



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
November 26, 2019**

PRESENT: Mayor Mike Savage  
Deputy Mayor Lisa Blackburn  
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  
Paul Russell  
Tim Outhit

REGRETS: Councillors: Bill Karsten  
Russell Walker

STAFF: Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer  
John Traves, Municipal Solicitor  
Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk  
Liam MacSween, Acting Deputy Clerk  
Simon Ross-Siegel, Legislative Assistant

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

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*The meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m., and recessed at 3:00 p.m. Council reconvened in at 3:21 p.m. Council adjourned at 5:08 p.m.*

## **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. and Council stood for a moment of reflection.

## **SELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR**

Mayor Savage provided an overview of the selection of Deputy Mayor process.

Mayor Savage thanked Deputy Mayor Tony Mancini for serving HRM in the position over the past year.

Deputy Mayor Mancini thanked Mayor Savage and members of Council.

Mayor Savage opened the floor for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mancini

**THAT Councillor Blackburn be nominated as Deputy Mayor of the Halifax Regional Municipality.**

The Mayor called three times for further nominations, there were none.

## **MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

Councillor Blackburn was acclaimed as Deputy Mayor of the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Deputy Mayor Blackburn thanked Mayor Savage and members of Council.

## **2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements.

## **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 22, 2019**

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

**THAT the minutes of October 22, 2019 be approved as circulated**

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

Additions:

### **17. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)**

#### **Private and Confidential Information Items**

##### **1. Private and Confidential In Camera (In Private) Information Report - re: LEGAL ADVICE**

Council agreed to consider Item No. 13.3.1 prior to considering Item No. 9.1. Council further agreed to consider Item No. 15.2.1 prior to Item No. 9.1.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Cleary

**THAT the agenda be approved as amended.**

Two-third majority vote required.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

Halifax Regional Council agreed by consensus to remove Item No. 15.1.4 and 15.4.9 from the consent agenda.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the following items: 15.1.2, 15.3.1, 15.3.2, 15.4.2, 15.4.3, 15.4.4, 15.4.5, 15.4.6, 15.4.7, 15.4.8, and 15.4.10**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**6. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

**7. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS**

**8. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE**

**9. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION**

**9.1 Deputy Mayor Mancini - Rescission of Council motion 14.2.1 January 15, 2019 - Single-use Item Reduction Strategy**

The following was before Council:

- An extract from Regional Council Minutes from January 15, 2019
- A Request for Council's Consideration Form

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

**THAT Halifax Regional Council rescind its motion of January 15, 2019 directing staff to, among other things, collaborate with the ten largest NS municipalities to develop a by-law to eliminate the distribution of single-use plastic bags.**

Two-third majority vote required.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

**10. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE**

**11. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE**

**12. PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE**

**13. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**

**13.1 Correspondence**

The Municipal Clerk noted that correspondence was received for items: Budget Item No. 3, 15.1.7, 15.3.1 and 15.4.9. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

### **13.2 Petitions - None**

### **13.3 Presentation**

#### **13.3.1 2020 North American Indigenous Games**

The following was before Council:

- A presentation entitled North American Indigenous Games 2020

Fiona Kirkpatrick-Parsons, Chair of the 2020 North American Indigenous Games Host Committee and John Rodgers, Chief Executive Officer, 2020 North American Indigenous Games provided a presentation.

In response to questions from Council, Rogers advised that the North American Indigenous Games have a strong marketing and communications plan, and that there will be a great deal of activity that will roll out early in the new year. Rogers further noted that there will be call for approximately 3000 volunteers for the event and encouraged Council to help inform the public in this regard.

## **14. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD**

### **14.1 Councillors Russell and Whitman - 2019/20 First Quarter Halifax Transit Key Performance Indicator Report**

The following was before Council:

- A Transportation Standing Committee information report dated October 29, 2019 with attached staff information report dated August 6, 2019

In response to questions from Council, Dave Reage, Director of Halifax Transit advised that staff investigates complaints against operators and advised that outcomes range from additional coaching and training to discipline.

