



## **Town Hall on Accessibility November 10, 2021**

### **Facility Design & Construction**

#### Overview

- Capital Project Budget is approved by Regional Council annually.
- FD&C is responsible to deliver building related projects based on the Capital Budget.
- Multiply clients/stakeholders including the Accessible Advisory Committee through our monthly meeting.

#### **Successes – 2020 & 2021 Accessibility Projects**

- St. Andrew's Centre completed
- Beazley Fieldhouse & Grandstand completed
- Penhorn Lake Washroom building completed
- Accessible Beach mats add at Penhorn Lake & Chocolate Beaches.
- Fort Needham Park Washroom Building scheduled to be complete in the next month
- Kiwanis Grahams Grove Park facility under construction
- Woodside Ferry Terminal renovations to be completed in early 2022 with many accessible upgrades.

- Modernized elevator at the Zatzman Sportsplex
- New accessible lift at Needham Community Centre to access pool level
- New access ramp at Chocolate Lake Community Centre
- New access ramp at the Kinap Athletic Club
- New access ramp at the Sheet Harbour Library
- New outdoor library and accessible deck at the Musquodoboit Library and Community Centre
- Continuation of the automatic door operator program
- 2 additional team members undergoing training for the Rick Hansen Foundation Certification Program.
- Adult Change table included as appropriate in public facilities:-
- Working with the Government of NS, member of the Technical Committee on Accessibility to develop standards to audit current conditions.

## **Challenges**

- Renovating existing buildings to meet CSA standards due to physical limitation of the building.
- With should large building inventory, getting ready to meet Nova Scotia's Access by 2030 goal, presentation financial and logistic challenges. Accessible Audits are planned over the next 3 years at all HRM owned facilities.
- Capacity to deliver of HRM's Project Management staff
- Lack of construction-industry staff
- Availability and delivery of components