



**ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE  
SPECIAL MEETING  
DRAFT MINUTES  
September 2, 2021**

PRESENT: Councillor Tony Mancini, Chair  
Councillor Kathryn Morse, Vice Chair  
Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon  
Councillor Sam Austin  
Councillor Pam Lovelace

REGRETS: Councillor Shawn Cleary

STAFF: Kelly Denty, Executive Director, Planning and Development  
Joshua Judah, Senior Solicitor  
Haruka Aoyama, Legislative Assistant

*These minutes are considered draft and will require approval by the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee at a future meeting.*

*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](http://halifax.ca).*

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**Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee  
Special Meeting Draft Minutes  
September 2, 2021**

*The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. The Standing Committee adjourned at 3:12 p.m.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 7, 2021**

MOVED by Councillor Morse, seconded by Councillor Austin

**THAT the minutes of July 7, 2021 be approved as circulated.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

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

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE**

**5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE**

**6. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE**

**7. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE**

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

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

**10. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**

**10.1 Correspondence**

Correspondence was received from Alexandra Futterman and Sam Buck and circulated to the Standing Committee.

**10.2 Petitions – None**

**10.3 Presentation**

**10.3.1 A Model CSO Alert – Kelly Schnare and Or Denmark**

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A presentation request dated March 22, 2021 and August 22, 2021
- A handout entitled *Model Policy for Sewage Spill Public Alerts*
- A presentation entitled *A Model CSO Alert*

Kelly Schnare gave an audio-recorded presentation on Model CSO Alert. Or Denmark responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

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### **10.3.2 Water Quality of Blue Mountain-Birch Cove Lakes – Donald Gordon**

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A presentation request dated August 6, 2021
- A presentation entitled *Water Quality of Blue Mountain - Cove Lakes*

Donald Gordon gave a presentation on water quality monitoring of Blue Mountain-Birch Cove Lakes and responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

## **11. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

## **12. REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS**

### **12.1 STAFF**

#### **12.1.1 Review HRM Litter Receptacle Placement Criteria**

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated August 25, 2021
- A staff presentation dated September 2, 2021

Councillor Morse, Vice Chair assumed the role of Chair.

Shannon Betts, Division Policy Coordinator, Solid Waste, gave a presentation on HRM Litter Receptacle Placement Criteria. Shannon Betts and Andrea Mehner, Superintendent – Streets & Sidewalks East, responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

**THAT Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**

- 1. Maintain existing Public Space Litter Receptacle Criteria set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated August 25, 2021 to ensure continued consistency and collaboration across departments and agencies who manage litter in the Municipal right-of-way or public spaces (i.e. right-of-way, parks, sports fields and trails);**
- 2. Increase public awareness of the placement criteria and service standards for litter receptacles as part of ongoing municipal campaigns, including publishing a map identifying the location of receptacles; and**
- 3. Continue purchasing lids for all 45-gallon litter drums to address concerns of blowing litter and animal access.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

## **12.2 MEMBERS OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

### **12.2.1 Plastic Pollution Resolution**

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A request for Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee Consideration form dated September 2, 2021 from Councillor Tony Mancini
- A staff presentation dated September 2, 2021

Councillor Morse, Vice Chair assumed the role of Chair.

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Joshua Judah, Senior Solicitor noted that as provided for in section 4(2) of Administrative Order One, section 17 of Administrative Order One may be suspended by Standing Committee by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3rds) of the Members present and voting.

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

**THAT the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee suspend the Rules of Procedure under section 17 of Administrative Order One, the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

**THAT the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee recommend Regional Council to endorse the Plastics Resolution as outlined in Attachment 1 of Request for Consideration form dated September 2, 2021.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**12.3 BOARDS AND COMMITTEES – NONE**

**13. MOTIONS – NONE**

**14. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE**

**15. ADDED ITEMS**

**16. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – NONE**

**18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – October 7, 2021\* *if required***

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

Haruka Aoyama  
Legislative Assistant