

Together We Can Build Safe, Healthy, Active Communities

WELCOME APRIL

The last month has certainly been a challenging one for us individually and as a municipality. As the COVID-19 pandemic has hit Nova Scotia, I hope we are all doing our part to stay close to home, practice proper hygiene and social distancing so we can keep our communities safe and healthy. I have been sending regular updates with news about the state of emergency and the pandemic here in HRM. I know there is still a lot of uncertainty about what the future holds, but for now we can do our best to minimize the damage, we are all in this together.

Hoping you and your families are doing well during this difficult time. Please continue to reach out to me or your provincial and federal representatives with questions or concerns.



ACCUEILLONS LE MOIS D'AVRIL

Le mois qui vient de passer a certainement été difficile pour nous, tant sur le plan individuel qu'en tant que municipalité. Puisque la pandémie de COVID-19 a atteint la Nouvelle-Écosse, j'espère que nous faisons tous notre devoir à demeurer près de chez nous, à prendre de bonnes mesures d'hygiène et à pratiquer la distanciation sociale afin de pouvoir préserver la sécurité et la santé de nos collectivités. J'envoie régulièrement des mises à jour au sujet de l'état d'urgence et de la pandémie ici, dans la MRH. Je sais que l'avenir génère beaucoup d'incertitude. Pour l'instant, faisons tout ce qui est en notre pouvoir pour limiter les dommages. Nous sommes tous dans le même bateau.

J'espère que vous et votre famille vous portez bien pendant cette période difficile. N'hésitez pas à continuer de communiquer avec moi ou avec vos représentants provinciaux et fédéraux si vous avez des questions ou des préoccupations.



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COVID-19

The Halifax Regional Municipality continues to monitor and respond to the rapidly evolving effects of COVID-19. We are committed to taking important steps in reducing the spread of COVID-19.

There are no reductions in public safety service levels. All essential services of the municipality - including 311, fire and police – are operational and adhering to the most updated guidance and precautions from health officials. You can find details about other municipal service updates at online including information about transit changes, planning and development and park closures.

Nova Scotia is currently in a state of emergency, you can find details about what that means here.

Regional Council will still be meeting virtually to deal with important matters including the status or property taxes. A notice of motion was presented at Thursdays meeting regarding the due date of taxes as an immediate measure. The next meeting will be April 9th and agenda will be posted online the Tuesday before a meeting.

Important Contacts and Links

Government of Canada – Coronavirus Information

Government of Canada coronavirus information line: 1-833-784-4397

Government of Nova Scotia – Coronavirus Information

Halifax Regional Municipality – Coronavirus Information

World Health Organization

National Mental Health Hotline: 1-833-456-4566 or text "talk" to 686868

Kid's Help Phone: 1-800-668-6868

Nova Scotia Mobile Mental Health Crisis line: 1-888-429-8167

General medical questions related to COVID-19: 211 OR Public Health support line 902-481-5800 (staffed 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Monday - Friday)

If you are concerned you may be infected, complete this online self-assessment then call 811 if required to arrange testing

Report people not following the health order Police non-emergency line: 902-490-5020 OR 902-490-7252

Report workplaces not following the health order Provincial Occupational Health and Safety Inspector: 1-800-952-2687

HALIFAX TRANSIT WEEKDAY SERVICE LEVEL CHANGES

REGULAR WEEKDAY SERVICE

5, 11, 32, 64, 78, 79, 82, 83, 85, 86, 123, 135, 136, 137, 138, 159, 182, 183, 185, 186, 194, 196, 330, 370, 401, 415, 433

30 MINUTE SERVICE

ACCESS-A-BUS ESSENTIAL TRIPS ONLY

SATURDAY SERVICE 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 14, 21, 25, 28, 29, 30, 39, 51, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 65, 66, 68, 72, 84, 87, 88, 90, 91, 320

NO SERVICE

halifax.ca/coronavirus

HALIFAX WATER NOTICE: FLUSHABLE WIPES

Halifax Water would like to remind residents that even when wipes are labelled "flushable," they can cause serious issues to our system and your sewer.

All wipes belong in your garbage. Wipes don't breakdown and get caught up in wastewater treatment facility screens and filters and clog wastewater pumping station pumps. This is costly to Halifax Water in both time and resources during this critical period. At a time when residents are being quarantined or self-isolated at home due to COVID-19, nobody wants to be out of their residence due to a sewer back-up. This is costly to the homeowner and poses potential health risks.

Check out this educational video for more information.





