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Item No. 12.1.2
Environmental & Sustainability Standing Committee
February 2, 2017

TO: Chair and Members of Environmental & Sustainability Standing Committee

SUBMITTED BY: Original signed

Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk

DATE: January 19, 2017

SUBJECT: National Zero Waste Council Management Board Alternate

ORIGIN

Requirement for Halifax Regional Council to appoint an alternate to the National Zero Waste Council (NZWC) as per their Operating Guidelines (terms of reference).

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Administrative Order 1 – Schedule 5

The Environment & Sustainability Standing Committee shall advise the Council on matters respecting solid waste management, including the responsibility to receive reports and to keep the Council informed respecting all matters related to the solid waste management program in the municipality.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Environmental & Sustainability Standing Committee:

Recommend that Halifax Regional Council appoint the Manager of Solid Waste Resources as an alternate to the National Zero Waste Council Management Board.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The National Zero Waste Council membership is open to Government, including local, provincial, and/or federal as well as business, business organizations, industry, not-for-profit and other organizations or specialists.

In May, 2016 Halifax Regional Council appointed the Manager of Solid Waste Resources as an alternate to the National Zero Waste Council Management Board to October 31, 2016. The primary seat would be held by Councillor Richard Zurawski and should the Councillor be unavailable to participate the alternative would be recognized as a full voting member when acting for the elected board member.

This report recommends that the Manager of Solid Waste Resources be appointed as an alternate to the National Zero Waste Council Management Board.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications to this report. There is no membership fee and required meetings of the National Zero Waste Council may be jointed via telecommunication at no cost to the municipality.

RISK CONSIDERATION

Not applicable

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

By participating on the National Zero Waste Council Management Board, HRM will help advocate for waste prevention and reduction in the design, production and use of goods.

ALTERNATIVES

No alternative provided.

ATTACHMENTS

None

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