



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
December 11, 2018**

PRESENT:

Mayor Mike Savage
Deputy Mayor Tony Mancini
Councillors: Steve Streach
David Hendsbee
Bill Karsten
Lorelei Nicoll
Sam Austin
Waye Mason
Lindell Smith
Shawn Cleary
Russell Walker
Stephen Adams
Richard Zurawski
Matt Whitman
Lisa Blackburn
Steve Craig
Tim Outhit

STAFF:

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer
Kelly Denty, Acting Chief Administrative Officer
John Traves, Municipal Solicitor
Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk
Phoebe Rai, Legislative Assistant
Krista Vining, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. Council recessed at 12:21 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m. Council recessed at 3:00 p.m. and reconvened at 3:15 p.m. Council recessed again at 5:08 p.m. and reconvened at 6:29 p.m. Council convened into In Camera (In Private) at 7:09 p.m. and reconvened in public at 7:29 p.m. Council adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted a number of special community announcements and acknowledgements.

Mayor Savage extended congratulations to DeRico Symonds, Program Manager for the Youth Advocate Program, and Huwaida Medani, Advisor with Diversity and Inclusion, for each receiving 2018 Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission awards.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Committee of the Whole November 13, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mancini

THAT the minutes of Committee of the Whole November 13, 2018 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions:

Item 14.2.3i – Staff Information Report – Funding Request – YMCA of Greater Halifax/Dartmouth

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Austin

THAT items:

- a) 14.2.3 - Funding Request – YMCA of Greater Halifax/Dartmouth,**
 - b) 14.2.4 - Funding Request – Hospice Society of Greater Halifax, and**
 - c) 14.2.5 - Funding Request – THE LINK Performing Arts Centre**
- be referred to the Standing Committee of the Whole on Budget.**

A brief discussion ensued, with Councillors noting that there are time sensitivities related to the projects, and that items 14.2.4 and 14.2.5 were respecting projects already budgeted in the current fiscal year.

The motion was separated for voting purposes as per Section 90 of Administrative Order One.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Austin

THAT item a) 14.2.3 - Funding Request – YMCA of Greater Halifax/Dartmouth be referred to the Standing Committee of the Whole on Budget.

MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Austin

THAT item b) 14.2.4 - Funding Request – Hospice Society of Greater Halifax be referred to the Standing Committee of the Whole on Budget.

MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Austin

THAT item c) 14.2.5 - Funding Request – THE LINK Performing Arts Centre be referred to the Standing Committee of the Whole on Budget.

MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED.

MOVED by Councillor Whitman, seconded by Councillor Zurawski

THAT the Order of Business be approved as amended to add item 14.2.3i.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

6. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

7. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

8. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

9. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – July 31, 2018

9.1 Case 20662- Amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy, Regional Subdivision By-law and Sackville Land Use By-law (Supplementary Report)

i) North West Community Council report dated June 12, 2018 with attached staff report dated May 7, 2018

The following was before Council:

- A supplementary staff report dated November 14, 2018
- A report from the North West Community Council dated June 11, 2018 with attached staff report dated May 7, 2018
- An extract of Regional Council Minutes July 31, 2018

First Reading was given June 19, 2018 and the Public Hearing was held July 31, 2018. At the July 31, 2018 meeting a motion was approved to adopt amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy and Sackville Land Use By-law as set out in attachments A and B of the staff report dated May 7, 2018.

The following motion deferred at the meeting held July 31, 2018 was on the floor:

MOVED by Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council refuse the proposed amendments to the Regional Subdivision By-law to extend the municipal water service boundary as shown on Map 4 of the staff report dated May 7, 2018.

The following amendment was proposed:

MOVED by Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT the motion be amended to direct staff to consider amendments to the Water Service Area, as identified on Map 1 of the supplementary staff report dated November 14, 2018, as part of the next review of the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy.

Tyson Simms, Planner II advised that the next review of the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy would be initiated in 2019 and likely continue until late 2020 or early 2021. Responding to questions of clarification regarding risks, Simms noted that there is potential for hydraulic overloading due to the on-site sewage disposal system as set out in the Dillon Consulting HRM Water Resource Management Study.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED. (14 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors: Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Smith, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn and Craig.

