HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
June 26, 2007

PRESENT:
Mayor Peter Kelly
Deputy Mayor Sue Uteck
Councillors: Krista Snow
            David Hendsbee
            Harry McInroy
            Gloria McCluskey
            Andrew Younger
            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 Steve Streatch

STAFF:
Mr. Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer
Ms. Geri Kaiser, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
Mr. Wayne Anstey, Acting 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 3:00 p.m. with the Invocation being led by Councillor Adams.

2. **SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

This item was addressed during the evening session. (See page 14)

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - June 12, 2007**

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that the minutes be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

**Deletions**

8.1 Business Improvement District Service Agreement Renewal (deferred to July 31, 2007)

**Additions**

12.1 Contractual Matter - Animal Service Contract Amendment
12.2 Legal Matter - HRM Settlement
12.3 North Dartmouth Trunk Sewer
12.4 Adoption of Off Leash Parks Strategy
12.5 Fall River Fire and Recreation Facility
12.6 Truck Routes - Councillor Murphy
12.7 Salter Street Development

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Snow, that the O'Connell Drive residents be permitted to address Council. MOTION DEFEATED.

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Murphy, 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

MOVED by Councillor Hum, seconded by Councillor Smith, that Council reconsider the motion approved by Regional Council on June 19, 2007 regarding Tender 07-221 - Phase 12-1a Development, Burnside Business Park.

Councillor Hum stated she had concerns with the way this process went forward without Council having an opportunity to discuss the matter.

MOTION DEFEATED. (8 in favour, 11 against)

Those voting in favour were Councillors Snow, Kent, Smith, Wile, Murphy, Sloane, Hum and Mosher.

Those voting against were Mayor Kelly and Councillors Hendsbee, McInroy, McCluskey, Younger, Karsten, Adams, Johns, Harvey, Rankin and Meade.

Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors Streatch, Fougere, Walker and Martin were absent for the vote.

7. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION - NONE

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS

8.1 Business Improvement District (BID) Service Agreement Renewal

This item was deferred to July 31, 2007.

8.2 Case H00197 - Application to Consider 76 Peregrine Crescent, Golf Links Park, Bedford as a Municipally Registered Heritage Property (Heritage Hearing)

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

Ms. Maggie Holm, Heritage Planner, presented the report to Council.

In response to Councillor Hendsbee, staff advised that in order to protect view planes there would need to be an amendment to the Bedford Land Use By-Law.

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Murphy, that Regional Council approve the registration of 76 Peregrine Crescent, Bedford (Golf Link Park), under the
Heritage Property Program. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8.3 Case H00200: De-registration of 1991B Prince Arthur Street, Halifax (A Municipally Registered Heritage Property)

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

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Uteck, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Regional Council set July 31, 2007 as the public hearing date to consider the proposed de-registration of 1991B Prince Arthur Street (Lot B), Halifax. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

Councillor Rankin requested Council formally express concern with the media around the Atlantic Accord. He stated any revenue loss is bad for HRM and lessens the ability of the Province to invest in initiatives.

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that the Mayor write the Prime Minister expressing concern and supporting the Province with regard to the Atlantic Accord and the restoration of fiscal balance.

Councillor Kent suggested, and the mover and seconder agreed, that the motion include that Mayor Kelly send a letter to the other Mayors and Wardens in the province asking they send the same message.

The motion now before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that the Mayor write the Prime Minister expressing concern and supporting the Province with regard to the Atlantic Accord and the restoration of fiscal balance. Further, a letter be forwarded to the other Mayors and Wardens in the province requesting they send the same message. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
8.5 **In Camera Recommendation - Property Matter - Derelict Buildings Implementation**

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Uteck, seconded by Councillor Wile, that Halifax Regional Council:

1. Endorse staff’s proposed implementation plan as outlined in the June 4, 2007 Private and Confidential staff report; and,

2. Not release the June 4, 2007 Private and Confidential staff report to the public.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

8.6 **In Camera Recommendation - Property Matter - Councillor Hendsbee - Amendment of May 30, 2006 Motion re: Proposed Management Agreement for Lawrencetown Community Centre**

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that Council amend the May 30, 2006 Motion of Council re: the proposed management agreement for the Lawrencetown Community Centre to eliminate the condition of municipal ownership and to request that the May 30, 2006 Private and Confidential report pertaining to this matter be made public. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. **CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

