



**HALIFAX REGIONAL COUNCIL
MINUTES
June 18, 2024**

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

REGRETS: Councillor: Kathryn Morse

STAFF: Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer
John Traves, K.C., CD, Executive Director of Legal & Legislative Services
/Municipal Solicitor/Chief Governance Officer
Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk
Dorothy Maponga, Legislative Assistant
Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku, Legislative Assistant
Andrea Lovasi-Wood, Legislative Assistant

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

The agenda, reports, supporting documents, information items circulated, and video (if available) are online at halifax.ca.

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m., Council moved into an In Camera (In Private) session at 10:17 a.m. and reconvened at 1:03 p.m. Council recessed at 2:58 p.m. and reconvened at 3:22 p.m. Council moved into an In Camera (In Private) session at 4:12 p.m. and reconvened at 7:34 p.m. Council adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Savage called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. 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 – May 21, 22 & 23, May 28, & June 4, 2024

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT the minutes of May 21, 22 & 23, May 28, & June 4, 2024 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions:

- Item 17.8 - PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report
- Item 18.1 – Councillors Cuttell and Lovelace - Inadequate Septage Disposal Sites in HRM

Deletions: None

As provided for in section 37 (1) of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk requested that Item 17 In Camera (In Private) be considered prior to item 10.

As provided for in section 12 (5) of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, Deputy Mayor Deagle Gammon requested that Information Item 7 – Public Notification of Full Road Closures Procedure be brought forward at the next Regional Council meeting.

MOVED by Councillor Lovelace, seconded by Councillor Kent

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Later in the meeting, it was MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT the following item be deferred to the next meeting of Regional Council:

- **Item 15.1.6 2024-2025 Events East Business Plan – Halifax Convention Centre & Ticket Atlantic**

MOTION TO DEFER PUT AND PASSED.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk noted an administrative correction to part 3 of the motion in item 15.1.5 – Consideration of Active Transportation Facility Across Highway 101 Exit 2 to read 2025/26 fiscal year.

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve recommendations in the following agenda items:

- **15.1.1 – MPSA-2024-00338: Amendment to Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law Planning District 4 (Prospect) for lands at 1540 Prospect Road and PID 00656074, Hatchet Lake;**
- **15.1.2 – Appointment of Development Officers;**
- **15.1.3 – Appointment of Heritage Officer; and**
- **15.1.5 – Consideration of Active Transportation Facility Across Highway 101 Exit 2**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Morse, Outhit

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 – June 4, 2024

10.1 Halifax Regional Municipality Emergency Management Program Document Review

The following was before Council:

- Executive Standing Committee report dated May 27, 2024 with attached staff report dated May 2, 2024
- Presentation dated June 18, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Lovelace, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Accept the recommendations in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated May 2, 2024;**
- 2. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to implement the recommendations in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated May 2, 2024; and**
- 3. Direct the CAO to report on status of implementation of report's recommendations twice yearly to Executive Standing Committee.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Morse

11. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

12. HERITAGE HEARING

12.1 Case H00578: Request to Include 1735 Henry Street, Halifax in the Registry of Heritage Properties for the Halifax Regional Municipality

The following was before Council:

- Heritage Advisory Committee report dated April 17, 2024 with attached staff report dated March 26, 2024

- Extract from the May 7, 2024 Regional Council minutes
- Staff presentation dated June 18, 2024

Elizabeth Cushing, Planner II, Regional & Priority Planning gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from Council.

The hearing opened at 1:09 p.m.

Mayor Savage noted that the property owner was present.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the hearing be closed.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

The hearing closed at 1:09 p.m.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Clery

THAT Halifax Regional Council approve the request to include 1735 Henry Street, Halifax, in the Registry of Heritage Property for the Halifax Regional Municipality, as shown on Map 1 of the staff report dated March 26, 2024, as a municipal heritage property under the Heritage Property Act.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Morse

13. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

13.1 Correspondence

Correspondence was received and circulated for items: 15.1.7 and 15.3.1.