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ALDERNEY LANDING MARKET GOES ONLINE

Alderney Landing has launched an online version of their Farmers Market to help support our local farmers, butchers, fisherman, bakers, craft brewers and distillers, health food providers and artisans.

Just order online by Thursday at Noon of each week, and have the choice to pick-up on foot, by vehicle or to have the order delivered to you. The pick-up system has many safety precautions built into the process.

Visit their <u>website</u> to support your local food providers and artisans during this difficult time!

IMPAIRED DRIVING STATISTICS FOR MARCH

Halifax Regional Police charged 22 drivers with impaired related offences during the month of March.

Police received 12 calls throughout the month of March from citizens who suspected impaired drivers. We thank citizens for calling in suspected impaired drivers and encourage citizens to call 911 immediately if you suspect someone is driving impaired.

Here are some signs of an impaired driver:

- Driving unreasonably fast, slow or at an inconsistent speed
- Drifting in and out of lanes
- Tailgating and changing lanes frequently
- Making exceptionally wide turns
- Changing lanes or passing without sufficient clearance
- Overshooting or stopping well before stop signs or stop lights
- Disregarding signals and lights
- Approaching signals or leaving intersections too quickly or slowly
- Driving without headlights, failing to lower high beams or leaving turn signals on
- Driving with windows open in cold or inclement weather

If you do see a potential impaired driver, call 911 immediately and give the call taker your location along with a description of the vehicle, including the license plate number, colour, make and model, the direction of travel for the vehicle and a description of the driver.





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DISTRICT 6 STREET WORK 2020

The proposed 2020/21 Roads and Active Transportation capital program for District 6 is listed below. This list includes new projects and any carryover work that was not completed last year. Staff will make every effort to have these projects designed, tendered and constructed in 2020:

Street Recapitalization

Birchdale Ave – Plymouth to Valleyford
Burke St – Brule to Primrose
Christopher Ave – Tobin to Spring
Fielding Ave – Akerley to Wright
Hilchie Rd – Parkstone to End (2019 Carryover)
Maple Dr – Braemar to Plymouth
Moore Rd – Fielding to End
Mount Edward Rd – Woodlawn to Bellevista
Parkstone Rd – Windmill to End (2019 Carryover)
Parkstone Ave – Parkstone to End (2019 Carryover)
Primrose St – Victoria to Pinecrest

Planer Patching

Caledonia Rd – Main to Dumbarton
Commodore Dr – Eileen Stubbs to Hwy 118
Gourok Ave – Montrose to Culrain
Locks Rd – Waverley to End
Valleyfield Rd – Woodlawn to Tacoma
Woodlawn Rd – Main to Mount Edward

Crack Sealing

Breeze Dr – Waverley to Montabello
Castleton Cres – Breeze (E) to Civic 22
Castleton Crt – Breeze to Cul De Sac
Clarence St – Lahey to Albro Lake
Jackson Rd – Leaman to Victoria
Lahey Rd – Farrell to Clarence
Lawson Ave – Athorpe to Valleyfield
Leaman Dr – Albro Lake to Crystal
Saratoga Dr – Lexington to Walnut Hall
Wilkinson Ave – 400m N Cutler to End

New Sidewalk

Mount Edward Rd – Woodlawn to John Cross

Retaining Walls

Mount Edward Rd – wall for new sidewalk Parkstone Rd/Terr – wall repairs (2019 Carryover)

Walkways

Christopher Ave to Mount Edward Rd

Guiderails

Burnside Dr – Commodore to Wright Street Recapitilization refers to the repaving of streets where it requires a more intrusive method (i.e., partial removal of asphalt or full removal of asphalt and gravels). In the Planer Patching Program, distressed asphalt areas are milled roughly 50mm and replaced with new asphalt. Planer patching is not the paving of the entire street, just addressing areas that requiring patching. There are other types of patching done under the ROC program such as skin patching and pothole patching. The Planer Patching differs as there is an actual removal of the distressed asphalt area. Crack Sealing uses a wand that injects an asphalt product in cracks to seal them so surface water cannot enter the asphalt/gravel structure. This list is subject to change and still requires budget approval.



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HFXALERT

hfxALERT is a mass notification system for the municipality that keeps residents informed about emergency and operation updates through phone call, text message, email or through the app. hfxALERT is now also being used to send COVID-19 related notifications. You can sign up here.



CANADIAN EMERGENCY RESPONSE BENEFIT

If you have lost income due to COVID-19, the Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) can help by providing with up to \$500/week for up to 16 weeks. You can apply online or by phone starting April 6th here.

ATTENTION

Do you have a fever or symptoms of respiratory infection, such as a new or worsening cough or breathing?