9.1 **Correspondence**

9.1.1 The Honourable Peter Julian, MP - Private Members Bill M-38 re: Fire Retardants containing polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs)

MOVED by Councillor McInroy, seconded by Councillor Adams, that the correspondence be tabled. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

9.2 **Petitions - None**

9.3 **Presentations**

9.3.1 Halifax-Dartmouth Canada Day Committee

This item was addressed during the evening session. (See page 16)
9.3.2 Halifax International Airport Authority

This item was addressed during the evening session. (See page 16)

10. REPORTS

10.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

10.1.1 Tender 07-247 - Conversion of the Armdale Rotary to a Modern Roundabout - West Region

• A report dated June 15, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Adams, that Council award Tender No.07-247, Conversion of Armdale Rotary to a Modern Roundabout - West Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for material and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Total Tender Price of $2,940,714.01 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CTV00732 - Rotary Conversion/Chebucto Reversing Lane, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the June 15, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.2 Tender 06-360 - Ellenvale Run Drainage Improvements - Bellevista Drive Culvert Replacement, East Region

• A report dated June 26, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor Snow, that Regional Council:

2. Award Tender No. 06-360, Ellenvale Run Drainage Improvements - Bellevista Drive Culvert Replacement, to All Terrain Landscaping Services Inc. for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a total Tender Price of $289,009 including net HST, from Capital Account No. CGI00615, Ellenvale Run, Dartmouth, Drainage Improvements with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report, subject to the resolution of easement issues outlined in the Discussion section of June 26, 2007 report.

3. Approve the appointment of CBCL Limited for contract administration and inspection services on this project for an estimated fee of $28,815 including net HST from Capital Account No. CGI00615, Ellenvale Run, Dartmouth, Drainage Improvements, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of June 26, 2007 report.
10.1.3 Tender 06-361 - Ellenvale Run Drainage Improvement - Wanda Lane Culvert Replacement, East Region

- A report dated June 26, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

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

2. Award Tender No. 06-361, Ellenvale Run Drainage Improvements - Wanda Lane Culvert Replacement, to All Terrain Landscaping Services Inc. for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a total Tender Price of $194,924 including net HST, from Capital Account No. CGI00615, Ellenvale Run, Dartmouth, Drainage Improvements with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report, subject to the resolution of easement issues outlined in the Discussion section of the June 26, 2007 report.

3. Approve the appointment of CBCL Limited for contract administration and inspection services on this project for an estimated fee of $24,573 including net HST from Capital Account No. CGI00615, Ellenvale Run, Dartmouth, Drainage Improvements, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of June 26, 2007 report.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.4 Request for Proposal 07-335 - Consulting Engineering Services Bedford-Sackville Trunk Sewer - Maintenance Access Routes

- A report dated June 26, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Harvey, seconded by Councillor Martin, that Regional Council award RFP No. 07-335, Consulting Engineering Services - Bedford-Sackville Trunk Sewer - Maintenance Access Routes, to the highest scoring proponent, Terrain Group Inc., at a cost of $125,449.03 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CGI00610 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the June 26, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
10.1.5 **Tender 07-156 - Beazley Track Wearing Surface**

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

MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor Kent, that Council award Tender No. 07-156 to Playtech Enterprises Inc. for a Total Tender Price of $142,483.79 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account CPU00935 - Track Upgrades, reservation 1333 line #1 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the June 5, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.6 **Tender 07-252 - Resurfacing, Sewer and Watermain Renewal, Scot Street and Desmond Avenue - West Region**

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

MOVED by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Council award Tender No. 07-252, Resurfacing, Sewer and Watermain Renewal, Scot Street and Desmond Avenue - West Region to W. Eric Whebby Ltd. for material and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Total Tender Price of $368,900.21 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No’s. CZU00782 - Resurfacing Program and CGI00916 - Sewer Replacements, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the June 15, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.7 **Request for Permanent Encroachment - Henry Street - Dalhousie University**

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

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Uteck, seconded by Councillor Sloane that Halifax Regional Council approve the application for permanent encroachment of an underground ductbank in the street right of way across Henry Street. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.8 **Civic Addressing Corrections Project**

This item was addressed during the evening session. (See page 16)
10.1.9 New Mobile Canteen Motor Vehicle Site - Argyle Street

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

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Wile, that Halifax Regional Council amend Administrative Order Number 37 to add a new mobile canteen site on Argyle Street as specified in Schedule ‘A’ of June 5, 2007. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.10 Parkland Acquisition - The Edwards Family Charitable Foundation

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

MOVED by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee, that Halifax Regional Council:

2. Authorize an increase to Capital Account CP300845 of $107,000 with funding through a $5,000 withdrawal from the Parkland Reserve Account # Q107 and $102,000, value of the land donated as per the Budget Implications section of this Report to facilitate the acquisition of PID 40491508, PID 40491466, PID 40491474, and PID 40491480, via donation, from The Edwards Family Charitable Foundation.

