Together We Can Build Safe, Healthy, Active Communities

WELCOME JULY!

Happy Birthday to our great nation — On July 1st I hope you will join us for the KANA'TA Canada Day celebrations to commemorate our history and envision an even brighter future together. With everything going on in the world today, we should all be grateful to live in a country that values the voices of its people and allows us the freedoms to be ourselves. This year, celebrations will pay special honour to the traditions of the Mi'kmaw Nation and celebrate pan-Indigenous communities that call the municipality home.

This is our first summer without major public health restrictions in two years — I hope those who feel comfortable will check out some of the great events happening across the municipality including parades, concert series, the buskers, sporting events, Ribfest and Halifax Pride. You can find more details about all of these events and celebrations below. Thank you for taking the time to reach out to me with your questions and concerns, please contact me if there is anything I can do to help!

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Halifax Regional Municipality is seeking applicants for 14 paid internship positions as part of an 18-month program. Postings will close on Sunday, July 3rd. For further details on these positions and to apply, visit the municipality's website.

BIENVENUE JUILLET!

Joyeux anniversaire à notre grande nation – Le 1er juillet, j'espère que vous vous joindrez à nous pour les célébrations de KANA'TA : Fête du Canada afin de commémorer notre histoire et d'envisager un avenir encore plus brillant ensemble. Avec tout ce qui se passe dans le monde aujourd'hui, nous devrions tous être reconnaissants de vivre dans un pays qui valorise la voix de son peuple et nous permet les libertés d'être nousmêmes. Cette année, les célébrations rendront hommage aux traditions de la nation micmague et célébreront les communautés panautochtones qui se considèrent chez eux dans la municipalité. C'est notre premier été sans restrictions majeures en matière de santé publique depuis deux ans – j'espère que ceux qui se sentent à l'aise découvriront certains des grands événements qui se déroulent dans la municipalité, y compris les défilés, les séries de concerts, les artistes de rue, les événements sportifs, le Ribfest et Fierté Halifax. Vous trouverez plus de détails sur tous ces événements et célébrations ci-dessous. Je vous remercie de bien vouloir prendre le temps de m'adresser vos questions et vos préoccupations; veuillez communiquer avec moi s'il y a quoi que ce soit que je puisse faire pour aider!



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KANA'TA: CANADA DAY 2022

You're invited to <u>KANA'TA: Canada Day 2022</u> on Friday, July 1, 2022

This re-envisioned format for Canada Day will feature plenty of new and refreshed cultural, musical, and family-oriented events to enjoy. The program was developed in close collaboration with Indigenous communities to honour the traditions of the Mi'kmaw Nation and celebrate pan-Indigenous communities that call the municipality home.

On Canada Day, July 1st, enjoy a Mawio'mi on the Commons, the Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo Canada Day Parade, the Dartmouth Summer Sunshine Series or KANA'TA x Grand Oasis Festival free concerts, fireworks and free admission at the Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21 and the Halifax Citadel National Historic site.

Consumer fireworks are permitted to use on Canada Day. For fireworks safety information and more, please visit our website.

Please be advised that Halifax Transit will be operating on holiday schedule, but will be free as part of our Free Fare Fridays. The Alderney Ferry service will operate every ½ hour between 7:30 and 10:00 a.m. and every 15 minutes from 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 p.m. There will be no Woodside Ferry. For detailed bus and ferry schedules visit our website. No municipal solid waste collection services will take place on July 1st, curbside collection will be rescheduled to take place on July 2nd. Municipal splash pads and pools are open and the Emera Oval will have equipment lending from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. On-street metered parking spaces are free on July 1st however, motorists are reminded to abide by other posted signage such as accessible parking, fire hydrants and no stopping.

FREE FARE FRIDAYS AND FREE SAIL SATURDAYS

Halifax Transit will be offering free transit service (that's buses, ferry, and Access-A-Bus) on Fridays and free Alderney ferry service on Saturdays this summer from July 1st - August 31st!

This initiative was approved by Regional Council in April 2022 and aims to encourage former or new riders to take transit and familiarize residents with the transit service available in your communities.

Trying to figure out where you'd like to go for free? Visit our website and check out all the Transit routes and schedules.

JULY 1ST – KIDS RUN



Following EPIC Canadian - Run for Canada in Dartmouth on Canada Day, there will be a 1K and a 3K run event - just for kids! Every participant will receive a colourful event medal and an EPIC race wrap all for \$15.

