

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
October 23, 2007

PRESENT:

Mayor Peter Kelly
Deputy Mayor Sue Uteck
Councillors: Krista Snow
David Hendsbee
Harry McInroy
Gloria McCluskey
Andrew Younger
Bill Karsten
Jim Smith
Mary Wile
Patrick Murphy
Dawn Sloane
Sheila Fougere
Russell Walker
Debbie Hum
Linda Mosher
Stephen Adams
Brad Johns
Robert Harvey
Reg Rankin
Gary Meade

REGRETS:

Councillors: Steve Streach
Gary Martin

STAFF:

Mr. Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. Mary Ellen Donovan, Municipal Solicitor
Ms. Jan Gibson, Municipal Clerk
Ms. Julia Horncastle, Legislative Assistant

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1. INVOCATION

The meeting was called to order with the Invocation being led by Councillor McInroy.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

This item was addressed during the evening session. (See page 11)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - NONE

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

Additions

- 12.1 Councillor Younger - Request for Report re: Update on Surveillance Camera Policy
- 12.2 Councillor Fougere - School Board Elections
- 12.3 Assessment Cap
- 12.4 2008/2009 Business Plan Process Review
- 12.5 Contractual Matter - Imperial Oil
- 12.6 Personnel Matter - Settlement of Claim
- 12.7 Personnel Matter - Councillor Appointments to Boards Committees and Commissions

Councillor Mosher requested item 8.12 be deferred to October 30, 2007.

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved. 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

8.1 Harmonized By-Law A-300, Respecting Animals

The above noted item was addressed at the October 16, 2007 Council Session and was now before Council for continuation of discussion and debate.

At the time of adjournment of the October 16, 2007 meeting, the following motion and

amendment were on the floor.

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Council delete references to cats from the proposed By-Law A-300 and defer the feline component until a working relationship with PACS where as PACS would be eligible for municipal funding to carry out the TNR program on behalf of the municipality.

Without a vote being taken on the motion on the floor, the following motion was placed.

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Regional Council Approve Administrative Order #11 as amended and attached to the October 12, 2007 staff report and to add options 3, 6 and 13 of appendix D.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Snow, that the question now be put. MOTION DEFEATED.

Councillor Fougere requested each item be voted on separately.

On question from Councillor Rankin, Councillor McCluskey clarified that the cat element was removed from her amendment.

PART 1

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Regional Council Approve Administrative Order #11 without the cat component as amended and attached to the October 12, 2007. MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED. (9 in favour, 12 against)

Those voting in favour were Mayor Kelly, Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors McCluskey, Murphy, Sloane, Fougere, Adams, Rankin and Meade.

Those voting against were Councillors Snow, Hendsbee, McInroy, Younger, Karsten, Smith, Wile, Walker, Hum, Mosher, Johns and Harvey.

Councillors Streach and Martin were absent.

PART 2

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Regional Council Approve Option 3 of Appendix D. MOTION PUT AND PASSED

PART 3

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Regional Council Approve Option 6 of Appendix D. MOTION PUT AND PASSED

PART 4

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Regional Council Approve Option 13 of Appendix D. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors Wile, Mosher and Walker indicated that they had voted in favour of the motion.

The main motion was now before Council.

At the request of Council, Councillor Sloane agreed to remove references to a specific group.

The motion now reads.

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Council delete references to cats from the proposed By-Law A-300 and defer the feline component until a working relationship with any non profit group willing to help with the situation where that non profit group would be eligible for municipal funding to carry out the TNR program on behalf of the municipality. MOTION DEFEATED. (10 in favour, 11 against)

Those voting in favour were Mayor Kelly, Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors McCluskey, Murphy, Sloane, Fougere, Hum, Adams, Rankin and Meade.

Those voting against were Councillors Snow, Hendsbee, McInroy, Younger, Karsten, Smith, Wile, Walker, Mosher, Johns and Harvey.

