



**AUDIT COMMITTEE
MINUTES
March 24, 2025**

PRESENT: Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon, Chair
Councillor Shawn Cleary, Vice Chair
Councillor David Hendsbee
Councillor Kathryn Morse
Councillor Billy Gillis
Councillor Jean St-Amand
Taiwo Lawal

REGRETS: Shweta Sharma

STAFF: Jerry Blackwood, Executive Director of Finance and Asset
Management/Chief Financial Officer
John Traves, K.C., CD, Municipal Solicitor/Chief Governance Officer
Dorothy Maponga, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:02 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 21, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Morse

THAT the minutes of August 21, 2024 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 Gillis, seconded by Councillor Morse

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

5. AUDIT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF HRM, MARCH 31, 2025

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff report dated March 17, 2025
- Presentation dated March 13, 2025

Paul Janes, Lead Audit Partner, KPMG gave a presentation.

MOVED by Councillor St-Amand, seconded by Councillor Gillis

THAT the Audit Committee approve the attached Audit Planning report for the year-end audit of HRM's consolidated financial statements, General Rate Surplus statements, and Miscellaneous Trust Funds statements as prepared by the Municipal Auditor (KPMG).

Janes and Jerry Blackwood, Executive Director of Finance and Asset Management/Chief Financial Officer responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

6. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

6.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – August 21, 2024

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the In Camera (In Private) minutes of August 21, 2024 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – To be Determined

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:26 a.m.

Dorothy Maponga
Legislative Assistant