

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES

December 10, 2013

PRESENT:

Mayor Mike Savage
Deputy Mayor Darren Fisher
Councillors: Barry Dalrymple
David Hendsbee
Bill Karsten
Lorelei Nicoll
Gloria McCluskey
Waye Mason
Jennifer Watts
Linda Mosher
Russell Walker
Stephen Adams
Reg Rankin
Matt Whitman
Brad Johns
Steve Craig
Tim Outhit

STAFF:

Mr. Richard Butts, Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. John Traves, Municipal Solicitor
Ms. Cathy Mellett, Municipal Clerk
Ms. Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

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1. INVOCATION

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Invocation being led by Councillor Mosher.

A moment of silence was held in honour of Nelson Mandela who changed the entire world and impacted so many individually and collectively.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Members of Council noted a number of community announcements and acknowledgements.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 12, 19 & 26, 2013

Councillor Nicoll noted that the November 12, 2013 minutes included three entries of Councillor Fisher's Notice of Motion regarding the M-100 By-Law.

Councillor Hendsbee requested that on Page 4 of the November 19, 2013 minutes, immediately following item 10.2 Petitions, it be noted that he had retired from the meeting to attend a public meeting in Mooseland.

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Nicoll that the minutes of November 12 and 19, as amended, be approved and the minutes of November 26, 2013 be approved as distributed. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions:

13.4 In Camera - Legal Matter

13.4.1 Update on Litigation – Oral

Motion: That Halifax Regional Council convene to in camera to receive a verbal update.

13.4.2 Update on Litigation – Oral

Motion: That Halifax Regional Council convene to in camera to receive a verbal update.

14.1 RP+5 – Draft 3 – Recommendations

Deletion:

11.5.1 Councillor Nicoll – Caldwell Road Access from Inishowen Subdivision

The Clerk requested that item 11.1.12 be moved up on the agenda to be dealt with as the first matter of business as the Municipal Solicitor has a conflict of interest stemming from his time working with the Province of Nova Scotia, to which Council agreed.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Mason that the agenda, as amended, be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

The Chair noted that at last week's Council meeting, Councillor Rankin had requested that the National Public Relations Report regarding the Solid Waste Consultation be made available prior to the January 14, 2014 meeting of Regional Council. The Mayor advised that the report will be available online in the next 48 hours.

6. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

7. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

10. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

10.1 Correspondence

The Clerk noted that correspondence was received for items: 11.1.6, 11.3.1 and 11.4.1. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

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

10.2 Petitions

10.2.1 Councillor Craig

Councillor Craig submitted a petition containing 192 signatures on behalf of the School Advisory Council of Ecole Gertrude Parker Elementary School requesting HRM establish safe routes for the children walking from what are currently the school collector areas for Smokey Drive and Gertrude Parker Elementary Schools.

Council dealt with the Committee of the Whole recommendation, item 14.1 at this time.

14.1 Regional Plan +5 – Draft 3 – Recommendations

This matter was dealt with at a Committee of the Whole meeting held earlier today and was before Council for ratification:

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Whitman that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Accept the amendments recommended by staff in the discussion section of this report with such amendments as passed by Committee of the Whole at its meetings of December 3, 2013 and December 10, 2013.**
- 2. Direct staff to prepare a supplementary report and amendments package for referral to the Heritage Advisory Committee and the Design Review Committee; and**
- 3. Direct staff to bring forward the amendment package to Regional Council to initiate the adoption process (First Reading & set a date for a public hearing).**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Having declared a conflict of interest regarding the following matter, Mr. John Traves, the Municipal Solicitor, stepped down from his seat and left the room. Ms. Karen Brown, Senior Solicitor assumed the Solicitor's seat.

