HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES December 16, 2008

PRESENT: Mayor Peter Kelly

Deputy Mayor David Hendsbee Councillors: Steve Streatch

> Barry Dalrymple Lorelei Nicoll Gloria McCluskey Andrew Younger Bill Karsten

Jackie Barkhouse

Jim Smith Mary Wile

Jerry Blumenthal Dawn Sloane Sue Uteck Jennifer Watts Russell Walker Debbie Hum Brad Johns Robert Harvey Tim Outhit Reg Rankin Peter Lund

REGRETS: Councillors Linda Mosher

Steve Adams

STAFF: Mr. Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

Ms. Mary Ellen Donovan, Municipal Solicitor Ms. Julia Horncastle, Acting Municipal Clerk Ms. Chris Newson, 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 Deputy Mayor Hendsbee.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillor Dalrymple noted that the Fall River Lions Club sold over 400 Christmas Trees in support of their many projects and collected over 50 boxes of food for the Christmas program. He thanked the Beaver Bank Lions Club for their recent Parade of Lights event. A fundraising supper at the Fall River Open Gate Church was prepared by sixteen teenagers in support of their trip to Ecuador. He thanked the Beaver Bank Scouts and Leaders for their recent Turkey Bingo fundraising event. Councillor Dalrymple thanked all volunteers and their supporters for their efforts over the year and wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

Councillor Wile encouraged everyone to attend the sod turning event for the Mainland Common at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 17, 2008.

Councillor Rankin acknowledged the presence of Mr. Bill Estabrooks, MLA Timberlea-Prospect.

Councillor McCluskey wished all residents of District 5, and HRM, a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Councillor Blumenthal wished a Happy Hannukah to all.

3. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u> - NONE

4. <u>APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS - NONE</u>

<u>Additions</u>: 12.1 Implications of Winter Parking Ban - Councillor Blumenthal

- 12.2 Committee of the Whole: Public Transportation and Municipal Property Taxation
- 12.3 In Camera: Councillor Appointments to Boards/Committees and Commissions

MOVED BY Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Blumenthal that the agenda, 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. <u>CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS</u> NONE
- 9 <u>CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS</u>
- 9.1 Correspondence NONE
- 9.2 Petitions
- 9.2.1 Rescind HRM Winter Parking Ban

Councillor Sloane submitted a petition with 267 signatures supporting the withdrawal of the HRM Winter Parking Ban due to the undo hardship for residents who live in the downtown. Later in the meeting an additional 25 signatures were submitted in regard to this petition. (See page 15, paragraph 6)

- 10. REPORTS
- 10.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER
- 10.1.1 <u>Tender No. 08-345 Removal of Existing, Supply & Installation of Two</u>
 (2) Hydraulic In-Ground Hoists at Metro Transit Maintenance Facility 200 Ilsley Avenue
- A staff report dated November 21, 2008 was before Council.

MOVED BY Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hendsbee that Halifax Regional Council award Tender No. 08-345 to Carquest Canada Ltd. for a Total Tender Price of \$259,985.00 (net HST included) with funding from the Approved 2008/2009 Capital Budget No. CBX01034 - 200 Ilsley Avenue - Safety Upgrades, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the staff report dated November 21, 2008. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.2 <u>Increase to Capital Budget CBG00720 - Prospect Community Centre</u>

- A staff report dated December 9, 2008 was before Council.
- An e-mail dated December 16, 2008 from Pat Shaw was before Council.

Councillor Streatch declared a Conflict of Interest and removed himself from the debate.

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

- 1. Authorize a transfer of \$1,000,000 from City Hall Stone Restoration CBX01046 to CRESPOOL;
- 2. Increase Capital Budget CBG00720 Prospect Community Centre account by \$1,000,000 from CRESPOOL.

