HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
June 19, 2007

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

REGRETS:
Councillors:  Brad Johns
             Russell Walker

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 Mosher.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION - CITIZENSHIP AWARDS**

Councillor Streatch welcomed the students to Council.

Mayor Kelly and Council presented Citizenship Awards to students from various schools throughout the Municipality

2. **SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Councillor Sloane advised the grand opening of the skate park on the Commons will take place on Saturday, June 23rd.

Councillor Meade congratulated the St. Margaret’s Bay Relay for Life participants.

Councillor Fougere advised there will be a neighbourhood clean-up held on Saturday, June 23rd in various locations in her District.

Councillor Wile advised Mount St. Vincent University has won the bid to host the CCAA National Soccer Championships to be held in November.

Councillor Adams advised he had attended a ceremony in his District on Sunday, June 17th dedicating a ballfield in memory of James McPhee.

Councillor Hendsbee invited members of the public to the completion of the Atlantic View Trail on Saturday, June 23rd at 1:00 p.m.

Councillor Smith congratulated a group of residents who held a fun day in support of the fight against breast cancer at the Highfield Park Apartments on Saturday, June 16th.

Councillor Younger advised EMO and the Amateur Radio Society will be holding an open house at the Eric Spicer Building on Saturday, June 23rd at 2:30 p.m. He further noted that on Sunday, June 24th Shubie Canal Commission will be cleaning out lock three at 9:00 a.m.

Councillor Snow advised the grand opening of the Monarch playground will be held on June 23rd from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and a “Heel and Wheelathon” will be held on the Halifax Waterfront on June 24th at 12:15 p.m.
Councillor Mosher advised volunteers from the United States are coming to clean up Deadman’s Island.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - NONE**

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

   **Deletions**
   
   11.1.8 Procurement Process for Office Furniture

   **Additions**
   
   13.1 Councillor Adams - Unsightly Premises Notices to Property Owners

   13.2 Property Matter - Derelict Buildings Implementation

   13.3 Property Matter - Councillor Hendsbee - Amendment to May 30, 2006 Motion re: Proposed Management Agreement for Lawrencetown Community Centre

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

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

6. **MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION - NONE**

7. **MOTIONS OF RESCISSION - NONE**

9.1 **By-Law T-703, An Amendment to By-Law T-700, Respecting Tax Deferrals - Revised Income Eligibility Threshold**

   • A supplementary report dated May 9, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

   Ms. PJ Temple, Tax and Grants, presented the report to Council.

   Mayor Kelly called three times for those wishing to speak either in favour of or in opposition to the proposed By-Law. Hearing none, the following motion was placed.

   MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that the public hearing close. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Regional Council approve By-Law T-703, An Amendment to By-Law T-700, Respecting Tax Deferrals - Revised Income Eligibility Threshold. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9.2 Case 00745: Development Agreement - Salter Street and Lower Water Street, Halifax

- A report from the Heritage Advisory Committee, dated May 1, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.
- A report from the District 12 Planning Advisory Committee, dated April 24, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council
- A staff report dated April 19, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

Mr. Richard Harvey, Planner, presented the report to Council.

Following receipt of clarification on aspects of the proposal by members of Council, the proponent was afforded an opportunity to address Council.

Mr. Franklin Medjuck, Centennial Group Limited, addressed Council advising they have moved the apartment building back from waters edge, nothing there have been eight redesigns during the whole process. He advised the Planning Advisory Committee voted unanimously in favour of the project and the majority of the Heritage Advisory Committee were in favour. He stated they have been encouraged by the positive comments made with respect to this development. He noted the Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia submitted a letter in favour of the development.

Mayor Kelly called for those wishing to speak either in favour of or in opposition to the proposed By-Law.

Mr. Phil Pacey, Heritage Trust, noted:
- The Trust supports the proposed development,
- The proposal sets a new standard by addressing the policies of the Planning Strategy,
- The proposal results from negotiations,
- The development will continue to provide access to the waterfront.
- There will be a landscaped open space,
- Two views of the harbour will be preserved,
- The height of the apartment is consistent with the height of buildings previously approved for this site,
- The proposed building would be approximately one hundred feet below the ramparts of Citadel Hill,
• The proposed development does not interfere with the heritage building integrity aspect of the area,
• The building may block the view of Georges’ Island from the boardwalk,
• There may be a concern with wind safety standards and suggested a wind study be undertaken.

