

**TO:** Mavor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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**SUBMITTED BY:**

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Councillor Gloria McCluskey, Chair, Audit and Finance Standing  
Committee

**DATE:** January 24, 2011

**SUBJECT:** Personnel Matter – Councillor Appointments to the Special Events  
Advisory Committee

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**ORIGIN**

The January 19, 2011 meeting of the Audit and Finance Standing Committee.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council:

1. Appoint Councillor Sue Uteck for a two year term on the Special Events Advisory Committee to run from February 1, 2011 to November 30, 2013.
2. Appoint Councillor Linda Mosher for a three year term on the Special Events Advisory Committee to run from August 1, 2011 to November 30, 2014.
3. Appoint Councillor Barry Dalrymple for a three year term on the Special Events Advisory Committee to run from August 1, 2011 to November 30, 2014.
4. Appoint Deputy Mayor Jim Smith for a two year term on the Special Events Advisory Committee to run from February 1, 2011 to November 30, 2013.
5. Appoint Councillor Gloria McCluskey for a two year term on the Special Events Advisory Committee to run from February 1, 2011 to November 30, 2013.

## **BACKGROUND**

Direction was provided by Halifax Regional Council at their November 30, 2010 session that the Special Events Advisory Committee Composition be increased to five Councillors from three to accommodate the interest of Members of Council who were interested in serving on the Committee, and; that the relevant Committee appointments (Councillor and Citizen) be forwarded to the respective Standing Committees for their recommendation to Halifax Regional Council.

## **DISCUSSION**

At the January 19, 2011 Audit and Finance Standing Committee meeting, the Standing Committee reviewed the list of Councillors put forward for consideration for appointment to the Special Events Advisory Committee as recommended by the Membership Selection Committee. To ensure continuity of experienced members on the Advisory Committee, the Standing Committee discussed staggered terms of two and three years for the Councillor appointments.

The appointments of Councillors Linda Mosher and Barry Dalrymple to the Special Events Advisory Committee are recommended to commence on August 1, 2011 following the expiration of terms for Councillors Dawn Sloane and Brad Johns on July 31, 2011.

The Audit and Finance Standing Committee has appointed Councillor Sue Uteck as Chair of the Special Events Advisory Committee for the 2011/12 year and Councillor Russell Walker as Chair of the Grants Committee for the 2011/12 year, representing Chebucto Community Council, pending confirmation of their appointments by Halifax Regional Council.

The Audit and Finance Standing Committee recommended that Councillor appointments to the Grants Committee be made through the Community Councils to ensure there would be a representative from each Community Council serving on the Grants Committee.

The Councillor appointments to the Grants Committee have been deferred to the respective Community Councils.

## **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

There are no budget implications associated with this report.

## **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN**

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Project and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Project and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Terms of Reference for the Special Events Advisory Committee requires that five Councillors be appointed. The Terms of Reference for the Grants Committee requires that six Councillors be appointed. There is no community engagement required for this initiative.

### ALTERNATIVES

1. Halifax Regional Council may choose not to recommend the appointments as noted. This is not the recommended action.

### ATTACHMENTS

1. Extract of the November 30, 2010 Halifax Regional Council minutes.
2. List of Councillors who had expressed interest in serving on the Special Events Advisory Committee as submitted by the Membership Selection Committee.

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A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.html> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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**12.2 Councillor/Citizen Appointments to HRM Committees & Associate Boards**

This item was addressed at an In Camera session held earlier in the day and was now before Regional Council for ratification:

**MOVED BY Councillor Blumenthal, seconded by Deputy Mayor Smith that Halifax Regional Council:**

- 1. Adopt the recommendation of the Membership Selection Committee regarding appointments to Standing Committees of Council and Associated Boards and Committees as outlined in Attachment 1 of the Private and Confidential report dated November 26, 2010.**
- 2. Adopt the recommendation of the Membership Selection Committee to forward the relevant Committee appointments (Councillor and Citizens) to the respective Standing Committee or Community Councils for their recommendation to Halifax Regional Council, as outlined in Attachment 2 of the Private and Confidential report dated November 26, 2010 as amended:**

**Councillor Walker replace Councillor Mosher on Halifax Water, and when the standing committee is up and running it will appoint the other councillor**

**Councillor Nicoll and Councillor McCluskey be appointed to the Greater Halifax Partnership**

**And further, that the Standing Committees use, for the purpose of their nominations, the list of Councillors expressing interest to serve on the Committees as submitted to the Membership Selection Committee and adhere to all policies previously adopted by Council regarding Council appointments.**

- 3. Approve the appointment of Ali Nadeen and Neil Lovitt to the District 12 Planning Advisory Committee.**
- 4. Adopt the recommendation of the Membership Selection Committee to increase the membership of the Graffiti Task Force from two (2) Councillors to three (3) Councillors; the membership of the Shubenacadie Canal Commission from one (1) to two (2) Councillors; the membership of the Special Events Advisory Committee from three (3) to five (5) Councillors; and the membership of the Accessibility Advisory Committee from two (2) to three (3) Councillors to accommodate the interest of members of Council on serving on those Committees.**

5. Adopt the recommendation of the Membership Selection Committee to move the Rural Fire Management Committee from a Committee of Council to a Staff Advisory Committee as Council's mandate in regard to the Committee has been completed.
6. That the current membership of the Committees (Councillors and Citizens) referred to the Standing Committees continue until such time as the Standing Committees bring forward their nominations for appointment by Halifax Regional Council, which shall be no later than March 31, 2011.
7. That the Private and Confidential report dated November 26, 2010 be released to the public along with the motion of Regional Council.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**13. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**13.1 Councillor Hum**

Take notice that at the next regular Regional Council meeting, to be held on Tuesday, the 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010, I propose:

Whereas;

The Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board is the body appointed by the Government of Nova Scotia under the Municipal Government Act (MGA) to review, alter or confirm the boundary review required to be undertaken by the Municipality.

And, given that the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board already has broad powers, under the MGA Section 368, in regard to all aspects of the municipality's boundary submission.

That Halifax Regional Council:

1. Request that the Province of Nova Scotia amend the MGA Part XVI, Section 369 to remove Council as the body required to conduct the study of the number and boundaries of polling districts in the municipality and to direct that the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board shall be the body that both conducts the study and sets the number and boundaries of polling districts and number of Councillors for Municipalities in Nova Scotia, including the Halifax Regional Municipality.

And, that Halifax Regional Council

**SPECIAL EVENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Councillor Uteck – Chair (Appointed by Audit &amp; Finance Standing Committee)

- ACTION REQUIRED:** 1. Appointment of two (2) Members of Council to November, 2012
2. Appointment of two (2) Members of Council to February, 2013

<u>Members of Council presently serving</u>	<u>Interested in serving on committee</u>	<u>Appointment Recommendations</u>
Councillor Nicoll	Deputy Mayor Smith	_____
Councillor Johns	Councillor Dalrymple	_____
Councillor Sloane	Councillor Fisher	_____
	Councillor McCluskey	_____
	Councillor Barkhouse	
	Councillor Hendsbee	
	Councillor Sloane	
	Councillor Mosher	
	Councillor Nicoll	
	Councillor Johns	

**Motion passed by Regional Council – December 4, 2007**

When appointments are made to Boards/Committees/Commissions, a Councillor may be re-appointed if there are no expressions of interest from other members of Council.

**SPECIAL EVENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

<b><u>Councillor</u></b>	<b><u>Terms Served</u></b>
Councillor Sloane	2007 – current
Councillor Johns	2007 – current
Councillor Nicoll	2008 - current