



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
October 28, 2014**

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. Sherryl Murphy, Deputy Clerk
Ms. Krista Vining, Legislative Assistant
Mr. Quentin Hill, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m., and recessed at 2:42 p.m. Council reconvened in at 2:52 p.m. Council moved into an In Camera session at 4:50 p.m. and reconvened at 6:18 p.m. Council adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

1. INVOCATION

The Mayor called the meeting to order with the Invocation being led by Councillor Outhit.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

A moment of silence was held for Cpl. Nathan Cirillo, who was gunned down while standing guard at the National War Monument in Ottawa on October 22, 2014 and Warrant Officer Patrice Vincent, who was run down in Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu, Quebec on October 20, 2014.

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements.

Mayor Savage will send a congratulatory letter on behalf of Council to the Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron for being recognized as Club of the Year.

SELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Mayor Savage called for nominations for Deputy Mayor for the period of November 2014 to November 2015.

MOVED by Councillor Dalrymple, seconded by Councillor Outhit that Councillor Lorelei Nicoll be nominated to the position of Deputy Mayor for the period of November 2014 to November 2015.

Councillor Dalrymple thanked Deputy Mayor Darren Fisher for his service and remarked on Councillor Nicoll's service and suitability for the position of Deputy Mayor.

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Whitman that Councillor Linda Mosher be nominated to the position of Deputy Mayor for the period of November 2014 to November 2015.

Councillor Karsten thanked Deputy Mayor Darren Fisher for his service and remarked on Councillor Mosher's service and suitability for the position of Deputy Mayor.

Mayor Savage called three times for any further nominations. There being none, it was:

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Mason that nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor cease. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Councillors Nicoll and Mosher thanked their colleagues for their nominations and committed to work with and for their colleagues if selected for the position of Deputy Mayor.

Mayor Savage thanked Deputy Mayor Darren Fisher for his service and a round of applause was given.

Councillor Nicoll was elected as Deputy Mayor effective November 18, 2014.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – October 7, 2014

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Deputy Mayor Fisher that the minutes of October 7, 2014 be approved as presented. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Addition:

13. IN CAMERA

Council may rise and go into a private In Camera session, in accordance with Section 19 of the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, for the purpose of dealing with the following:

13.3 Legal Matter

A matter pertaining to litigation or potential litigation in regard to an identifiable person and information whose disclosure could reasonably be expected to prejudice the interests of the Municipality.

13.3.1 Follow Up to item 13.3.3 Briefing Litigation and Property Matters, considered by Council in camera on October 21, 2014 – *Private and Confidential Report*

Motion:

That Halifax Regional Council convene to in camera.

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Whitman that Item 13.2.3 Boundaries for the Blue Mountain Birch Coves Lake Park be addressed in the public session as Item 11.1.5. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

- 5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE**
- 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: 11.2.1 and 13.2.3. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

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

10.1.1 Fly Past Request – Halifax Central Library Opening

The following was before Council:

- Correspondence from Jason Bremner, Promotions Coordinator, Halifax Public Libraries

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor McCluskey that Halifax Regional Council give permission for the Canadian Armed Forces to fly a Sea King helicopter from 12 Wing Shearwater over the Halifax Central Library at levels as low as 500 feet above the highest obstacle at 9:45 a.m. in conjunction with the Official Opening Event of the Halifax Central Library, the date of which will be publicly announced shortly. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.2 Petitions

10.2.1 Councillor Karsten

Councillor Karsten submitted a petition containing 452 signatures from Eastern Passage residents who are dog owners and want to have a safe fun place where they can unleash and run their dogs in a safe area that is designated to have dogs off leash.