3. Authorize an unbudgeted withdrawal from Parkland Reserve Q107 in the amount of $5,000 to cover closing costs and property tax.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.11 2007-2008 Tax Rates for Supplementary Education

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

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Kent, that Halifax Regional Council:

1. As reflected in the spirit and intent of the Agreement with HRSB, approve the 2007-2008 education tax rates as detailed in the budget implications section of this report, and

2. Authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to clarify the Approved Agreement with the Halifax Regional School Board concerning
Supplementary Education as outlined in Attachment 2 of this Report.

In response to Councillor Rankin, staff advised Attachment 2 does not authorize a tax rate increase for the next several years, the rate setting exercise has to occur on an annual basis.

Councillor Rankin stated, for the record, he would be voting against the motion.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (11 in favour, 8 against)

Those voting in favour were Mayor Kelly and Councillors Younger, Karsten, Kent, Smith, Murphy, Sloane, Hum, Mosher, Johns and Harvey.

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

Councillors Streatch, McCluskey, Fougere, Walker, and Adams were absent for the vote.

10.1.12 2007/2008 Budget and Business Plans for Area-Rated Services

• A report dated June 12, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Hum, that this item be deferred to the evening session. MOTION DEFEATED.

MOVED by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Martin, that the Resolution for Approval of the Operating Budget and Area Rates for Fiscal 2007-2008 (Appendix A) including the attached Schedule of Area Rates (Appendix B) be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.13 Procurement Process for Office Furniture

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that this item be addressed during the evening session. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.1.14 Proposed By-Law N-300, Respecting Nuisances

• A report dated April 13, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded Smith, that Regional Council approve in principle Part 1 - Nuisances on Streets and Part 2 - Shopping Carts of By-Law N-300, Respecting Nuisances (Appendix A of the April 13, 2007 staff report).
Councillor Younger noted the former City of Dartmouth By-Law N-300 should be included with those being repealed.

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

**MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor McCluskey, that Part 1, Nuisances on Street be removed.  MOTION DEFEATED.**

Councillor Adams referenced grocery carts being taken off site and questioned whether the By-Law could include a section that states that if someone is in possession of a grocery cart, they are charged with stolen property. In response, staff advised this matter is covered under the criminal code.

Councillor Adams there is nothing in the By-Law to protect residents from dust from construction sites or roads. He questioned whether it would be possible to have this included under the nuisance portion dealing with smoke. The Councillor suggested staff use the Kentville model as a template.

Ms. Mary Ellen Donovan, Municipal Solicitor, advised the amendment being suggested is not a simple amendment, noting there are ramifications associated with it. She suggested staff be requested to provide a report in time for second reading or, rather than ask for that, Council could move forward with this process and ask staff bring back a report which may result in an amendment at some later date to the Streets By-Law.

Mayor Kelly noted staff would bring forward a report in tandem with this process.

Councillor McInroy asked if there was a way owners of shopping carts could be penalized and whether the impound fee could be linked to the private contractor or HRM.

Ms. Donovan advised that the linkage being proposed would expose the By-Law to a degree of uncertainty.

Councillor McInroy suggested that if a contractor currently charges a fee to return the carts, then HRM fees be set at the same amount.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Kent, that staff prepare a report with respect to incorporation dust in the by-law. Further, the request not interfere with the current process but to bring forward for incorporation at some future date. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Council recessed at 4:45 p.m.
Council reconvened at 6:00 p.m.
MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Deputy Mayor Uteck, that an item entitled “Salter Street Issue” be added to the agenda. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor McCluskey, that item 12.5 - Tender 07-159 Fire Station 45 and Gordon R. Snow Community Centre, Fall River, be addressed immediately following the presentation. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillor Adams congratulated the Families Against Bullying group on their first community fun fair.

