

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
March 27, 2007

PRESENT:

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

REGRETS:

Councillor Andrew Younger

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 McInroy.

Council observed a Moment of Silence in memory of former Councillor Ron Hanson.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillor Hum commended all those involved in the art mural project at the corner of Bedford Highway and Melody Drive.

Councillor Rankin recognized Ms. Elizabeth Lawrence, former Warden of Halifax County who was present in the gallery.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - March 20, 2007

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that the minutes of March 20, 2007 be approved.

Councillor Fougere noted that on March 20, 2007 she had brought forward part “a” of her motion with the intention that parts “b” and “c” come forward in conjunction with the report under 10.1.8.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

Additions

- 12.1 Additional Funds - Downtown Halifax Shuttle Service
- 12.2 Councillor Rankin - Request for Report re: maintenance of Rails and Trails (BLT and others)
- 12.3 Supplementary Education Funding
- 12.4 Civic Events Policy and Granting Framework
- 12.5 Capital cost contribution

At the request of Councillor Walker, Council agreed to move item 12.4 up on the agenda to be addressed following item 8.1.

Deputy Mayor Uteck noted Council has not received the complete analysis of the 2014 Commonwealth Games nor any of the reports and requested Commonwealth Games be added to the April 3rd agenda.

Councillor Fougere requested her remaining two sections of her notice of motion from March 6th be added to be addressed prior to item 10.1.8.

At the request of Councillor McInroy, Council agreed to move item 12.1 up on the agenda to follow item 12.4.

Councillor Johns referenced item 11.1.3 from March 20, 2007 regarding Tender 07-222 for traffic signal upgrades and advised that he had been informed that there was no left turning lane but there was sufficient space to allow cars to turn left therefore the tender could proceed to be awarded.

At the request of Councillor Harvey, Council agreed to move item 12.3 up on the agenda.

Councillor Adams requested item 8.1 be deferred to April 3, 2007.

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

As per the approval of the Order of Business, Council addressed item 12.4 at this time.

12.4 Civic Events Policy and Granting Framework

- This item was discussed at an earlier Committee of the Whole and was now before Council for Ratification.

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

- a) Approve the proposed Civic Events Policy Framework as outlined in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated March 23, 2007;**
- b) Approve the Terms of Reference for a Special Events Advisory Committee as outlined in Attachment 3 of the staff report dated March 23, 2007;**
- c) Rename the Special Events Reserve to the “Marketing Levy Special Events Reserve” and approve the amended Reserve Business Case as outlined in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated March 23, 2007.; and**
- d) Distribute 60% of the Marketing Levy to Destination Halifax cost centre C711 and 40% to the Special Events Reserve Q315.**

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

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor McInroy, that the item be deferred for one week. MOTION DEFEATED.

MAIN MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

As per the approval of the Order of Business, Council addressed item 12.1 at this time.

12.1 Addition of Funds - Downtown Halifax Shuttle Service

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

MOVED by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve a reduction in Capital Account CVD00435 Conventional Transit Bus Replacement in the amount of \$700,000 to be transferred to CRESPOOL and**
- 2. Approve the creation of CMU00974 Downtown Shuttle in the amount of \$1,300,000 to be funded as per the Budget Implications section of the March 15, 2007 report.**

In response to Councillor Johns as to where this fits with other transit priorities, Council was advised this will not impact on other priorities for public transit service.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

As per the approval of the Order of Business, Council addressed item 12.3 at this time.

12.3 Supplementary Education Funding

- This item was discussed at an earlier Committee of the Whole and was now before Council for Ratification.

MOVED by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into an Agreement with the Halifax Regional School Board concerning Supplementary Education as outlined in Attachment 2 of the March 1, 2007 staff report and instruct staff to proceed with the necessary changes to the Municipal Government Act.

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

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Uteck, that staff provide a presentation to Council. MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (16 in favour, 7 against)

Those voting in favour were Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors Streach, Snow, Hendsbee, McInroy, Kent, Wile, Murphy, Sloane, Hum, Mosher, Adams, Johns, Martin, Rankin and Meade.