11. REPORTS

11.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

11.1.1 Land Lease Renewal – Department of Natural Resources Fire Station No. 63 – 160 West Pennant Road, Sambro

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated September 25, 2014

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Nicoll that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to renew Lease Agreement No. 4424 between Her Majesty the Queen in right of the Province of Nova Scotia, represented by the Minister of Natural Resources for the Province of Nova Scotia (Landlord) and Halifax Regional Municipality (Tenant) in accordance with the key terms outlined in Table 1 of the staff report dated September 25, 2014.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.2 Grant of Easements – Chain of Lakes Trail Project

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated September 19, 2014

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

- 1. Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into an easement agreement with the Halifax Regional Water Commission inclusive of a freshwater water main, to be installed alongside the wastewater main, on the section of the trail from Ashburn Golf Club driveway, to the intersection of Highway 102 and Joseph Howe Drive; and**
- 2. Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into an easement agreement with the Halifax Regional Water Commission for a section of fencing along the trail abutting First and Second Chain Lakes.**

Councillor Mosher noted that she had spoken with staff when walking the trail in regard to the location of the fence in order to protect the environmental aspect of the watershed but ensure there was still an urban greenway.

Mr. Peter Stickings, Manager Real Estate and Land Management responded to a question on the additional easement fee which he noted was nominal and confirmed that Halifax Water has agreed to maintain the portion of the fence that will be on HRM's property.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

**11.1.3 Proposed Administrative Order 2014-017-GOV, Respecting Councillor Appointments to External Committees
Motion – Councillor Mosher – Approve Administrative Order 2014-017-GOV**

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated October 22, 2014

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

- 1. Adopt the enabling Administrative Order No. 2014-017-GOV Respecting the Appointment of Members of Council to External Boards, Committees and Commissions as directed by motion of Regional Council on October 21, 2014, provided as Attachment 1 of the staff report dated October 22, 2014; and**
- 2. Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the amending agreement between the Province and the Municipality providing for the changes in composition of the Halifax Regional Library Board as directed by Regional Council on October 21, 2014, provided as Attachment 2 of the staff report dated October 22, 2014.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.4 Canada Games Centre – Interim Agreement

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated October 9, 2014

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

- 1. Approve the Interim Agreement (Attachment 1 of the October 9, 2014 staff report) for the continued operation and management of The Canada Games Centre by the Canada Games Society under the terms and conditions of the original Interim Agreement signed on May 31, 2013;**
- 2. Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the Interim Agreement (Attachment 1 of the October 9, 2014 staff report);**
- 3. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to exercise at his discretion any renewal option(s) of the Interim Agreement; and**
- 4. Direct staff to apply the budgeted operating grant for 2013-14 against the \$2 million community fundraising commitment.**

As Council's appointment to the Board Councillor Walker noted that the Canada Games Centre is being run efficiently and showing a good profit and that he is in support of the operating grant for 2013-2014 being applied against the \$2 million community fundraising commitment. He asked for Council's support.

Councillor Hendsbee spoke in support of the motion but was concerned with recommendation #4; expressing that the report should have included the initial report on the Canada Games Centre as an attachment, which would have provided Council with information around the funding components from the various community groups.

Councillor Johns questioned if the Canada Games Centre had any deficits and how they would be paid, as well he requested a status update to Council around the management of multi-district facilities and type(s) of management agreements with those facilities.

Ms. Denise Schofield, Manager, Regional Recreation & Culture responded that the report was presented to the Community Planning & Economic Development Standing Committee (CP&ED) on January 23, 2014 but that CP&ED had directed staff to do some additional work before moving a report to Council. Ms. Schofield explained that while this work is being completed, staff had to come to Council with the Interim Agreement for the Canada Games Centre because the original agreement had expired. She further clarified that this agreement was for one year and the intent is to maintain the status quo. She indicated that the agreement could be extended further without having to come back to Council should the multi-district facility report take longer to get to Council. Ms. Schofield projected the multi-district facilities report would be before Council by the end of 2013-2014 fiscal year.

The discussion ensued with members expressing concern with the use of an operational grant to offset the commitment to community fundraising. Ms. Schofield explained the agreement between Council and the Canada Games Society indicated that if the Centre did not require the operating grant, it was HRM's discretion on how to use the funds. She noted that the Centre had not been able to achieve the \$2 million fundraising commitment and staff were working with the Society on options, such as naming rights. Ms. Schofield further spoke to the challenges of fundraising once the facility is opened. In regard to questions regarding the operating subsidy, Ms. Schofield noted that when Council had approved the funding for the Canada Games Centre, one of the directives was that the operating funding from the Northcliffe Centre be provided to the Canada Games Centre to support the operations.

The discussion ensued with suggestions being made for the use of 2013-2014 operating grant, such as to offset programming costs.