Councillor Kent advised a traffic light is being installed at the intersection of Caldwell Road and Cow Bay Road in Eastern Passage.

Councillor Sloane advised a new piece of public art has been erected in front of the library on Gottingen Street.

Councillor McCluskey congratulated the Cole Harbour Boys Soccer Team on their winning of the Dunbrack Tournament.

Councillor Mosher announced that a street in District 17 had been named Ron Hanson Drive in memory of former Councillor Ron Hanson. She further noted the park area across from Cunard Junior High will be renamed Ron “Butch” Hanson Park.

Councillor Karsten noted that residents on Spring Avenue are not using their new assigned civic numbers.

Councillor Martin advised Bedford Days commences on Wednesday, June 27th.

Councillor Johns advised Sackville Patriot Days commences on Saturday, June 30th.

Councillor Hum recognized the under twelve girls and under twelve boys teams who won the Dunbrack Tournament.

Councillor Smith advised there will be graduation ceremonies at the Dartmouth North Community Centre for the participants in the Building Community Leaders course.

Councillor Murphy noted that both St. Patrick’s and Queen Elizabeth High Schools are holding their last graduation ceremonies this week.
9.3.1 Halifax-Dartmouth Canada Day Committee

Mr. Peter Majeau, Chair, addressed Council outlining some of the activities planned for the upcoming Canada Day celebrations to be held in Dartmouth and Halifax. He acknowledged and thanked the members of staff, Council and the committee for their dedication and hard work.

Mayor Kelly thanked Mr. Majeau for his presentation.

9.3.2 Halifax International Airport Authority - Annual Report

Ms. Eleanor Humphries, President & CEO, and Mr. Michael Healy, VP Infrastructure & Technology, with the aid of a powerpoint presentation, provided Council with an update on activities and initiatives completed as well as those to be undertaken at the airport.

Mayor Kelly thanked Ms. Humphries and Mr. Healy for their presentation.

12.5 Tender 07-159 Fire Station 45 and Gordon R. Snow Community Centre, Fall River

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

MOVED by Councillor Snow, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee, that Council award Tender No. 07-159 to PCL Constructors Canada Inc. for a Total Tender Price of $8,793,016 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CB200454 and CBJ00168, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of the June 18, 2007 report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.8 Civic Address Corrections Project

• An information report dated June 20, 2007, on the above noted, was before Council.

Ms. Donna Davis, Acting Director, Business Planning & Information Management, presented the report to Council.

Councillor McCluskey stated she is not against street name changes, rather her issue is with there being both an Administrative Order and By-Law and, in her opinion, the Administrative Order is not being followed.

In response to Mayor Kelly, Ms. Davis advised the requirements of the By-law take precedent, then the policy followed by the guidelines. She noted Section B(9) enables the
use of alphas.
In response to Councillor Wile, Ms. Davis advised that street names are reviewed early in the development stages of a new development. She noted the names are applied by staff and the numbering is at twenty foot intervals.

Councillor Hendsbee stated there needs to be clarification that a subdivision name is not a community name.

In response to Councillor Hum, Ms. Davis advised the changes that have taken place are in all databases within twelve hours of the effective date.

Mayor Kelly thanked Ms. Davis for her presentation.

10.1.13 **Procurement Process for Office Furniture**

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

Ms. Cathie O’Toole, Acting Director of Financial Services presented an overview to Council.

Councillor Karsten noted for the record that he had brought forward this issue at the Audit Committee over a year ago.

In response to Councillor Karsten, staff advised there are currently five price agreements in place with Office Interiors and there are thirteen price agreements set up for such things as maintenance, setup of the systems as well as equipment such as photocopiers, It was noted the same amount of money won’t be spent each year on systems furniture and there have been a number of consolidations over the past number of years.

Councillor Mosher questioned how many reviews have been done and how much does it cost to stockpile the furniture. She stated there is a need to ensure there is an appropriate procurement processes as well as an independent evaluation. She noted there is no cost analysis for labour and would like to see this go back to the Audit Committee. She requested the part of the procurement policy dealing with public process come back to Council.

Council recessed at 8:00 p.m.
Council reconvened at 8:15 p.m.

In response to Councillor McCluskey, staff advised furniture has been re-negotiated every three years but the contract has not been re-tendered.