Lynn Barrington, Manager of Operations provided an overview of Access-A-Bus services provided by the Halifax Transit.

In response to a follow up question, Reage advised that transit staff are currently looking at connectivity improvements and on time performance. Reage provided further information respecting traffic chokepoints and other challenges faced by transit planners when developing bus scheduling.

### **14.2 Councillor Russell - Halifax Forum Bingo**

The following was before Council:

- A staff information report dated October 30, 2019

In response to a question from Council, Michael Ryan, Manager of Community Partnerships, advised there is nothing that precludes HRM employees from conducting bingo operations under the HRM Charter.

### **14.3 Deputy Mayor Mancini - Extended Producer Responsibility**

The following was before Council:

- An Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee information report dated November 8, 2019 with attached staff information report dated September 6, 2019
- A staff presentation dated November 26, 2019

Laurie Lewis, Manager of Solid Waste provided an overview of the staff information report dated September 6, 2019.

In response to questions from Council, Lewis advised that in other jurisdictions the cost for waste removal is built in to the pricing model of a product at the time of purchase. Lewis advised that Nova Scotia does not follow this pricing model.

#### **14.4 Councillor Whitman - Joint Project for Regulatory Modernization – Phase II Update**

The following was before Council:

- A staff information report dated September 16, 2019

Jerry Blackwood, Director of Corporate Customer Services provided an overview of the staff information report and provided a progress update on Joint Project for Regulatory Modernization.

### **15. REPORTS**

#### **15.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

##### **15.1.1 Second Reading Proposed By-law P-1201, an Amendment to By-law P-1200, Respecting On-Street Parking Permits; Second Reading Proposed By-law P-507, an Amendment to By-law P-500, Respecting Parking Meters for the Regulation of Parking of Vehicles Left Standing in the Halifax Regional Municipality and Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 15, Respecting License, Permit and Processing Fees – Parking Program Changes**

The following was before Council:

- An extract from Regional Council Minutes from October 22, 2019
- A staff recommendation report dated August 2, 2019
- A supplementary staff recommendation report dated October 23, 2019

Notice of Motion given on October 8, 2019. First reading was given on October 22, 2019.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt By-law P-1201, the purpose of which is to amend By-law P-1200, Respecting On-Street Parking Permits as set out in Attachment B of the staff report dated August 2, 2019;**
- 2. Adopt By-law P-507, the purpose of which is to amend By-law P-500, Respecting Parking Meters for the Regulation of Parking of Vehicles Left Standing in the Halifax Regional Municipality as set out in Attachment D of the staff report dated August 2, 2019;**
- 3. Adopt proposed amendments to Administrative Order 15, Respecting License, Permit and Processing Fees as set out in Attachment 1 of the supplementary staff report dated October 23, 2019;**
- 4. Direct the Municipal Clerk to delay publishing By-law P-1201, By-law P-507, and the amendments to Administrative Order 15 until advised by the Chief Administrative Officer to proceed with publication;**
- 5. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to work with the province to improve the accessible permit program and return to Council in one year with options on how to proceed;**
- 6. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to continue with the planned curb side management policy prioritizing accessible parking spaces and strive to generate more accessible parking spaces on the peninsula.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Nicoll and Walker

##### **15.1.2 Facility Operating Agreements – Neighbourhood Facilities**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 5, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate and execute a Facility Operating Agreement with the Moser River Community Hall Association substantially in the same form as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated November 5, 2019;**
- 2. Authorize the Chief Administrative Office to negotiate and execute a Facility Operating Agreement with the Samuel R Balcom Centre Association substantially in the same form as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated November 5, 2019; and**
- 3. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate and execute a Facility Operating Agreement with the West Chezzetcook and Grand Desert Recreational Society substantially in the same form as set out in Attachment 3 of the staff report dated November 5, 2019.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten and Walker

**15.1.3 Case CA0127 – Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 29, Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies – Street Naming and Renaming from July 1, 2019 – August 31, 2019**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 4, 2019