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

13.2 Petitions – None

14. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

15. REPORTS

15.1 CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

15.1.1 MPSA-2024-00338: Amendment to Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law Planning District 4 (Prospect) for lands at 1540 Prospect Road and PID 00656074, Hatchet Lake

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated May 21, 2024

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

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

- 1. Initiate a process to consider amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law for Planning District 4 (Prospect) to enable light industrial use, including a**

vehicle and machinery maintenance and repair use, an accessory office use, and outdoor storage on lands at 1540 Prospect Road and PID 00656074 in the Residential B Designation, Hatchet Lake by development agreement; and

2. **Follow Administrative Order 2023-002-ADM Respecting Public Participation for Planning Documents, Certain Planning Applications, and Engagement with Abutting Municipalities for the required public participation program and as outlined in the staff report dated May 21, 2024.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Morse, Outhit

15.1.2 Appointment of Development Officers

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated May 21, 2024

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

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

THAT Halifax Regional Council appoint Aaron Bliss and Michael Hart as Development Officers, pursuant to Subsection 258(1) of the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, and that these appointments be effective for the duration of their current conditions of employment with the Halifax Regional Municipality.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Morse, Outhit

15.1.3 Appointment of Heritage Officer

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated May 28, 2024

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

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **ratify and confirm the prior appointments by Council to the position of:**
 - a) **Heritage Officer; and**
 - b) **Alternate Heritage Officer, except Kurt Pyle;****have terminated; and**
2. **appoint Seamus McGreal as the Heritage Officer pursuant to Section 19G(1) of the Heritage Property Act, and that this appointment be effective for the duration of their current conditions of employment with the Halifax Regional Municipality.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Morse, Outhit

15.1.4 Proposed Administrative Order 2024-003-ADM, Respecting Municipal Infrastructure Decision-Making – Corporate Asset Management Policy

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated April 24, 2024
- Extract from the June 4, 2024 Regional Council draft minutes
- Staff presentation dated June 18, 2024

Holly Power-Garrett, Manager Capital & Asset Management gave a presentation.

MOVED by Councillor Lovelace, seconded by Deputy Mayor Deagle Gammon

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the Administrative Order 2024-003-ADM, the Corporate Asset Management Policy, as set out in Attachment 1 to the staff report dated April 24, 2024.

Power-Garrett responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Morse

15.1.5 Consideration of Active Transportation Facility Across Highway 101 Exit 2

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated April 30, 2024

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

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve a combination of multi-use pathways and bridges, as further described in the Discussion section of the staff report dated April 30, 2024 as Concept Option 1, as the preferred option for a formal pedestrian and bicycling crossing between Sackville Manor Mobile Home Park and Old Sackville Road.**
- 2. Request the Mayor write a letter to the Province requesting financial support in an amount that addresses all, or a significant percentage of, the capital costs associated with this project.**
- 3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to bring forward this project for consideration in the 2025/26 capital plan subject to significant Provincial and/or Federal cost sharing agreement that contains terms and conditions satisfactory to the CAO.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Morse, Outhit

15.1.6 2024-2025 Events East Business Plan – Halifax Convention Centre & Ticket Atlantic

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated May 30, 2024

This matter was deferred; refer to the Order of Business.

15.1.7 Windsor Street Exchange Redevelopment Project: Functional Design

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated April 23, 2024
- Correspondence from David Trueman, Martyn Williams, Dan Peterson, Ann Davies, Adam Travis, Bill Macgregor, Richard Bajona, Alan Borenstein, Alison Creech, Steven MacInnis, Krista Patriquin, Sara Kirk, Jillian Banfield, Mark Smith, Jen Parker, Wendy McDonald, Creighton Barrett, Katy Chisholm, Stephen Chisholm, Sarah Manchon, Matt Stickland, Josephine De Leebeek, Lisa Roberts, Mary Ann McGrath
- Staff presentation dated June 18, 2024

