

WELCOME MARCH!



Spring officially arrives on Friday, March 20th and, as a gardener, my thoughts turn to planning for vegetable and

flower gardens. If you are a gardener and interested in composting, you may wish to attend the Master Composter Recycler program – keep reading for more information on this and many other important topics such as the annual Spring Weight Restrictions for municipal streets/roads, Centre Plan B package, Spring Recreation program deadlines and much more!

The newly formed Regional Centre Community Council will have its first meeting on Tuesday, March 3rd. Find more details further in this newsletter.

I look forward to seeing you at the March 18th dropin session at Chocolate Lake Recreation Centre between 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

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MARCH MEETINGS

Here is a list of Regional Council, Community Council and Standing Committees of Council meetings being held this month. Please check our website as dates/times/locations are subject to change. All meetings are held in Council Chamber, 3rd Floor City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax – unless otherwise stated.

Regional Council Meetings

March 10th at 10:00 a.m. March 24th at 10:00 a.m.



HALIFAX WEST ARMDALE

Committee of the Whole on Budget - None

Regional Centre Community Council

March 3rd at 18:00 – 19:00, 60 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth

Halifax and West Community Council

March 11th at 6:00 p.m.

Standing Committees of Regional Council

March 5th - Environment & Sustainability at 13:00

March 11th – Audit and Finance at 10:00 a.m.

March 12th – Appeals at 10:00 a.m.

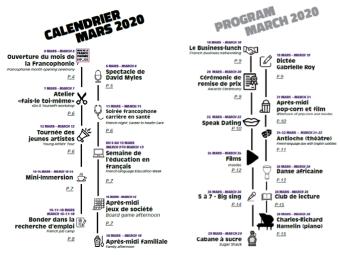
 $March\, {\bf 12}^{th} \, {\bf \cdot Community} \, Planning \, and \, Economic$

Development at 13:00

March 23rd – Executive at 10:00 a.m.

March 26th – Transportation at 13:00

MARCH IS FRANCOPHONIE MONTH



Mayor Mike Savage proclaimed March 2020 as Francophonie Month due to:

 March 20th being International Francophonie Day celebrated around the world.

- 2020 being the 50th anniversary of the International Organization of La Francophonie, of which Canada is one of the founding members.
- Bilingualism constitutes a fundamental Canadian value and is celebrated in all provinces and territories of Canada.
- A strong francophone presence has existed in Halifax from the early French settlers to today's francophones immigrant population from around the world.
- HRM values its strong historical, cultural and economic ties with the francophone world and is committed to building long lasting constructive relationships with the local Acadian and Francophone community.

As you can see by the list of events scheduled, there is something for everyone including the cabane à sucre on March 29th!



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COUNCILLOR SHAWN CLEARY

HALIFAX WEST ARMDALE

SPRING BREAK - MARCH 16TH - 20TH



Happy spring break to all students! If you are looking for some fun activities for the family, check out the <u>Family Fun Halifax</u> website for ideas.

MASTER COMPOSTER RECYCLER PROGRAM



Master Composter Recycler (MCR) is a **free** four-week education program offered every spring and fall throughout the year. The MCR

program can accommodate 20 participants who will be expected to attend all seven sessions over a fiveweek period.

DATES: April 29 - May 27, 2020

If you would like more information about the program, please contact a <u>Waste Resource</u> <u>Educator</u>. To apply for the Master Composter Recycler program, <u>submit this email form</u>.

COMMUNITY DROP-IN DATES

Would you like to speak with me face-to-face about a municipal program or service? Then one of the following monthly drop-in sessions is your opportunity to do just that.

I will be available on the 2nd Thursday of each month (subject to change) from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the <u>Chocolate Lake Recreation Centre</u>, 1014 Purcells Cove Road.

| March <mark>12th:</mark> | August 13 |
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| Rescheduled from | |
| 12 th to the 18 th | |
| April 9 | September 10 |
| Мау 14 | October 8 |
| June 11 | November 12 |
| July <mark>8th</mark> | December 10 |
| (rescheduled from | |
| July 9th to the 8 th) | |
| in the Multipurpose | |
| Room | |



HALIFAX WEST ARMDALE

BOOTING | VEHICLE IMMOBILIZATION



On February 27th, I presented the following motion at the Transportation Standing Committee meeting:

"request a staff report on developing a bylaw for parking and immobilization on private property that analyzes possible licensing; setting reasonable maximum fees; timelines for removal of immobilizing devices; uniforms and identification of employees; appropriate signage on vehicles; signage on property; convenient payments options including cash, debit, credit online and on-site; and other related regulations. Also, the staff report should investigate the possibility of these private parking enforcement companies partnering with the municipality in writing parking tickets on private property similar to Ottawa."

A further update will be provided when I obtain the timeline of when the report will be ready.

CENTRE PLAN PACKAGE B

Public engagement on Centre Plan Package B will begin the week of March 2nd.

Package B includes planning policies and provisions for Downtown Halifax, established residential areas, employment lands including institutional, commercial and industrial, water access lands, parks and open space lands, as well as amendments to policies and by-law regulations of Package A.

The following is a list of pop-up dates during March and April wherein you may review proposed policies and regulations and speak with staff on site:

Monday, March 2

Alderney and Woodside Ferry terminals | 4-6 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3

Halifax Central Library | 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Dartmouth North Public Library | 3-6 p.m. Halifax Ferry Terminal | 4-6 p.m.