Notice of Motion given on November 12, 2019.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Whitman

**THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to Administrative Order 29, Respecting Civic Addressing Policies as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated November 4, 2019 in order to approve the renaming of William Allan Drive, Harrigan Cove to Charlie Shiers Lane, Harrigan Cove, as identified in Attachment A and Maps 1 and 2 of the staff report dated November 4, 2019.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Walker

**15.1.4 First Reading Proposed By-law S-448, an Amendment to By-law S-400, Respecting Charges for Street Improvements**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated September 20, 2019

Notice of Motion given on November 12, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Zurawski, seconded by Councillor Cleary

**THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to By-law S-448, amending by-law S-400, the Street Improvement By-law, as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated September 20, 2019**

The following amendment was suggested by Councillor Zurawski to correct an error in the staff report:

**THAT Halifax Regional Council amend attachment 1, clause 4 of the September 20, 2019 staff report to insert \$0.35 per foot for asphalt paving of Raines Mills Road, Lakeside.**

The amendment was deemed friendly by Halifax Regional Council. The motion before Council now reads:

MOVED by Councillor Zurawski, seconded by Councillor Cleary

**THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to By-law S-448, amending by-law S-400, the Street Improvement By-law, as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated September 20, 2019 as amended to insert \$0.35 per foot for asphalt paving of Raines Mills Road, Lakeside.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Walker

#### **15.1.5 Requested Amendment to By-Law P-100, Respecting the Board of Police Commissioners**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated October 25, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Mancini

**THAT Halifax Regional Council maintain the text of clause 8(2)(f) of By-law P-100, Respecting the Board of Police Commissioners as it is currently written for the reasons outlined in the staff report dated October 25, 2019.**

In response to questions from Council regarding the language of proposed changes regarding Code of Ethics complaints in By-law P-100, Katherine Salsman, Solicitor, stated that the By-law currently uses relatively clear language to inform and direct residents to submit ethics complaints to the relevant department or complaints division of the Halifax Regional Police. If the proposed changes were adopted, there is a risk that residents may through confusion attempt to submit complaints to the Board of Police Commission, which does not have the jurisdiction to hear complaints.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Walker

#### **15.1.6 Case 21996 - Municipal Planning Strategy amendments for 18 Scotia Drive, Bedford**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated October 21, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Russell

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**

- 1. Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Bedford and the Land Use By-law for Bedford as necessary to develop a portion of 18 Scotia Drive for residential purposes, in a manner consistent with the policy direction outlined within the Discussion section of the staff report dated October 21, 2019; and**
- 2. Request staff to follow the public participation program as adopted by Council in February 1997.**

In response to questions from Council regarding permitted building height should the proposed changes be adopted by Council, Jesse Morton, Planner II, noted that the proposed changes would allow for one and two-unit dwellings and there is currently no intention as of this time to allow multi-unit residences.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.** (13 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Austin, Mason, Smith, Adams, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn, Russell and Outhit

Against: Councillor Cleary

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Nicoll and Walker

### **15.1.7 Halifax Forum Building Analysis**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 12, 2019
- Correspondence from Dan Conlin and Sheila Fougere

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Streach

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

**1. Approve the redevelopment approach for the Halifax Forum complex as outlined in the staff report dated November 12, 2019, including the restoration of the Halifax Forum in accordance with the Heritage Property Act, for the development of a second arena, multi-purpose/event space, parking, and greenspace;**

**2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**

**a) engage with the Halifax Forum Community Association to determine the size and composition of the multi-purpose space on the basis of it being primarily for community events and uses as outlined in the staff report dated November 12, 2019; and**

**b) determine the potential for partnerships on the Halifax Forum complex lands for private mixed-use development, as outlined in the staff report dated November 12, 2019; and report back to Regional Council; and**

**3. Subsequent to exploring partnership opportunities, direct the Chief Administrative Officer to include funds in the 2021/2022 capital budget.**

The Mayor stepped down from the Chair and Councillor Mancini took the Chair with the agreement of Council.