Thanks to the support of Steele Subaru, the three schools with the highest participation percent (number of participants divided by number of kids at each school) will win cash prizes. Check out their <u>website</u> to register.



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MOBILE SPECIAL WASTE DEPOT

Residents looking to dispose of household special waste not acceptable for curbside collection can bring their materials to the mobile special waste depot events happening this summer. In Dartmouth, the Mobile Special Waste Depot will be held on Saturday July 2nd at Cole Harbour Place from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will take place rain or shine.

Materials accepted at the household drop-off depot include:

- leftover corrosive cleaners
- pesticides/herbicides
- gasoline
- used motor oil (visit this <u>website</u> for more disposal options)
- solvents
- thinners
- pharmaceuticals and drugs
- aerosol cans containing hazardous substances
- barbecue propane tanks
- small propane cylinders (for example, those used for camp stoves and propane torches)
- batteries (visit this <u>website</u> for a full list of retail drop-off locations for batteries and cell phones)
- leftover liquid paint (paint and empty paint cans may also be returned to any Enviro-Depot.)

The municipality also operates a permanent Household Special Waste Depot at 20 Horseshoe Lake Drive. Dropoff times are on most Saturdays between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The household special waste drop-off depots are open only to residents of the Halifax Regional Municipality. Commercial, waste is not permitted.

For more information on Halifax's solid waste program including updates on future depot events, please <u>visit the</u> <u>website</u>, download the <u>Halifax Recycles app</u> or call 311.



THE NORTH GROVE



Popping by to visit my namesake, Toni the chicken! It's summertime at the North Grove. Check out their July Calendar of events here.

OUTDOOR POOLS AND BEACHES OPEN!

The Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents that the Bedford and Cole Harbour outdoor pools, the Halifax Common splashpad, and all supervised municipal beaches will open for the season on **Friday, July 1**st. Bookings are required for the Bedford and Cole Harbour outdoor pools, and can be completed on <u>our website</u>. Memberships for the Bedford outdoor pool can be purchased through Lebrun Recreation Centre and for Cole Harbour outdoor pool they can be purchased through the Cole Harbour Recreation Centre.

Resident are advised that, due to construction of the new Halifax Commons Aquatics Facility, the Halifax Common outdoor pool will remain closed for the 2022 season. Beginning Friday, July 1st, the municipality is offering free swims at the Needham Community Centre pool to minimize disruptions for residents who regularly use the Halifax Common pool.

The Bayers-Westwood, George Dixon, Isleville Street, Westmount, and Sackville splashpads opened for the season on Friday, June 17th

Shirley's Splash Pad on the Dartmouth Common is expected to open on July 9th! Visit <u>our website</u> for more information.





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PARKING TICKET FORGIVENESS PROGRAM



We are pleased to launch the <u>Parking Ticket Forgiveness</u> <u>Program</u>. Regional Council approved this initiative as part of the COVID Business Recovery package considered during the Balance Adjustment Debate. From June 1st – September 31st residents or visitors that receive a paid parking violation can submit their ticket along with a \$35+ receipt from a local business and have the ticket reversed.

WEEKLY GREEN CART COLLECTION

The Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents that effective Saturday, July 2nd weekly organics collection will begin in all communities across the Halifax Regional Municipality.

The summer green cart collection service will be in effect for the months of July, August and September. Collection services can begin as early as 7:00 a.m. To ensure collection, residents are asked to place materials curbside the evening prior to collection day. Residents can look up their collection schedules on our <u>website</u>. Biweekly green cart collection will resume on Monday, October 3rd.

@HFXNEXTGEN FOR YOUTH

@hfxnextgen is a new Instagram account for ages 13-24 in the Halifax Regional Municipality. Get in the loop on everything including free programs, leadership opportunities, jobs, youth spaces, training and lots more! Give them a follow so you don't miss out!

DARTMOUTH SUMMER SUNSHINE SERIES

You're invited to the Dartmouth Summer Sunshine Series – there will be 10 weeks of free live entertainment at the Dartmouth Ferry Terminal Park on Saturdays and Sundays. Check out some of the 28 free, family-friendly community concerts and events including urban, gospel, classic rock, folk, country and acoustic artists. Children and youth entertainment will include the Kiwanis Mother Goose Festival, the Halifax Busker Festival, and multicultural celebrations. All events are free of charge, and tickets are not required for attendance. Check out the website for more information and the full schedule.



