



**HALIFAX AND WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
APRIL 21, 2015**

PRESENT: Councillor Steve Adams, Chair  
Councillor Reg Rankin, Vice Chair  
Councillor Jennifer Watts  
Councillor Linda Mosher  
Councillor Waye Mason  
Councillor Russell Walker

STAFF: Mr. John Traves, Solicitor  
Mr. Andrew Reid, Legislative Assistant

*The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.*

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*The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Community Council adjourned at 6:33 p.m.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 28, 2015 and February 17, 2015**

**MOVED by Councillor Watts, seconded by Councillor Mason that the minutes of January 28, 2015 and February 17, 2015 be deferred to the date of the next meeting, pending review of the February 17, 2015 minutes.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

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

**Additions**

- 13.1 Information Item No. 2 - Supplementary Information Report from the director of Parks and Recreation dated February 23, 2015 re: Western Common Advisory Committee
- 13.2 Update on Public Right Away (Tow Path) on Northwest Arm

Councillor Rankin requested that Information Item Number 2 be added to the agenda. Councillor Mosher requested a status sheet update on the Tow Path issue.

**MOVED by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Walker that the agenda be approved as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

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

**5. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE**

**6. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE**

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

**8. HEARINGS – NONE**

**9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS – NONE**

**10. REPORTS**

**10.1 STAFF**

**10.1.1 Case 19595 - R-2A (General Residential Conversion) Zone Amendments, Halifax Peninsula Land Use Bylaw**

The following was before Community Council:

- *A staff recommendation report dated March 31, 2015*

**MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Walker that Halifax and West Community Council:**

**Give First Reading to the proposed amendments to the Land Use By-law for Halifax Peninsula to amend the R-2A (General Residential Conversion) Zone, as contained in Attachment A of the report dated March 31, 2015, and schedule a public hearing.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**10.1.2 Case 18270 - Development Agreement – 5885 Spring Garden Road, Halifax**

The following was before Community Council:

- *A staff recommendation report dated April 2, 2015*
- *A staff recommendation report dated March 12, 2015*

**MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Walker that Halifax & West Community Council:**

**Give Notice of Motion to consider the proposed development agreement, as contained in Attachment A of the report dated March 12, 2015, to allow for a multiple unit residential building and office use at 5885 Spring Garden Road and schedule a public hearing.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**10.1.3 Case 19050 - Development Agreement Amendment – 5881 & 5883 Spring Garden Road, Halifax**

The following was before Community Council:

- *A staff recommendation report dated April 2, 2015*
- *A staff recommendation report dated March 4, 2015*

**MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Walker that Halifax & West Community Council:**

**Give Notice of Motion to consider the proposed amending development agreement, as contained in Attachment A of the report dated March 4, 2015, to allow for an addition to the ground floor commercial and second floor office portions of the existing 12 storey building at 5881 and 5883 Spring Garden Road, Halifax and schedule a public hearing;**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**11. MOTIONS - NONE**

**12. IN CAMERA – NONE**

**13. ADDED ITEMS**

- 13.1 Information Item No. 2 - Supplementary Information Report from the director of Parks and Recreation dated February 23, 2015 re: Western Common Advisory Committee

Councillor Rankin outlined the history of the report. He described the Five Bridge Wilderness Heritage Trust and the Five Bridge Lake Wilderness Area Stewardship Coalition. Councillor Rankin offered a potential motion, stating that he would need support to waive the rules of order to put the motion on the floor.

The Solicitor stated concern that the Information Report did not contain a clear staff recommendation to Council, as required by Administrative Order One. Following discussion, council members agreed to defer the matter until a staff recommendation was provided.

**MOVED by Councillor Rankin seconded by Councillor Mason to defer consideration of the Western Common Advisory Committee supplementary report until a staff recommendation is received.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

13.2 Update on Public Right Away (Tow Path) on Northwest Arm

Mr. Peter Bigelow, Manager Policy & Planning, indicated that the issue was currently under consideration by staff. He stated that snow cover had prevented inspection of the path on municipal properties and that a meeting would be held in the coming week. He commented that staff was also conducting an inventory and analysis of ownership, easement and property rights to determine the viability of the Tow Path as a public facility. He clarified that the results would be brought back to Community Council in a staff report.

Councillor Mosher requested that the update be provided in the minutes and indicated as such on the status sheet.

**14. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE**

**15. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr. Mark Moore described flooding, erosion, and draining issues on Saskatoon Avenue and Hamshaw Drive in the Kearney Lake Area. He voiced concern for the impact on property owners and highlighted the drainage issue and the cost of installing drains. He stated that in December 2014, significant damage resulted from flooding on Saskatoon Avenue. He described the history of his property and the damages, including recent loss of rental contribution. He asked that the problem be addressed and indicated he had already sought assistance from the municipality, the Utility and Review Board, and the Mayor.

Councillor Walker indicated he was awaiting a report from the Water Commission and would follow up on the issue.

The Chair called three times for additional speakers and there being none, closed the floor to public participation.

**16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – May 13, 2015**

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Andrew Reid  
Legislative Assistant