Councillor Rankin noted the years of planning by the Community Volunteer Committee that has brought them to this stage in the process with over fifty (50) Committee meetings and two (2) public meetings held in conjunction with the planning and design for the Prospect Community Centre. He acknowledged and thanked those volunteers in attendance for their commitment. The Community has raised \$50,000 of its \$2 million goal. Councillor Rankin advised that the design meets the needs assessment and requested Regional Council's support of the project by approving the transfer of \$1 million in funding to the Prospect Community Centre.

Mr. Phil Townsend, Assistant Director, Infrastructure and Asset Management, responded to questions/concerns of Council as follows:

- the transfer of \$1 million from the City Hall Stonework Project would not result in a net loss of time or funding to the restoration project as it was expected to be a four to five year project.
- buildings (such as recreation centres) will be designed with transfer switches to accept generators; the generators could be transferred from community to community as the need arose.
- the Prospect Community Centre building will meet LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Silver standards, however; a recommendation would come before Council in regard to whether or not HRM would seek LEED Silver certification as there would be costs associated with the certification.

Councillor Sloane advised that she could not support the transfer of funds as she was not in support of deferring maintenance on buildings in the downtown.

Councillor Hum congratulated the community for their dedicated service noting that Prospect will have an \$8,500,000.00 community centre which will be critical for the infrastructure needs of HRM.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.3 <u>Dalhousie University - Wickwire Field Artificial Turf</u>

A staff report dated December 11, 2008 was before Council.

MOVED BY Councillor Uteck, seconded by Councillor Wile that Halifax Regional Council approve a cost sharing payment to Dalhousie University in the amount of \$300,000.00 plus net HST \$150,000.00 to be paid this year, and \$150,000.00 to be paid in the 2009/2010 Capital Budget. Funding for this year is available from approved 2008/09 Capital Budget under Capital Account No. CPX01020 New Sport Field Development as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the report dated December 11, 2008.

Councillor Streatch declared a Conflict of Interest on this matter and removed himself from debate.

Councillor Uteck noted that this would be a unique funding partnership between HRM and Dalhousie University. She emphasised that future maintenance of the fields would be the responsibility of Dalhousie University.

Councillor Harvey noted that the Sackville Community Arena also provides total community usage of its facility and has been run by a volunteer, non-profit Board since 1971. He had made similar requests for a partnership of this kind for the Lake District Recreation Organization and their community facility (arena). He requested a response from staff in time for the upcoming budget debates in regard to why a similar arrangement has not been made for the Lake District Community Centre.

Ms. Betty Lou Killen, Client Services, Development and Planning, responded to questions of Council as follows:

- the turf project was completed in June 2008.
- the Service Level Agreement is in final draft and will be signed upon approval of Regional Council.
- the fee structures are to be compatible with existing all-weather turf facilities to avoid conflict/competition.

MOVED BY Councillor Uteck, seconded by Councillor Sloane that the motion be amended to include the following sentence: "The Service Level Agreement is to be signed by the Mayor and Acting Municipal Clerk." MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED.

The amended motion now reads as follows:

MOVED BY Councillor Uteck, seconded by Councillor Wile that Halifax Regional Council approve a cost sharing payment to Dalhousie University in the amount of \$300,000.00 plus net HST \$150,000.00 to be paid this year, and \$150,000.00 to be paid in the 2009/2010 Capital Budget. Funding for this year is available from approved 2008/09 Capital Budget under Capital Account No. CPX01020 New Sport Field Development as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the report dated December 11, 2 008. The Service Level Agreement is to be signed by the Mayor and **Acting Municipal Clerk.**

Councillor Younger expressed concern with the timing of the Service Level Agreement as the work has already been done. He noted that the project was one of a list of ten during the previous budget debates and that it would be impossible to fund all those projects.

Mayor Kelly responded that if the Service Level Agreement were not approved by Council and signed, HRM would not have use of the field.

Councillor Younger, in referencing page 3 of the Service Level Agreement, noted that Dalhousie University agrees to recognize the historical community users of the facilities, however; there was no list of users provided. He expressed concern that without a list there may be future disagreements in regard to who has use of the field.