Closed 7pm - 5:30 am
July 4 - July 14
Bikeway open & shared with pedestrians

URBAN FOREST GUIDED WALK

HRM is partnering with Halifax Tree Project to offer guided tours of urban forests in our communities! The walk will be led by Halifax Tree Project's Dr. Peter Duinker, with the assistance of HRM's urban forestry staff and I.

Join us on July 20th at 5:00 p.m. at the Tim Hortons on Waverley Road at Montebello to check out the Urban Forest of District 6.

For more information and a full schedule of planned walks, visit our website.





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AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS UPDATE

The Halifax Regional Municipality recognizes that all residents deserve a home. While the province is responsible to lead addressing homelessness and affordable housing, the municipality has an important role to play and is committed to applying our resources to support efforts aimed at helping to address this important issue. Here are some of the initiatives we've actioned so far:

- Committing almost \$5M for the purchase and installation of modular units that accommodate 64 people.
- Providing the province access to select municipality facilities to be used as temporary emergency shelters.
- Approving \$70,000 to a coalition of 11 community service providers for use as crisis funding for hotel stays to support individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Working with both levels of government to provide accommodations for up to 70 additional individuals through the Rapid Housing Initiative.
- Allocating funding for six affordable housing projects from community partners, with a total of 157 units and contributing a further \$6 million annually for social and non-profit housing.
- Working with the Archdiocese of Halifax Yarmouth to approve 17 safe emergency shelters with heat, electricity and access to washrooms.

Most recently, Regional Council has approved a one-time grant of \$445,500 to the Housing Trust of Nova Scotia towards affordable housing units. These units will be located outside of the Regional Centre, and the grant will offset the deed transfer tax associated with the acquisition of five properties to rehabilitate the premises and continue providing affordable housing.

In recognition that some individuals will be unable or unwilling to accept indoor shelter and that demand for indoor shelter beds does exceed capacity, Regional Council have also directed staff to designate spaces for outdoor overnight sheltering. We have designated park/green spaces for long term overnight sheltering where the municipality can provide other supports such as portable toilets, water or garbage collection. These sites have been deemed suitable based on their distance from childcare facilities, active sports fields, cemeteries, environmentally sensitive areas and more. In Dartmouth, there are two locations – Geary Street Green Space and Green Road Park.

Monitoring and enforcement will be undertaken by existing bylaw officers. Outreach workers, including Street Navigators, will be the first point of contact for individuals using designated locations.

For more information and regular updates, visit our website.

Conseils relatifs Tick Check aux tiques Basics Check your body and clothing for ticks Vérifiez votre peau et vos vêtements after spending time outside. après avoir passé du temps à l'extérieur. Ticks like warm places on the body. Les tiques aiment les endroits bien au chaud. In hair and hairline Cheveux et contour de la chevelure Behind ears Derrière les oreilles Back of neck Nuaue Armpits Aisselles Flbows Coudes Taille Groin Aine

- Don't forget to check your pets
- A bath or shower within two hours of being outdoors makes it easier to spot ticks

Back of knees Derrière les genoux

- N'oubliez pas de vérifier vos animaux de compagnie.
- Il est plus facile de voir les tiques si vous prenez un bain ou une douche dans un délai de deux heures après avoir passé du temps à l'extérieur.

Entre les orteils

For more information, including how to remove a tick safely, visit novascotia.ca/ticksafety



Pour obtenir plus d'information, y compris sur la façon d'enlever une tique de façon sécuritaire, consultez le **novascotia.ca/ticksafety** (en anglais seulement).



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HALIFAX PRIDE



The Halifax Pride Festival is an annual gathering for the 2SLGBTQ+ community. It features over 150 community and Pride organized events celebrating the history, culture, activism, and perseverance of the queer community.

The festival runs from Tuesday July 7^{th} – Sunday July 24^{th} with lots of events. Don't miss the Halifax Pride Parade on Saturday July 16^{th} from 12:00-2:00 p.m. Check out the full schedule and more information <u>here.</u>

FINES FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS

Regional Council approved a motion to increase to the P-500 Parking Meter By-Law fine amount from \$35 (\$30 if paid in 7 days) to \$45 (\$40 if paid in 7 days) for violations at paid parking meters. You can find the full report here.