Those voting against were Mayor Kelly and Councillors McCluskey, Karsten, Smith, Fougere, Walker and Harvey.

Councillor Younger was not in attendance.

Ms. Cathie O'Toole, Acting Director of Financial Services, made a presentation to Council.

Councillor Rankin expressed concern with the motion stating, in his opinion, it would be equivalent to an area rate. He noted the proposal will impose increased rates on the former Town of Bedford and Halifax County residents and also this proposal will give the School Board full control.

In response to questions from Councillor Streach, Ms. O'Toole advised the supplementary funding is being cut over the four years equating to ten percent, Council will be setting the tax rate and the change under the MGA would be around the ability to expend funds in that they would be able to spend money raised anywhere within their boundaries.

Councillor Streach stated he did not agree with the motion and did not see how this would help students.

Councillor Snow stated this is an area rate and it will raise taxes, noting there has been no public consultation on this matter.

Councillor Martin stated he did not support the motion as it was not fair and equal throughout HRM. The Councillor stated the province should be examining this matter and provide the funds necessary to provide for an even playing field throughout HRM.

Councillor Adams noted the increase is marginal with respect to residential but significant for commercial.

Councillor Harvey stated this would give some stability to the issue and would create equality throughout the whole system and it does reduce the overall amount in four years.

Councillor Johns stated this provides for a more even playing field and enables the School Board to spend money where they need to.

Councillor Karsten stated he supports the approach as it gives the School Board assured funding for four years.

Councillor Meade stated that he did not support the program and expressed concern that some of the funding would be going into core programs.

Councillor Hendsbee stated there is a need for a harmonized rate and HRM needs to move forward on this.

Deputy Mayor Uteck stated that she would like to see the arts and music rate identified separately on the tax bill.

Councillor Snow stated she could not support the motion and placed the following motion.

MOVED by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Martin, that a plebiscite be held in conjunction with the 2008 municipal election to ask the residents if they support supplementary education funding. MOTION DEFEATED. (9 in favour, 13 against)

Those voting in favour were Mayor Kelly, Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors Snow, Hendsbee, McCluskey, Murphy, Mosher, Martin and Rankin.

Those voting against were Councillors Streach, McInroy, Karsten, Kent, Smith, Wile, Sloane, Fougere, Walker, Hum, Adams, Johns and Harvey.

Councillor Younger was not in attendance.

The main motion was now before Council for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into an Agreement with the Halifax Regional School Board concerning Supplementary Education as outlined in Attachment 2 of the March 1, 2007 staff report and instruct staff to proceed with the necessary changes to the Municipal Government Act. MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (15 in favour, 8 against)

Those voting in favour were Mayor Kelly and Councillors Hendsbee, McCluskey, Karsten, Kent, Smith, Wile, Murphy, Sloane, Fougere, Walker, Hum, Mosher, Johns and Harvey.

Those voting against were Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors Streach, Snow, McInroy, Adams, Martin, Rankin and Meade.

Councillor Younger was not in attendance.

At this time Councillor Snow gave notice of motion of reconsideration on this matter.

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 Councillor Adams - Third Quarter Capital Report Detail

- A supplementary information report dated February 26, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

Deferred under the approval of the Order of Business.

9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

9.1 Correspondence - None

9.2 Petitions - None

9.3 Presentation

9.3.1 Friends of Public Gardens re: Phase 3 Development of Public Gardens

Ms. Lesley Armstrong, Board Secretary, made a presentation to Council.

Councillor Sloane requested the presentation be forwarded to staff for a report.

Council recessed at 7:48 p.m.

Council reconvened at 8:04 p.m.

10. REPORTS

10.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

10.1.1 2007/2008 Capital and Operating Budgets

Mr. Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer and Ms. Cathie O'Toole, Acting Director of Finance, presented the report outlining:

- Council Direction and Priorities for 2007/08,
 - Public Safety,
 - Infrastructure,

- Community Development,
- Tax Reform,
- People,
- Partnerships,
- Summary
 - Maintain existing service levels from 06/07
 - 2.5% reduction in combined tax rate achieved
 - Council Focus Areas - incremental funding to support implementation and enhancement of initiatives
 - S Public safety
 - S Community Development
 - S Infrastructure
 - S Tax Reform
 - Average increase for single family home \$95.

