

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING MINUTES September 16, 2023

PRESENT: Mayor Mike Savage

Deputy Mayor Sam Austin

Councillors: Cathy Deagle Gammon

David Hendsbee
Becky Kent
Tony Mancini
Waye Mason
Kathryn Morse
Patty Cuttell
Iona Stoddard
Pam Lovelace
Lisa Blackburn
Paul Russell
Tim Outhit

REGRETS: Councillors Lindell Smith – Parental Leave

Trish Purdy Shawn Cleary

STAFF: Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer

John Traves, K.C., CD, Executive Director of Legal & Legislative Services

/Municipal Solicitor/Chief Governance Officer

lain MacLean, Municipal Clerk Catie Campbell, Legislative Assistant

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. and adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Savage called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS - NONE

4. Post Tropical Storm Lee Update

Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer spoke to the state of Hurricane Lee relief efforts and clarified a state of local emergency would not be recommended. O'Toole noted critical infrastructure without power and the collaboration with Nova Scotia Power to restore impacted infrastructure and communities. O'Toole outlined that Build Nova Scotia would be providing additional barricades on the Halifax Waterfront and noted most Parks and Recreation facilities and ferry services would be open the following day.

Erica Fleck, Director, Emergency Management provided an overview of the ongoing work to assist those experiencing homeless and highlighted three shelters had been opened across the Municipality. Fleck noted Ground Search and Rescue had been transporting people to shelters and outlined the damages to people's gear and clarified it would be replaced. Fleck responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council regarding specific road closures, communication to residents, projected weather patterns, 311 call volumes and internet challenges.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.

lain MacLean Municipal Clerk