CROSSWALK FLAG PROGRAM

The Transportation Standing Committee has recommended that Halifax Regional Council adopt a new Administrative Order (AO) for the Placement of Crosswalk Flags and make changes to the Street's By-law on June 23rd. The new AO will define the process and requirements for installing crosswalk flags including that the flags be at a marked crosswalk with no other official traffic signals and defines the responsibilities of the requester. These changes will not be in effect until Regional Council adopts this legislation. You can find more details here.

WELCOMED IN HALIFAX PROGRAM

The Welcomed in Halifax program began in 2016 when HRM welcomed hundreds of government-sponsored Syrian Refugees. The passes provide free access to Halifax Transit the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic, Pier 21 and various recreation facilities and programs for one year. Halifax is the only municipality in Canada to offer this program, which has expanded significantly since its inception and is now open to refugees and asylum seekers. Most recently, this expansion enabled the municipality to support Ukrainians fleeing their country and entering Halifax as temporary residents. So far this year, 1,011 passes have been distributed.



It is nice to see the Pride Crosswalk painted on Highfield in Dartmouth North near the fire station. Pride crosswalks will also be

painted at Waverley & Montebello and on Main St.





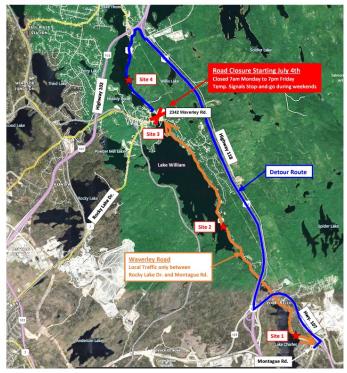
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WAVERLEY ROAD CLOSURE

Approximately 180 meters of Waverley Road will be closed to all traffic for 5-weeks from Monday, July 4th to Monday, August 8th to support the replacement of deteriorating guiderails, a retaining wall, address drainage issues and apply road embankment erosion protection measures. Due to the complex nature of this work, it was deemed necessary to close the area to all traffic. Each week during this period, the road will be closed from 7:00 a.m. on Mondays until 7:00 p.m. on Fridays. The road will be opened to one lane of stop-and-go traffic on weekends between 7:00 p.m. on Fridays and 7:00 a.m. on Mondays.

Waverley Road Construction Works

June 2020 to August 2022



This project has been tendered and awarded to Dexter Construction Company Limited. The work includes guiderail replacement and erosion protection at the following locations:

 Site 1) Just north of 831 Waverley Road – Lake Charles

- Site 2) 1514 to 1572 Waverley Road Lake William
- Site 3) Across from 2342 Waverley Road Lake William
- Site 4) Just north of 2615 Trunk 2 Lake Thomas

For more information about the Waverley Road project, visit our website



Dartmouth North Public Library Barbecue Event!

TAX BILLING SYSTEM UPDATE

The municipality is upgrading the tax billing system. This system upgrade requires a data freeze from Thursday, July 7th at 8:30 a.m. until Monday, July 11th at 7:30 a.m. while the old system is decommissioned and the new one is brought online.

During this time, in-person Customer Service Centres will be unable to process property tax payments, current property tax statements, and current account statements, however, customers may continue to make payments online through their financial institution (either online or at an in-person branch).

For questions or concerns about this data freeze, please contact 311.



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Had a great time at the 2nd Annual Landrace Community Garden Opening.

LAKE CHARLES RUN OFF

Over the last five years, I've coordinated several opportunities to meet with stakeholders about concerns due to run off on Lake Charles. Last month, we brought together Minister for Environment and MLA for Dartmouth East Tim Halman, Department of Environment staff, Conrad Brothers representatives, Halifax Water, HRM staff and residents of the area to discuss these issues and we are making progress in finding the root of these issues.



Celebrating 150 years with I.H. Mathers

TRAFFIC CALMING POLICY CHANGES

Regional Council voted to adopt changes to the Administrative Order (AO) for Traffic Calming.

This includes having speed thresholds of 45 km/h to qualify for traffic calming measures. The low speed requirement of the former AO has resulted in most local and minor collector residential streets within HRM qualifying for traffic calming and has produced a ranking list that is unreasonably long, making it difficult to provide realistic timeframes for the implementation of measures. We have been spending resources on lower priority streets at the expense of higher priority streets.