At the request of Council, the motion was split and votes taken.

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

- 1. Approve the Interim Agreement (Attachment 1 of the October 9, 2014 staff report) for the continued operation and management of The Canada Games Centre by the Canada Games Society under the terms and conditions of the original Interim Agreement signed on May 31, 2013.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

- 2. Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the Interim Agreement (Attachment 1 of the October 9, 2014 staff report).**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

- 3. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to exercise at his discretion any renewal option(s) of the Interim Agreement.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (15 in favour, 2 against)

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

Against: Councillors Whitman and Johns

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

- 4. Direct staff to apply the budgeted operating grant for 2013-14 against the \$2 million community fundraising commitment.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (10 in favour, 7 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Councillors Dalrymple, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, McCluskey, Mosher, Walker, Adams and Rankin

Against: Deputy Mayor Fisher, Councillors Mason, Watts, Whitman, Johns, Craig and Outhit

Council recessed at 2:42 p.m. and reconvened at 2:52 p.m.

11.1.5 Boundaries for the Blue Mountain Birch Coves Lake Park

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff report dated October 2, 2014
- Correspondence from Mary Ann McGrath; Tristain Cleveland; Chris Millier, Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society; and Robert G. Grant, Stewart McKelvey
- A handout from Councillor Rankin

This matter was moved from In Camera (item 13.2.3) to the public agenda as item 11.1.5 during the approval of the Order of Business.

Councillor Rankin expressed appreciation to Council's decision to bring the matter into the public session for discussion; noting however, that Council was unable to discuss information around the cost of lands as outlined in the October 2, 2014 private and confidential staff report.

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Whitman that Halifax Regional Council end the facilitated negotiation process with the developer's representatives; and await the land owner's, joint or individual, request to proceed with their development as per Policy S-3 of the Regional Plan for the lands within the Urban Settlement designation.

Councillor Rankin asked Council to defeat the motion and that he would propose an alternative recommendation to confirm policy direction already provided by Council and direct staff to proceed as identified in the October 2, 2014 private and confidential staff report. Councillor Rankin noted that reconfirming the policy direction would help facilitate the difference of opinion on land values and boundaries.

A brief discussion was held and the **MOTION WAS PUT AND DEFEATED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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

1. **Direct staff to proceed with the facilitation process;**
2. **Direct staff to proceed with their scheduled November meeting with the parties involved in accordance with the Terms of Reference approved by Council as its meeting of September 17, 2013; and**
3. **Further, should an agreement be reached, that staff be instructed to obtain an appraisal report done on the lands based on the determined boundaries before returning to Council with a report and recommendation.**

In response to a question raised, Mr. John Traves, Municipal Solicitor advised that the motion before Council was to continue with the Terms of Reference approved by Council September 17, 2013 and confirms the need to obtain an appraisal on the lands.

Councillor Watts spoke to the status of the staff report outlining all land acquisitions, in particular the requested dates, lands considered and cost and asked that it be provided to Regional Council as information when it comes to the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.2 HALIFAX AND WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

11.2.1 Case 19326 – Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) Amendments and Development Agreement for 1034, 1042, 1050 and 1056 Wellington Street, Halifax Motion – Give First Reading and Schedule a Public Hearing

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from Halifax & West Community Council dated October 20, 2014

- Correspondence from Patricia Livingston and Marilyn and Reid Harrison

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Whitman that Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to consider the proposed amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law (LUB) as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated September 26, 2014 and schedule a joint public hearing with Halifax and West Community Council.

Councillor Mason urged Council to defeat the motion noting he was prepared to move the staff recommendation outlined in the September 26, 2014 staff report that was defeated by Halifax and West Community Council (HWCC). Councillor Mason referred Council to the discussion section of the September 26, 2014 staff report noting staff's evaluation of the development proposal. He commented that this proposal would not be permitted in downtown Halifax due to its size, massing and lack of setbacks required in the downtown zone as set out by HRMbyDesign. He further reminded Council of the petition on file containing 1,042 signatures from residents against the proposal, how over 100 people had attended the District 7 & 8 Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) Public Information Meeting, where approximately only three people had spoken in support of the proposal, and how the PAC had unanimously recommended that HWCC vote against the proposal. Councillor Mason commented that this development did not meet any of Council's goals as provided for the current land use by laws of the area, HRMbyDesign or the Regional Plan and expressed that proceeding forward with a public hearing was not appropriate or required as the views of the public in regard to this development had already been provided to Council