Against: Councillor Cleary

Not present: Councillor Mason

Councillor Outhit was not eligible to vote as they were not present for the public hearing.

The question was called on the motion as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council

- 1. Refuse the proposed amendments to the Regional Subdivision By-law to expand the Water Service Area as shown on Map 1 of the supplementary staff report dated November 14, 2018, and**
- 2. Direct staff to consider amendments to the Water Service Area, as identified on Map 1 of the supplementary staff report dated November 14, 2018, as part of the next review of the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy.**

AMENDED MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (14 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors: Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Smith, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn and Craig.

Against: Councillor Cleary

Not present: Councillor Mason

Councillor Outhit was not eligible to vote as they were not present for the public hearing.

10. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

11. PUBLIC HEARINGS – NONE

12. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

12.1 Correspondence

The Clerk noted that correspondence was received for items 13.1 and 14.2.3. This correspondence was circulated to Council.

For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

12.2 Petitions

12.2.1 Councillor Smith

Councillor Smith submitted a petition with over 420 signatures requesting that the accessible green space park on the corner of Quinpool and Windsor Streets, formerly St. Patrick's High School, be kept as public green space, and that Regional Council ensure food security for the area by committing to preserving the existing food forest and garden initiatives so long as they remain operating for the public good.

13. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – December 4, 2018

13.1 Councillor Cleary - Integrated Mobility Plan (IMP) Implementation of Regional Centre “AAA” Bikeway Network

The following was before Council:

- A staff information report dated September 27, 2018
- Correspondence dated December 5, 2018 from the Board of the Halifax Cycling Coalition and dated December 8, 2018 from Jeremy VanSlyke

David MacIsaac, Active Transportation Supervisor, Transportation and Public Works, and David Hubley, Manager of Project Planning and Design, responded to questions of clarification from Members of Council. They noted that the majority of Regional Centre ‘AAA’ Bicycle Network projects are in the planning and design stage and there is a functional plan in progress to examine how the Bedford Highway may accommodate pedestrians and bicycles, but this work will not be complete before 2022.

14. REPORTS

14.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

14.1.1 Halifax International Airport Authority (HIAA) Taxation Agreement

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 1, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Streach, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council request that the Mayor and Clerk execute the Taxation Agreement with the Halifax International Airport Authority (HIAA), as per attachment 1 of the staff report dated November 1, 2018.

Jerry Blackwood, Manager of Revenue and Treasurer provided background with respect to the history of the matter noting that the Province has passed legislation to enable a tax agreement with the Halifax International Airport Authority.

Responding to a question regarding carbon dioxide emissions, Kelly Denty, Acting Chief Administrative Officer, advised that staff are considering greenhouse gas emissions through the climate change plan. John Traves, Municipal Solicitor noted that the municipality’s power to tax is based on assessed value and business occupancy assessment, and they do not have the authority to consider greenhouse gas emissions in taxation policy.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.1.2 First Reading Proposed By-law N-205 an Amendment to By-law N-200 Respecting Noise

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated September 17, 2018

Notice of Motion was given December 4, 2018.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to proposed By-law N-205, amending By-law N-200, the *Noise By-law*, to allow noise exemption applications to be approved by staff provided the applications meet the criteria as set out in Attachment B of the staff report dated September 17, 2018.

The following amendment was accepted as friendly to the main motion:

THAT the motion be amended to correct a typographical error such that section 6A (2)(c) reads “all other information contained in the application is substantively the same as the application approved by Council.”

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor responded to questions of clarification noting that there is no established appeal process, but Regional Council may grant exemptions.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a supplemental report regarding a process for notification to the Councillor when Noise By-law exemptions are granted or refused by staff.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (16 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors: Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mason, Smith, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn, Craig, and Outhit.

Against: Councillor Cleary

14.1.3 Halifax Regional Fire and Emergency – Operational Review

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 30, 2018
- A presentation dated December 11, 2018

Notice of Motion given December 4, 2018.