Councillor Uteck noted that Dalhousie University had to replace the field and, in consideration of a similar commitment with Saint Mary's University, this partnership was a good way for HRM to capitalize on an opportunity for the Peninsula.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

- 10.1.4 First Reading Proposed By-Law T-224, An Amendment to By-Law T-200, Respecting Tax Exemption fo Non-Profit Organizations - Review of **Conditional Awards and Records Management**
- A Grant Committee report dated December 12, 2008 was before Council.

MOVED BY Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Wile that Halifax Regional Council approve first reading of By-Law T-224, an amendment to By-Law T-200, Respecting Tax Exemptions for Non-profit Organizations - Conditional Awards and Records Management, as shown in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated July 23, 2008 and set a public hearing date. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.2 SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

10.2.1 ICI Cardboard

- A report dated December 16, 2008 from the Solid Waste Resource Advisory Committee was circulated to Council.
- An e-mail dated December 16, 2008 from Mr. Kurt Jacobs was circulated to Council.

Mr. Jim Bauld, Manager, Solid Waste Resources, Transportation and Public Works, presented the information. He explained that ICI Cardboard refers to cardboard received from industrial, commercial and institutional properties as defined in By-Law S-600. He clarified that there were no issues in regard to HRM's residential recycling program, however; there were concerns with ICI Cardboard due to the recent collapse in the world commodities market for mixed paper/corrugated cardboard. Mr. Bauld noted that in September of 2008 commercial haulers were being paid \$100 per tonne for paper by private recyclers; by December 2008 the same product was being received for free or with a charge as high as \$165 per tonne for mixed paper. On November 4, 2008, the private recyclers advised that they would no longer receive mixed ICI paper (corrugated cardboard, office paper and newspaper mixed together) due to there being no market for the product (no buyer world wide) as of April 1, 2009. The Solid Waste Resource Advisory Committee held two recent meetings to discuss the situation resulting in the current report before Council.

Mr. Bauld, referencing page 7 & 8 of the report, explained the options available and that a business case would have to be provided for those options to be reviewed by the Solid Waste Resource Advisory Committee with final approval by Regional Council. He noted that MIRROR Nova Scotia has recently agreed to accept, on a contingency basis, mixed ICI paper until March 31, 2009, however; issues relating to the storage, transportation/marketing of the material, including the recovery of costs incurred via a possible tipping fee would have to be addressed.

MOVED BY Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Mccluskey that Halifax Regional Council table the report dated December 16, 2008 pending the full business case being prepared by staff for review by the Solid Waste Resource Advisory Committee, and; that staff meet bi-weekly with industry stakeholders who are to have an advisory role to staff in the preparation of the business report to be returned to the Solid Waste Resource Advisory Committee in six weeks with a business case and options.

Councillor Uteck commented that she could not support the motion as currently worded. She explained that HRM was to take responsibility for its solid waste and be world class leaders. The proposed motion would result in sole sourcing to two private companies and send a message to the haulers that what happens in three months time does not matter to Council. She further questioned where in the HRM facility's contract the percentage for recyclables received was outlined to be 80% residential and 20% commercial. Councillor Uteck

expressed concern that approval of the proposed motion would be giving away HRM's responsibility in regard to recyclables and that sole sourcing to two haulers provides the potential for those haulers to charge whatever they want for receipt of the material that HRM is refusing to accept at its own facility.

Deputy Mayor Hendsbee noted that the peak season for ICI Cardboard was during the Christmas season. He urged Council to explore options to address the issue immediately. He also expressed concern with sole sourcing adding that HRM, if at all possible, should find the capacity to accept the material.

Councillor Harvey commented that there had been precedents set for transporting HRM waste to other areas (Queens County/Hants County) on an interim basis and suggested that Council consider that option.

Mr. Bauld emphasised that HRM's Otter Lake Facility in Bayers Lake had never received paper from businesses. To commence receipt of that material (approximately 100 tonnes per day) would be a new venture for HRM; therefore, a business case would be required for the substantial increase.