Council entered into discussion with members speaking both in support and against the motion. Mr. Bob Bjerke, Director of Planning and Development and Mr. Carl Purvis, Major Projects Planner responded to questions regarding staff's position in assessing the proposal as outlined in the September 26, 2014 staff report to HWCC. Mr. Purvis provided confirmation of the proposed towers being 8 and 10 storeys. Several members of Council made reference to the heights and densities of neighbouring buildings, being 13 and 15 storeys.

In response to questions around process, Mr. John Traves, Municipal Solicitor advised that should Council proceed with first reading in regard to the proposal before them, if any changes were made to the proposal following the public hearing which would substantively alter the proposal as advertised it would require Council to hold a further public hearing on those substantive amendments. Mr. Traves clarified that if non substantive amendments were proposed following the public hearing a second public hearing would not be required. Upon further questions from members of Council, Mr. Traves noted that whether a proposed amendment was substantive or non-substantive must be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Mr. Traves went on to provide additional clarification regarding the opportunity for Council or Community Council to make changes to the proposal; advising that if the motion was approved to move forward to second reading, then there would be an advertisement of the proposed changes to the Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and Land Use By-law (LUB) a public hearing held. If, following the public hearing, the proposed changes are approved by Council the developer would have a right to a Development Agreement which is consistent with the amended MPS and LUB, with no opportunity for Council or Community Council to direct additional changes.

The discussion ensued and the **MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED.** (10 in favour, 7 against)

In favour: Deputy Mayor Fisher, Councillors Dalrymple, Hendsbee, Karsten, McCluskey, Mosher, Walker, Adams, Rankin and Johns

Against: Mayor Savage, Councillors Nicoll, Mason, Watts, Whitman, Craig and Outhit

**11.2.2 Case 18950 – Amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and the Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-law (LUB) – 1047, 1057 and 1065 Barrington Street, Halifax
Motion – Give First Reading and Schedule a Public Hearing**

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from Halifax & West Community Council dated October 22, 2014

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Mason that Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to consider the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Halifax (MPS) and the Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula (LUB) as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated October 9, 2014, provided that Attachment B includes provisions to allow the minimum side yard setback along lot lines that share an RC-4 Zone to be reduced to 5.5 meters (18.0 feet) and to allow balconies along the same lot lines to be reduced 3.5 meters (11.5 feet), and schedule a public hearing.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.3 AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE

**11.3.1 Proposed Administrative Order 2014-015-ADM, Respecting Reserve Funding Strategies
Motion – Councillor Karsten – Approve Administrative Order 2014-015-ADM**

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated October 20, 2014

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

- 1. Adopt Administrative Order 2014-015-ADM, Respecting Reserve Funding Strategies, as set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated September 19, 2014;**
- 2. Repeal the Reserves Policy adopted by the Council on December 1, 1998 and all amendments thereto; and**
- 3. Amend the Terms of Reference for the Audit and Finance Standing Committee, as set out in Attachment B of the staff report dated September 19, 2014.**

Councillor Watts questioned when the yearly report on reserves comes to Council and whether all the reserves would be grouped into the new categories or whether this was only for new reserves. Mr. Bruce Fisher, Manager, Financial Policy and Planning advised that staff would be reviewing the existing reserves against Administrative Order 2014-015-ADM and making revisions or combining reserves, and grouping them into categories. Councillor Watts asked that a description of the changes being made to the reserves be included in the report to Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Mosher, Johns and Outhit

11.3.2 Funding Award – 2014 Nova Scotia Moves

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated October 20, 2014

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

- 1. Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with Nova Scotia Energy (NS Moves Program) for \$100,000 in funding as indicated in the August 7, 2014 staff report;**
- 2. Authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with Nova Scotia Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal for \$70,000 in funding as indicated in the August 7, 2014 staff report; and**
- 3. Increase the Project Budget for CTU00420 Bikeway Master Plan Implementation by \$170,000 to include external funding from the Province of Nova Scotia.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Mosher, Johns and Outhit.