Chief Ken Stuebing, Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency (HRFE) provided the staff presentation regarding the Operational Review.

MOVED by Councillor Streach, seconded by Councillor Craig

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt proposed Administrative Order 2018-OP-006 Respecting Fire & Emergency Service in the Halifax Regional Municipality, including repealing Administrative Order 24 as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated November 30, 2018.**
- 2. Accept the proposed “Emergency Response Time Targets” as described in Attachment 3 of the staff report dated November 30, 2018 as the desired response time targets to be implemented by Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency (HRFE) over a multi-year period subject to funding.**
- 3. Direct HRFE to develop a multi-year strategy for implementation of the Emergency Response Time Targets in accordance with the Business Planning and Budget cycles as outlined in the discussion section of the staff report dated November 30, 2018.**
- 4. Authorize and direct staff to prepare a business case including financial implications for consideration in the 2019/20 and 2020/21 business plan and budget proposal to increase career staffing at fire station 45 (Fall River) from 0700-1730 Monday through Friday to 24 hours per day, 7 days per week coverage utilizing a Quint apparatus to address increasing community risk and provide response resources appropriate to the area of the Halifax International Airport.**

Chief Stuebing responded to questions of clarification, noting that the full cost impacts will come back to Committee of the Whole on Budget. The Chief indicated that the volunteer firefighters and the union of

career firefighters are in support of the report. Chief Stuebing noted further that once the Administrative Order is in place, HRFE staff will focus on partnering with new agencies and working with a broad number of internal and external stakeholders.

Responding to a question regarding service to the Halifax International Airport, Chief Stuebing advised that the airport has firefighters to respond to incidents regarding planes and runways, and HRFE would respond to calls elsewhere at the airport.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.1.4 First Reading Proposed By-law S-501 an Amendment to By-law S-500 Respecting Charges for Solar City Program

The following was before Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated December 5, 2018

Notice of Motion was given December 4, 2018.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to proposed By-law S-501, amending By-law S-500, the Solar City By-law as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated December 5, 2018.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.2 AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE

14.2.1 Cogswell District Redevelopment 60% Design Review - Funding for Flood Mitigation Measures Adjacent to Karlson's Wharf and Casino Nova Scotia

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated November 30, 2018 with attached supplementary staff report dated September 12, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct staff to include funding in the amount of \$600,000 for the additional work to the Cogswell District Redevelopment project for flood mitigation measures near the Karlson's Wharf and Casino Nova Scotia sites as part of the 2020/21 capital planning process.

Paul Burgess, Program Manager, Planning and Development and Peter Duncan, Manager of Infrastructure Planning, Planning and Development responded to questions of clarification, noting that the funding is for work to be done outside of the right of way to reinstate Upper Water Street and would be requested from the 2020/21 Operating Budget.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.2.2 2018/19 Winter Funding for Snow Removal Program for Seniors

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated December 3, 2018 with attached staff report dated November 9, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve an increase to the Snow Removal Program for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities (the “Program”) in an amount up to \$200,000.00, for a total 2018/19 operating budget of up to \$600,000.00, with funding to be found through operating efficiencies within Transportation and Public Works, or if operating efficiencies cannot be achieved, through the Risk Reserves - General Contingency Reserve, Q421, as per the Financial Implications section of the staff report dated November 9, 2018.

Beverley Audet, Manager of Road Operations and Construction, responded to questions of clarification, noting that in the previous fiscal year operational efficiencies were found within Transportation and Public Works which offset the total program cost. Audet advised that the YMCA levies a 15% fee on the municipality to administer the program, which represents excellent value.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

14.2.3 Funding Request – YMCA of Greater Halifax/Dartmouth

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated December 3, 2018 with attached staff report dated June 18, 2018
- A staff information report dated December 7, 2018
- Correspondence from Ted Ross dated December 10, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Refer a one-time capital contribution in the amount of \$1,000,000 to the YMCA of Greater Halifax/Dartmouth towards the purchase of a replacement YMCA facility located at the intersection of South Park and Sackville Street, Halifax, for consideration in the 2019-2020 budget deliberations during the Budget Adjustment List (BAL) review; and**
- 2. Subject to Council’s decision as applicable, Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate, enter into an execute a Contribution Agreement on behalf of the Municipality with the YMCA of Greater Halifax/Dartmouth based on the terms and conditions outlined in Table 1 of the staff report dated June 18, 2018.**

