

Item No. 14.1
Halifax Regional Council
April 29, 2014

TO: Members of Halifax Regional Council
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SUBMITTED BY: _____
Mayor Mike Savage, Chair of the Executive Standing Committee

DATE: April 28, 2014

SUBJECT: Appointment – Board of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)

ORIGIN

Requirement for Regional Council to authorize HRM Regional Council's nomination to the Board of Directors of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Bylaws No. 1 of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

Section 3.2.1 Terms of Reference of the Executive Standing Committee which directs the Committee to act as the nominating body to Regional Council on Committees not otherwise delegated to other Standing Committees.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council appoint Councillor Bill Karsten as Halifax Regional Council's representative to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) Board of Directors for a term from June 2014 to June 2016.

And, adopt the resolution required by FCM in regard to the appointment as provided in Attachment 1 of this report.

BACKGROUND

The bylaws of FCM were amended at the Annual General Meeting in Halifax in 2011 to specify that, of the four (4) Directors representing Nova Scotia on the Board of FCM, one (1) would be appointed by its Affiliate Members (UNSM) being its president, one (1) would be appointed by the Halifax Regional Municipality and the other two (2) Directors would be elected from Accredited Representative Municipal Members (at the AGM annually).

Following the Municipal Election and by resolution of Halifax Regional Council, Councillor Karsten was appointed in December 2012 to fill the unexpired term of Sue Uteck on the Board of FCM (Term from December 2012 to June 2014).

DISCUSSION

As is practice, the Clerk's Office put forward an Expression of Interest on April 8th to all members of Regional Council in regard to serving on the Board of FCM.

At the Executive Standing Committee meeting of April 28, 2014 the Committee duly nominated Councillor Karsten to serve as Halifax Regional Council's representative to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Board of Directors for a term from June 2014 to June 2016.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications to this report that are not included in the approved operating budget for 2014-2015.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Not applicable.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

ALTERNATIVES

The Executive Committee did not recommend any alternatives.

ATTACHMENTS

1. FCM Resolution

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.html> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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Attachment 1

Resolution of Halifax Regional Council

The following resolution was passed at a meeting of the Regional Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality this _____ day of May, 2014.

Whereas the *Federation of Canadian Municipalities* (FCM) represents the interests of municipalities on policy and programs matters that fall within federal jurisdiction;

Whereas FCM's Board of Directors is comprised of elected municipal officials from all regions and sizes of communities for a broad base of support and provides FCM with the prestige required to carry the municipal message to the federal government, and;

Whereas in accordance with bylaw No. 1 of the *Federation of Canadian Municipalities*, one of the Director's representing Nova Scotia shall be appointed by the Halifax Regional Municipality; and

Whereas the current term of HRM Director's appointment is up in June 2014;

Be it resolved that the Council of the Halifax Regional Municipality appoints Councillor Bill Karsten to represent HRM on the Board of Directors of FCM for a term to June 2016; and

Be it further resolved that Council will assume all costs associated with Councillor Karsten attending FCM's Board of Directors meetings.

Signed this _____ day of May, 2014.

Cathy J. Mellett, Municipal Clerk