11.1.12 Moirs Mills Pond/Jacks Lake Land Transfer

A staff recommendation report dated December 2, 2013 was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Craig that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Convey 50 acres from the HRM lands known as Jacks Lake, PID 40857138 to ECL General Partner IV Limited, at the request of the Province of Nova Scotia, in fulfillment of the 1999 agreement and as generally identified in Attachment 1 of the December 2, 2013 staff report; and**
- 2. Accept the Sobeys Leased Properties Ltd. Transfer of the property PID 40628638, a water lot within the Moirs Mills Pond, Bedford, on the condition that the lands be only used for public purpose, in perpetuity, and that its transfer coincide with the Jacks Lake lands transfer.**

Staff responded to questions from members of Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mr. Traves, Municipal Solicitor, returned to the Chamber and resumed his seat.

11. REPORTS

11.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

11.1.1 Award – Outstanding Canada Games Centre Deficiencies

A staff recommendation report dated November 20, 2013 was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Rankin that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Award Quotation No. Q13C521, Canada Games Centre Pylon Sign, to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Eye Catch Signs Limited, for a Total Tender Price of \$73,419.95 (HST fully rebated), with funding from Project No. CB000002 – Multi District Facilities – Upgrades, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the November 20, 2013 staff report.**
- 2. Award Tender No. 12-182, Canada Games Chlorine Conversion, to the bidder meeting specifications, Atlantica Mechanical, for a Total Tender Price of \$116,100.00 (HST fully rebated) with funding from Project No. CB000002 – Multi District Facilities – Upgrades, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the November 20, 2013 staff report; and**
- 3. Award Tender No. 13-186, Canada Games Centre Air Conditioning, to the lowest bidder meeting specification, VEP Mechanical, for a Total Tender Price of \$352,387.70 (HST fully rebated), with funding from Project No. CB000002 – Multi District Facilities-Upgrades, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the November 20, 2013 staff report.**

Councillor Hendsbee expressed concern regarding the possibility of condensation and humidity build-up. Staff indicated that these issues would be dealt with during the commissioning.

In response to a question from Councillor Craig, the CAO noted that the facility had not performed as expected with heat becoming a detriment to the enjoyment of the facility. In response staff have taken steps to correct the problems. He further advised that indications were that membership was near capacity, if not full.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.2 Appointment of Building Officials

A staff recommendation report dated November 25, 2013 was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Nicoll that Halifax Regional Council appoint Andrew MacLellan, Brian Murray, Allison Patriquin, and Corey Webb as a Building Official, pursuant to Section 5(2) of the Nova Scotia Building Code Act. This appointment is effective for the duration of their current conditions of employment with Halifax Regional Municipality.

In response to questions from Councillor Craig, Mr. Jim Donovan, Manager Building Compliance, provided additional details on the role and responsibility of the Building Officials.

Councillor Hendsbee expressed concern regarding the lack of background information on the individuals being appointed given that Regional Council has the responsibility to make these appointments. He indicated that in future he would like to see this information included with the report.

Following a further brief discussion and questioning of staff, the **MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

11.1.3 Contract Extension – Standing Offer to Supply Structural Firefighter Bunker Gear

A staff recommendation report dated November 20, 2013 was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Nicoll that Halifax Regional Council extend the current standing offer with K & D Pratt to Supply Structural Firefighting Bunker Gear for a period of five (5) years in an amount not to exceed \$977,065.40 (HST included) with funding from Project No. CE010001 – Fire Equipment Replacement, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of the November 20, 2013 staff report.

Staff responded to questions from members of Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.4 Request for Encroachment – Tacoma Drive and Gordon Avenue Banners

A staff recommendation report dated November 21, 2013 was before Council.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Fisher, seconded by Councillor McCluskey that Halifax Regional Council approve the request to allow side-mounted banners to be installed on utility poles within the HRM right of way, subject to the encroachment agreement attached to the November 21, 2013 staff report.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.5 Proposed Administrative Order SC-75, Respecting closure of a portion of Bluewater Road, Bedford - Motion – Councillor Outhit – Set a date for a Public Hearing

A staff recommendation report dated November 7, 2013 was before Council.
A motion memo for consideration was also before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Whitman that Halifax Regional Council set a date for a Public Hearing for consideration of HRM Administrative Order No. SC-75, concerning the closure of a portion of the Bluewater Road right-of-way, Parcel B and Parcel T-1, Bedford, as per Attachment A of the staff report dated November 7, 2013.

