations – Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Part 1

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Grants Committee dated May 13, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated March 13, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve renewal of tax relief for 707 properties as listed in Schedules 26 to 30 as itemized in Attachment 1 of the information report “Tax Relief for Non-Profit Organizations: Fiscal Year 2019 – Part 2 Renewal of Tax Relief” dated March 13, 2019, and included in Attachments 1 through 5 of the March 13, 2019 staff recommendation report, effective April 1, 2019, unless stated otherwise, at an estimated combined cost of \$3,992,631 from Operating Account M311-8006;**

2. Approve the addition of 68 properties to Administrative Order 2014-001-ADM as detailed in the Discussion section of the March 13, 2019 staff recommendation report at an estimated combined cost of \$269,240 from Operating Account M311-8006; and
3. Adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 2014-001-ADM as set out in Attachments A through E in Attachment 1 of the March 13, 2019 staff recommendation report to repeal and replace Schedules 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 of the administrative order.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Streach, Adams

16. MOTIONS

16.1 Councillor Cleary

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on creating Trail Etiquette signage for installation at HRM owned/maintained trails, public walkways and paths. The report is to include samples of signage content and format.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (14 in favour, 1 against)

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

Against: Councillor Whitman

Not present: Councillors Streach, Adams

17. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE

18. ADDED ITEMS

18.1 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE - Bus Stop Theatre Cooperative Funding Request Bus Stop Theatre Cooperative Funding Request

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee dated May 17, 2019 with attached staff report dated May 8, 2019

This matter was deferred to the to June 4, 2019 meeting of Halifax Regional Council during the approval of the order of business.

18.2 Councillor Nicoll - Improved Visibility for Crosswalk Signage

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council Consideration form dated May 21, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Outhit

THAT Halifax Regional Council request the Mayor send a letter to the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal expressing a desire to amend the regulations under the Motor Vehicle Act (MVA) to add fluorescent yellow-green as a background colour for crosswalk signage to improve visibility and pedestrian safety.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Streach, Adams

19. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

20. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Kevin Arjoon
Municipal Clerk