Council discussed partnership opportunities for the redevelopment of the Halifax Forum complex and issues relating to arena size, heritage impact, and multi-purpose spaces.

In response to questions from Council regarding partnership opportunities, Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer, stated that were staff to engage a private partner to pursue redevelopment, staff would most likely pursue a long-term land lease agreement for a time frame between sixty-five and ninety-nine years. Given the strategic value of the land, staff would most likely not propose a land sale.

In response to questions from Council regarding salvage of heritage materials, John MacPherson, Manager of Corporate Facility Design & Construction, stated that the current proposal will retain the front façade and the first fifty feet of the building from the façade on Windsor street. Otherwise, the building would be a new construction. Staff would use as many original materials as possible in the reconstruction including the old bricks. Regarding potential cost savings from the possible deregistration of the heritage designation of the site, staff stated that associated costs for the proposed construction options are broad estimates.

In response to questions from Council regarding facility design, Gareth Evans, Recreation Planning Specialist, stated that if the stadium size was altered to reduce seating from 5000 to 2900 seats staff's previous analysis and consultations with the Forum Association and general manager concluded that the facility would still be capable of accommodating most events.

The following additional motion was suggested by Councillor Smith:

**That Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to engage the public in partnership with the HFCA to receive feedback on the proposed design during the time of investigation of potential partnerships.**

The motion was deemed friendly by Regional Council. The motion before Council now reads:

**MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Streach**

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Approve the redevelopment approach for the Halifax Forum complex as outlined in the staff report dated November 12, 2019, including the restoration of the Halifax Forum in accordance with the Heritage Property Act, for the development of a second arena, multi-purpose/event space, parking, and greenspace;**
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**
  - a) engage with the Halifax Forum Community Association to determine the size and composition of the multi-purpose space on the basis of it being primarily for community events and uses as outlined in the staff report dated November 12, 2019;**
  - b) determine the potential for partnerships on the Halifax Forum complex lands for private mixed-use development, as outlined in the staff report dated November 12, 2019; and report back to Regional Council; and**
- 3. Subsequent to exploring partnership opportunities, direct the Chief Administrative Officer to include funds in the 2021/2022 capital budget.**
- 4. Engage the public in partnership with the HFCA to receive feedback on the proposed design during the time of investigation of potential partnerships.**

The motion was separated for voting purposes as per Section 90 of Administrative Order One. John Traves, Municipal Solicitor, informed Council that parts 1 and 3 of the motion must be considered jointly.

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Approve the redevelopment approach for the Halifax Forum complex as outlined in the staff report dated November 12, 2019, including the restoration of the Halifax Forum in accordance with the Heritage Property Act, for the development of a second arena, multi-purpose/event space, parking, and greenspace;**
- 3. Subsequent to exploring partnership opportunities, direct the Chief Administrative Officer to include funds in the 2021/2022 capital budget.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.** (7 in favour, 6 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Streach, Austin, Mason, Smith, Cleary, and Adams

Against: Councillor Hendsbee, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn, Russell and Outhit

Not present: Mayor Savage, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll and Walker

**2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**

- a) engage with the Halifax Forum Community Association to determine the size and composition of the multi-purpose space on the basis of it being primarily for community events and uses as outlined in the staff report dated November 12, 2019;**

**b) determine the potential for partnerships on the Halifax Forum complex lands for private mixed-use development, as outlined in the staff report dated November 12, 2019; and report back to Regional Council; and**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll and Walker

**4. Engage the public in partnership with the HFCA to receive feedback on the proposed design during the time of investigation of potential partnerships.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Walker

## **15.2 EXECUTIVE STANDING COMMITTEE**

### **15.2.1 Proposed Administrative Order 2019-004-GOV, Respecting the Women's Advisory Committee in the Halifax Regional Municipality and Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order One, Respecting the Procedure of the Council – Women's Advisory (Advocacy) Committee**

The following was before Council:

- An Executive Standing Committee report dated October 29, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated January 15, 2019

Notice of Motion given on November 12, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Deputy Mayor Blackburn