In response to Councillor Streatch's request for clarification on the varying recommendations brought forward, Councillor Karsten clarified that his intent was to table the Solid Waste Resource Advisory Committee's (SWAC) recommendations, as listed on the report dated December 16, 2008, due to new information being brought forward that Scotia Recycling and Great Northern were still capable of accepting mixed fibre at their facilities until March 31, 2009. He further intends that HRM staff permit the industry stakeholders to have some input in the preparation of the report.

Councillor Streatch advised that he did not want to see any hardship brought on the local haulers/business people in regard to this situation.

MOVED BY Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Hum that the motion be amended to assign all urgency to the business case report and that the report be presented to Regional Council on January 6, 2009 rather than in six weeks time.

Councillor Uteck advised that she was not in support of the amendment as HRM has a publically owned facility that has announced it will no longer accept a type of material, and; that by March 31, 2009 there will be a fourth stream of recycling rather than three. She expressed concern that private haulers would be forced to sort the material and they are haulers not sorters. She commented that HRM must take responsibility for its waste.

Mr. Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, in response to comments that staff did not meet with the industry, clarified that he, Mr. Bauld and Mr. Labrecque, Director, Transportation and Public Works, had met with the members of the industry who were also in

attendance at the Solid Waste Advisory Committee meeting. Staff indicated at that time what was being planned and the industry members seemed quite satisfied.

Mr. Bauld noted that both private companies have indicated that they would not close over the Christmas holidays.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED.

The motion now reads as follows:

MOVED BY Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor McCluskey that Halifax Regional Council table the report dated December 16, 2008 pending the full business case being prepared by staff for review by the Solid Resource Advisory Committee, and; that staff meet with industry stakeholders who are to have an advisory role to staff in the preparation of the business case report to be presented to Council on Tuesday, January 6, 2009.

Ms. Mary Ellen Donovan, Municipal Solicitor, clarified for Councillor Uteck that By-Law S-600, as currently designed, does provide sufficient latitude for the Manager of Solid Waste to take the decisions he took in regard to a very challenging situation.

Councillor Karsten clarified that HRM has never collected ICI material. Private haulers have been advised over the last ten years, by Great Northern, to separate the paper from cardboard with no success. Now that the market for mixed fibre has dried up, a solution is required. The recommendation on the floor is to have staff work with the industry to find a suitable way to deal with this situation and that a report come before Council on January 6, 2009.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.3 SPECIAL EVENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

10.3.1 <u>Special Events Grants Request</u>

 A Special Events Advisory Committee report dated December 12, 2008 was before Council.

Councillor McCluskey expressed concern that a previous application for funding in regard to an event planned for Dartmouth (Blues Festival) was turned down due to it being a for profit event yet there were four events before Council for approval, none from Dartmouth, and some are for profit. She inquired how some groups qualify while others did not.

Mr. Andrew Whittemore, Manager, Community Development, responded that the Special Events Advisory Committee's recommendation were before Council and were based on the

criteria for the allocation of funding for special events that was approved by Regional Council. Special events speak to tourism and economic development for HRM and the source for the special event funding, the marketing levy fund, is focussed on tourism. He further explained that the HRM Holiday Classic event (Rainmen) was part of a broader one year program for HRM that would include; court side signs promoting HRM, live game announcements thanking HRM, a thirty-second commercial at the Metro Centre, 500 tournament game tickets would be available for children and 250 tickets provided for every ten (10) home games. Estimated attendance at the event would be 2000 over four nights. Staff analysed the initial request and awarded the event a 59%, based on the criteria, and forwarded a recommendation to the Special Events Advisory Committee for a \$100,000 allocation toward the event. The Committee increased that amount by \$25,000 for a total of \$125,000 being recommended.

Councillor Younger expressed frustration that the scoring sheets (criteria) had not been included with the report even though Council had repeatedly requested that they be attached to the reports. He noted that it was difficult to judge merit without the criteria.