Mr. Ralph Medjuck, Halifax, thanked staff for their cooperation and work on the project, noting it has gone through many amendments. He stated they are hoping to receive approval and begin the project.

In response to Councillor Sloane regarding the opening to the building, Mr. Medjuck advised it would not be possible to move the opening at this point in the process and confirmed that the stone will be complimentary to that of Keith’s warehouse.

Ms. Margaret MacDonald, Halifax, stated developments such as this are necessary. She is in support of the development. These types of development are important for the downtown and will result in a more vibrant downtown.

Mr. Paul MacKinnon, Executive Director, Downtown Halifax Business Commission, spoke in support of the proposed development, noting it does create more viable green space on the waterfront. He requested Council support the development.

Mr. Bill Campbell, Halifax Waterfront Development Corporation, stated this is an award winning project and requested Council’s support.

Mr. Alan Ruffman, Fergusons Cove Road, stated he owns property adjacent to this property and referenced the attached October 20, 2005 public information meeting minutes and noted the minutes had misquoted him as stating he felt this was a great project for Halifax. He advised he had been responsible for a number of projects being struck down. He stated the staff report does not have a wind or shadow study attached. He noted the park area of this development is not a public park and it should be clarified in the development agreement as to what HRM can and cannot do with respect with this property. He stated his main concern is that this building is a massive wall across the waterfront which will block the view of George’s Island. He recommended Council turn down the proposal.

Mayor Kelly called three times for any additional speakers. Hearing none, the following motion was placed.

MOVED by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Younger, that the public hearing close. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that Regional Council:

1. Approve the development agreement, included as Attachment C of the staff report dated April 19, 2007;

2. Require that the development agreement be signed within 120 days, or any extension thereof granted by Regional Council on request of the applicant, from the date of final approval by Regional Council and any other bodies as necessary, whichever is later, otherwise this approval will be void and obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end;

3. Discharge an existing development agreement that applies to a portion of the site that is identified as PID No. 40177974, to take effect upon the registration of the new agreement.

Council recessed at 7:48 p.m.
Council reconvened at 8:02 p.m.

Following close of the public hearing, Councillors spoke in support of the project with it being suggested that consideration be given to security monitoring in the passageway.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS

8.1 Municipal Operation of Chester/Lakeside Spur Lines

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

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Halifax Regional Council not take action at this time related to CN notice of discontinuance of operation on the Chester and Lakeside Industrial Spur Lines.

Councillor Mosher referenced page two of the staff report and noted that CN gave public notice June 1st asking interested parties if they would like to continue operation of the rail line. If no one comes forward to operate the rail line, then following a sixty day period, the line will be abandoned and CN will offer it to other levels of government. She noted HRM operating the line is not feasible for various reasons and stated she is requesting Council pass the motion and allow staff to come forward with additional information after the sixty days has passed.
Councillor Fougere questioned to whom and at what time does HRM express an interest in this corridor as an active transportation link. In response, Mr. McCusker, Manager, Regional Transportation Planning, advised there will come a time when that will be possible and, at that time, staff will be coming back to Council with a plan to approach CN.

Councillor Fougere questioned whether there was some way in which HRM could indicate that, if the other levels of government do not have an interest, HRM has an interest in the line for other purposes such as active transportation.

The mover and seconder agreed to add this as part of the motion.

Motion as amended now reads.

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Halifax Regional Council not take action at this time related to CN notice of discontinuance of operation on the Chester and Lakeside Industrial Spur Lines. Mayor Kelly write both levels of government indicating that HRM has an interest in the spur lines for other purposes such as active transportation.

Councillor Wile noted a number of businesses that will be adversely affected by the closure of this line. She suggested the Mayor, Chamber of Commerce and Greater Halifax Partnership (GHP) meet with the companies to discuss other options. Further, a meeting be arranged with the Minister of Transportation to look into the future plans of CN. She stated there is an obligation on the part of HRM to ensure the businesses in Bayers Lake stay there and have an opportunity to succeed.

