



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
April 12, 2022**

PRESENT:

Mayor Mike Savage
Deputy Mayor Pam Lovelace
Councillors: Cathy Deagle Gammon
David Hendsbee
Becky Kent
Trish Purdy
Sam Austin
Tony Mancini
Waye Mason
Lindell Smith
Shawn Cleary
Kathryn Morse
Patty Cuttell
Iona Stoddard
Lisa Blackburn
Paul Russell
Tim Outhit

STAFF:

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer
John Traves, Municipal Solicitor
Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk
Catherine Campbell, Legislative Assistant

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*The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m., and recessed at 1:28 p.m. Council reconvened at 3:01 p.m.
Council adjourned at 4:56 p.m.*

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Deputy Mayor Lovelace called the meeting to order at 1:01 and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

2. SPECIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Councillors noted special community announcements and acknowledgements.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NONE

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

Additions: None

Deletions: None

As provided for in section 12(5) of administrative Order One, Councillor Mancini requested that Information Item 3 Mobile Shower Pilot – Purchase of Truck and Shower Trailer be brought forward at the next Council Meeting.

MOVED by Russell, seconded by Councillor Kent

That the agenda be approved

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Smith

Later in the meeting the following item was added to the agenda:

- Item 18.1 Budget Committee Ratification -2022/23 Budget

As provided for in Section 37 (1) of Administrative Order One, Council requested that item 18.1 Ratification of Budget – 2022/23 Budget be considered prior to item 15.1.1 –Correction to Less than Market Value Lease Agreement – Spencer House Seniors Centre, 5596 Morris Street, Halifax

5. CONSENT AGENDA

As provided for in section 41 (3) of Administrative Order One:

- Item 15.1.2 was removed from the consent agenda at the request of Councillor Mason
- Item 15.1.5 was removed from the consent agenda at the request of Councillor Austin

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Kent

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the recommendations in item 15.1.4.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Mayor Savage

6. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

7. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

8. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

9. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

10. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

11. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

12. HEARINGS

12.1 Case H00485 - Request to Include 2267 Brunswick Street, Halifax in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality

The following was before Council:

- Heritage Advisory Committee report dated January 26, 2022, with attached staff recommendation report dated December 22, 2021
- Extract from the February 8, 2022 Regional Council Minutes
- Staff Presentation dated April 12, 2022

First Reading was given February 8, 2022.

Aaron Murnaghan, Principal Planner gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council. Murnaghan noted the applicant was not in attendance and have provided no objections.

The hearing opened at 1:24 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT the hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

The hearing closed at 1:24 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the inclusion of 2267 Brunswick Street, Halifax in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality, as shown on Map 1 of the December 22, 2021 staff report as a municipal heritage property under the Heritage Property Act.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Mayor Savage

Mayor Savage joined the meeting at 3:01 p.m. and assumed the Chair.

13. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

13.1 Correspondence

Correspondence was received and circulated for item 12.1.

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

13.2 Petitions – None

13.3 Presentation – None

14. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD

14.1 Councillor Mancini - Cost Model and Business Case for a Sobering Centre in HRM

The following was before Council:

- Staff information report dated March 2, 2022
- Staff presentation dated April 12, 2022

Amy Siciliano, Public Safety Advisor gave a presentation a cost model and business case for a Sobering Centre for HRM and responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council and indicated that staff are working on the Cost Model and Business Case for a Sobering Centre in HRM and intend to return to Council in June.

14.2 Councillor Hendsbee - Mineville Park & Ride Terminal

The following was before Council:

- Staff information report dated April 5, 2022
- Staff presentation dated April 12, 2022

Ben Daisley, Coordinator, Project Planning gave a presentation on the Mineville Park and Ride Terminal.

Daisley, Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer and Dave Reage, Executive Director of Transit responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

15. REPORTS

15.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

15.1.1 Correction to Less than Market Value Lease Agreement – Spencer House Seniors Centre, 5596 Morris Street, Halifax

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated January 31, 2022

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT Halifax Regional Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to enter into the Municipality's standard less than market value lease agreement with the Spencer House Seniors Centre for the premises located at 5596 Morris Street, Halifax, with the corrected base rent for lease years 4 and 5 as set out in Table 1 of the staff report dated January 31, 2022.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Smith

15.1.2 First Reading Proposed By-Law U-109, an Amendment to By-Law U-100, Respecting User Charges - Property Based Requests and Fee for Service Report

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated March 14, 2022 with revised attachment 1 amending By-law U-900
- Extract from Regional Council draft minutes dated April 5, 2022

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council give First Reading to By-Law U-109, amending By-law U-100, the User Changes By-law, as set out in Attachment 1 to the staff report dated March 14, 2022.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

15.1.3 Case 22444: Incentive or Bonus Zoning Agreement – Mixed Use Development at 1591 Granville Street, Halifax

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated March 21, 2022
- Staff presentation dated April 12, 2022

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into and execute the Incentive or Bonus Zoning Agreement, which shall substantially be of the same form as set out in Attachment B of the staff report dated March 21, 2022 for the twenty-one storey, mixed-use building at 1591 Granville Street, Halifax.