Mayor Kelly indicated to staff that the scoring sheets were to be part of all future reports.

Councillor McCluskey advised that she would not be supporting the \$125,000 allocation for the Rainman event as it was a for profit event and should not qualify for the marketing levy funds.

Mr. Whittemore further explained that a portion of the \$125,000 would go toward expenses associated with travel and airfare for the teams arriving from Georgia and Chicago.

Councillor Smith commented that in regard to the 500 tickets for children, he wanted Council to be advised who received the tickets, that the tickets were fairly distributed and that they were good seats.

Councillor Sloane explained that the Rainmen have been working in HRM communities putting on clinics for youth at risk and are planning more personal outreach opportunities throughout HRM, not just Halifax. The Rainmen are also considering a partnership with the Parker Street Furniture/Food Bank to assist with their emergency heating fund as well as helping to collect food items. The report outlines that the funding would be sponsorship for one year to a group who are helping out in the community.

Councillor Dalrymple commented that he trusts the decision of the Special Events Advisory Committee and that Council has appointed the right people to the task. He added that he has followed the Rainmen since they first arrived in Halifax and can attest to their community involvement. The funding would go toward a pro-team carrying HRM's name throughout North America.

Councillor Hum expressed concern with HRM providing \$10,000 to the Democracy 250 event when Democracy 250 had a \$10.5 million fund. She questioned the value for money HRM received in relation to this event.

Councillor Younger noted the he was annoyed with the \$10,000 request for the Democracy 250 event and requested that it be deleted from the motion.

Councillor Johns reminded Council that the Special Events funding was from the marketing levy reserves set up by the hotels to support events such as these. The fund was not taxpayers money.

Councillor McCluskey requested a recorded vote and that the recommendations be split.

Recommendation 1

MOVED BY Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Sloane that Halifax Regional Council approve a \$10,000.00 grant to the Halifax Pop Explosion from the Marketing Levy Special Events Reserve Q315.

Those absent for the vote were Councillors: Mosher, Adams and Rankin.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Recommendation 2

MOVED BY Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Sloane that Halifax Regional Council approve a \$125,000.00 grant to the Halifax Rainmen Holiday Classic from the Marketing Levy Special Event Reserve (Q315). MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Twenty (20) in favour, One (1) against.

Those voting in favour of the motion were: Councillors Barkhouse, Blumenthal, Dalrymple, Harvey, Deputy Mayor Hendsbee, Hum, Johns, Karsten, Mayor Kelly, Lund, Nicoll, Outhit, Sloane, Smith, Streatch, Uteck, Walker, Watts, Wile and Younger.

Those voting against the motion were: Councillor McCluskey.

Those absent for the vote were: Councillors Mosher, Adams and Rankin.

Recommendation 3

MOVED BY Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Sloane that Halifax Regional Council approve a \$15,000.00 grant to the New Year's Eve Celebration from the Marketing Levy Special Event Reserve (Q315). MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Those absent for the vote were: Councillors Mosher, Adams and Rankin.

Recommendation 4

MOVED BY Councillor Johns, seconded by Councillor Sloane that Halifax Regional Council approve a \$10,000.00 grant to Democracy 250 from the MLSER (Q315). MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Fourteen (14) in favour; Seven (7) opposed.

Those voting in favour of the motion were: Councillors Barkhouse, Blumenthal, Dalrymple, Harvey, Deputy Mayor Hendsbee, Hum, Johns, Karsten, Lund, Sloane, Smith, Streatch, Walker, Wile.

Those voting against the motion were: Mayor Kelly, Councillors McCluskey, Nicoll, Outhit, Uteck, Watts and Younger.

Those absent for the vote were: Councillors Mosher, Adams and Rankin.

