

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
November 15, 2005

PRESENT:

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

REGRETS:

Councillors Harry McInroy

STAFF:

Mr. Wayne Anstey, Acting Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. Mary Ellen Donovan, Municipal Solicitor
Ms. Jan Gibson, Municipal Clerk
Ms. Chris Newson, Legislative Assistant

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1. **INVOCATION**

MOVED BY Councillor Goucher, seconded by Councillor Kent that Council waive the rules of order and hold a special Council session at this time. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

The meeting was called to order at 4:53 p.m. with the Invocation being led by Councillor Sloane.

2. **ZONING CHANGE FOR ADULT ENTERTAINMENT VENUES
DARTMOUTH**

MOVED BY Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Kent that Council direct staff to move forward with an MPS change to create a separate planning strategy zone regarding locations for adult entertainment venues and that staff by-pass the initiation report and move forward to a public information meeting.

Ms. Mary Ellen Donovan responded to Councillor Streach that the Councillor may ask for the establishment of a new zone regardless of status or project as an establishment of a zone of this sort is independent.

Councillor Smith clarified for Councillor Streach that the change would not be to create a red light zone, it would simply require any future applications for an adult entertainment club to first come before Regional Council for approval.

Councillor Younger explained that there is a loophole in Dartmouth in that an establishment in a commercial zone could be turned into an adult entertainment zone without public input.

Mr. Paul Dunphy, Director, Planning and Development, confirmed that this change would affect future applications in Dartmouth and any current applications would be grand-fathered.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:01 pm.

Jan Gibson
Municipal Clerk