Councillors Streach and Martin were absent.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mosher, that Regional Council:

- 1. Approve Administrative Order #11 as amended and attached to the October 12,**

- 2007 supplementary report.**
- 2. Approve the Proposed By-Law A-300, Respecting Animals as amended and attached to the October 12, 2007 supplementary report.**
 - 3. Upon adoption of By-Law A-300, authorize staff to submit a request to the Province to include penalties levied under the By-Law in the Summary Offence Proceedings Act.**
 - 4. Approve Options 3, 6 and 13 of Appendix D.**

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Snow, that the question now be put. MOTION DEFEATED.

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Younger, that Council add Part 1 of Option 4, Part 1 of Option 5 and Option 17 of Attachment D.

The mover and seconder agreed to add this as a friendly amendment to the main motion.
MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that cats that are kept within a home and only go outside if crated, not need to be registered.

The motion was ruled not to be a friendly amendment.

Councillor Mosher stated that the Municipality needs to look at other options noting there is a building located next to the SPCA which could be set up as a clinic for the trap, neuter and release program for an approximate cost of \$50,00 per year. For the record, she stated she was suggesting HRM work with the SPCA on this matter.

MOTION DEFEATED.

Councillor Fougere referenced Section 10 of the proposed By-Law and placed the following motion.

MOVED by Councillor Fougere, seconded by Councillor Snow, that the definitions be changed to permit birds to be off a property without being in cages or tethered. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Councillor Smith advised he was in favour of the By-Law and placed the following motion.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Snow, that:

- 1. The discount for seniors be increased from 20% to 50%.**
- 2. Under "Duties of Owners" section 8(3)(b) the words "and birds" be removed.**

The mover and seconder agreed to add this as a friendly amendment to the main motion. Councillor Younger noted a poll commissioned by HRM indicated 90% of HRM residents supported cat regulations, 70% supported registration with identifying tags and 63% supported restricting cats to ones own personal property. He noted cat faeces is the only animal faeces that has a public health warning and it is not fair that property owners need to clean up after a cat that they don't own.

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that only dogs that are registered are permitted to be present in HRM owned off-leash dog parks, and further, that dog registration fees go to directly toward the establishment and maintenance of these facilities.

Councillor Mosher stated her intent with her motion was that if off-leash parks are established this would assist with the maintenance of these parks.

Councillor Snow requested the motion be split when voted on.

Staff Sgt. McNeil clarified that current signage on off-leash parks indicates that only registered dogs are permitted in the parks.

Following discussion the motion, as per the request of Councillor Snow, was split.

PART 1

**MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that only dogs that are registered are permitted to be present in HRM owned off-leash dog parks.
MOTION DEFEATED.**

PART 2

**MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that dog registration fees go to directly toward the establishment and maintenance of these facilities.
MOTION DEFEATED.**

Discussion continued with it being noted by a number of Councillors that dogs rather than cats are more of an issue and that the enforcement of such a By-Law would be cumbersome as there are not enough By-Law enforcement officers to have officers dedicated to the enforcement of such a By-Law.

MOVED by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee, that the By-Law

be officially named “Respecting Animals and Responsible Pet Ownership”. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Fougere, that the By-Law become effective April 1, 2009.

Councillor Smith stated cat owners cannot go another summer and this needs to be amended so that the part regarding the trapping of animals becomes effective by April of next year.

Without a vote being taken on the motion put by Councillor Harvey, the following motion was placed.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Wile, that Section 10, Animal Offences and Section 12, Seizure and Impounding of Animals become effective in April 2008. MOTION DEFEATED.

Councillor Harvey clarified that his amendment was with respect to the cat portion only to allow staff time to prepare and to allow time for an education program to be put in place.

MOTION DEFEATED. (7 in favour, 14 against)

Those voting in favour were Mayor Kelly, Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors Younger, Murphy, Fougere, Walker and Harvey.

Those voting against were Councillors Snow, Hendsbee, McInroy, McCluskey, Karsten, Smith, Wile, Sloane, Hum, Mosher, Adams, Johns, Rankin and Meade.