In response to Councillor Rankin, staff advised there are other suppliers in the province and there have been tests done with regard to compatibility noting, free standing pieces are not part of the system and the systems furniture panels and work surfaces lock together.
Councillor Younger stated he does not see why loose furniture was in the standing offer, noting that when the contract is renegotiated would be the time to bring it back to Council and it would make sense at that time to put out and RFP seeking suppliers nationally. In response to a question as to why new furniture was not being re-tendered, Ms. O’Toole advised this has not come back to Council on three year intervals as it predated amalgamation and the procurement policy. She advised staff could undertake testing of other vendor products to see if they are compatible.

Councillor Karsten questioned whether HRM has control on standing officers and does the municipality have a price list of the furniture. If paying 25% less than in previous years are we assured we are now getting the best price from the vendor.

Councillor Mosher stated she had previously brought this to Council, noting she had wanted to examine the procurement process and policy in general. She noted there are many standing offers in HRM which need to be examined. She stated there is a need to verify past practices and questioned whether the discounts were validated. She stated HRM needs to look at purchase price, cost of installation, labour and modifications.

MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Karsten, that HRM issue an RFP to office suppliers to demonstrate to HRM whether equivalent or better value for money opportunities exist that meet our operational and compatibility requirements. MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (11 in favour, 9 against)

Those voting in favour were Mayor Kelly and Councillors Hendsbee, McInroy, McCluskey, Younger, Karsten, Kent, Sloane, Mosher, Johns and Harvey.

Those voting against were Deputy Mayor Uteck and Councillors Snow, Smith, Wile, Murphy, Walker, Hum, Rankin and Meade.

Councillors Streatch, Fougere, Adams and Martin were absent for the vote.

10.2 INVESTMENT POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

10.2.1 Amendments to the Halifax Regional Municipality Investment Policy

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

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Council approve the Halifax Regional Municipality Investment Policy as amended and attached as Appendix ‘A’ to the June 11, 2007 staff report. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
10.3 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

10.3.1 Councillor Hendsbee - Request for Report re: HRM & O’Connell Drive Paving

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mosher, that staff provide a report of a possible scenario whereby HRM may consider making a General Capital Contribution towards the paving of O’Connell Drive because of the Municipality’s partial ownership of the roadway.

Councillor Younger expressed concern that there is currently a priority rating system for streets and would like this addressed in the report. If the money comes from the General Capital it will by-pass the other streets that are currently on the list. He recommended funds would have to come out of District 3 so as to not to impact other projects in other districts currently on the list.

Councillor Johns stated he would like the report to advise when and where the last time was the province paid and paved a street at 100%.

Councillor Snow suggested staff look at cost sharing. She requested staff look at dividing the cost inside and outside the core and the feasibility of discontinuing petitioning.

Councillor Kent clarified that the Councillor was requesting a contribution towards the Municipal share.

Councillor Sloane suggested staff examine ways in which HRM can make this happen without posing hardship to the residents.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.3.2 Councillor Smith - Request for Report re: Intersection Improvement - Burnside Park - Dartmouth

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that staff provide a report on the intersection improvements at Burnside Drive, Commodore Drive and Ronald Smith Drive in Burnside.

Councillor Smith noted this intersection improvement is connected to a Provincial planned improvement of Brunside Drive and Highway #111 and also tied together with the overpass that Council included in the budget three years ago.
He noted these three projects are all integrated. He stated he would like the report to highlight the following:

- How these changes came about and whether the changes are going to improve the left turning access out of Commodore Drive,
- Does the work take into consideration the expected growth on Burnside Drive,
- Is there a need for an independent traffic study before or after these improvements come forward for that particular area of Burnside,
- Are the active transportation improvements being considered for this project and how will HRM coordinate with the province on the work taking place,
- How does this line up with the Gateway project.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. MOTIONS - NONE

12. ADDED ITEMS

12.1 Contractual Matter - Animal Service Contract Amendment

- The following item was addressed at an earlier In Camera session and was now before Council for ratification.