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt Administrative Order No. 2019-004-GOV as set out in Attachment 4 of the staff report dated January 15, 2019, to establish a Women's Advisory Committee to support the creation of a gender inclusive municipality and provide advice to Council on matters relevant to the municipal mandate; and**
- 2. Adopt the amendments to Administrative Order One as set out in Attachment 5 of the staff report dated January 15, 2019, to allow the newly created Women's Advisory Committee to report to the Executive Standing Committee of Council.**

The following amendment was proposed:

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

**That Halifax Regional Council amend section 13(a) to be "two (2) members of Council, at least one of whom shall be a member of the Executive Standing Committee"**

This amendment was considered friendly by Halifax Regional Council. **The motion before Council now reads:**

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Deputy Mayor Blackburn

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt Administrative Order No. 2019-004-GOV as set out in Attachment 4 of the staff report dated January 15, 2019, to establish a Women's Advisory Committee to support the creation of a gender inclusive municipality and provide advice to Council on matters relevant to the municipal mandate with the following amendment to section 13(a) of the Committee's Terms of Reference:**

“two (2) members of Council, at least one of whom shall be a member of the Executive Standing Committee”; and  
2. Adopt the amendments to Administrative Order One as set out in Attachment 5 of the staff report dated January 15, 2019, to allow the newly created Women's Advisory Committee to report to the Executive Standing Committee of Council.

**MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

### **15.3 HALIFAX AND WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

#### **15.3.1 Less than Market Value License Sable Island Institute, Point Pleasant Park Superintendents House, 5718 Point Pleasant Drive, Halifax**

The following was before Council:

- A Halifax and West Community Council report dated November 14, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated October 10, 2019
- Correspondence from David Keefe

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to conduct a scan of the local not-for-profit environment to determine the best use of the Point Pleasant Park Superintendent's Lodge, in meeting the goals of the Point Pleasant Park Comprehensive Plan as part of the community engagement on the Proposed Greenbank Building for consideration upon completion of the 5-year less than market license.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

#### **15.3.2 Councillor Appointments to the Halifax Peninsula Planning Advisory Committee**

The following was before Council:

- A Halifax and West Community Council report dated November 13, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council appoint Councillor Mason and Councillor Smith to the Halifax Peninsula Planning Advisory Committee for a term to November 30, 2020.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

### **15.4 GRANTS COMMITTEE**

#### **15.4.1 Graves Oakley Park – Change Room/Washroom Facility Dartmouth**

The following was before Council:

- A Grants Committee report dated November 20, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated November 12, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into a less than market value land lease agreement with the Halifax Tars Rugby Club as per the terms and conditions set out in Table 1 of the staff report dated November 12, 2019 respecting the construction and operation of a fieldhouse at Graves Oakley Park; and**
- 2. Pending confirmation of Provincial cost sharing approve the provision of a one-time contribution to the Halifax Tars Rugby Club for one-third funding towards the development of a fieldhouse in the amount of \$315,000 on the same terms and conditions as the Province of Nova Scotia (Communities Culture and Heritage). And if approved direct the Chief Administrative Officer include the project for consideration as part of the 2020/21 operating budget deliberations.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Mike Savage, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Walker

#### **15.4.2 Regional Special Events Grant Report - Sackville Business Association**

The following was before Council:

- A Grants Committee report dated November 20, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated October 17, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council approve a one time increase in funding in the amount of \$500 to the Sackville Business Association under the Community Celebrations Grant program for the Annual Sackville Christmas Tree Lighting event from the 2019/20 Operating Budget – C760 Community/Civic Events.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

#### **15.4.3 Less than Market Value Lease – MacPhee House, 22404 Highway 7 Sheet Harbour**

The following was before Council:

- A Grants Committee report dated November 20, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated September 16, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into a less than market value lease agreement with the Sheet Harbour and Area Chamber of Commerce for the leased premises located at 22404 Highway 7, Sheet Harbour, as per the key terms and conditions set out in Table 1 in the discussion section of the staff report dated September 16, 2019.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