It was agreed that the budget deliberations would be scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. starting Monday April 2nd and continuing to Thursday, April 5th. It was proposed that Tuesday, April 10th would be the Backup/Overrun day.

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Council table the 2007/2008 Capital and Operating budget and commence debate on Monday, April 2, 2007. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.2 Request for Proposal 06-046 Award: Connecting HRM - Rural Broadband

- A report dated March 22, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Streach, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that:

- 1. Council authorize the award of RFP 06-046, Connecting HRM - Rural Broadband, to Aliant, the highest scoring proponent for a total cost of \$2,468,717 (no HST is applicable) from capital account CID00903 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the March 22, 2007 report.**
- 2. Council authorize the award of RFP 06-046, Connecting HRM - Rural Broadband, to Eastlink for broadband service to citizens in Peggy's Cove and West Dover for a total cost of \$150,000 (net HST is applicable) from capital account CID00903 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the March 22, 2007 report.**
- 3. Staff continue to work with community partners to explore Phase II opportunities to support the future expansion of broadband further into**

unserved areas of HRM.

- 4. Immediately apply to the Province of Nova Scotia for further funding under the \$10 million broadband initiative announced in the provincial budget.**

Councillor Hendsbee noted there are areas that are not included that will need to be included at a future date.

Councillor Rankin stated he was hoping for more coverage in the Western Region and requested that staff explore future opportunities that include the consideration of East Dover and McGrath's Cove.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.8 Armdale Roundabout and Chebucto Road Reversing Lane Project

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

Mr. Paul Dunphy, Director of Community Development, and Mr. Dave McCusker, Manager, Regional Transportation Planning, made a presentation to Council stating staff is seeking clarification as to whether or not this project is supported by Council or whether Council would want staff to examine something different. He stated it is the opinion of staff that the proposal is a reasonable proposal in terms of costs and impact relative to an overall strategy.

In response to a question as to whether conduit and power sources will be underground, Council was advised the engineering design work has not been completed but it is the intention to minimize the visual impact.

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Martin, that Halifax Regional Council endorse:

- **The Armdale Rotary Conversion project;**
- **The Chebucto Road reversing lane project; and**
- **Phase 1 of the St. Margaret's Bay Road widening project.**
- **Staff be directed to offer the 9 affected property owners on Chebucto Road the option that HRM can purchase the land necessary for widening, or their entire property. If the entire property is purchased, then it would be resold to an interested buyer after the land required is used to finish the project.**

Councillor Mosher agreed to defer the recommendation until after Council addresses Councillor Fougere's motion on this item.

Councillor Fougere referenced the staff report and noted various aspects that were inconsistent with previous reports. She advised four of the five projects go through District 14 and expressed concern that the report presents a bias that perhaps Council was fully aware and supportive of the initiative. She noted that many proposals in the past have projected the need for the widening of Chebucto Road which has not happened. Statistics have shown that a twenty seven year differential of peak traffic counts at Chebucto Road and the Armdale Rotary is fewer than one hundred cars. She noted this is not a capacity issue but year over year difference.

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

- **Direct staff to abandon the Chebucto Road reversing lane project, and**
- **Using the Chebucto Road experience as a less desirable scenario for public communication, direct staff to develop a policy for a clear and transparent process, of pro-active communication with owners of residential and small business properties, a portion of whose land is deemed required for purchase, for the completion of HRM public works projects.**

Councillor Mosher stated the Rotary was constructed in 1955 and was designed to hold twenty thousand cars a day, noting in 1960 it was up to eighteen thousand per day. There has been very little improvement since 1955 except for the Herring Cove Road Reversing Lanes. Now there is an excess of fifty five thousand cars a day and Council has approved a Regional Plan and there will be an increase in traffic to Peninsular Halifax through many districts. The Chebucto Road Reversing is not a new plan but rather was discussed since 1960.