Councillors Streach and Martin were absent.

MOVED by Councillor Wile, seconded by Councillor Smith, that Section 14(1) be amended to remove reference to site specific locations. MOTION DEFEATED.

Councillor Johns stated he did not support the effective date being April 1, 2009 as this would be passing the By-Law on to the next Council and placed the following motion.

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that the By-Law become effective April 1, 2008. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Noting the time, the following motion was placed.

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Wile, that Council stay to

finish the entire agenda. MOTION DEFEATED. (10 in favour, 10 against)

Those voting in favour were Mayor Kelly and Councillors Snow, Hendsbee, McCluskey, Younger, Karsten, Murphy, Walker, Mosher and Adams.

Those voting against were Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors McInroy, Smith, Wile, Sloane, Fougere, Hum, Johns, Harvey and Rankin.

Councillors Streach, Martin and Meade were absent.

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee, that Council complete the By-Law. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Council recessed at 5:00 p.m.
Council reconvened at 6:00 p.m.

At this time Councillor Adams recognized Mr. Jackie Barrett, a power lifter with Special Olympics Nova Scotia, who was present in the gallery.

The motion before Council reads:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mosher, that Regional Council:

- 1. Approve Administrative Order #11 as amended and attached to the October 12, 2007 supplementary report.**
- 2. Approve the Proposed By-Law A-300, Respecting Animals as amended and attached to the October 12, 2007 supplementary report.**
- 3. Upon adoption of By-Law A-300, authorize staff to submit a request to the Province to include penalties levied under the By-Law in the Summary Offence Proceedings Act.**
- 4. Approve Options 3, Part 1 of Option 4, Part 1 of Option 5, 6,13 and 17 of Appendix D.**
- 5. Change the definitions to permit birds to be off a property without being in cages or tethered.**
- 6. Increase the discount for seniors from 20% to 50%.**

7. Under “Duties of Owners” section 8(3)(b) remove the words “and birds”.
8. The By-Law be called “Respecting Animals and Responsible Pet Ownership”.
9. The By-Law become effective April 1, 2008.

Discussion on the By-Law continued with it being noted that this By-Law would be cost prohibitive, cannot be enforced, does not fit in the rural districts and there is no budget provided.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Uteck, seconded by Councillor Sloane that, as permitted under Section 5.17.0 of the Municipal Government Act, Districts 11, 12, 13, 14, 22 and 1 be exempted from the By-Law.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Younger, that the motion now be put. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOTION DEFEATED. (6 in favour, 14 against)

Those voting in favour were Mayor Kelly, Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors Murphy, Sloane, Fougere and Rankin.

Those voting against were Councillors Snow, Hendsbee, McInroy, McCluskey, Younger, Karsten, Smith, Wile, Walker, Hum, Mosher, Adams, Johns and Harvey.

Councillors Streach, Martin and Meade were absent.

MOVED by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that the main motion be put before Council. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MAIN MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (11 in favour, 9 against)

Those voting in favour were Councillors Snow, Hendsbee, McInroy, Younger, Karsten, Smith, Wile, Walker, Mosher, Johns and Harvey.

Those voting against were Mayor Kelly, Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors McCluskey, Murphy, Sloane, Fougere, Hum, Adams, and Rankin.

Councillors Streach, Martin and Meade were absent.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillor Hendsbee announced the Lake Echo Rent A Canoe Club will be holding its annual general meeting and awards in the Lake Echo Fire Hall on Monday, October 28, 2007.

Councillor Mosher advised the Chocolate Lake Hotel Best Western will be holding its Grand Opening in January.

On a Point of Privilege Councillor Smith apologized for his remarks at the previous meeting to Deputy Mayor Uteck.

Councillor Fougere advised the Mayors Roundtable on Violence will be held on Thursday, October 25, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ward 5 Community Centre.