Sean Audas, Principal Planner responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

15.1.4 Case 24045: Amendments to the Beaver Bank, Hammonds Plains, and Upper Sackville Municipal Planning Strategy to enable the development of smaller residential lots in Carriagewood Estates (PID 00468694), Beaver Bank

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated March 25, 2022

The following motion was approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Kent

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

- 1. Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Beaver Bank, Hammonds Plains and Upper Sackville Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law to enable smaller residential lots for a proposed subdivision called Carriagewood Estates off Daisy Drive in Beaver Bank; and**
- 2. Follow the public participation program for municipal planning strategy amendments as approved by Regional Council on February 27, 1997.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

15.1.5 Phase 1 Regional Museum Strategy

The following was before Council:

- Staff recommendation report dated April 5, 2022
- Staff presentation dated April 12, 2022

Kellie McIvor, Cultural Asset Manager, Marc Belang r, Partner at Aldrich Pears Associates Ltd. and Andrea Arbic, AL Arbic Consulting gave a presentation on Phase 1 of the Regional Museum Strategy and responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**
 - a. commence Phase 2 of the Museum Strategy by implementing recommendations 1-4; and**
 - b. implement operational recommendations 6-11 as set out in the body of the staff report dated April 5, 2022, and return to Council as necessary; and**
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to return to Council with a report on recommendation 5 (Feasibility Study – Phase 3 Regional Museum Strategy) based on the outcome of Phase 2.**

Kellie McIvor, Cultural Asset Manager and Maggie MacDonald, Manager of Regional Recreation Services responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

As provided for in section 90 of Administrative Order One, the motion was separated for voting purposes.

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**
 - a. commence Phase 2 of the Museum Strategy by implementing recommendations 1-4; and**
 - b. implement operational recommendations 6-8, 10 and 11 as set out in the body of the staff report dated April 5, 2022, and return to Council as necessary; and**
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to return to Council with a report on recommendation 5 (Feasibility Study – Phase 3 Regional Museum Strategy) based on the outcome of Phase 2.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED by Austin, seconded by Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**
 - b. implement operational recommendation 9 as set out in the body of the staff report dated April 5, 2022, and return to Council as necessary;**

MOTION PUT AND DEFEATED. (4 in favour, 12 against)

In favour: Councillors Cleary, Blackburn, Russell, Outhit

Against: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Lovelace, Councillors Deagle Gammon, Hendsbee, Kent, Purdy, Austin, Mancini, Smith, Morse, Cuttell and Stoddard

Not present: Councillor Mason

15.2 GRANTS COMMITTEE

15.2.1 Proposed Amendments to Administrative Order 2018-010-ADM, Respecting Interim Grants to Community Museums – Interim Community Museums Grant Program Recommendation Awards 2022

The following was before Council:

- Grants Committee report dated April 12, 2022 with attached staff recommendation report dated April 5, 2022
- Extract from the April 5, 2022 Regional Council draft Minutes

MOVED by Councillor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Cuttell

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve seven (7) Project Grants as detailed in the Discussion section of the staff report dated February 22, 2022 at a combined cost of \$43,923.50 in fiscal year 2022-23 from Operating Account M310-8004;**
- 2. Adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 2018-010-ADM as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated February 22, 2022 to extend the Interim Community Museums Grant Program by 2 years, to March 31, 2025; and**
- 3. Subject to Council's approval of Recommendation 2 and annual budgetary approval, extend the term of currently approved Operating Grants to fiscal year 2024-25.**

Councillor Deagle Gammon and Peta-Jane Temple, Team Lead, Grants responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT the motion be amended to refer the application from L'Acadie de Chezzetcook Association – Acadia House Museum – West Chezzetcook to staff for further review.

MOTION TO AMEND PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mason

The motion now reads:

MOVED by Councillor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Cuttell

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve seven (7) Project Grants as detailed in the Discussion section of the staff report dated February 22, 2022 at a combined cost of \$43,923.50 in fiscal year 2022-23 from Operating Account M310-8004;**
- 2. Adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 2018-010-ADM as set out in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated February 22, 2022 to extend the Interim Community Museums Grant Program by 2 years, to March 31, 2025;**

3. Subject to Council's approval of Recommendation 2 and annual budgetary approval, extend the term of currently approved Operating Grants to fiscal year 2024-25; and
4. Refer the application from L'Acadie de Chezzetcook Association – Acadia House Museum – West Chezzetcook to staff for further review.

MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Mason

16. MOTIONS – NONE

17. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE

18. ADDED ITEMS

18.1 Ratification of Budget – 2022/23 Budget

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Lovelace, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

1. Adopt the Resolution for Approval of Operation and Capital Budgets and Tax Rates for Fiscal 2022/23 as set out in Schedule 1 of the staff report dated March 30, 2022.
2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to allocate any Deed Transfer Tax revenues in excess of \$71 million to the Capital Reserve Q526.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (14 in favour, 3 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Lovelace, Councillors Deagle Gammon, Kent, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Cleary, Morse, Cuttell, Stoddard, Blackburn and Outhit

Against: Councillors Purdy, Russell and Hendsbee

19. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

20. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:56 p.m.

Iain MacLean
Municipal Clerk