

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
April 11, 2006

PRESENT:

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

REGRETS:

Councillors: Steve Streach  
Jim Smith  
Sue Uteck  
Debbie Hum

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 at 6:00 p.m. with the Invocation being led by Councillor Kent.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - NONE**

**3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

Additions

11.1 Deputy Mayor Walker - 2006/2007 Proposed Advanced Funding Approval - Councillor District Capital and District Community Allocation Funds.

11.2 Correspondence - Community Monitoring Committee re: Waste Diversion in Nova Scotia

**MOVED by Deputy Mayor Walker, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Item 9.1.4, Local Improvement Charges Road Improvements - Cost Sharing be referred to a Committee of the Whole session. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE**

**5. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION - NONE**

**6. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION - NONE**

**7. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS - NONE**

**8. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

**8.1 Correspondence**

**8.1.1 Canadian Union of Public Employees Re: National Child Care Program**

- Correspondence from Mr. Paul Moist, National President, Canadian Union of Public Employees was before Council.

**MOVED by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Goucher, that Council table the correspondence. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**8.2            Petitions**

**8.2.1         Councillor Snow**

Councillor Snow served a petition on behalf of the residents of Springgreen Drive and Ladyslipper Crescent, Oakfield wherein they requested that HRM conduct an engineering study for the cost of paving these roads in accordance with By-Law S-400 - Street Improvements.

**8.2.2         Councillor Snow**

Councillor Snow served a petition on behalf of the residents of Springgreen Drive and Ladyslipper Crescent, Oakfield wherein they requested that HRM to include the paving of the streets on the annual capital cost shareable work request list in accordance with By-Law S-400 - Street Improvements.

**8.3            Presentations**

**8.3.1         Changing of the Guard Society**

Mr. Gordon Phillips made a presentation to Council regarding the Society and outlined some of the proposed activities for the upcoming months.

In response to Councillor Hendsbee, Mr. Phillips advised it his understanding that Halifax Regional Municipality has recommended support to this event in the amount of \$75,000.

**MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that a staff report be requested with respect to the proposed municipal support to the Society. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**9.             REPORTS**

**9.1            CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

**9.1.1         Tender 06-226 - Portland Hills Transit Terminal Parking Lot Expansion - East Region**

- A report dated March 31, 2006, on the above noted, was before Council.

**MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Kent, that Council award Tender No. 06-226, Portland Hills Transit Terminal Parking Lot Expansion - East Region, to Ocean Contractors Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$129,183 including net HST from the Approved Advanced 2006/2007 Capital Budget Account No. CB200428, Transit Terminal Upgrade & Expansion, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of the March 31, 2006 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**9.1.2 Tender 06-352 - Sanitary Manhole Rehabilitation Program, 2006/2007 Pricing Agreement, Various Locations**

- A report dated March 29, 2006, on the above noted, was before Council.

**MOVED by Councillor Goucher, seconded by Councillor Snow, that Tender No. 06-352, Sanitary Manhole Rehabilitation Program, 2006/2007 Pricing Agreement for various locations throughout HRM (including Mill Cove, Eastern Passage, Main Street, and Whimsical Lake sewersheds) be awarded to Permacrete Restoration Services Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$126,054 including net HST from Capital Account No. CSR00503, Infiltration/Inflow Reduction Program, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of the March 29, 2006 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**9.1.3 New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area - Central Region**

- A report dated April 5, 2006, on the above noted, was before Council.

**MOVED by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that:**

- 1. Council rescind their original decision to bill the property owners of Bolton Drive, Stone Crest Court and Stonemount Drive for local improvement charges at the rate set for Street Improvements for paving under By-Law S-414 in the amount of \$20.28 per lineal foot.**
- 2. Council approve that the rate set for 2003 Street Improvements for paving under By-Law S-412 in the amount of \$14.73 per lineal foot be used to bill the property owners of Bolton Drive, Stone Crest Court and Stonemount Drive for**

**local improvement charges.**

- 3. Council rescind their original decision to bill the property owners of Carriage Road, Cumberland Way and Chartwell Road, for local improvement charges at the rate set for Street Improvements for paving under By-Law S-414 in the amount of \$20.28 per lineal foot.**
- 4. Council approve that the rate set for 2003 Street Improvements for paving under By-Law S-412 in the amount of \$14.73 per lineal foot be used to bill the property owners of Carriage Road, Cumberland Way and Chartwell Road for local improvement charges.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED .**

**9.1.4 Local Improvement Charges Road Improvements - Cost Sharing**

Referred to a Committee of the Whole Council session under the approval of the Order of Business.

**9.1.5 Proposed Advanced Funding Approval for the 2006/2007 Capital Budget**

- A report dated April 5, 2006, on the above noted, was before Council.

**MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor Goucher, that Halifax Regional Council provide additional advanced funding approval of the proposed 2006/2007 Capital Budget in the amount of \$16,249,950 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the April 5, 2006 report.**

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

**MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Adams, that the adjunct park project to Flemming Park on the Williams Lake lands be approved as part of the proposed advanced funding approval for the 2006/2007 Capital Budget.**

In response to Councillor Sloane, Mr. English, CAO, advised this project is currently part of the proposed Capital budget.

Councillor McInroy expressed concern with the pre-approval of this project.

Councillor Adams noted that this project is included in the proposed budget and the approval at this time would provide an opportunity to create an efficiency in moving forward on the

project.

In response to Councillor Goucher, Council was advised that the project is \$500,000 in total with \$250,000 being provided from HRM Sale of Land and \$250,000 in cash from the developer.

**AMENDMENT PUT AND PASSED.**

The motion as amended now reads.

**MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor Goucher, that:**

- 1. Halifax Regional Council provide additional advanced funding approval of the proposed 2006/2007 Capital Budget in the amount of \$16,249,950 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the April 5, 2006 report.**
- 2. The adjunct park project to Flemming Park on the Williams Lake lands be approved as part of the proposed advanced funding approval for the 2006/2007 Capital Budget**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED**

**9.1.6 Administrative Order 31, Respecting Corporate Records and Information Management in Halifax Regional Municipality - Municipal Archives**

- A report dated March 29, 2006, on the above noted, was before Council.

**MOVED by Councillor Fougere, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that:**

- 1. Council approve the proposed amendments to Administrative Order No. 31, in order to formally establish the Municipal Archives.**
- 2. Council endorse the official opening of the Municipal Archives as part of HRM's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations.**

In response to questions, Council was advised:

- The budget for this project is approximately \$90,000.00,
- The Municipality had to prepare for the repatriation of municipal records from the Province,
- The intention is to be open to the public three half days per week,
- The archives is focussed on two dimensional records and will not be dealing with

- artifacts,
- Many of the Dartmouth artifacts are still housed at the Dartmouth Heritage Museum,
  - The prime records are the minutes of Council of all four of the former municipal units,
  - If requested, they will provide assistance to community museums such as Fultz House and Scott Manor House in preserving their records subject to available resources,
  - There is currently one staff person to address all the archival records.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**9.1.7 Community Energy Project**

- A report dated April 11, 2006, on the above noted, was before Council.

**MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Regional Council increase the 05/06 Capital Budget #CDI00697 in the amount of \$53,714 with previously approved funding from the Sustainable Community Reserve Q127.**

The report noted that a list of the allocation of Sustainable Community Reserve funding as approved by Regional Council on October 25, 2005 is attached to the report.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**9.2 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL**

**9.2.1 Councillor McInroy - Probability of Water Extension from former "Rehab Centre" to Bissett Lake Road**

**MOVED by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee, that the Halifax Regional Water Commission provide a report on the quality/quantity of ground water in the Bissett Road (south)/Bissett Lake Road area of Cole Harbour and determine what the fiscally realistic possibilities of central water are in that area, out beyond the former Rehab Centre, in the next five years. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**10. MOTIONS - NONE**

**11. ADDED ITEMS**

**11.1 Deputy Mayor Walker - 2006/2007 Proposed Advanced Funding Approval - Councillor District Capital and District Community Allocation**

**Funds**

**MOVED by Deputy Mayor Walker, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that Council approve advanced funding for the Councillor District Capital Fund, the Discretionary Funds and Building Communities Capital Fund to allow community projects funded from these accounts to be completed in a timely manner. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**11.2            Correspondence - Community Monitoring Committee re: Waste Diversion in Nova Scotia**

Councillor Rankin noted the Community Monitoring Committee is a partner with HRM in solid waste and they are suggesting the municipal government go further with waste diversion. He noted voluntary stewardship in the province is not working and this motion is asking the province to bring forward legislation for new policy initiatives to provide for the introduction of non-voluntary provincial stewardship agreements. He noted most plastics are not able to be recycled and this is requesting that standards be brought forward such that all plastic can be recycled thus reducing costs.

**MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Fougere that:**

- 1.     The Minister of Environment and Labour consider bringing forward legislation to establish a new provincial policy approach with certain industries to secure non-voluntary stewardship agreements such as with the producers of flyers.**
- 2.     As chair of the Canadian Council of Ministers of Environment to secure a national standard for the plastic industry and reduce the wide variety of plastics which are not suitable for recycling.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**12.            NOTICES OF MOTION**

**Councillor Younger**

Take Notice that at the next regular meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2006 I intend to introduce a motion to amend Administrative Order 19 Respecting the Corporate Coat of Arms, Logo and Flag to permit public access to and use of the municipality's official flag.

**13.            ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Jan Gibson  
Municipal Clerk

**The following information items were circulated to Council:**

1. Proclamation - National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week, April 9 - 15, 2006
2. Memorandum from Chief Administrative Officer dated April 5, 2006 re: Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund (MRIF) Process Update
3. Memorandum from the Municipal Clerk, dated April 7, 2006 re: Requests for Presentation to Council - None