Councillor Hum requested, and the mover and seconder agreed, that the motion be amended to include that a letter be sent to CN expressing our concerns and asking them to work with the Bayers Lake Business Association regarding the impact the discontinuance of the line would have on the businesses.

The motion as amended now reads.

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Halifax Regional Council not take action at this time related to CN notice of discontinuance of operation on the Chester and Lakeside Industrial Spur Lines. Mayor Kelly write both levels of government indicating that HRM has an interest in the spur lines for other purposes such as active transportation. A letter be sent to CN expressing our concerns and asking them to work with the Bayers Lake Business Association regarding the impact the discontinuance of the line would have on the businesses.
Councillor Streatch stated it is wrong for CN to abandon this line and in response to a question as to where the line goes, staff advised it is approximately nine kilometres long beginning at the CN main line on Joseph Howe Drive, crossing through the Fairmount Subdivision and then through the Bayers Lake Business park terminating in the Lakeside Business Park. The Councillor stated a message should be sent to CN that HRM is not happy about this and want something else done noting, HRM buying the land should not be part of this.

Councillor Smith noted HRM has a green policy and is trying to reduce carbon emissions and the abandonment of this line will increase emissions.

Councillor Streatch stated he does not agree with a letter being forwarded to the other levels of government at this time but a message needs to be sent and staff facilitate a high level meeting with GHP. It was agreed that this be part of the overall motion.

The motion as amended now reads.

**MOVED** by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Halifax Regional Council:

1. Not take action at this time related to CN notice of discontinuance of operation on the Chester and Lakeside Industrial Spur Lines.

2. Mayor Kelly write both levels of government indicating that HRM has an interest in the spur lines for other purposes such as active transportation.

3. A letter be sent to CN expressing our concerns and asking them to work with the Bayers Lake Business Association regarding the impact the discontinuance of the line would have on the businesses and staff facilitate a high level meeting with CN, Greater Halifax Partnership (GHP) and the Chamber of Commerce to address the issues of Bayers Lake businesses.

Councillor McInroy suggested staff request information from CN as to what their decision was based on.

Councillor Mosher stated there are potential safety and emergency response issues with egress and access as a result of the location of the tracks. She stated HRM is not in the freight railway business and suggested the businesses pursue the matter and come up with their own solution.
Councillor Streatch requested the motion be split and the items be voted on separately.

**Part 1**

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Halifax Regional Council:

1. Not take action at this time related to CN notice of discontinuance of operation on the Chester and Lakeside Industrial Spur Lines.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

**Part 2**

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Halifax Regional Council:

2. Mayor Kelly write both levels of government indicating that HRM has an interest in the spur lines for other purposes such as active transportation.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

**Part 3**

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Halifax Regional Council:

3. A letter be sent to CN expressing our concerns and asking them to work with the Bayers Lake Business Association regarding the impact the discontinuance of the line would have on the businesses and staff facilitate a high level meeting with CN, GHP and the Chamber of Commerce to address the issues of Bayers Lake businesses.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.2 **Administrative Order SC-44, Respecting Closure of Portion of Gottingen Street at Falkland Street**

- A report dated May 17, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.
MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Streatch, that Council close a portion of the Gottingen Street right-of-way, Halifax, as per Administrative Order #SC-44, as shown on Attachment B of the May 17, 2007 staff report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8.3 Proposed Development of Moose River Gold Mines

• A report dated May 31, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Streatch, seconded by Councillor Kent, that the Mayor write Minister Mark Parent, Department of Environment and Labour, forwarding the comments and concerns with the proposed project as outlined in the Discussion section of the May 31, 2007 report. Further, the correspondence received from Atlantic Gold be included and forwarded to Minister Parent.

Mr. Wally Bucknill, CEO, Atlantic Gold, addressed Council providing an update on the proposal for the mine.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8.4 Deputy Mayor Uteck - Request for Report re: Halifax Farmers Market

Councillor Streatch declared a conflict on this item.