AND

Have you, or someone you have been in contact with recently travelled within the past 14 days to countries or regions known to have COVID-19?

If you have answered YES to both of these questions IMMEDIATELY inform the firefighters before opening door

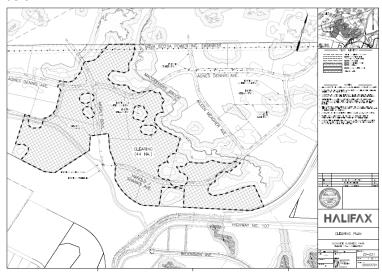




Adapted with permission from Emergent Health Services Nova Scotia.

BURNSIDE PHASE 13-1

Lot clearing has begun for Phase 13-1, the new phase of Burnside. Access for equipment and the wood leaving will be where Dexter is currently working on the new Roundabout for Nova Scotia Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal. Staff are working with the Department of Natural Resources to ensure best practices and that we are meeting their requirements related to bird nesting. Please find a map of the area below.



MOBILE FOOD MARKET

In alignment with Provincial recommendations, all regularly scheduled markets and produce pack programs for the remainder of March and April have been cancelled.

The Mobile Food Market is hoping to relaunch markets on Saturday, May 2^{nd} and produce packs on Wednesday, May 6^{th} .

In the meantime, they are working on a case-by-case basis to offer bulk delivery to current and new partners who are finding safe alternatives for household food distribution. If you would like to learn more, you can reach them here.



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NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

National Volunteer Week is April 19th - 25th. While I know the pandemic has also affected how our volunteer organizations are operating and able to serve their community, many of you are still taking that spirit of volunteerism to the next level, looking out for your friends and neighbours during this difficult time. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers throughout the municipality who contribute their time, talent, and energy to help build amazing communities.

MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

Where to Get Support in Nova Scotia during COVID-19



MENTAL HEALTH MOBILE CRISIS TEAM 902-429-8167 or 1-888-429-8167 (Toll Free)

> The Mental Health Mobile Crisis Team provides crisis support for children, youth and adults experiencing a mental health crisis by phone 24/7 anywhere in Nova Scotia and a Mobile Response from 1 pm to 1am to most Halifax area communities.



KIDS HELP PHONE 1-800-668-6868 or text CONNECT to 686868

Kids Help Phone is always there for you. No matter what you want to talk about. No judgment, totally private, 24/7. Live Chat is currently open daily from 1 am to 8 am to provide more timely access to support through their other services.



MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS INTAKE SERVICE
1-855-922-1122

If you need help with a mental health and addictions concern. Nova Scotia Mental Health and Addictions team can help. They're available to take your call Monday to Friday, 830 am to 4 pm. The line is voicemail-only evenings, weekends and holidays.



OMHA NOVA SCOTIA 1-877-466-6606 (Toll Free)

> CMHA NS continues to provide non-clincial mental health psycho-social support throughout COVID-19. They are committed to keeping communities and clients safe and their services supportive and welcoming. Visit novascotia.cmha.ca.



HEALTHY MINDS PATIENT NAVIGATOR 902-404-3504

Healthy Minds Cooperative is an innovative mental health cooperative providing a variety of peer-based services to people with lived experience of mental health issues and their families. HMC is available 9-5 Monday-Friday by phone and email.



STRONGEST FAMILIES I-CAN ANXIETY PROGRAM 1-866-470-7111 (Toll Free)

This program educates and teaches adults 18- skills to overcome their anxiety, excessive worrly, and learn how to cope with major life stressors. Participants are provided with access to a secure website, programming, and weekly phone support. Visit strongestfamilies.com.



211 NOVA SCOTIA

211 Nova Scotia is a free helpline that connects you with community groups, social services and government programs in your area 24/7. Support is available in over 150 languages. Call or visit ns 211.ca

Mental (Health Foundation

DARTMOUTH FAMILY CENTRE AND DARTMOUTH NORTH COMMUNITY FOOD CENTRE

The Dartmouth Family Centre and Dartmouth North Community Food Centre are continuing to do their best to serve the community in this difficult time.

While in person community programming has been suspended, they are still providing personal outreach by staying in touch with staff and patrons, offering take-out meals within the health order guidelines, and exploring new ways to offer online programming.

Check out their website for more details.

LAKESHORE PARK

Our Parks and Recreation team were planning to install a new swing set on Lakeshore Park Terrace this year, however we have decided at this time to delay the upgrade until 2021 when we will be able to replace the entire playground including new swings. This will allow staff to make the most of the space.