Megan Soroka, Project Manager and Scott Donahoe, Project Manager gave a presentation.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Suspend the rules of procedure under Schedule 7, the Transportation Standing Committee Terms of Reference, of Administrative Order One, the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order;**
- 2. Endorse in principle the Windsor Street Exchange Functional Design to achieve the project objectives as proposed in the staff report dated April 23, 2024;**
- 3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**
 - a. Advance the development of the design, project specifications, and plans, and identify land requirements, as per the project delivery plan outlined in the staff report dated April 23, 2024;**
 - b. Prepare contract documents to retain a design-build team for the project;**
 - c. Proceed with negotiation of an amended Contribution Agreement with Transport Canada to extend the deadline for substantial project completion to the end of 2027;**
 - d. Investigate additional opportunities for external funding for consideration in future capital budget updates.**

Soroka and Mike Connors, Manager, Strategic Transportation Planning Program responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council regarding the design project's deliverables and funding, the transit travel time, improvements to the design to consider future use, population within the city and the jeopardy to the project's funding from the Federal government if Regional Council considered deferral of the item.

Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council. O'Toole confirmed the Joint Regional Transportation Authority, the Provincial Transportation Authority, the Port Authority, and the Airport Transportation Planning Authority were consulted during the evaluation of the proposed project's impact on the movement of people and services.

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Cuttall

THAT the motion be amended to read:

THAT Halifax Regional Council amend the approach to the Windsor Street Exchange Functional Design project as set out in the staff report dated April 23, 2024 to include the following considerations during the design build phase II:

- 1. Active transportation facility options, prioritizing a AAA connection from the approved Bedford Highway functional plan to the potential Africville Road MUP extension from the future Barrington greenway, recognizing some work is out of scope and would be built during the Bedford Highway project and other future projects;**
- 2. Inclusion of bus lanes to support the future Green Line of the Bus Rapid Transit plan through Windsor Street Exchange connecting Joe Howe Drive to Massachusetts Ave;**
- 3. Demonstrate future proofing at northern extreme of the Windsor Street Exchange project to allow for bike and pedestrian connections to any future MacKay Bridge project;**
- 4. Requesting the Mayor write the relevant Federal Ministers regarding an extension to accommodate these changes, and;**
- 5. Provide an analysis of what increased vehicle traffic capacity will mean on mode share given induced demand.**

Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

Soroka and Connors responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council regarding the redesign proposed in the amendment, the effect of the amendment on the project's funding due to the expiration of Federal funding at the end of 2027 and whether the Federal funding could be extended.

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

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

Against: Councillor Purdy,

Not present: Councillor Morse

The motion as amended now read:

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Smith

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Suspend the rules of procedure under Schedule 7, the Transportation Standing Committee Terms of Reference, of Administrative Order One, the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order;**
- 2. Endorse in principle the Windsor Street Exchange Functional Design to achieve the project objectives as proposed in the staff report dated April 23, 2024 as amended;**
- 3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:**

- a. Advance the development of the design, project specifications, and plans, and identify land requirements, as per the project delivery plan outlined in the staff report dated April 23, 2024 as amended.
- b. Prepare contract documents to retain a design-build team for the project;
- c. Proceed with negotiation of an amended Contribution Agreement with Transport Canada to extend the deadline for substantial project completion to the end of 2027;
- d. Investigate additional opportunities for external funding for consideration in future capital budget updates.

MOTION AS AMENDED PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Morse

15.1.8 Lockview High School All-Weather Field Track

The following was before Council:

- Staff report dated May 29, 2024

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to advance to the next stage of the Lockview High School Park All Weather Field Project, as set forth in the Discussion section of the staff report dated May 29, 2024, prior to receiving confirmation of full amount of the community contribution of \$213,000.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Morse

15.2 ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE

15.2.1 Second Reading Proposed By-law S-613, an Amendment to By-law S-600, Respecting Solid Waste Resource Collection and Disposal – Illegal Dumping and Litter Abatement Enforcement Update

The following was before Council:

- Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee report dated May 2, 2024 with attached staff report dated April 3, 2024
- Extract from the May 21, 22 & 23, 2024 Regional Council draft minutes
- Staff presentation dated June 18, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt By-law S-613, amending By-law S-600, the Solid Waste Resource Collection and Disposal By-Law, as set out in Attachment D of the staff report dated April 3, 2024.