MOVED by councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Fougere, that staff provide a report discussing opportunities for partnering with the Farmers Market to ensure its continued success in its new location. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8.5 Councillor Mosher - Review of HRM Procurement Process

Councillor Mosher stated it has been three weeks since Council enquired about sole sourcing for the furniture contract. She noted HRM’s procurement policy states sole sourcing is allowed when there is only one supplier.

She stated she would like the following concerns included in the report:

• Does HRM ask other suppliers how they can interface with existing equipment,
• Is it truly interfacing, i.e. if you are moving into a new building how is it interfacing with something that is not there,
• Is there a location where surplus supplies are kept or does the supplier take it and if it is kept, can it be accessed,
• What happens if the local supplier goes bankrupt,
• Nothing wrong with having one type of furniture in one area and another in a separate area,
• Do we publish the awards anywhere and, if not, can we,
• Larger orders are broken down into smaller orders so we don’t have to meet the thresholds,
• Should support due diligence,
• Administrative Order 35 be amended to better reflect the goal of openness, transparency, equity and fairness and to fully encourage competition,
• Report to be prepared on a regular basis and forwarded to council indicating all transactions that did not follow standard procedures,
• Thresholds should be reduced to match the province and would like the report to comment on that,
• Consider inserting an open and transparent process in the mission and policy statement,
• Consideration of post contract review,
• Look at past performance,
• Under sole sourcing - can we prove it is the only contract that could meet the needs for the furniture,
• Would like to see the procurement policy included as well as the policy of the province in the report,
• Look at procurement policies of the provincial and federal governments,
• Provide proof that it was not contrary to policy,

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee, that the questions be answered in the broader context of the policy. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

8.6 Councillor Smith - Request for Report re: Little Albro Lake Vegetation Problems

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Kent, that staff provide a report with regard to the eradication of the Yellow Floating Heart plant on Little Albro Lake. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8.7 Councillor Sloane - Request to Government of Nova Scotia to Place Cigarette Butt Receptacles in Service Zones

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Snow, that Mayor Kelly write the Province of Nova Scotia respectfully requesting an amendment to the smoking legislation to allow the placement of cigarette butt receptacles within the service zone of the sidewalks in HRM. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.
9. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

9.1 **By-Law T-703, An Amendment to By-Law T-700, Respecting Tax Deferrals - Revised Income Eligibility Threshold**

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

9.2 **Case 00745: Development Agreement - Salter Street and Lower Water Street, Halifax**

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

10. **CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

10.1 **Correspondence - None**

10.2 **Petitions**

Councillor Hendsbee served a petition on behalf of the residents of Petpeswick Drive, Gaetz Brook, requesting HRM collect their annual road improvement dues via their property tax billing.

11. **REPORTS**

11.1 **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER**

11.1.1 **Tender 07-221 - Phase 12-1a Development, Burnside Business Park**

- A report dated June 7, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Kent, that Council:

1. award Tender No. 07-221, Phase 12-1a Burnside Business Park to Dexter Construction Company Limited for a Total Tender Price of $3,185,321.00 (no HST included, 100% rebateable), from Capital Account CQ300741, Burnside and City of Lakes Development, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications Section of the June 7, 2007 report;

2. approve an increase in the Gross Budget of Capital Account CQ300741 as per the Budget Implications section of the June 7, 2007 report with no change to
the Net Budget to reflect the cost sharing of the installation of a natural gas pipeline from Heritage Gas;

3. and furthermore, that Council authorize, as per the Budget Implications Section of the June 7, 2007 report, the appointment of CBCL Ltd. for construction inspection services; the appointment of Jacques Whitford Ltd. for geotechnical inspection and certification; payment to Nova Scotia Power Inc. for the extension of electrical transmission lines, and payment to HRWC for water system inspection.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Councillor Smith stated there is a need to have information on what is taking place with regard to real estate in Burnside Business park. He stated it looks like they are going ahead and putting aside certain lands for certain businesses or companies to come in.

