

COUNCILLOR LISA BLACKBURN

MIDDLE/UPPER SACKVILLE— BEAVER BANK—LUCASVILLE DISTRICT 14 NEWSLETTER



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DEAR RESIDENTS,

Each meeting I have with individual residents or groups in District 14 replenishes my energy and fills me with even more enthusiasm to be your elected representative on municipal

government. The suggestions you share and the actions you take to make our district a fun, safe and desirable place to live, work and play is the incentive to help me work harder for you.

The most common concern I receive is in relation to speeding. PLEASE, everyone, PLEASE SLOW DOWN! I have raised this concern multiple times with the local RCMP and they are actively addressing the issue. We can all assist in efforts to stop speeding by traveling the speed limit - anyone following will automatically have to slow down.

This newsletter includes important information on: Halifax Transit rate and schedule changes, No-Flyer By-Law, surplus property on Margeson Drive and much more!

If you wish to discuss municipal services or programs with me, I will be at the Community Hub Office in the Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre the first Friday of each month from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Councillor Blackburn is a member of the following boards and committees:

- Appeals Standing Committee
- Board of Police Commissioners
- Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee
- Accessibility Advisory Committee
- North West Planning Advisory Committee
- Special Events Advisory Committee
- Discover Halifax
- Halifax Water Commission
- Halifax Regional Library Board

EGG-LAYING HENS / CHICKENS

For those residents hoping to have back-yard chickens / laying hens, you will be pleased to learn that on July 30th, Regional Council passed the following motion on Case 22227:

*That Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to initiate a process to consider amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy and all applicable Secondary Municipal Planning Strategies and Land Use By-laws as necessary to permit the keeping and raising of **all egg-laying fowl** consistent with the proposed policy direction outlined within the Discussion section of the staff report dated June 12, 2019.*

The report is expected to be at Regional Council by February 2021.

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LAND LEASE TENANTS (MOBILE HOME PARKS)

In response to numerous calls for assistance from residents with land lease property issues, I hosted a town hall meeting in May 2019 with representatives from Residential Tenancy and Legal Aid. The event was an enormous success with many residents obtaining much needed information. Representatives from Service Nova Scotia's Office of Residential Tenancy, Dalhousie Legal Aid and Nova Scotia Legal Aid, were in attendance.

Most of the concern centered around the issue of water service and mandatory installation of water meters in land lease communities. Council colleagues Richard Zurawski, Lorelei Nicole and I submitted a letter to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board (NSUARB) asking for them to review the concerns. A response was received in late September advising that: "In conclusion, the Board has no jurisdiction to investigate water issues in the land lease communities. Therefore, the complaint is dismissed for want of jurisdiction". You may view all documentation related to this on the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board website under file #M09227. We are now discussing next steps.

MARGESON DRIVE SURPLUS PROPERTY

The surplus property on Margeson Drive has now been converted to the Community Interest stream under Administrative Order 50 Respecting the Disposal of Surplus Real Property. This brings the Cobequid Cultural Society (CCS) one step closer to fulfilling their goal of a new Arts Centre that will include a community radio station, art gallery and learning opportunities such as dance studios.

A staff report was requested outlining the steps and terms of the property conveyance as part 2 of the July 30th Council recommendation as follows:

Subject to the outcome of the Secondary Planning Process and the approvals required to facilitate the development proposal on this site inclusive of addressing land use, subdivision, shared parking, vehicle access and egress, proximity to Provincial right of ways, as well as the size and location of septic fields; and subject to the parties reaching a viable shared parking arrangement; return to Council with the recommended steps and terms of the property conveyance for final approval by Council.

The report responding to the above is expected at Regional Council by November 2021.

UNWANTED FLYERS— NEW BY-LAW F-400 NOW IN EFFECT



By-law F-400, Respecting the Distribution of Flyers, has been approved. No-Flyers stickers / decals are now available at HRM Customer Service Centers, libraries and recreation centers for free!

IN THE COMMUNITY



Mayor Savage and I showing Prime Minister Trudeau around District 14.



Introducing friend Alison Watkins to Mayor Savage.



HALIFAX TRANSIT SERVICE ADJUSTMENTS EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 25TH

Large-scale service changes in Sackville, Bedford, Dartmouth, and Halifax Mainland South have been implemented as part of the Moving Forward Together Plan. These service changes are outlined in Halifax Transit's 2019/2020 Annual Service Plan, approved by Regional Council in April 2019. The following is a table of all routes to be impacted as well as details specific to routes directly impacting District 14:

SERVICE NOTICE
Effective November 25, 2019

THERE WILL BE CHANGES TO THE FOLLOWING ROUTES:

15 64 66 80 81 82 83 84
85 87 88 89 90 185 400

INTRODUCING NEW ROUTES:

8 25 64 66 82 83 84
CORRIDOR LOCAL
85 86 87 88 90 91 93
LOCAL
182 183 185 186 415
EXPRESS RURAL

MINOR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE FOLLOWING ROUTES:
3, 9A/B, 21, 28, 29, 39, 135, 136, 137, 138, 159, 320, 330, 370 and 433

Find your changes at halifax.ca/transit or call 311

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TRANSIT

New Corridor Route 8 Sackville

This new corridor route replaces the existing route 80 Sackville. There will be no changes to the route 80 routing.