Council discussed the motion with staff responding to questions. Members expressed concern with the one-time capital contribution, noting that Regional Council had approved on March 20, 2012 to rezone and increase the height allowance from 23 metres to 49 metres for the YMCA as part of the Municipality’s contribution to the project. It was also noted that the facility would still be funded without HRM’s support, as explained in the June 18, 2018 staff report. Members sought greater clarity on the facility’s childcare services, public benefit and programming.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mancini

THAT the motion be amended to include, in addition authorize staff to further negotiate on the following:

- 2. Subject to Council’s decision as applicable, Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate, enter into an execute a Contribution Agreement on behalf of the Municipality with the YMCA of Greater Halifax/Dartmouth based on the terms and conditions outlined in Table 1 of the staff report dated June 18, 2018, in addition authorize staff to further negotiate on the following:**
 - a) Programming collaboration**
 - b) Meeting space access**
 - c) Negotiate a Service agreement to better identify Public benefit/community collaboration**
- 3. Direct staff to obtain further clarification on the stated “childcare services” from the staff report dated November 10, 2011.**

Council discussed the amendment with staff responding to questions.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED. (15 in favour, 2 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Whitman, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillors Adams and Zurawski

The motion before Council now reads:

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Refer a one-time capital contribution in the amount of \$1,000,000 to the YMCA of Greater Halifax/Dartmouth towards the purchase of a replacement YMCA facility located at the intersection of South Park and Sackville Street, Halifax, for consideration in the 2019-2020 budget deliberations during the Budget Adjustment List (BAL) review; and**
- 2. Subject to Council's decision as applicable, Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate, enter into an execute a Contribution Agreement on behalf of the Municipality with the YMCA of Greater Halifax/Dartmouth based on the terms and conditions outlined in Table 1 of the staff report dated June 18, 2018, in addition authorize staff to further negotiate on the following:**
 - a) Programming collaboration**
 - b) Meeting space access**
 - c) Negotiate a Service agreement to better identify Public benefit/community collaboration**
- 3. Direct staff to obtain further clarification on the stated "childcare services" from the staff report dated November 10, 2011.**

MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED. (15 in favour, 2 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Whitman, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillors Adams and Zurawski

14.2.4 Funding Request – Hospice Society of Greater Halifax

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated December 5, 2018 with attached staff report dated October 9, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. not approve provision of a one-time capital grant to the Hospice Society of Greater Halifax in the amount of \$500,000 towards the construction of a residential hospice facility at 618 Franklyn Street, Halifax to be funded as an unbudgeted withdrawal from the General Contingency Reserve Q421; and**
- 2. not authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designate, to negotiate, enter into and execute a Contribution Agreement on behalf of the Municipality with the Hospice Society of Greater Halifax, including the terms and conditions outlined in Table 1 of the staff report dated October 9, 2018, and otherwise acceptable to the Chief Administrative Officer.**

Discussion was held on Council's October 2, 2018 direction to fund the Hospice Society and direct staff to identify the funding source, and to refer the supplemental report back to the Audit and Finance Standing Committee for recommendation to Council.

John Traves, Municipal Solicitor provided clarification on Standing Committees' reporting structure to Regional Council, including reporting non-decisions. Should Council support the Audit and Finance Standing Committee decision not to fund the one-time capital grant as an unbudgeted withdrawal from the General Contingency Reserve Q421, by way of two-thirds vote, it would mean that Council's October 2, 2018 decision would be rescinded. Council could choose to defeat the motion and put forward an alternate motion identifying the funding source.

Members discussed the Municipality's role and responsibility for hospice care.

MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED. (5 in favour, 12 against)

In favour: Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Smith and Adams

Against: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Mason, Cleary, Walker, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

An alternate motion was put forward as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve provision of a one-time capital grant to the Hospice Society of Greater Halifax in the amount of \$500,000 towards the construction of a residential hospice facility at 618 Franklyn Street, Halifax to be funded as an unbudgeted withdrawal from the General Contingency Reserve Q421; and**
- 2. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or their designate, to negotiate, enter into and execute a Contribution Agreement on behalf of the Municipality with the Hospice Society of Greater Halifax, including the terms and conditions outlined in Table 1 of the staff report dated October 9, 2018, and otherwise acceptable to the Chief Administrative Officer.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (12 in favour, 5 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Mason, Cleary, Walker, Zurawski, Whitman, Blackburn, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillors Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Smith and Adams

14.2.5 Funding Request – THE LINK Performing Arts Centre

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Audit and Finance Standing Committee dated December 3, 2018 with attached staff report dated November 21, 2018

This matter was addressed under 14.3.1 Funding request – THE LINK Performing Arts Centre.

14.3 COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STANDING COMMITTEE

14.3.1 Funding request – THE LINK Performing Arts Centre

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee dated November 30, 2018 with attached staff report dated November 21, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the provision of a one-time contribution to The Link Performing Arts Society for capital costs relating to The Link Performing Arts Centre, a purpose-built facility in the former World Trade and Convention Centre, 1800 Argyle Street, not to exceed 10% of the overall capital project costs, to a maximum of \$1,000,000.00, subject to the terms set out in Table 2 of the discussion section of the staff report dated November 21, 2018 with funding to come from Q421 the General Contingency Reserve; and**
- 2. Authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, or his designate, to negotiate and execute a Contribution Agreement on behalf of the Municipality with The Link Performing Arts Society, including the terms and conditions set out in Table 2 of the discussion section of the staff report dated November 21, 2018, and otherwise acceptable to the Chief Administrative Officer.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (14 in favour, 2 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Austin, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Whitman, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillors Karsten and Nicoll

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

14.4 TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE

14.4.1 Expansion of the University Avenue Protected Bikeway Project

The following was before Council:

- A report from the Transportation Standing Committee dated November 30, 2018 with attached staff report dated September 14, 2018

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council extend the University Avenue Pilot Protected Bikeway project and assume responsibility for the infrastructure and maintenance related to the bikeway until Council considers the permanent all ages and abilities cycling facility for this corridor.

Members of Council indicated concern with the Municipality assuming responsibility for the bikeway.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (15 in favour, 1 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Streach, Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Austin, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillor Whitman

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

14.5 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

14.5.1 Councillor Craig – Highway 101 – Exit 2 – Pedestrian Infrastructure

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council consideration form from Councillor Craig

A correction was noted in the request for Council consideration form which should read Exit 2, not 2A.

MOVED by Councillor Craig, seconded by Councillor Outhit

THAT Halifax Regional Council request that the Chief Administrative Officer work with staff of the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Infrastructure to discuss and outline what the infrastructure requirements and recommendations would be required to improve pedestrians' safe passage when they walk to/from the Sackville Manor Mobile Home Park from/to Walker Avenue and Old Sackville Road through the Highway 101 and Beaver Bank Connector network and that a report be submitted to Regional Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

15. MOTIONS

15.1 Ratification from the December 4, 2018 Committee of the Whole Meeting - 2017-2020 Multi-year Priority Outcome Update (Continuation from November 13 and 27, 2018)

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Halifax Regional Council proceed to prepare the 19/20 multi-year budget and business plan in support of Council's Priority Outcomes and consistent with the Outcome Plans as presented at the December 4, 2018 meeting.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Blackburn

15.2 Councillor Cleary – Tree Removal Development Charges

The following was before Council:

- A request for Council consideration form from Councillor Cleary

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Outhit

THAT Halifax Regional Council request a staff report on potentially creating new development charges for and /or regulating trees to be cut down on land that is developed for residential, commercial, and institutional purposes. The report should assess the advantages and disadvantages and the authority Halifax has to bring in such fees and regulation, given the enormous quantitative and qualitative benefits of trees as outlined in the Urban Forest Master Plan. The report would go to the Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee.