Council recessed for ten minutes at 7:58 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Hendsbee reconvened the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

10.4 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

10.4.1 Councillor Uteck - Request for Report re: Street Closure Permits

MOVED BY Councillor Uteck, seconded by Councillor Johns that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report regarding the possibility of having street closure permit applications for street parties reviewed by Halifax Regional Police before being issued to ensure the event is in the best interest of the community. The report is to indicate whether street closure permit applications would be dealt with uniformly throughout HRM. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

11. MOTIONS - NONE

12. ADDED ITEMS

12.1 <u>Implications of Winter Parking Ban</u>

MOVED BY Councillor Blumenthal, seconded by Councillor Younger that Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on the possibility of providing residential off-street parking from 1:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. during the winter parking ban for those residents without driveways/parking areas in Districts 11, 12 and 14. Possible areas for consideration are the Bloomfield Centre, Parking Lot "J" at the Centennial Pool, the former St. Patrick's High School, the Halifax Forum and any other areas that may provide off-street residential parking during the winter parking ban.

Councillor Sloane advised that the abundance of development in the northern portion of District 12 had eliminated affordable parking alternatives for her residents. She requested that the report respond to frequently asked questions (FAQ) received by Councillors and that those questions and responses be linked to the HRM website; distributed to Eastlink and the weekly papers. Information on the FAQ form should include; the name of the contractor with the towing contract for HRM, the location of the holding lot and all paperwork required by residents to have a vehicle removed from the holding lot.

Councillor Watts requested that staff engage the public over the next few months through a public consultation process to discuss the impact of the winter parking ban and possible solutions.

Mayor Kelly resumed the Chair at 8:19 p.m.

Councillor McCluskey expressed concern with the ability to have parking lots ploughed in time for the people arriving for work in the morning if overnight parking were permitted.

Councillor Sloane submitted an additional twenty-five signatures in support of the petition to rescind the winter parking ban. (See Item 9.2.1, page 5).

Councillor Hum expressed concern with the logistics of providing off-street parking at facility parking lots as community facilities were used by the public during the day and daytime parking would also be required during snow events. She noted that the fluctuating weather should also be taken into consideration.

Councillor Younger requested that staff ensure the (parking space) rents would be at market rate.

Councillor Blumenthal expressed concern with liability issues in regard to the proposed offstreet parking alternatives. He suggested that staff look to other communities such as Saint John, New Brunswick to determine how they deal with winter parking issues. Councillor Sloane noted that if HRM by Design were approved there would be more people on the peninsula, therefore; a solution to the parking issue had to be found.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.2 <u>Committee of the Whole Recommendation - Public Transportation and Municipal Property Taxation</u>

This item had been dealt with at an earlier Committee of the Whole session and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED BY Councillor Johns, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hendsbee that Halifax Regional Council approve in principle:

- 1. Metro Link, Rural Express Transit and Ferries should be paid for largely by an area rate on dwelling units in the Urban Settlement and the Rural Commuter Shed designations; and,
- Local Transit routes should be funded by a single area rate on dwelling units paid by all properties within walking distance of transit service and that the Draft 2009 - 2010 Budget should be developed upon this basis; and that staff return to Council with the proposed tax rates and service changes.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.3 Councillor Appointments to Boards/Committees and Commissions

This item had been dealt with at an earlier In Camera session and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED BY Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hendsbee that Regional Council approve the Councillor appointments to Boards/Committees and Commissions as submitted.

Councillor Walker requested that the motion be amended to refer the appointment of Councillor Adams to the Board of Police Commission back to the Membership Selection Committee.

The amended motion now reads as follows:

MOVED BY Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hendsbee that Regional Council approve the Councillor appointments to Boards/Committees and Commissions as submitted with the exception of the appointment of Councillor Adams to the Board of Police Commission which is to be referred back to the Membership Selection Committee. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13. <u>NOTICES OF MOTION</u> - NONE

14. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Julia Horncastle Acting Municipal Clerk

Information Items

The following items were distributed for information purposes only:

- 1. Proclamation Alzheimer Awareness Month January 2009
- 2. Memorandum from the Acting Municipal Clerk dated December 12, 2008 re: Requests for Presentation to Council None.