The Armdale Roundabout Conversion Project requires all components, the St. Margaret's Bay Road widening and Chebucto Road and the conversion. She noted that she had requested a report that if there was a better way than the project that would ensure safe and effective flow without enticing more drivers. The project is not a new concept and all along Council has given staff and the communities indication that this project was going to happen. The project has three components and the project is dependant upon implementation of all three. She stated residents should be given the option whether they are in agreement with selling a portion or the entire property.

The Councillor noted that these projects were the most sensitive to community impacts and assured the residents that she would continue her efforts to push for high speed ferry, bus rapid transit and walkable communities.

Deputy Mayor Uteck stated there is no value in this project from a taxpayer point of view.

In response to Councillor Adams, staff advised some of the delay is not on Chebucto Road but is on other connections throughout the roundabout.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Fougere, that Council continue to 10:30 p.m. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Councillor Mosher pointed out that this problem is a regional issue as much of the traffic going through the Rotary is from other areas of HRM.

Councillor Fougere requested Council look at this project as one of convenience versus quality of life. She noted there have been four major traffic projects completed in District 14 in less than five years and during the same time period there has been a population reduction of 3.5%. Residential neighbourhoods in the core are being severely impacted by traffic. The Councillor asked that Council support both this motion and the one to deal with the purchase of property and, if not, then offer a fair purchase price to the affected residents.

Councillor Fougere requested the items be voted on separately.

PART 1

MOVED by Councillor Fougere, seconded by Deputy Mayor Uteck, that Council direct staff to abandon the Chebucto Road reversing lane project. MOTION DEFEATED. (7 in favour, 15 against)

Those voting in favour were Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors Kent, Wile, Murphy, Sloane, Fougere and Harvey.

Those voting against were Mayor Kelly and Councillors Streach, Snow, Hendsbee, McInroy, McCluskey, Karsten, Smith, Walker, Mosher, Adams, Johns, Martin, Rankin and Meade.

Councillors Younger and Hum were absent.

PART 2

MOVED by Councillor Fougere, seconded by Deputy Mayor Uteck, that Council using the Chebucto Road experience as a less desirable scenario for public communication, direct staff to develop a policy for a clear and transparent process, of pro-active communication with owners of residential and small business properties, a portion of whose land is deemed required for purchase, for the completion of HRM public works projects.

Councillor Fougere clarified that the residents on Chebucto Road received a letter from HRM Real Estate making an offer from HRM to buy a portion of their land. In many cases,

this was the first indication that there was any property acquisition required and it was a shock to the residents. In addition to that they were not provided any information on what their options or alternatives were and this was considered inappropriate communication. The impact was much more intrusive than what it would be on large commercial operations.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The following motion was now on the floor for consideration.

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Martin, that Halifax Regional Council endorse:

- **The Armdale Rotary Conversion project;**
- **The Chebucto Road reversing lane project; and**
- **Phase 1 of the St. Margaret's Bay Road widening project.**
- **staff be director to offer the 9 affected property owners on Chebucto Road the option that HRM can purchase the land necessary for widening, or their entire property. If the entire property is purchased, then it would be resold to an interested buyer after the land required is used to finish the project.**

It was requested the items be voted on separately.

PART 1

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Martin, that Halifax Regional Council endorse the Armdale Rotary Conversion project. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

PART 2

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Martin, that Halifax Regional Council endorse the Chebucto Road reversing lane project. MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (16 in favour, 6 against)

Those voting in favour were Mayor Kelly and Councillors Streach, Snow, Hendsbee, McInroy, McCluskey, Karsten, Smith, Wile, Walker, Mosher, Adams, Johns, Martin, Rankin and Meade.

Those voting against were Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors Kent, Murphy, Sloane, Fougere, and Harvey.

Councillors Younger and Hum were absent.