Mr. English advised there is a functional study taking place but if Council wished more information staff would provide a report. This is building on the consolidated fast freight development that has already occurred and is within the current zoning regulations for the area. He stated staff will come back to Council to provide more information and expand on the Halifax Gateway, Atlantic Gateway. He stated it is a good insight and opportunity for HRM and staff will provide information where this is heading in terms of trans load.

Councillor Smith stated there is a need to come back with information designating all of Phase 12 for certain activities.

Mr. English stated the Regional Plan did speak to business parks with the Functional Plan and RFP going out by the end of June which will be looking at the future of Burnside Park and changes to current zoning. He noted this proposal is within the current zoning regulations.

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that Council continue to 10:15 p.m. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councillor Smith stated this is about policy development of Burnside Park which must be brought to Council.

Mr. English indicated there is no change in policy with respect to what is being done here.

In response to Mayor Kelly, Mr. Stickings, Real Property, advised this section is outside the City of Lakes boundary and utilities will be above ground.
Councillor Hum asked if traffic studies had been done and what is the potential impact in the area. She also asked if there was any impact on watercourses in the area.

Councillor Younger stated the issue of “Daylighting” of watercourses needs to be addressed.

Councillor Sloane questioned why the policy of burying power lines not being followed.

Councillor Hum gave Notice of Motion of Reconsideration for the June 26, 2007 Council session.

11.1.2 Tender 07-253 - Traffic Signal Installation, South Street at Queen Street - West Region

- A report dated June 1, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that Council award Tender No. 07-253, Traffic Signal Installation, South Street at Queen Street - West Region to XL Electric Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Total Tender Price of $129,596.53 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CTU00561- Traffic Signal Installation, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the June 1, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.3 Tender 07-254 - Storm Sewer Rehabilitation or Replacement, Crescent Avenue - West Region

- A report dated June 8, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Snow, that Council award Tender No. 07-254, Storm Sewer Rehabilitation or Replacement, Crescent Avenue - West Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Total Tender Price of $541,967.96 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CGU00458 - Crescent Avenue, Storm Sewer Rehabilitation, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the June 8, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that Council continue to 10:30 p.m. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.4 Purchase of Fire-Rescue Boat/Reserve Withdrawals
A report dated June 13, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

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

1. Approve an increase to the 2007/08 Capital Budget (project CVJ00703) in the amount of $230,000, which includes the non-refundable portion of HST, for the purchase of: One (1) Fire-Rescue boat with funding in the amount of $230,000 to be provided from Q206 - Fire Vehicle & Equipment Reserve.

2. Approve the withdrawal of $230,000.00 from Q206 - Fire Vehicle & Equipment Reserve.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.5 Budget Increase - Halifax Regional Police

A report dated June 7, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Streatch, seconded by Councillor Snow, that Regional Council approve an increase to the gross operating budget for Police Services in the amount of $2.2 million with no change to the net budget to include funding from the Province of Nova Scotia as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the June 7, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.6 Interim Award Policy - 2007

A report dated June 4, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Council approve the Interim Award Policy as set out in the Discussion section of the June 4, 2007 report to allow the CAO to award tenders and authorize property transaction during the period of Council summer recess between July 10 to July 24 and August 14 to August 28. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.7 Services Agreement - Greater Halifax Partnership

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

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Snow, that Council authorize
the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the Service Agreement attached to the June 14, 2007 staff report on behalf of HRM with the Greater Halifax Partnership.

Councillor Fougere referenced items 8 and 9 under Section 2.02 - Role of Partnership and expressed concern as this is a five year plan and these items address specific items which may not be relevant after the five years. She noted things can be added as necessary or as requested.

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

MOVED by Councillor Fougere, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that the decision on this item be deferred to June 26, 2007.

Ms. Donovan, Municipal Solicitor suggested in order to make it broader and not so specific would be to delete number 9 altogether but address the WiFi situation in number 8 by amending it to state “identifying new opportunities to expand broadband coverage and a WiFi strategy in HRM”.

Mover and seconder agreed to withdraw the deferral motion.

The motion as amended.