Councillor Murphy advised the Sports Hall of Fame had inducted Richard MacLean, Stan Hennigar and Michael Young.

Councillor Snow advised there will be a Citizens on Patrol meeting at the LWF Fire Hall on October 27, 2007 from noon to 4:30 p.m

Councillor Mosher advised there will be a Mayors Roundtable on Violence on Monday, October 29, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Bethany United Church.

Councillor Wile acknowledged the induction of Hedy Laroche into the Sports Hall of Fame.

Councillor Younger advised the Shubie Park Pumpkin Patch Festival will be held on Saturday, October 27, 2007.

Councillor Smith advised there will be a special meeting of the Farrell Benevolent Society on Sunday, October 28, 2007.

8.2 Correspondence - Joint Task Force Atlantic - Request for Ceremonial Fly-Past

- Correspondence from P. D. MacFadden, Rear Admiral, Commander, Joint Task Force Atlantic, dated October 3, 2007 was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Council grant permission for the Canadian Forces to fly a Sea King helicopter (CH 124) over the city (routed north to south) at an altitude of 500 feet above the highest obstacles at 11:00 a.m. on November 11, 2007. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.3 Tender 06-083 - Two (2) Year Agreement for the Supply of up to Eight (8) New 1500 Gallon Pumpers and Purchase of Vehicles - Reserve Withdrawals

- A report dated September 20, 2007, on the above noted was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor McCluskey, that Regional Council:

1. **Approve an increase to the 2007/2008 Capital Budget (Project CVJ00703) in the amount of \$117,000.00 towards the award of Tender 06-083, for one (1) New 1500 Gallon Water Tanker to Carl Thibault Fire Trucks Inc. as per Year 2 pricing for a Tender Price of \$265,680.00 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CVJ00703 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the September 20, 2007 report.**
2. **Approve the withdrawal of \$117,000 from Q206 Fire Vehicle Reserve.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.4 Tender 07-385 - Seven (7) Model 2008 4x4 Crew Cab and Chassis with Service Body, 13,000 GVWR

- A report dated September 28, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee, that Council award Tender No. 07-385, for seven (7) 2008 4x4 Crew Cab and Chassis with Service Body to Steele Ford Lincoln for a Tender Price of \$363,624.00 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CVJ00703 and CVJ00704 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the September 28, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.5 Request for Proposal 07-139 - Business Park Functional Plan

- A report dated October 2, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Younger, that Council award RFP#07-139, Business Parks Functional Plan, to Colliers International (Atlantic) Realty Advisors in the amount of \$108,181.56 (net HST included) with funding as per the Budget Implications section of the October 2, 2007 report.

A question was raised whether there was a conflict situation with the awarding of this RFP and without a vote being taken on the motion, the following motion was placed.

MOVED by Councillor Hum, seconded by Councillor McCluskey, that the report be sent back to staff and a determination be made as to whether there is a conflict. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.6 YouthScape, McConnell Foundation Youth Engagement Initiative

- A report dated September 21, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Fougere, that Regional Council approve HRM's participation in the Heartwood facilitated partnership engagement as per the Budget Implications section of the September 21, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.7 2011 Canada Winter Games - Board Appointees

- A report dated October 9, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Wile, seconded by Councillor Hum, that Regional Council appoint a Councillor and the Chief Administrative Officer or his designate as members of the Board of the 2011 Canada Games Host Society. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Councillor Wile put her name forward to serve on the Committee.

8.8 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order One, Respecting the procedures of Council - Section 43(A) - Requirements for Staff Reports

- A report dated October 9, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor Wile, that Regional Council amend Administrative Order One by replacing 43(A) and adding section 43(B) and 43 (C), as set out in Appendix "A" of the October 9, 2007 staff report. MOTION DEFEATED.