Wednesday, March 4

Needham Community Centre | 9-11 a.m.

Thursday, March 5

Halifax North Memorial Public Library | 3-6 p.m. Halifax Shopping Centre | 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Friday, March 6

Scotia Square | 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Mic Mac Mall | 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Saturday, March 7

Halifax Seaport Farmers' Market | 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. Alderney Landing Farmers' Market | 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

For a full list of pop-ups and public meeting dates, please visit <u>centreplan.ca</u>.



HALIFAX WEST ARMDALE

SPRING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

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The Halifax Regional Municipality has implemented regulations restricting the maximum vehicle and axle weights permitted on all Halifax maintained roads NOT referenced in Schedule "B".

These restrictions will be in effect from: March 2, 2020

For more information about the weight restrictions and exemptions, please call 311 or visit the website below.

| Schedule "B" | |
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| 1. WINDGATE DRIVE | FROM BEAVER BANK ROAD EASTERLY 1.2 KM |
| 2. BEAVER BANK ROAD | WINDGATE DRIVE TO SACKVILLE DR |
| 3. BISSETT ROAD | COLE HARBOUR ROAD TO BISSETT LAKE ROAD |
| | SACKVILLE DRIVE TO ROCKY LAKE DRIVE |
| 5. COLE HARBOUR ROAD | |
| 6. COW BAY ROAD | MAIN ROAD TO CALDWELL ROAD |
| 7. DUKE STREET. | ROCKY LAKE DRIVE TO HIGHWAY 102 |
| 8. MAIN ROAD | BELMONT AVENUE TO COW BAY ROAD |
| 9. ESTATES ROAD | GLENDALE AVE SOUTHERLY TO END OF PAVEMENT |
| 10. FOREST HILLS DRIVE | MAIN STREET TO COLE HARBOUR ROAD |
| 11. GLENDALE AVENUE | COBEQUID ROAD TO HIGHWAY 102 |
| 12. HAMMONDS PLAINS RD | LARRY UTECK BOULEVARD TO HIGHWAY 103 |
| 13. LAKE MAJOR ROAD | |
| | SACKVILLE DRIVE TO HEFLER'S MILL |
| 15. ROCKY LAKE DRIVE | |
| | HIGHWAY 102 TO PATTON ROAD IN UPPER SACKVILLE |
| | PROSPECT ROAD TO HIGHWAY 103, EXIT 4 IN TIMBERLEA |
| | ROCKY LAKE DRIVE TO SUNNYLEA ROAD IN WELLINGTON |
| | RIDGECREST DRIVE TO LITTLE SALMON RIVER BRIDGE |
| | OLD HALIFAX CITY BOUNDARY TO HERRING COVE |
| 21. EVERGREEN PLACE | |
| 22. WINDSOR JUNCTION RD | 400 METRES NORTH FROM COBEQUID ROAD |
| | ST. MARGARET'S BAY ROAD TO HIGHWAY 103 |
| 24. ALL STREETS | IN THE FORMER CITY OF HALIFAX, DARTMOUTH & TOWN OF BEDFORD |
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HALIFAX

To minimize potential damage to municipal streets and roads, the Halifax Regional Municipality annual spring weight restrictions commences at 12:01 a.m. on Monday, March 2 on the streets listed above. A PSA will be issued advising when the restrictions are to be lifted.

The municipality's spring weight restrictions are consistent with those of the Nova Scotia Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal (NSTIR). Details of vehicle restrictions can be found online at:

http://novascotia.ca/tran/trucking/springweight.asp



REGIONAL CENTRE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The Regional Centre Community Council was established on December 3, 2019 by <u>Administrative</u> Order 48. It includes portions of the following districts, as described in <u>Schedule 4 of the Administrative Order</u>:

District 5 - Dartmouth Centre

District 6 - Harbourview - Burnside - Dartmouth East

District 7 - Halifax South Downtown

District 8 - Halifax Peninsula North

District 9 - Halifax West Armdale

The four community councils, each consisting of five to six districts, consider local matters, make recommendations to Regional Council, and provide opportunities for public input.

The proposed meeting schedule will be discussed at their inaugural meeting on March 3rd.

SPRING RECREATION REGISTRATION



You will need to create a new user profile in our new recreation online system. Previous accounts are no longer valid. Click here to set up your

account.

Registration dates for Spring & Summer 2020

March 4 – Spring registration (excluding aquatics)



HALIFAX WEST ARMDALE

March 11 – Spring registration (aquatics)

April 1 - Summer registration (excluding aquatics)

June 10 & July 15 - Summer registration (aquatics)

Registration starts at 10:00 a.m. each day. Registration line: 902.490.6666.

More information on registration.



HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!



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I am a member of Halifax Regional Council, Halifax and West Community Council and the following boards and committees:

- **Environment and Sustainability Standing** Committee
- Transportation Standing Committee
- Community Design Advisory Committee
- Halifax Harbour Bridges
- Halifax Chain of Lakes Trails Association
- Halifax Partnership

"Is the spring coming?" he said. "What is it like?"... "It is the sun shining on the rain and the rain falling on the sunshine..."

— Frances Hodgson Burnett, The Secret Garden