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

1. Approve the proposed amendments to the contract with the Service Provider as contained in the discussion section of the Private and Confidential staff report dated June 14, 2007; and

2. Not release the Private and Confidential staff report dated June 14, 2007 until after the contract has been signed by both parties.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12.2 Legal Matter - HRM Settlement

- The following item was addressed at an earlier In Camera session and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that Regional Council:
1. Direct staff to implement the proposed settlement agreement included as Attachment 1 of the Private and Confidential staff report dated June 19, 2007 and with the amendments identified in the Discussion section of the report; and
2. Not release the Private and Confidential staff report dated June 19, 2007 until after the settlement agreement has been signed by both parties.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12.3 North Dartmouth Trunk Sewer

• The following item was addressed at an earlier Committee of the Whole session and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councilor Younger, that Halifax Regional Council:

1. Authorize staff to start the necessary processes in order to implement Option 3, a gravity sewer along the western shore of Lake Banook, as outlined in the Discussion section of the staff report dated June 26, 2007.

2. Authorize staff to create easements in the name of the Halifax Regional Water Commission (HRWC) across any of the HRM Lands over which the sewer is to be constructed, given that the HRWC will be the owners of the sewer once the merger is completed and the sewer constructed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12.4 Adoption of Off Leash Parks Strategy

• The following item was addressed at an earlier Committee of the Whole session and was now before Council for ratification.

MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor Wile, that Halifax Regional Council approve the Off Leash Parks Strategy, as set out in the amended Appendix “A” of the staff report dated May 17, 2007. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12.5 Tender 07-159 Fire Station 45 and Gordon R. Snow Community Centre, Fall River

This item was addressed earlier in the meeting. (See page 15)
12.6  Truck Routes - Councillor Murphy

MOVED by Councillor Murphy, seconded by Councillor Sloane, that staff provide a report with regard to truck routes on the Peninsula and whether these routes are being communicated to HRP staff. Further staff also provide a list of known routes currently being used on the peninsula. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

MOVED by Councillor Sloane, seconded by Councillor Wile, that Council approve correction of the motion approved by Council on June 19, 2007 to reference the development agreement as Attachment D to the staff report dated April 19, 2007. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13.  NOTICES OF MOTION

Councillor Younger
Take Notice that at the next regular Regional Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 3, 2007, I propose to move First Reading of By-Law N-300, respecting Nuisances. The purpose of which is to repeal redundant former municipal unit by-laws related to “nuisance” type issues, and adopt a new by-law that will initially address nuisances on streets and prevention of abandoned shopping carts.

Councillor Younger
Take Notice that at the next regular Regional Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 3, 2007, I propose to introduce for adoption By-Law L-126, regarding changes to the Spider Lake Water Services Extension

Councillor Sloane
Take Notice that at the next regular Regional Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 3, 2007, I propose to move an amendment to Administrative Order Number 37, Respecting Commerce and Vending on Municipal Lands (Site Locations). The purpose of which is to add a new mobile canteen motor vehicle vending site on the east side of Argyle Street, north of Carmichael Street.

Councillor Sloane
Take Notice that at the next regular Regional Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 3, 2007, I intend to introduce a motion to separate the Committee of the Whole and Regional Council to two separate days (Monday and Tuesday) consecutively. Best Work Practices state that meeting/working more than ten hours is unproductive due to fatigue and poor
Councillor Walker
Take Notice that at the next regular Regional Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, July 3, 2007, I intend to introduce a motion to request a report to Council and presentation on the impact of the Assessment Cap and CPI on HRM. Recently the Assessment Board established that residents would be eligible for the CAP without an application process. In light of this, and the completion of a report on the Assessment CAP for the UNSM by Deloitte and Touche, it would be timely for HRM Council to request UNSM to attend Council with HRM staff to provide an overview of the Assessment Cap impact before HRM embarks on developing the 2008/09 budget.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Jan Gibson
Municipal Clerk
The following information items were circulated to Council.

1. Proclamation - Canada Day, July 1 2007

2. Memorandum from Co-Chairs, Investment Policy Advisory Committee
dated June 18, 2007 re: Quarter Ending March 31, 2007

3. Memorandum from Acting Director, Finance and Deputy Treasurer

4. Memorandum from Director, Community Development dated June 6, 2007
re: Increased Funding for Commercial Heritage Properties

5. Memorandum from Director, Legal Services & Risk Management
dated June 19, 2007 re: Status of By-Law Prosecutions

6. Memorandum from Director, Transportation and Public Works
dated June 20, 2007 re: Tender 07-221 - Phase 12-1a Development,
Burnside Business Park

re: Requests for Presentation to Council - Halifax-Dartmouth Canada Day Committee;
Residents Group re: O’Connell Drive Paving