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Snow, that Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the Service Agreement attached to the June 14, 2007 staff report on behalf of HRM with the Greater Halifax Partnership. Further, that Under Section 2.02 - Role of Partnership, Number 9 be deleted and Number 8 be reworded to state “Identify new opportunities to expand broadband and Wi-Fi coverage in HRM”. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.1.8 Procurement Process for Office Furniture

This item was deferred under approval of the Order of Business.

11.1.9 Cost Shared Paving of Subdivision Streets Outside the Core; Construction Agreement No. 2007-010

• A report dated June 18, 2007 on the above noted, was before Council.

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

1. His Worship the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk be authorized, by resolution of
Regional Council, to sign on behalf of Halifax Regional Municipality, Construction Agreement No. 2007-010 between HRM and the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Public Works (NSTPW), to pave the 9 “J” class subdivision roads, as outlined in the Discussion section of the June 18, 2007 staff report.

2. HRM Regional Council approve the waiving of the right to petition for paving as per the Discussion section of the June 18, 2007 staff report.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.2 GRANT COMMITTEE

11.2.1 Property Matter - Less Than Market Value Leases

- A report dated June 11, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Regional Council approve:

1. The revised occupancy and rental rate for the Canadian Mental Health Association (Halifax Branch) as per the terms and conditions set out in the Discussion section of the Supplementary Report dated June 4, 2007 attached as Attachment 1 to the June 11, 2007 report.

2. The staff recommendation to enter into a less than market value lease agreement with Columbus Holdings Association (Knights of Columbus Council 1097) as per the terms and conditions set out in the Staff Report dated May 28, 2007 attached as Attachment 2 to the June 11, 2007 report.

3. The staff recommendation to enter in to a less than market value lease agreement with the Independent Living Resource Centre as per the terms and conditions set out in the Staff Report dated June 4, 2007 attached as Attachment 3 to the June 11, 2007 report.

4. The staff recommendation to enter into a less than market value lease agreement with the Halifax Amateur Radio Club as per the terms and conditions set out in the Staff Report dated May 28, 2007 attached as Attachment 4 to the June 11, 2007 report.
5. The staff recommendation to enter into a less than market value lease agreement with the Northern Lights Senior Citizens Club as per the terms and conditions set out in the Staff Report dated May 28, 2007 attached as Attachment 5 to the June 11, 2007 report.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.2.2 HRM Community Grants Program 2007-2008: Appeals

• A report dated June 11, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Councillor Hum, that Regional Council:

1. Approve the award of one-time grants to Eastern Front Theatre ($5,000), Upstream Music Association ($1,000), Our Lady of Mount Carmel: St. Thomas Hall Committee ($17,200) and Maskwa Aquatic Club ($50,000) for a combined total of $73,200.

2. Approve the award of a one-time grant to the Halifax Regional Search and Rescue ($24,091).

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11.3 HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

11.3.1 Case H00197: Application to consider 76 Peregrine Crescent, Golf Links Park, Bedford as a Municipally Registered Heritage Property

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to June 26th.

11.3.2 Case H00200: De-registration of 1991B Prince Arthur Street, Halifax

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to June 26th.

11.4 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

11.4.1 Councillor Rankin - HRM Support of Government of Nova Scotia Action on Atlantic Accord

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to June 26th.
12. MOTIONS - NONE

13. ADDED ITEMS

13.1 Councillor Adams - Unsightly Premises Notices to Property Owners

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to June 26th.

13.2 Property Matter - Derelict Buildings Implementation

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to June 26th.

13.3 Property Matter - Councillor Hendsbee - Amendment to May 30, 2006 Motion re: Proposed Management Agreement for Lawrencetown Community Centre

Due to time constraints, this item was deferred to June 26th.

14. NOTICES OF MOTION - NONE

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Jan Gibson
Municipal Clerk

The following information items were circulated to Council.


2. Memorandum from Chair, Cultural Advisory Committee dated June 14, 2007 re: Public Art Protection

3. Memorandum from Acting Director, Finance dated May 10, 2007 re: Standard Tender Package

5. Memorandum from Director, Legal Services dated June 4, 2007
   re: Supplementary Education Funding

   re: Requests for Presentation to Council - Halifax International Airport Authority