Following a brief questioning of staff, the **MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

11.1.6 Case 18322 – Proposed Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law (LUB) – 6124 Coburg Road and 1460-1474 Seymour Street, Halifax.

A staff recommendation report dated November 4, 2013 was before Council.

Correspondence dated December 9, 2013 from Owen Carrigan was also before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Walker that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Authorize staff to initiate a process to consider amending the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law to permit a five storey mixed use building at 6124 Coburg Road and 1460-1474 Seymour Street, by development agreement; and**
- 2. Request that staff follow the public participation program as approved by Council in February 1997.**

Councillor Mason requested that Council vote against this motion. The Councillor went on to note that the Dalhousie Campus Plan for 1992 called for buildings on University Avenue to step down to the residential character of the surrounding neighbourhood. He indicated that he felt the proposal was out of scale with the neighbourhood being located a block away from a school and a residential area. Councillor Mason stressed that this proposal will change the way this neighbourhood interfaces with the university campus and urged members of Council to defeat the motion.

A brief discussion ensued with it being noted that the motion initiates a process which would include public participation and a public hearing. The proposal is in keeping with

the goal of urban densification and the staff report supports the proposal. Councillor Mason noted that the Centre Plan never contemplated this type of development in this area. HRM does not need this site for this type of development and the homeowners in the area deserve to be protected.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (12 in favour, 5 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Fisher and Councillors Dalrymple, Hendsbee, Karsten, Mosher, Walker, Adams, Rankin, Whitman, Johns and Craig.

Against: Councillors Nicoll, McCluskey, Mason, Watts and Outhit.

11.1.7 Halifax Memorial Library – Assembly of Mi’kmaq Chiefs

A staff recommendation report dated November 5, 2013 was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Watts that Halifax Regional Council authorize an extension of the December 13, 2013 Option Period deadline to June 30, 2014. If the June 30 commitment is not met, staff will return to Council for direction.

In response to a question for Councillor Mason, the Municipal Solicitor clarified that ‘Option Period’ is a defined period of time.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. (16 in favour)

Not present: Councillor Johns

11.1.8 Signing of Sponsorships under Administrative Order Number 55, Respecting Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) Sponsorship Policy Motion – Councillor Walker – Approve Amendments to Administrative Order Number 55

A staff report dated November 27, 2013 was before Council. A motion memo dated for consideration was also before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Walker seconded by Deputy Mayor Fisher that Halifax Regional Council amend Administrative Order 55, the HRM Sponsorship Administrative Order, as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated November 27, 2013.

In response to a question from Councillor Craig regarding the process to assign a designate, the Municipal Solicitor indicated that, although not specifically identified, it would likely be the Director of the Business Unit or his/her designate. The Solicitor went on to indicate that the amendments addressed concerns by staff that they could award the sponsorship, but not sign the contract.

Following a further short discussion, the **MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

11.1.9 Paving of Flandrum Hill Road, Flandrum Court, Braeside Avenue, Belvedere Avenue and Patterson Road – Cow Bay

A staff recommendation report dated November 7, 2013 was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee that Halifax Regional Council approve in principle the gravel road paving of Flandrum Hill Road, Flandrum Court, Braeside Avenue, Belvedere Avenue and Patterson Road – Cow Bay pursuant to the approved Local Improvement Policy – 1997, and that the scheduling of paving of these streets be prioritized through the normal budget process. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.10 Halifax Explosion 100th Anniversary

A staff recommendation report dated November 18, 2013 was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Deputy Mayor Fisher that Halifax Regional Council convene an ad hoc advisory committee to provide input into the development and implementation of a municipal Halifax Explosion 100th Anniversary Commemoration Plan 2017 with the Committee's terms of reference and appointment of members approved by the HRM Community Planning & Economic Development Standing Committee.