11.3.3 Project CB000043 – Hubbards Recreation Centre

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated October 20, 2014

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Karsten that Halifax Regional Council approve a budget transfer of \$75,000 to project No. CB000043 — Hubbards Recreation Centre with funding from Area Rate Account C175-Hubbards Recreation Centre.

Councillor Whitman noted the importance of the Hubbards Recreation Centre to the community and asked for Council's support.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mosher, Johns and Outhit.

11.3.4 Q123 Waste Resources Reserve Withdrawal

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated October 20, 2014

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Adams that Halifax Regional Council approve an increase in the gross project budget to account CW000002, Otter Lake Equipment in the amount of \$1,600,000 with funding from the Waste Resources Reserve, Q123, for the purchase of replacement equipment.

Council entered into a discussion with Mr. Mathew Keliher, Acting Manager, Solid Waste Resources providing clarification around the varying life cycle of the equipment and the replacement of equipment over the next year as a result of wear and tear, which Mr. Keliher noted he could provide in a report to Council, if requested.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Mosher, Johns and Outhit.

11.3.5 Request for Staff Report – Increase to Event Grant for the 2014 We Day Atlantic Event

The following was before Council:

- A recommendation report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated October 23, 2014

Ms. Denise Schofield, Manager, Regional Recreation & Culture confirmed that the original grant had been provided from the Operating Surplus Reserve, Q328.

Mr. Traves provided clarification around the process for Council to put forward the staff recommendation and if defeated to put forward a motion to waive the rules requiring a staff report and identify the funding account as provided by staff.

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor McCluskey that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to identify a funding source to increase the \$50,000 event grant for the 2014 We Day Atlantic Event as approved by Regional Council on June 24, 2014 by \$20,000 for a total grant of \$70,000 towards the event.

Councillor Karsten asked members to vote against the motion and move directly to approval of the additional funding for the event, as the Audit and Finance Committee had considered the request.

A discussion was held with staff responding to questions around the event and process around the request for increased funding. Mr. Traves referred Council to the June 19, 2014 staff report to the Audit and Finance Standing Committee (AFSC) and noted that the funding source had been identified by staff thus a further staff report could be waived if Council so wished.

MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mosher

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

1. **Waive the Rules requiring a staff report.**
2. **Increase the \$50,000 event grant for the 2014 We Day Atlantic Event as approved by Regional Council on June 24, 2014 by \$20,000 for a total grant of \$70,000 towards the event with funds being allocated from the Operating Surplus Reserve, Q328.**

Councillor Johns indicated that, while he was supportive of the event he could not support the motion as it had not followed the agreed upon process of returning for consideration by Special Events Advisory Committee to be evaluated in light of the scoring criteria and grants provided for other events. He further requested that recommendation #2 include the wording a *one-time increase only* to provide greater clarity, to which Council agreed.

The motion before Council now reads:

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

1. **Waive the Rules requiring a staff report.**
2. **Increase the \$50,000 event grant for the 2014 We Day Atlantic Event as approved by Regional Council on June 24, 2014 by \$20,000, a one-time increase only, for a total grant of \$70,000 towards the event with funds being allocated from the Operating Surplus Reserve, Q328.**

Further discussion was held and the **MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED.** (14 in favour, 2 against)

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

Against: Councillors Whitman and Johns

Not present: Councillor Mosher

11.4 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

11.4.1 Councillor Rankin – Administrative Order 46 – Request for Amendment

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council's consideration form

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Adams that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report regarding an amendment to Administrative Order 46, section 16, f), the purpose of which is to allow the naming of HRM assets to include recognizing people or persons still living that have at least 25 years of volunteer experience and further, in those instances in the applications where a person is still volunteering and has 25 years volunteer service, that HRM staff forward those requests for naming to the local Community Council for ratification.

Council entered into a discussion with Councillor Outhit expressing concern with identifying a 25 year volunteer service timeline and suggested it be removed from the motion. Mayor Savage suggested that the timeline remain in the motion and be discussed when the staff report comes to Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (15 in favour, 1 against)

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

Against: Councillor Outhit

Not present: Councillor Mosher

12. MOTIONS

12.1 Deputy Mayor Fisher

A notice of motion was given October 21, 2014.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Fisher, seconded by Councillor McCluskey that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on the possibility of Lake City Woodworkers acquiring adjacent land owned by HRM for the purposes of expanding their non-profit activities.