POLICE STATE OF EMERGENCY OFFENCE STATS

Since the Province declared a State of Emergency on March 22nd, Halifax Regional Police has issued seven summary offence tickets in total. Six were in relation to being in prohibited areas and one in relation to social distancing. During this period HRP has responded to 620 COVID-19 related calls.

Please follow directives of the public health so we can stop the spread of COVID-19.

2020 VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Like many of our cherished community events, the municipality has made the difficult decision to postpone the 2020 Volunteer Awards.

Information regarding a new date will be shared <u>on the</u> <u>website</u> and with recipients once confirmed.





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REPORT POTHOLES AND SINKHOLES

With the spring thaw at our doorstep, the condition of our roads change and we see more potholes and sinkholes that need to be reported and repaired. Please notify municipal staff about a pothole or sinkhole on HRM owned streets or sidewalks by calling 311 or online here.

Potholes are caused when the asphalt on the surface of the road has deteriorated from the top, but you can still see asphalt under the hole.

Sinkholes are caused by erosion from underneath, and when you look into it, you can't see any pavement.

If you are reporting potholes on a 100-series highway, please contact NSTIR at TPWPAFF@novascotia.ca.

REGISTRY OF MOTOR VEHICLES NOTICE

In order to allow families to stay home and practice social distancing, the Registry of Motor Vehicles has extended the expiry of any vehicle registrations with an expiry date of December 31, 2019 on, temporary permits with a March 2020 expiry or after, accessible parking permits, foreign license plates and drivers licenses, Driver Licenses with an expiry of March, April or May and safety inspections for personal vehicles to August 31, 2020.

SOCIAL DISTANCING DURING EMERGENCIES

Halifax Regional Fire and Emergency crews would like to remind residents that social distancing practices are still important to follow during an emergency.

If you are in a building with an active Fire Alarm, please go outside, but don't approach fire crews, keep walkways and access to stairs and elevators clear and create appropriate social distancing while allowing Fire Crews the ability to investigate the alarm safely.

Thank you for keeping your safety and the safety of responders as a priority.

TOURIST ACCOMODATION REGISTRY

Starting this month, Nova Scotia is introducing a simple, low-cost online registration system for tourism accommodation operators.

Learn more and see if you need to register your accommodation here.

HERSTORY

ERICA FLECK

Assistant Chief Erica Fleck has been recognized for her leadership roles during multiple international relief efforts around the world

Here at home, she focuses on community preparedness by empowering women to be part of Community Mobilization Teams (CMTs)





TRAFFIC CALMING

Traffic calming helps make neighbourhoods safer for non-drivers. That means slowing down cars, trucks, and motorcycles by altering driver behaviour. Physical measures could include:

- speed humps
- raised intersections and crosswalks
- curb extensions
- traffic circles or mini roundabouts
- on-street parking
- raised median islands

The 2020 list of proposed streets for implementation and updated list of streets being considered for traffic calming is now available on our <u>website</u>.

Montebello Drive is on the list for implementation this year, we will provide more details once the project has been designed.

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HALIFAX PUBLIC LIBRARY SERVICES

While Halifax Public Library branches are closed until April 30th to reduce the spread of COVID-19, there is still lots of ways you can connect with the library to find your next read, learn a new skill and enjoy quality programming.

Check out their <u>Instagram page</u> for virtual story times, cooking tips and much more.

You can browse their <u>e-library</u> and download e-books and audiobooks onto your phone, tablet or computer here. There is also resources and tools like Lynda.com, tumblebooks and hoopla video streaming.

You can still reach library staff during business hours at 902-490-5753 with any questions or concerns. More information can be found here.



FEBRUARY VEHICLE/PEDESTRIAN COLLISION STATISTICS

Halifax Regional Police and Halifax District RCMP release a monthly vehicle/pedestrian collision report to provide police and citizens with more contextual information on this issue.

A total of 20 vehicle/pedestrian/bicycle collisions have been reported from January and February 2020 in Halifax Regional Municipality.

Of the 20 pedestrian victims involved in reported collisions in 2020:

- 1 fatality
- 1 experienced major injury
- 7 experienced moderate injuries
- 7 experienced minor injuries
- 4 experienced no injuries
- 0 unknown

You can find the **full report** for more detail

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Currently serving on:

Harbour East Marine Drive Community Council

Regional Centre Community Council

Board of Police Commissioners

Environment and Sustainability Committee

Executive Standing Committee

Special Events Advisory Committee

Shubenacadie Canal Commission

Liaison to HRM Acadian Francophone Community

SAC for Prince Andrew High School

