

# HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

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## HARBOUR EAST COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES October 6, 2005

**PRESENT:** Councillor Jim Smith, Chair  
Councillor Gloria McCluskey  
Councillor Andrew Younger  
Councillor Becky Kent

**REGRETS:** Councillor Harry McInroy  
Councillor Bill Karsten

**STAFF:** Ms. Julia Horncastle, Legislative Assistant

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - September 8, 2005**

**MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Kent, that the minutes of September 8, 2005. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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

Additions

- 12.1 Case 00807: Amendment to Development Agreement - Horizon Court, Dartmouth
- 12.2 Case 00782: Rezone a Portion of 56 Dawson Street, Dartmouth
- 12.3 Allocation of 2006 Community Building Fund - Councillor Younger
- 12.4 Request for Special Meeting - Councillor Younger

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

**4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

**4.1 STATUS SHEET UPDATES**

**4.1.1 Legislation - Boarded up Buildings**

An update on the Legislation was circulated to Community Council. This matter is to be removed from the status sheet.

**4.1.2 Petition - Councillor McCluskey - Crosswalk - Portland Street and Canal Street**

An information report, dated August 29, 2005, was circulated to Community Council. This matter is to be removed from the status sheet.

**4.1.3 Traffic Lights at Intersection of Faulkner Street/Wyse Road and/or Dawson Street/Wyse Road**

No information was received relative to this item. This matter is to remain on the status sheet.

**4.1.4 Request for Traffic Light - Councillor Smith**

No information was received relative to this item. This matter is to remain on the status sheet.

**4.1.5 Presentation - Trans Canada Trail - Revised Proposal**

No information was received relative to this item. This matter is to remain on the status sheet.

**4.1.6 Traffic on Portland Street**

No information was received relative to this item. This matter is to remain on the status sheet.

**4.1.7 Unightly Vessels Anchored in Dartmouth Cove**

No information was received relative to this item. This matter is to remain on the status sheet.

**4.1.8 Community Planning Advisory Committee - Eastern Passage/Cow Bay**

No information was received relative to this item. This matter is to remain on the status sheet.

**4.1.9 Brightwood Golf Course - Petition**

No information was received relative to this item. This matter is to remain on the status sheet.

**4.1.10 Maynard Beach, Dartmouth**

Information dated October 6, 2004 was circulated to Community Council. This matter is to be removed from status sheet.

**4.1.11 Service Building - Cole Harbour Commons**

No information was received relative to this item. This matter is to remain on the status sheet.

**5. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION - NONE**

**6. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION - NONE**

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

**8. HEARINGS**

**8.1 Public Hearings - None**

**8.2**            **Appeal Hearings** - None

**9.**                **CORRESPONDENCE AND DELEGATIONS**

**9.1**            **Correspondence** - None

**9.2**            **Petitions**

Councillor McCluskey served a petition on behalf of the residents from Manor Park regarding the lack of lighting in Brownlow Park. The Councillor requested the petition be forwarded to staff for a response as soon as possible.

**9.3**            **Presentations**

**9.3.1**        **HRM Economic Strategy**

Mr. Fred Morely presented the HRM Economic Strategy to Community Council advising this Strategy is meant to focus on all areas of HRM and is centred on the people of the community.

In response to a question by Councillor Younger as to what difference this would make in everyday life if it is implemented, Mr. Morely stated that if it is implemented and once it begins to work it will show up in opportunities which can be identified such as employment which would keep people in HRM. It would mean more growth in the community which would also provide better employment opportunities.

Councillor McCluskey asked how would HRM get all communities involved, noting that in order to make this work people have to buy into and believe in the Strategy. The Councillor stated that the youth are being missed and as a result are falling by the wayside. Mr. Morely stated ten percent of the population and twenty percent of the work force are students. He stated ways have to be found to retain their energy and expertise in the community. A method has to be found to bring more enthusiasm and energy and to make sure they have opportunities in HRM for jobs and careers once they leave school and enter the work force.