#### **15.4.4 Less than Market Value Lease - Senobe Aquatic Club, 8 Nowlan Drive, Dartmouth**

The following was before Council:

- A Grants Committee report dated November 20, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated October 22, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute a less than market value lease agreement with Senobe Aquatic Club for a portion of PID #00636290 and PID #00636308, lands adjacent to 8 Nowlan Drive as per the key terms and conditions set out in Table 1 in the discussion section of the staff report dated October 22, 2019.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

#### **15.4.5 Less than Market Value Lease - Abenaki Aquatic Club, 22A Swanton Drive, Dartmouth**

The following was before Council:

- A Grants Committee report dated November 20, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated October 23, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute a less than market value lease agreement with Abenaki Aquatic Club for the premises at 22A Swanton Drive, Dartmouth, a portion of PID #00219154, as per the key terms and conditions set out in Table 1 in the discussion section of the staff report dated October 23, 2019.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

#### **15.4.6 Less than Market Value Lease - Atlantic Division Association, Canoe Kayak Canada, 34 Boathouse Lane, Dartmouth**

The following was before Council:

- A Grants Committee report dated November 20, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated October 23, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into a less than market value land lease agreement with Atlantic Division Association, Canoe Kayak Canada, for the premises at 34 Boathouse Lane, Dartmouth, a portion of PID #00094573, as per the key terms**

and conditions set out in Table 1 in the discussion section of the staff report dated October 23, 2019.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

**15.4.7 Less than Market Value License Sable Island Institute, Point Pleasant Park Superintendents House, 5718 Point Pleasant Drive, Halifax**

The following was before Council:

- A Grants Committee report dated November 20, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated October 10, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into a less than market value license agreement with Sable Island Institute for the premises known as the Point Pleasant Park Superintendents Lodge, located at 5718 Point Pleasant Drive, Halifax, as per the key terms and conditions set out in Table 1 in the discussion section of the staff report dated October 10, 2019.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

**15.4.8 Less Than Market Value Lease Renewal – 28 Caledonia Road, Dartmouth**

The following was before Council:

- A Grants Committee report dated November 20, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated September 5, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to direct the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into a less than market value Lease Renewal Agreement with the Dartmouth Day Care Centre for the premises located at 28 Caledonia Road, Dartmouth, identified as PID 40542888 as per the key terms and conditions set out in Table 2 in the discussion section of the report staff dated September 5, 2019.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

**15.4.9 Business Improvement District (BID) Contribution Fund 2019-2020 Recommended Awards**

The following was before Council:

- A Grants Committee report dated November 20, 2019 with attached staff recommendation report dated October 3, 2019
- Correspondence from the Business Improvement Districts

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Whitman

**THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the eight (8) awards detailed in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated October 3, 2019 for a combined total of \$107,000 from operating account C771-6919.**

In response to questions from Councillors regarding a perceived difference in funding amounts for certain awards, Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer and John Traves, Municipal Solicitor, suggested that Council may wish to defer the motion and either refer the award or a request for a funding policy review to the Audit and Finance Standing Committee for a supplemental staff report. Following discussion, Council proposed to approve staff's recommendation and also give direction to staff to restore funding to previous levels for the award.

The following motion was suggested by Councillor Adams:

**THAT Halifax Regional Council Request a supplemental staff report regarding the BID contribution fund policy and restoring funding to previous levels.**

The motion was deemed friendly by Regional Council. The motion before Council now reads:

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. approve the eight (8) awards detailed in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated October 3, 2019 for a combined total of \$107,000 from operating account C771-6919; and**
- 2. Request a supplemental staff report regarding the BID contribution fund policy and restoring funding to previous levels**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll and Walker

#### **15.4.10 Community Grants Program 2019 – Referrals**

The following was before Council:

- A Grants Committee report dated November 20, 2019 with two attached staff recommendation reports dated July 23, 2019 and April 30, 2019