Councillor Watts inquired as to whether the intent of the motion was to consider how the agency could acquire the land at less than market value. Mr. Sticking, Manager of Real Estate and Land Management clarified that the adjacent property had recently been declared surplus by Council under Administrative Order 50 for sale at market value. Deputy Mayor Fisher indicated that his request was in regard to consideration of a less than market sale.

A brief discussion was held and the **MOTION WAS PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Not present: Councillor Mosher

12.2 Councillor Dalrymple

A notice of motion was given October 21, 2014.

MOVED by Councillor Dalrymple, seconded by Councillor Nicoll that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on diverting from the landfill all spent light bulbs used in municipal buildings by recycling at an appropriate facility.

Councillor Dalrymple indicated that diverting light bulbs from landfills had been discussed at the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee in the past and welcomed the opportunity of having staff review the cost to HRM. He suggested that the process could start with recycling light bulbs from Municipal buildings.

In response to a question raised, it was noted that the staff report would identify whether collection of the light bulbs at Municipal buildings could be done onsite.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mosher and Johns

12.3 Councillor Karsten

A notice of motion was given October 21, 2014.

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report to look at options relating to a permanent, fenced off-leash dog park for the Eastern Passage Cow Bay area. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mosher

13. IN CAMERA

13.1 In Camera Minutes – October 7, 2014

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Deputy Mayor Fisher that the In Camera minutes of October 7, 2014 be approved as circulated. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Item 15, Notices of Motion was dealt with at this time.

15. NOTICES OF MOTION

15.1 Office of the Municipal Clerk

TAKE NOTICE at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on November 18, 2014 staff intend to bring forward a report to move housekeeping amendments to Administrative 17, the Council Members Remuneration Administrative Order.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Watts to convene into In Camera. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Council recessed at 4:50 p.m. to convene into In Camera.
Council reconvened at 6:18 p.m.

13.2 Property Matter

A matter pertaining to providing instruction and direction to officers and employees of the Municipality pertaining to the acquisition / sale of land in regard to

13.2.1 Purchase of Waterfront Lot in Conrod Settlement – *Private and Confidential Report - Deferred from October 21, 2014*

This matter was addressed in camera and ratified as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Mason that Halifax Regional Council not approve acquisition of the vacant waterfront parcel as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated September 11, 2014 for parkland and recreation use. MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (12 in favour, 3 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Fisher, Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Mason, Watts, Mosher, Walker, Adams, Whitman, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillors Dalrymple, Hendsbee and McCluskey

Not Present: Councillors Rankin and Johns

13.2.2 Increase to Capital Budget Account and Industrial Lot Inventory Re-Purchase – *Private and Confidential Report*

This matter was addressed in camera and ratified as follows:

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

1. **Approve an increase of \$840,000 to the Capital Budget Account CQ000011 – Lot Inventory Repurchase with funding from Q121, Industrial Park Reserve, with no net increase to the Capital Budget.**
2. **Following the repurchase of the properties identified in Table 1 of the Private and Confidential Report dated September 18, 2014 in accordance with the approved Buy Back Agreements, approve the addition of the properties to the lot inventory with the minimum unit selling price as provided in Table 1 of the private and confidential report dated September 18, 2014.**
3. **Not release the private and confidential report to the public.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13.2.3 Boundaries for the Blue Mountain Birch Cove Lakes (BMBCL) Regional Park – *Private and Confidential Report*

This matter was addressed in the public session as item 11.1.5, see page 7.

13.3 Legal Matter

A matter pertaining to litigation or potential litigation in regard to an identifiable person and information whose disclosure could reasonably be expected to prejudice the interests of the Municipality.

13.3.1 Follow Up to item 13.3.3 Briefing Litigation and Property Matters, considered by Council in camera on October 21, 2014 – *Private and Confidential Report*

This matter was addressed in camera.

14. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

15. NOTICES OF MOTION

15.1 Office of the Municipal Clerk

This matter was addressed earlier in the meeting, see page 13.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Cathy J. Mellett
Municipal Clerk