8.9 Case 00870 - Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law Amendment and Development Agreement - 5784 Charles Street, Halifax

- A report dated October 2, 2007, from the Peninsula Community Council, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that Regional Council give First Reading to the proposed amendments to the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Peninsula Land Use By-Law as contained in Appendix A of the staff report dated September 6, 2007 and schedule a joint public hearing with Peninsula Community Council. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.10 Property Matter - Less than Market Value Leases

- A report dated October 2, 2007, from the HRM Grants Committee, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that Regional Council:

1. **Approve the staff recommendation to enter into a less than market value lease agreement for Centre for Diverse Visible Cultures - 2786 Agricola Street, Halifax, as per the terms and conditions set out in the Discussion section of the report dated April 1, 2007 attached as Attachment 1.**
2. **Approve the staff recommendation to enter into a less than market value lease agreement for Metropolitan Immigrant Settlement Association and Halifax Immigrant English as a Second Language Society, 6955 Bayers Road, Halifax as per the terms and conditions set out in the Discussion section of the report dated July 2, 2007 attached as Attachment 2.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.11 Councillor Snow - Fall River Highways 118 & 102 Interchange

MOVED by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that Mayor Kelly write the Provincial Minister of Transportation regarding traffic safety at the intersection and requesting priority be set for the interchange. Further, HRM staff to undertake an informal traffic study to determine whether there is a way in which HRM can work with Province on the matter as well as look at whether there may be other solutions such as rerouting traffic to another area. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.12 Councillor Mosher - Request to add October 16, 2007 Information Item #12.1 to the Agenda - Legal Advice on Public Hearing Process

Councillor Mosher requested this item be deferred to October 30, 2007.

9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

9.1 Correspondence - None

9.2 Petitions

Councillor Karsten served a petition on behalf of the residents of Morris Lake Estates requesting funding to develop a park and for improvements of the park space and natural trail.

9.3 Presentations

9.3.1 Downtown Halifax Business Commission re: Activities Update

This item was deferred to October 30, 2007.

10. REPORTS

10.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

10.1.1 Request for Quotation 07P505 - JL Ilsley Sports Court Resurfacing

- A report dated September 27, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Wile that Council award RFQ No. 07-P-505 to Dexter Construction for a Total Tender Price of \$51,611.08 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CPU00933 - Sports Court Upgrades, Reservation 1326.4 and Capital Account No. CCV00668 - District 18 Capital Funds, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the September 27, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.2 Centreline Paint Truck

- A report dated September 21, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Walker, that Council approve payment in the amount of \$277,448.56 (net HST included) to the Nova Scotia Transportation and Public Works (NSTPW) for the building of a centreline paint truck with funding from Capital Account No. CVD00413 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the September 21, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.3 Case 01046 - Municipal Planning Strategy Amendment and Development Agreement, South Park Street and Brenton Place, Halifax

- A report dated October 11, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Walker, that Regional Council:

- 1. Authorize staff to initiate a process to consider amending the Halifax Municipal Planning Strategy and Halifax Peninsula Land Use By-Law to permit a 19 storey residential building, with first and second storey commercial uses, on the north-east corner of South Park Street and Brenton Place, in Halifax, by development agreement; and,**
- 2. Instruct that the Municipal Planning Strategy amendment process include a public participation program in accordance with the Public Participation Resolution adopted by Halifax Regional Council on February 25, 1997.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.4 Transfer of Title to Halifax Non-Profit Housing Society (Harbour City Homes): 5215 Artz Street (PID 40261281), 5219 Artz Street (PID 40261299) and 5221 Artz Street (PID 40261307)

- A report dated September 19, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Regional Council:

- 1. Approve in principle the transfer of title to 5215 Artz Street, 5219 Artz Street, and 5221 Artz Street, Halifax, to the Halifax Non-Profit Housing Society, each for the sum of \$1, plus specific costs associated with this conveyance, subject to site survey and legal description, and the terms and conditions set out in the September 19, 2007 report.**

2. Set a date for a public hearing.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.5 Special Election Halifax Regional Municipality District 8 - Woodside-Eastern Passage

- A report dated October 15, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Wile, that:

1. Council accept the resignation of Councillor Kent from Halifax Regional Council.
2. Linda Grant be appointed the Returning Officer for the Special Election in District 8 to fill the vacancy on the Halifax Regional Council.
3. Halifax Regional Council approve the use of the Provincial Voters List used in the Provincial Election held on October 2, 2007.
4. Approve a withdrawal from the Election Reserve, Q313, in the amount of \$35,000.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.6 Green Mobility Capital Grants Agreement

- A report dated October 1, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Fougere, seconded by Councillor Walker, that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into an agreement with the Green Mobility Capital Grants Program for \$22,000 in funding towards the Tantallon Bike and Ride project. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.2 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

10.2.1 Councillor Snow - Request for Report re: Feasibility of Bicycle Licensing

MOVED by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee, that staff provide a report on the feasibility of licensing bikes including associated cost on licensing as well as revenue generation. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

11. MOTIONS - NONE

12. ADDED ITEMS

12.1 Councillor Younger - Request for Report re: Update on Surveillance Camera Policy

MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that staff provide an update on the Surveillance Camera Policy. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.2 Councillor Fougere - School Board Elections

MOVED by Councillor Fougere, seconded by Councillor Johns, that Mayor Kelly write the Province requesting a formal reply as to whether there will be School Board elections in conjunction with the 2008 Municipal election. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.3 Assessment Cap

- This item was addressed at an earlier Committee of the Whole session and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that the Mayor forward a letter to Service Nova Scotia asking for a response as to whether HRM will see cost savings in assessment services as a result of switching the Assessment Cap from 10% to the Consumer Price Index. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.4 2008/2009 Business Plan Process Review

- This item was addressed at an earlier Committee of the Whole session and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the proposed revised Business Plan and Budget Debate process**

outlined in the Discussion section of the October 17, 2007 staff report, with the provision that staff arrange to hold informal discussion sessions between Council and Directors (and/or their appointed designates) over a two or three day time frame.

2. **Maintain the 2007/08 Council Focus Area approach and priorities: Infrastructure, Public Safety, Community Development, and Tax Reform for 2008/09.**
3. **Maintain the current Budget & Business Plan book format with the addition of an Infrastructure List supplement.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.5 Contractual Matter - Imperial Oil

- This item was addressed at an earlier In Camera session and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Walker, that Halifax Regional Council approve the proposed methodology as set out in the September 11, 2007 presentation at the In Camera session of Council. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.6 Settlement of Claim

- This item was addressed at an earlier In Camera session and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Uteck, seconded by Councillor Fougere, that Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Settle this claim brought by the Complainant in the amount of \$50,000 to achieve a full settlement of the Complainant's action upon obtaining a full release from the Complainant from any further claims arising out of the complaint against HRM under the Nova Scotia Human Rights Act dated February 7, 2007; and,**
2. **Not release the October 11, 2007 Private and Confidential report to the public as per the terms of the settlement agreement.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.7 Personnel Matter - Councillor Appointments to Boards, Committees and Commissions

- This item was addressed at an earlier In Camera session and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Wile, that Halifax Regional Council approve the Councillor appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions as outlined in Attachment 1 of the staff report with the membership of the Halifax Dartmouth Natal Day Steering Committee being expanded to include up to three (3) members of Council. Further, the report may be released to the public.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13. NOTICES OF MOTION - NONE

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Jan Gibson
Municipal Clerk

The following information items were circulated to Council.

1. Memorandum from Director, Community Development dated October 9, 2007
re: HRM's Public Art Policy Development Process
2. Memorandum from Director, Community Development dated October 9, 2007
re: Arena Capacity
3. Memorandum from Director, Community Development dated October 4, 2007
re: Bloomfield Centre Review Project: Tenancy Plan Update
4. Memorandum from Director, Transportation & Public Works dated September 25,
2007 re: District Heating - Peninsular Halifax
5. Memorandum from the Municipal Clerk dated October 19, 2007 re: Requests for
Presentation to Council - None