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. A capital grant in the amount of \$4,760 to the MusGo Riders Cooperative Limited towards upgrades to the cooperative's new premises in Porter's Lake;**
- 2. A capital grant in the amount of \$12,500 to the Banook Canoe Club to fully fund electrical upgrades to the clubhouse facility; and**
- 3. A capital grant in the amount \$16,000 to Akoma Holding Incorporated towards the installation of an elevator in the former Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children at a combined total cost of \$33,260 from Operating Account M311-8004 Community Grants.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

#### **15.5 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

##### **15.5.1 Councillor Hendsbee – By-law to enable on-site septic financing**

The following was before Council:

- A Request for Council's Consideration Form

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report for the establishment of a new HRM By-law or amend the existing By-Law C-1000 Respecting Charges for the Resolution of Inadequate Water Supply to enable the municipality to assist property owners with the financing of replacing or upgrading of on-site septic / sewage disposal equipment.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Mayor Savage, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Walker

#### **15.5.2 Councillor Austin - Downtown Dartmouth Ice Festival**

The following was before Council:

- A Request for Council's Consideration Form

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Mason

**THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to the Special Events Advisory Committee to consider funding options to the Downtown Dartmouth Ice Festival on February 7- 9, 2020.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.** (12 in favour, 1 against)

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

Against: Councillor Whitman

Not present: Mayor Savage, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Walker

#### **16. MOTIONS – NONE**

#### **17. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)**

##### **17.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – October 22, 2019**

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

**THAT the In Camera (In Private) minutes of October 22, 2019 be approved as circulated.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

##### **17.2 PROPERTY MATTER – Private and Confidential Report**

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff report dated September 5, 2019

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

**THAT Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated September 5, 2019; and**
- 2. Not release the private and confidential staff report dated September 5, 2019 to the public.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillors Karsten, Walker

**18. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

**19. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**19.1 Councillor Steve Streach**

“TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of Halifax Regional Council, I propose to move a motion requesting a staff report to investigate options for a land purchase, within the municipal water & sewer service boundary, in Middle Musquodoboit to facilitate and provide for the construction of an outdoor recreation facility, incorporating a splash pad to service the community and surrounding area.”

**19.2 Councillor Sam Austin**

“TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of Halifax Regional Council, I propose to:

1. introduce Administrative Order 2019-011-GOV, the Design Advisory Committee Administrative Order, the purpose of which is to create the Design Advisory Committee; and
2. move amendments to Administrative Order 48, Respecting the Creation of Community Councils, the purpose of which is to create the Regional Centre Community Council.”

**19.3 Councillor Sam Austin**

“TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of Halifax Regional Council, I propose to move amendments to the terms of reference for the Regional Watersheds Advisory Board, Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee and the Executive Standing Committee as outlined in Schedules 5 and 6 of Administrative Order 1, The Procedures of the Council Administrative Order, and Accessibility Advisory Committee as outlined in Administrative Order 2017-005-GOV, Respecting the Advisory Committee on Accessibility in the Halifax Regional Municipality, the purpose of which is to simplify and streamline the adoption process for the Regional Centre Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law (Centre Plan - Package B).”

**19.4 Councillor Adams**

“TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of Halifax Regional Council, I intend to introduce the following motion:

1. Notwithstanding Regional Council’s June 25, 2019 motion directing the Chief Administrative Officer to not accept requests for site-specific amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategies in Centre Plan Package B areas while the planning process to adopt Package B is underway, Regional Council directs the Chief Administrative Officer to:
  - a) initiate a process to consider amendments to applicable Municipal Planning Strategies and Land Use By-laws for the following properties: PID 00047506 (Young Avenue, Halifax), 819, 823, 829, 835, 849, 853, 857, and 863 Young Avenue, Halifax; and 864, 866, 870, 876, 880 McLean Street, Halifax. The process will consider amendments that allow for contextually sensitive residential development that does not meet current development standards, so as to maintain the character of this area; and
  - b) Request staff to follow the public participation program as adopted by Council in February, 1997.”

**20. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m.

Kevin Arjoon  
Municipal Clerk