PART 3

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Martin, that Halifax Regional Council endorse Phase 1 of the St. Margaret's Bay Road widening project. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

PART 4

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Martin, that staff be directed to offer the 9 affected property owners on Chebucto Road the option that HRM can purchase the land necessary for widening, or their entire property. If the entire property is purchased, then it would be resold to an interested buyer after the land required is used to finish the project. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.7 Purchase of Micou's Island - HRM Contribution

- A report dated March 13, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Mosher, that Halifax Regional Council approve the withdrawal of \$100,000 from the Parkland Reserve Account Q107 to be directed towards the purchase of Micou's Island by the Nova Scotia Department of Natural Resources (NSDNR) and the St. Margaret's Bay Stewardship Association (SMBSA). MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.9 Station Road, Hubbards

- A report dated March 5, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

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

- 1. Approve an HRM allocation of \$30,000 to match the \$30,000 provided by the Province from the Provincial Capital Assistance Program, with the \$30,000 HRM funding to be provided from Account No. CDV00721 Watershed/Env. Studies.**
- 2. Approve staff proceeding with a Request for Proposals for a detailed servicing study for the Community of Hubbards.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that staff provide a report outlining the options to submit an application to MRIF to fund sanitary sewer treatment at Station Road in Hubbards in the amount of \$750,000 with withdrawal of

similar dollar amount from within Councils' current works approval project list which has been submitted by the works secretariat and awaiting approval. If the MRIF is phased out, an alternative funding source be identified. **MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

10.1.3 Tender 06-370 - Chandler Drive Pumping Station Upgrade - Central Region

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

MOVED by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Johns, that Council:

- 1. Award Tender No. 06-370 Chandler Drive Pumping Station Upgrade - Central Region, to Brycon Construction Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Total Tender Price of \$556,448.02 (net HST included) with funding from CGU00689 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the March 15, 2007 report.**
- 2. Award contract administration and construction inspection services for Tender No. 06-370 Chandler Drive Pumping Station Upgrade - Central Region, to SNC-Lavalin Limited for a Total Tender Price of \$51,714.50 (net HST included), with funding from CGU00689 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the March 15, 2007 report.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.4 Tender 06-165 - George Dixon Site Improvements

- A report dated March 5, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

Councillor Streach declared a "Conflict of Interest" on this item.

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that Council award Tender No. 06-165 to TurfMasters Landscaping Ltd., for a Total Tender Price of \$646,048.56 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No's CDG00271 - Downtown Streetscapes, CP300849 - Park Upgrades and CB300551 - Various Rec Facility Upgrades, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the March 5, 2007 staff report. **MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

10.1.5 Tender 07-203 - Sidewalk Renewals, Dartmouth - East Region

- A report dated March 13, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that Council:

1. **Authorize an increase to the Gross Budget of Capital Account No. CKU00783 - Sidewalk Renewals by \$41,543.84 (net HST included) with no change in the net budget to cover cost sharing of the installation of a natural gas pipeline from Heritage Gas,**
2. **Award Tender No. 07-203, Sidewalk Renewals, Dartmouth - East Region to Ocean Contractors Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Total Tender Price of \$276,982.86 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CKU00783 - Sidewalk Renewals, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the March 13, 2007 report.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.6 Cost Sharing Agreement With Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Public Works - Highway 102 - 107 Corridor Study

This item was deferred to April 3, 2007.

10.1.7 Purchase of Micou's Island - HRM Contribution

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting. (See page 15)

10.1.8 Armdale Roundabout and Chebucto Road Reversing Lane Project

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting. (See page 11)

10.1.9 Station Road, Hubbards

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting. (See page 15)

10.1.10 Capital Debt for Regional Recreation Facilities

This item was deferred to April 3, 2007.

10.1.11 Halifax Regional Water Commission Water Dividend Renewal

This item was deferred to April 3, 2007.

10.1.12 Resolution to Renew 2004/2005 Temporary Borrowing Resolution and 2007 Spring Debenture

- A report dated March 14, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that:

1. **Halifax Regional Council approve a Temporary Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$10,434,400 for renewal of the expiring Temporary Borrowing Resolution 04/05-04.**
2. **The Mayor and Municipal Clerk be authorized to sign the Resolution for Pre-Approval of Debenture Issuance Subject to Interest Rate confirmation, not to exceed 6.0%, to enable the Halifax Regional Municipality to issue a 10-year debenture in the amount of \$19,567,000.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.13 Request for Permanent Encroachment - 2150 Gottingen Street

This item was deferred to April 3, 2007.