Shannon Betts, Manager, Policy and Enforcement gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillor Morse

15.3 MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

15.3.1 Councillor Austin – Dartmouth Cove Planning Amendments

The following was before Council:

- Revised Request for Consideration form from Councillor Austin
- Correspondence from Bruce Wood, Shawn Knowles, Angela Knowles, Jacinta Yorston, Burcu and Murat Kaptan

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct:

- 1. That the Mayor write the federal minister of Transport expressing HRM's objection to Transport Canada's recent approval of infill in Dartmouth Cove without consultation with HRM and requesting that the Department rescind or pause the approval to allow HRM sufficient time to bring in a by-law;**
- 2. That the Mayor write the Federal Minister of Fisheries thanking the Department for extending the consultation period for Dartmouth Cove and requesting that the Department wait on granting any permits in Dartmouth Cove until HRM can bring in a by-law; and**
- 3. The Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a staff report with respect to initiating amendments to the Regional Centre Plan and Land-Use By-law to impose restrictions on infilling water lots in Dartmouth Cove like those that exist already in the Northwest Arm.**

Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer and John Traves, K.C., CD, Executive Director of Legal & Legislative Services /Municipal Solicitor/Chief Governance Officer responded to questions of clarification from Regional Council.

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

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

Against: Councillor Hendsbee

Not present: Councillors Cleary, Morse

16. MOTIONS

16.1 Councillor Cuttell

The following was before Council:

- Request for Consideration form from Councillor Cuttell

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Stoddard

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a staff report with recommendations for a proactive vegetation management program for walkways, pathways, and trails that support active transit connections within communities.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Smith, Cleary, Morse

17. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

17.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – June 4, 2024

This matter was dealt with in public as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Kent

THAT the In Camera (In Private) minutes of June 4, 2024 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Kent

THAT Regional Council convene to In Camera (In Private) to discuss Item 17. 2 PROPERTY MATTER, Item 17.3 CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS and Item 17.6 PROPERTY MATTER.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

17.2 PROPERTY MATTER - Private and Confidential Report – Deferred from May 21 & June 4, 2024

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

The following was before Council:

- Private and confidential staff report dated March 19, 2024
- Private and confidential handout dated June 18, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Lovelace, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential report dated March 19, 2024; and**
- 2. Direct that the private and confidential report dated March 19, 2024 be maintained private and confidential.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED. (12 in favour, 3 against)

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Deagle Gammon, Councillors Kent, Purdy, Austin, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Stoddard, Blackburn, Russell, Outhit

Against: Councillors Hendsbee, Cuttell, Lovelace

Not present: Councillors Cleary, Morse

17.3 CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS - Deferred from June 4, 2024

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

The following was before Council:

- Private and confidential presentation dated June 4, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council adopt the direction provided In Camera (In Private).

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

In favour: Mayor Savage, Deputy Mayor Deagle Gammon, Councillors Hendsbee, Kent, Mancini, Mason, Smith, Cuttell, Stoddard, Lovelace, Blackburn, Russell, Outhit

Against: Councillors Purdy, Austin

Not present: Councillors Cleary, Morse

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council convene to In Camera (In Private) to discuss Item 17.4 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS and Item 17.7 CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

17.4 INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS - Private and Confidential Report - Deferred from June 4, 2024

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

The following was before Council:

- Private and confidential staff report dated March 21, 2024
- Private and confidential staff presentation dated June 18, 2024
- Private and confidential handout dated June 18, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Adopt the direction provided In Camera (In Private).**
- 2. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential report dated May 21, 2024; and**
- 3. Direct that the private and confidential report dated May 21, 2024 be maintained private and confidential.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Cleary, Morse

17.5 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was dealt with in public as follows:

The following was before Council:

- Private and confidential staff report dated May 28, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Mancini

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential report dated May 28, 2024; and**
2. **Release the private and confidential report dated May 28, 2024 to the public once the conditions as outlined in the report have been met.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Morse, Outhit

17.6 PROPERTY MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

The following was before Council:

- Private and confidential staff report dated May 23, 2024
- Private and confidential staff presentation dated June 18, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential report dated May 23, 2024; and**
2. **Direct that the private and confidential report dated May 23, 2024 be maintained private and confidential.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Cleary, Morse

17.7 CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

The following was before Council:

- Private and confidential staff report dated June 6, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Purdy

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential report dated June 6, 2024; and**
2. **Release the private and confidential report dated June 6, 2024 to the public once the conditions as outlined in the report have been met.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Cleary, Morse

17.8 PERSONNEL MATTER - Private and Confidential Report

This matter was dealt with in public as follows:

The following was before Council:

- Private and confidential staff report dated June 17, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Cuttell

THAT Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential report dated June 17, 2024; and**
2. **Direct that the private and confidential report dated June 17, 2024 be maintained private and confidential.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Morse, Outhit

Private and Confidential Information Items

1. Private and Confidential In Camera (In Private) Information Report - re: Personnel Matter

18. ADDED ITEMS

18.1 Councillors Cuttell and Lovelace - Inadequate Septage Disposal Sites in HRM

The following was before Council:

- Request for Consideration form from Councillors Cuttell and Lovelace

MOVED by Councillor Lovelace, seconded by Councillor Cuttell

THAT Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) to return to Council with recommendations on actions the municipality can take to more adequately address HRM's rapid growth in septage disposal requirements amounts from residents and businesses in suburban and rural areas not serviced by municipal wastewater systems, which are dependent upon privately operated septage hauling and are responsible for the care and maintenance of their private septic systems that are regulated by Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change.

To promote healthy, sustainable, livable communities and protect the environment and the economy, it is further recommended that Halifax Regional Council:

1. **Waive section 17 of Administrative Order One, requiring a staff report from the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO); and**
 - a. **direct the Mayor to write a letter to the Minister of Environment requesting development of a comprehensive long-term strategy for management of on-site septic systems in partnership with municipalities and industry, including considerations regarding installation, maintenance, and management of by-products with capacity considerations to accommodate growth and business continuity.**
 - b. **direct the CAO to write a letter to Halifax Water requesting that they prepare an information report to the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee outlining Halifax Water's current capacity to accept septage from private systems and existing regulatory constraints.**
2. **Direct the CAO to prepare an information report for the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee outlining the current role and legislative authority of the municipality**

with respect to private septage with consideration of the federal, provincial and municipal regulatory framework for disposal of septage, potential amendments to the legislative and regulatory framework for Halifax Regional Municipality of Halifax Regional Water Commission, increases in fines for illegal dumping of septage; and developing increased capacity for disposal of septage within HRM.

Cathie O'Toole, Chief Administrative Officer responded to questions of clarification for Regional Council.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Not present: Councillors Cleary, Morse, Outhit

19. NOTICES OF MOTION

19.1 Councillor Russell

TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of Halifax Regional Council, I intend to propose First Reading of By-law U-118, amending By-law U-100, *Respecting User Charges*, the purpose of which is to reflect changes to current fare products, in line with Regional Council approval of the 2024/25 Budget.

19.2 Councillor Mason on behalf of Councillor Cleary

TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of Halifax Regional Council, I intend to propose First Reading of By-law M-402, amending By-law M-400, *Respecting Marketing Levy*, the purpose of which is to implement recent amendments to the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter requiring platform operators to collect and remit the marketing levy.

19.3 Deputy Mayor Cathy Deagle Gammon

TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of Halifax Regional Council, I intend to propose amendments to Administrative Order 29, *Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies*, the purpose of which is to amend Administrative Order 29 with new street names added from June 1, 2022 to March 1, 2024.

19.4 Deputy Mayor Cathy Deagle Gammon

TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of Halifax Regional Council, I intend to propose First Reading of By-law E-103, amending By-law E-100, the *Emergency Management By-law*, and amendments to Administrative Order 2018-006-OP, *Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency Administrative Order*. The purpose of the amendments is to update wording of the By-law and Administrative Order to better reflect the current organizational model of the municipality.

20. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Iain MacLean
Municipal Clerk