Councillor Watts noted that she has received a number of e-mails from persons interested in serving on the ad hoc Committee. The Councillor advised the intent is to first develop the ad hoc body and the event which will in turn guide the development of a Commemorative Policy for HRM.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.11 First Reading, Proposed By-law S-801 – Temporary Sign By-law Amendments - Motion – Deputy Mayor Fisher – Give First Reading of By-law S-801 and set a date for a public hearing

A staff recommendation report dated December 2, 2013 was before Council. A motion memo for consideration was also before Council.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Fisher, seconded by Councillor Adams that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Move First Reading to consider the adoption of the proposed By-law S-801 Temporary Sign By-law as outlined in Attachment A of the staff report**

dated December 2, 2013 which will repeal and replace By-law S-800 respecting the Requirements of Temporary Signs; and

2. Set a date for a public hearing.

Councillor Watts expressed disappointment that some of the consultation is dated. She noted that the Accessibility Advisory Committee, at a meeting held earlier this year, indicated they wished to have input to the matter. She requested that prior to a public hearing being set, the Accessibility Committee be consulted and their comments/concerns be addressed in the staff report.

During discussion on the matter a number of Councillors indicated that they felt moving to a public hearing was premature. Members wished to have a more robust discussion on the issue before it is considered in a public hearing. Note was made that clarification of definitions is required particularly planter signs (now referred to as box signs), mobile signs and importantly, a definition for temporary signs.

Mr. David Lane, Senior Planner, noted that staff have been working diligently with stakeholders. He indicated that there would be a presentation at the public hearing and that there will be 90 days for additional consultation with the industry.

Councillor Hendsbee indicated that he would like to have a Committee of the Whole discussion and that the mapping should be included in the public hearing.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Karsten that this matter be referred to a Committee of the Whole to allow a robust discussion of the issues.

Following a brief discussion regarding process, the **MOTION TO REFER WAS PUT AND PASSED.** (9 in favour, 8 against)

In favour: Councillors Dalrymple, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, McCluskey, Watts, Whitman, Johns and Outhit.

Against: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Fisher and Councillors Mason, Mosher, Walker, Adams, Rankin and Craig.

11.1.12 Moirs Mills Pond/Jacks Lake Land Transfer

This matter was dealt with earlier in the meeting. (See page 6.)

11.2 AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE

11.2.1 Second Quarter 2013/2014 Financial Report

A staff recommendation report dated November 21, 2013 was before Council.

A PowerPoint presentation entitled Second Quarter Report was before the Committee.

At 7:37 p.m. Mayor Savage retired from the meeting and Deputy Mayor Fisher took the Chair.

At 7:39 p.m. Mayor Savage returned to the Chair and Deputy Mayor Fisher resumed his seat in Council

Mr. Louis DeMontbrun, Manager of Financial Planning, delivered the presentation indicating a 6.1 million dollar surplus is being projected and identifying the sources of this surplus. Mr. DeMontbrun went on to provide a high level financial update of various projects and funds.

Mayor Savage thanked Mr. DeMontbrun for the presentation noting that the reporting was positive. He indicated that no motion was required as the presentation was for the information of Council.

Councillor Hendsbee noted that he is still awaiting a report regarding recreation area rates with the CAO advising that the report is being prepared. The Councillor clarified the labelling of a particular fund relating the District 3 recreation funds and noted that he would provide that information to staff.

11.3 COMMUNITY PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

11.3.1 Mainland Halifax North – Bedford Corridor Transportation and Wastewater Service Strategy

The following was before Council:

- Correspondence was submitted from: Gretchen Phinney, Mary-Evelyn Ternan, Rob O'Brien, Judy Cookey, Virginia Bogusz, Tony Edwards, Claudette Hebert, Rich Irving, Maggie Archibald, Cherry Wood, Jeanette MacLean, Tom Servaes (2), Lea Anne McLeod (2), Mary K. Layes, Gary Thorne, Elizabeth Eagle, Richard Wood, Dennis MacDonald, Susan Tremills, Norma and Mario Laflamme, Mark Currie and Sandra Banfield(Save Bedford Waterfront Society), Shirley Jerram, Bryn Jones-Vaillancourt, Michele Burt, Jennifer Ramsay, Jan Chabassol, Teresa Ramsay, Georges Hebert, Luciano Radelich, Kate Watson, Tom Stone, Deborah Canivet, Tom Servaes, and Jaimie Chisholm McQuaid.

