HALIFAX

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
December 3, 2025

PRESENT:	Councillor Janet Steele, Chair Councillor Jean St-Amand, Vice Chair Councillor Becky Kent Councillor Trish Purdy Deputy Mayor Patty Cuttell
REGRETS:	Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon
STAFF:	Maggie MacDonald, Executive Director of Parks and Recreation William Hatfield, Solicitor Simon Ross-Siegel, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.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 – November 20, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Councillor St-Amand

THAT the minutes of November 20, 2025 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 St-Amand, seconded by Councillor Kent

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

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 - None
10.2 Petitions – None
10.3 Presentation – None

11. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair noted there were no registered speakers.

12. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

13. REPORTS
13.1 STAFF
13.1.1 Lake Banook Coordination Plan

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Staff report dated October 16, 2025
- Staff presentation dated December 3, 2025

Elizabeth Bray, Landscape Architect gave a presentation. Bray and Richard Harvey, Manager of Policy and Planning responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Councillor Purdy

THAT the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council adopt the Lake Banook Coordination Plan to guide improvements to the parkland and associated areas surrounding Lake Banook.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13.1.2 Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee Appointment to Executive Standing Committee

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Staff report dated November 20, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Purdy, seconded by Councillor Steele

THAT the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee appoint one (1) Councillor from the members of the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee to serve on the Executive Standing Committee for a term to November 2026.

The Chair called for nominations for appointment to the Executive Standing Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Steele, seconded by Councillor Purdy

THAT Councillor Steele be nominated for appointment to the Executive Standing Committee.

The Chair called three times for any further nominations; there were none.

Councillor Steele was declared the successful nominee.

The motion now read:

MOVED by Councillor Purdy, seconded by Councillor Steele

THAT the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee appoint Councillor Steele to serve on the Executive Standing Committee for a term to November 2026.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

14. MOTIONS – NONE

15. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE

16. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

17. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – January 22, 2026

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

Simon Ross-Siegel
Legislative Assistant