New Local Route 82 First Lake & New Express Route 182 First Lake

This new local route will provide service between Sackville Terminal and Cobequid Terminal via First Lake Drive. During rush hour local route 82 will be replaced by the new express route 182 in the peak direction to provide express service between the First Lake Drive area and downtown Halifax via Dartmouth Road and Windmill Road. All stops in the local service area will be serviced by the new express route.

New Local Route 83 Springfield & New Express Route 183 Springfield

This new local route will provide service between Springfield Estates and Sackville Terminal via Sackville Drive and provides new service on Beaconsfield Way, Darlington Drive, Hanwell Drive and Swindon Drive. During rush hour local route 83 will be replaced by the new express route 183 in the peak direction to provide express service between the Springfield Estates area and downtown Halifax via Highway 101, Bedford Bypass and Windmill Road. All stops in the local service area will be serviced by the express route. Note: these new routes will not travel through the Downsview Mall.

New Local Route 84 Glendale

This new local route will provide service between Sackville Terminal and Scotia Square following similar routing to the existing route 84 Glendale Express. This new local route will no longer provide service from Scotia Square to Summer Street.

New Local Route 85 Millwood & New Express Route 185 Millwood

This new local route will provide service between Millwood subdivision and Sackville Terminal and provides new service on Jackladder Drive, Rossing Drive and Beaver Bank Cross Road. During rush hour local route 85 will be replaced by the new express route 185 in the peak direction to provide express service between the Millwood subdivision and downtown Halifax via Highway 101, Bedford Bypass and Windmill Road. All stops in the local service area will be serviced by the express route.

Note: these new routes travel in one direction from Millwood Drive to Beaver Bank Cross Road.

New Local Route 86 Beaver Bank & New Express Route 186 Beaver Bank REPLACING ROUTE 400 Beaver Bank

This new local route will provide service between the Kinsac Community Centre and Sackville Terminal via Beaver Bank Road. The PM School trip will no longer enter Woodbine Park community but will stop on Beaver

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Bank Road instead. During rush hour local route 86 will be replaced by the new express route 186 in the peak direction to provide express service between Beaver Bank Road and downtown Halifax via Highway 101, Bedford Bypass and Windmill Road. All stops in the local service area will be serviced by the express route.

New Express Routes 183, 185 and 186

These three new express routes will provide a combined level of service to replace the existing 185 Sackville Link. These routes will travel between Sackville Terminal and Scotia Square along the exact same route as the existing 185 Sackville Link but with a new extension to Summer Street. These new express routes will also provide new local service in Sackville past the Sackville Terminal.

New Local Route 87 Sackville—Dartmouth

This new local route will provide service between Sackville Terminal and Dartmouth Bridge Terminal via Sackville Drive, Dartmouth Road and Windmill Road. This route will travel on Sackville Drive and will replace service on Bedford Highway and Dartmouth Road where existing route 66 Penhorn service will be removed.

Changed Local Route 88 Bedford Commons

This existing route will be extended to provide service between Sackville Terminal and Bedford Commons. It will travel on Walker Avenue and Old Sackville Road and continue to service Cobequid Terminal. This route is being extended, no change will be made to the existing portion of the route.

Please view www.halifax.ca for details on route schedules and maps. Two new interactive maps are now available:

- Map 1 represents bus stop changes effective November 25, 2019. The map only shows new stops, discontinued stops and stops where bus service is changing on November 25, 2019.
- Map 2 shows new routes, changed routes, discontinued routes and the stops that are serviced for each new route or changed route.

Please note, these maps do not function properly using Microsoft Edge.

IN THE COMMUNITY



Helping out at the Lucasville Greenway's Society Family Fun Day.



Visiting Art Greene as he sold tickets to the Annual Duck Run!



Geared up as Goalie (far right) to face challenge for a street hockey tournament between Elected officials and the Boys 'n Girls Club of Greater Halifax.



Please recycle.

Delivery Note:

Due to the delivery routes followed by Canada Post, it is possible that some of these newsletters may appear in other Districts. If you receive it in error, I apologize for any confusion and hope you find its content useful.

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