10.2 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

10.2.1 Case #H00198 - De-registration of 1790 Granville Street, Halifax (a Municipally Registered Heritage Property)

This item was deferred to April 3, 2007.

10.3 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

10.3.1 Councillor McInroy - Policies and Procedures Related to HRM's Appointments of Citizens to Committees, Boards and Agencies

This item was deferred to April 3, 2007.

11. MOTIONS - NONE

12. ADDED ITEMS

12.1 Addition of Funds - Downtown Halifax Shuttle Service

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting. (See page 6)

12.2 Councillor Rankin - Request for Report re: Maintenance of Rails and Trails (BLT and others)

This item was deferred to April 3, 2007.

12.3 Supplementary Education Funding

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting. (See page 6)

12.4 Civic Events Policy and Granting Framework

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting. (See page 5)

12.5 Capital Cost Charges By-Law

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

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Halifax Regional Council approve in principle By-Law C-600 “A By-Law Respecting Capital Cost Charges”, as shown in Attachment A of the staff report dated March 8, 2007, and schedule a public hearing. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13. NOTICES OF MOTION

Deputy Mayor Uteck

Take Notice that at the next regular meeting of the Halifax Regional Council to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2007, I intend to introduce a motion to remove the Arts and Music portion from the Supplementary Funding Budget envelope and show it as a separate area rate.

Councillor McCluskey

Take Notice that at the next regular meeting of the Halifax Regional Council to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2007, I propose to move first reading to introduce for adoption By-Law C-600, the purpose of which is to collect a Capital Cost Charge for Wastewater Treatment Facilities

Councillor McCluskey

Take Notice that at the next regular meeting of the Halifax Regional Council to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2007, I intend to move a motion that no further Committee of the Whole meetings be scheduled and all Committee of the Whole business be moved to regular Council.

Councillor Rankin

Take Notice that at the next regular meeting of the Halifax Regional Council to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2007, I intend to move a motion requesting that staff initiate a planning process to, where appropriate, amend the Municipality's land use by-laws to clarify the regulations of temporary construction uses and specifically, temporary rock crushing activities in association with development.

Deputy Mayor Uteck

Take Notice that at the next regular meeting of the Halifax Regional Council to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2007, I intend to request staff to set a public hearing date to address the deregistration of 1790 Granville Street.

Councillor Murphy

Take Notice that at the next regular meeting of the Halifax Regional Council to be held on Tuesday, April 3, 2007, I intend to move a motion for staff to examine a strategy for North Barrington to include crosswalks, better lighting, bus stops and traffic calming.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Jan Gibson
Municipal Clerk

The following information items were circulated to Council.

1. Memorandum from Acting Director, Finance dated March 19, 2007 re: List of HRM Fees
2. Memorandum from Acting Director, Finance & Deputy Treasurer dated March 13, 2007 re: Investment Activities - Quarter Ending December 31, 2006
3. Memorandum from Co-Chairs, Investment Policy Advisory Committee dated March 13, 2007 re: Quarter Ending December 31, 2006
4. Memorandum from Acting Director, Finance dated March 21, 2007 re: Spider Lake Water Services Extension
5. Memorandum from Director, Legal Services & Risk Management dated March 6, 2007 re: Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia and Howard Epstein v. Halifax Regional Municipality and United Gulf Developments Ltd (Former Texpark)
6. Memorandum from Director, Environmental Management Services dated March 12, 2007 re: HRM Water Quality Monitoring Program
7. Memorandum from Chief Administrative Officer dated March 22, 2007 re: 2014 Commonwealth Games Bid Decision
8. Memorandum from the Municipal Clerk dated March 23, 2007 re: Requests for Presentation to Council - Friends of the Public Gardens and Halifax International Airport Authority

Date of Request(s)	Name of Delegation(s)	Disposition of Request(s)
March 19 - 23, 2007	Friends of Public Gardens re; Phase 3 Development of Public Gardens	Presentation scheduled for the March 27, 2007 session of Regional Council.
	Halifax International Airport Authority re: Annual Report	Presentation to be scheduled for a future session of Regional Council.