- A recommendation report dated November 18, 2013 from the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee, with an attached staff recommendation report dated November 4, 2013.
- A motion memo for consideration was also before Council.

MOVED Councillor Outhit, seconded by Councillor Mosher that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the staff recommendation to accept the Bedford-Halifax Mainland North Corridor Traffic Study Report (MRC, October 2013) for consideration in planning future transportation improvements; and defer consultation processes and deliberations for the other development proposals, other than the Motherhouse lands, until the completion of the Regional Plan 5 Year Review, the 5-Year Transit Review, and the Commuter Rail Study; and a decision is made on development charges for charges for transit and transportation;**
- 2. Request staff get a written update from the Province on the status and update on the implementation of Highway 13, Burnside Expressway and the Hammonds Plains interchange at the intersection of the Hammonds Plains Road and the Bicentennial Highway.**

Councillor Outhit noted that the purpose of this motion is to ensure a plan is in place to determine exactly what our roadway infrastructure can handle.

In response to concerns from Councillor Walker regarding delaying development without a timeframe in place, Mr. Austin French, Manager, Planning indicated that the studies would be complete within 12 – 18 months. **The mover and seconder of the motion agreed to the following amendment to the motion:**

That staff report back to Regional Council at the completion of these studies or within 2 years, whichever occurs first.

Councillor Outhit provided clarification that the only development opportunities which would be delayed are those requiring an MPS amendment as referred to in the staff report.

The motion now reads:

- 1. Adopt the staff recommendation to accept the Bedford-Halifax Mainland North Corridor Traffic Study Report (MRC, October 2013) for consideration in planning future transportation improvements; and defer consultation processes and deliberations for the other development proposals, other than the Motherhouse lands, until the completion of the Regional Plan 5 Year Review, the 5-Year Transit Review, and the Commuter Rail Study; and**

- a decision is made on development charges for charges for transit and transportation;**
- 2. That staff report back to Regional Council at the completion of these studies or within 2 years, whichever occurs first; and**
 - 3. Request staff seek a written update from the Province on the status and update on the implementation of Highway 13, Burnside Expressway and the Hammonds Plains interchange at the intersection of the Hammonds Plains Road and the Bicentennial Highway.**

Councillor Watts indicated she had concerns about accepting the Traffic Corridor Report without first having a discussion on the Road Network Function Plan and **MOVED, seconded by Councillor Mason that the motion be amended to provide that a complete Road Network Functional Plan also be included in the list of reports to be considered prior to development requiring MPS amendments. MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED (4 in favour, 12 against)**

In favour: Councillors Mason, Watts, Mosher and Outhit

Against: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Fisher and Councillors Dalrymple, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, McCluskey, Walker, Adams, Rankin, Johns and Craig.

Not present: Councillor Whitman

To further clarify the motion, the mover and seconder agreed to include the specific development proposals in the motion. Councillor Outhit, in response to concern from Councillor Walker that work was set to begin on Phase 2 of the Transmitter lands, removed these lands from the motion.

The motion now reads:

- 1. Adopt the staff recommendation to accept the Bedford-Halifax Mainland North Corridor Traffic Study Report (MRC, October 2013) for consideration in planning future transportation improvements; and defer consultation processes and deliberations for the development proposals for Birch Cove, the Bedford Waterfront and Paper Mill Lake (excluding the Motherhouse lands and the Transmitter lands), until the completion of the Regional Plan 5 Year Review, the 5-Year Transit Review, and the Commuter Rail Study; and a decision is made on development charges for charges for transit and transportation;**
- 2. That staff report back to Regional Council at the completion of these studies or within 2 years, whichever occurs first; and**

- 3. Request staff seek a written update from the Province on the status and update on the implementation of Highway 13, Burnside Expressway and the Hammonds Plains interchange at the intersection of the Hammonds Plains Road and the Bicentennial Highway.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED (15 In favour, 1 Against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Fisher, and Councillors Dalrymple, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, McCluskey, Mason, Mosher, Walker, Adams, Rankin, Johns, Craig, and Outhit.