Council discussed the motion with staff responding to questions. Concern was raised for individual property owner's rights.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (13 in favour, 2 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Mancini, Councillors Hendsbee, Karsten, Nicoll, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Walker, Adams, Zurawski, Craig and Outhit

Against: Councillors Streach and Whitman

Not present: Councillors Austin and Blackburn

16. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

Council may rise and go into a private In Camera session, in accordance with Section 19 of the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, for the purpose of dealing with the following:

16.1 PERSONNEL MATTER – Ratification of Citizen Appointments to Boards and Committees– Private and Confidential Report

Citizen and Councillor appointments to boards and committees in keeping with the Public Appointment Policy adopted by Regional Council in August 2011, to be found at <https://www.halifax.ca/city-hall/boards-committees-commissions/volunteer-boards-committees/public-appointment-policy>

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff report dated December 3, 2018

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. adopt the recommendations of the Audit and Finance Standing Committee regarding citizen appointments as outlined in Attachment 1 of the private and confidential report dated December 3, 2018.**
- 2. adopt the recommendations of the Transportation Standing Committee regarding citizen appointments as outlined in Attachment 3 of the private and confidential report dated December 3, 2018.**
- 3. release the Citizen Appointments to the public following ratification and notification of the successful candidates.**
- 4. not release the private and confidential report dated December 3, 2018 to the public.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Austin and Blackburn

16.2 LEGAL MATTER – Settlement Matter – *Private and Confidential Report*

A matter pertaining to litigation or potential litigation in regard to an identifiable person and information whose disclosure could reasonably be expected to prejudice the interests of the Municipality.

The following was before Council:

- A private and confidential staff report dated December 1, 2018

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the staff recommendation as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated December 1, 2018.

A request was made to convene In Camera (In Private) to get clarification on the information outlined in the December 1, 2018 private and confidential staff report.

MOVED by Councillor Walker, seconded by Councillor Whitman

THAT Halifax Regional Council convene into In Camera (In Private) to discuss the legal matter.

MOTION TO CONVENE IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) PUT AND PASSED.

Upon reconvening in public, the question was called for on the main motion.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Mayor Savage, Councillors Streach, Nicoll, Austin, Whitman and Blackburn

Private and Confidential Information Items

1. Private and Confidential In Camera (In Private) Information Report - re: THE LINK Performing Arts Center

2. Private and Confidential In Camera (In Private) Information Report - re: Proposed By-law S-501 an Amendment to By-law S-500 Respecting Charges for Solar City Program

17. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

18. NOTICES OF MOTION

18.1 Councillor Adams

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next regular Regional Council meeting, to be held on Tuesday the 15th day of January 2019, I propose to request a staff report to determine what steps would be necessary to accommodate a program known as Homes for Heroes in the HRM. This program offers housing for homeless vets in small scale development on sites between one half to two acres in size.”

18.2 Councillor Craig on behalf of Councillor Blackburn

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next regular Regional Council meeting, to be held on Tuesday the 15th day of January 2019, I propose to put forward a motion requesting a staff report on the authority for and options to regulate vehicle immobilization (also known as booting/wheel-clamping) on private property - similar to the City of Moncton’s By-Law T-618 Respecting the Immobilization of Vehicles in the City of Moncton - to address concerns brought forward by residents as follows:

- the cost of having a vehicle freed from immobilization/booting/wheel-clamping
- uncertainty of identity of person requesting payment
- option to pay credit/debit rather than cash
- timeframe for having vehicle freed (“boot/wheel-clamp”) removed.”

18.3 Councillor Smith on behalf of Councillor Austin

“TAKE NOTICE that, at the next meeting of Halifax Regional Council to be held on January 15, 2019, I propose to move amendments to Administrative Order 29, Respecting Civic Addressing Policies, the purpose of which is to approve the naming of a new private lane to United Avenue, Dartmouth.”

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Kevin Arjoon
Municipal Clerk