Councillor Kent stated the key to this working is to provide more jobs for the average person to enable residents to stay here and support their families. She stated there has to be responsible planning through the Regional Plan enabling the building of communities where we can work, live and play. There is a need to create jobs that are achievable locally. Mr. Morely advised the Strategy recognizes HRM cannot stand still but has to keep moving. He stated it is about having growth that values history and culture etc.

Councillor Smith asked how HRM would know that it had succeeded and if the success will

be being benchmarked. Mr. Morely advised there are a series of outcome measures in the Strategy and if targets are achieved then HRM is having success. He advised there will be an implementation group which will draw on people who want to see the community grow and make things happen. He advised the Strategy is aiming for smart and sustainable growth which means growth that respects values and preserves those values on a go forward basis as well as recognizing the integration between urban and rural.

At this time Community Council provided an opportunity for any member of the public to provide input.

Mr. Reg Jones, Dartmouth expressed concern that people are moving from smaller communities into the urban areas. He stated there needs to be a strategy to move people into rural areas so they are not on the highways but in the communities.

Councillor Smith thanked Mr. Morley for his presentation.

**10. REPORTS**

**10.1 STAFF REPORT**

**10.1.1 Case 00786: Development Agreement - Medical Clinic Parking Lot**

- A report dated September 23, 2005, on the above noted, was before Community Council.

**MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor McCluskey, that Harbour East Community Council give Notice of Motion to consider an application by Plaza Tacoma Centre Ltd. for a Development Agreement to permit a parking lot for a medical clinic in the R-1 Zone at Valleyfield Road and Oakwood Avenue, Dartmouth, and to schedule a public hearing for November 3, 2005. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Councillor Younger requested this public hearing be the first one addressed at the November 3, 2005 meeting.

**11. MOTIONS - None**

**12. ADDED ITEMS**

**12.1            Case 00807: Amendment to Development Agreement - Horizon Court, Dartmouth**

- This matter was added during the setting of the agenda.
- A report dated September 21, 2005, on the above noted, was before Council.

**MOVED by Councillor McCluskey, seconded by Councillor Kent, that Harbour East Community Council give Notice of Motion to consider the development agreement to permit two (2) additional units for a total of 150 units in the proposed apartment units and schedule a public hearing for November 3, 2005. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**12.2            Case 00782: Rezone a Portion of 56 Dawson Street, Dartmouth**

- This matter was added during the setting of the agenda.
- A report dated September 23, 2005, on the above noted, was before Council.

**MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor Kent, that Harbour East Community Council give First Reading for rezoning of 56 Dawson Street from R-3 (Multiple Family Dwelling Zone-Medium Density) to C-2 (General Business) Zone to facilitate development of a service station and schedule a public hearing for November 3, 2005. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**12.3            Allocation of 2006 Community Building Fund**

- This matter was added during the setting of the agenda.

**MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor McCluskey, that the funds be divided equally between the six districts. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**12.4            Request for Special Meeting - Councillor Younger**

- This matter was added during the setting of the agenda.

**MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor Kent, that Harbour East hold a Special Community Council meeting on Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in the Trophy Room, City Hall. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**



**12.5            Case 00635: Site Specific MPS & LUB Amendment and Amendment to Development Agreement - 3 Bruce Street**

- This matter was added during the setting of the agenda.
- A report dated September 27, 2005, on the above noted, was before Council.

**MOVED by Councillor Younger, seconded by Councillor Kent, that Harbour East Community Council:**

- 1. Recommend that Regional Council give First Reading to the proposed amendments to the Dartmouth Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law as provided in Attachment C of the staff report September 27, 2005 and schedule a joint public hearing with Harbour East Community Council.**
- 2. Recommend that Regional Council approve the amendments to the Dartmouth Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law as provided in Attachment C of the September 27, 2005 staff report.**
- 3. Give Notice of Motion to consider the proposed amendments to a development agreement provided as Attachment D and schedule a joint public hearing with Regional Council.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**13.            NOTICES OF MOTION - None**

**14.            PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There were no persons present wishing to address Community Council during public participation.

**15.            NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 3, 2005 at 6:30 p.m.

**16.           ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Julia Horncastle  
Legislative Assistant