Against: Councillor Watts

Not present: Councillor Whitman

11.4 ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE

11.41 Final Draft Cole Harbour Basin Open Space Plan

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from the Chair of the Environment & Sustainability Standing Committee dated November 13, 2013, with an attached staff recommendation report dated October 24, 2013.
- A copy of the Cole Harbour Basin Open Space Plan – Final Draft – October 2013.
- Correspondence dated December 6, 2013 from Bill and Pam Bishop.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee that Halifax Regional Council adopt the Cole Harbour Basin Open Space Plan as a policy guideline and implementation framework contributing to:

- **Public open space land planning**
- **Open space programming and service delivery**
- **Integrated open space, land-use and infrastructure planning**

Councillor Nicoll provided a brief overview of the report and asked for Council's support.

Councillor Hensbee requested that the presentation provided to the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee be made available online.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Whitman and Johns

11.5 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

11.5.1 Councillor Nicoll – Caldwell Road Access from Inishowen Subdivision

This item was deleted during the Approval of the Order of Business.

12. MOTIONS - NONE

13. IN CAMERA

13.1 In Camera Minutes – November 26, 2013

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Deputy Mayor Fisher that the In Camera minutes of November 26, 2013 be approved as circulated. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13.2 Personnel Matter

13.2.1 Councillor and Citizen Appointments to Boards and Committees – Private and Confidential Report

A private and confidential report dated November 26, 2013 from the Chief Administrative Officer was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Karsten that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendations of the Standing Committees regarding the Citizen Appointments as outlined in Attachment 1 of the November 26, 2013 report.**
- 2. Appoint Councillor Hendsbee to the Special Events Advisory Committee for a term to November, 2014.**
- 3. Appoint Councillors Nicoll and McCluskey to the Greater Halifax Partnership for a term to December, 2015.**
- 4. That the list of Citizen appointments be released to the public following Council ratification.**

In response to a question from Councillor Karsten, the Clerk indicated she would clarify whether an e-mail had been sent to members of Council with regard to the Special Events Advisory Committee and Greater Halifax Partnership vacancies.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Karsten that Halifax Regional Council convene to in camera session to consider items 13.3.1, 13.3.2, 13.4.1 and 13.4.2. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Halifax Regional Council convened to in camera at 8:13 p.m.

Halifax Regional Council reconvened to open session at 10:00 p.m.

13.3 Property Matter

13.3.1 Parkland Interest - Fall River – Private and Confidential Report

This matter was dealt with in camera and was ratified in public as added item 14.2.

13.3.2 Fall River Lakefront Property – Private and Confidential Report

This matter was dealt with in camera. No further action was required at this time.

13.4.1 Update on Litigation – Oral

This matter was dealt with in camera. No further action was required at this time.

13.4.2 Update on Litigation – Oral

This matter was dealt with in camera. No further action was required at this time.

14. ADDED ITEMS

14.1 Regional Plan +5 – Draft 3 – Recommendations

This matter was dealt with earlier in the meeting. (See page 6.)

14.2 Parkland Interest - Fall River – Private and Confidential Report

This matter was dealt with in camera and was before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Councillor Dalrymple, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee that staff explore options to acquire the properties discussed in the Private and Confidential Report submitted relative to In Camera item 13.3.1 at market value by way of trade and/or cash purchase. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Not present: Councillors Whitman and Johns

15. NOTICES OF MOTION - None

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Cathy J. Mellett
Municipal Clerk

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Proclamation – National Day of Remembrance and Action for Violence Against Women – December 6, 2013
2. Memorandum from the Director of Finance and ICT/CFO dated November 21, 2013 re: Chain of Lakes Trail Easement Proceeds
3. Memorandum from the Directors of Planning and Infrastructure, and Community and Recreation Services dated November 27, 2013 re: Recreational Facilities Inventory
4. Memorandum from the Director of Legal, Insurance and Risk Management Services dated November 25, 2013 re: Insurance Coverage for Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) Facilities with respect to Associations and Community Groups
5. Memorandum from the Municipal Clerk dated December 2, 2013 re: Requests for Presentation to Council – None