This change will allow us to focus on the higher priority streets and make more of an impact to speeding in our communities. You can find the full staff report here.

GRAND OASIS FESTIVAL

Come on downtown Halifax to the Grand Oasis stage at Grand Parade all summer long - HRM's Civic Events team is bringing you 15 weeks of FREE music, art, and culture!

There will be 38 events, featuring 50+ artists including Alan Doyle, Classified, Joel Plaskett, Neon Dreams, Ria Mae, The Stanfields, and more. Reserve your free pass and follow along for details and more exciting announcements on the Grand Oasis website.

CANOE 22

The world's best paddlers are coming to Dartmouth this summer for Canoe22, the 2022 ICF Canoe Spring and Paracanoe World Championships. The event is August 3rd – 7th with a dynamic race schedule and a public cultural festival along the Prince Albert Roadway.

The 2022 competition is expecting 100-115 athletes from 18 different countries. Regional Council approved an event grant of \$10,000 from the 2022/2023 Community and Events Reserve for the championships. Keep an eye on their <u>facebook page</u> for more information.



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TIERED TAX RELEIF FOR COMMERCIAL TAX AREAS

The Tiered Commercial Taxation Areas Administrative Order has been adopted. Beginning April 2023, a new tiered tax structure will be implemented across the municipality for commercial properties. The new tax structure will create five new tax areas within the municipality, with three tiers in each area based on increasing levels of assessed value. This will allow Council to set different commercial tax rates for each tier of assessment in each of the taxation areas.

The three existing tax areas (urban, suburban and rural) will be replaced with the five following tax areas:

- 1. Business Park Area
- 2. Industrial Park Area
- 3. Downtown / Community Area
- 4. Community Area (outside the Commercial Development District)
- 5. Rural Area

The new AO puts into policy the commercial tax structure decision made by Council on February 15, 2022. Consultation was conducted with business owners and business representatives across the region in 2018 and 2019. Since then, staff have been in contact with business groups including the Business Improvement Districts and other individual businesses and associations to review taxation options leading to the current policy.



Our municipality has 20 new, well-trained firefighters ready to serve communities across HRM.



halifax.ca/dogownership

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LAKE CHARLES BOATING

Please be courteous if you are boating on Lake Charles. As the weather warms up, more residents are using the lake for swimming, paddling and more. We have posted No Wake signage approaching Shubie Beach and the southern cove so everyone can enjoy the lake. Please reduce your speed when you approach and obey posted signage.



I had the pleasure of meeting Grade 3 student Kingsley. Kingsley's school project was to interview an active citizen.



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CANADIAN LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE VISIT



The North Grove was proud to welcome participants from The Canadian Leadership Conference / Conférence canadienne sur le leadership. These future leaders in business, unions and public administration visit organizations like The North Grove to learn how their work can influence community wellbeing. I was happy to attend along with long-time supporters, Doug and Renée from The Canteen and Mayor Mike Savage.

BILINGUAL STOP SIGNS

At the June 23rd meeting of the Transportation Standing Committee, we passed a motion to begin replacing existing stop signs with bilingual (English/French) stop signs on HRM owned streets. The signs would be placed in communities, neighbourhoods or near facilities identified by the Office of Diversity & Inclusion/ANSAIO through consultation with communities, as being established Acadian/francophone communities or are of demonstrated importance to the Acadian/francophone social, linguistic, and cultural identity. The motion also requested staff write a letter to the province requesting that residents be able to apply for bilingual signage on provincial roads within HRM. You can find the full report here.

HATE GRAFFITI

Halifax District RCMP shared that they responded to a complaint regarding graffiti promoting hatred in Cole Harbour this week. Hate-motivated graffiti is harmful and threatening. It can be used to express hate toward religion, race, sexual orientation, disability, age, gender identity, and more. There is absolutely no place for hate graffiti in our community. In fact, it's a crime.

I was very disappointed to learn of two recent incidents of hate graffiti at municipal parks here in Dartmouth. It's critical that we act swiftly as a community to stop these crimes from taking place in our beautiful community.

I ask you to please report hate graffiti immediately after discovering it. While cleaning up hate graffiti is a priority, it is vital to first make police aware:

- If you see hate graffiti in progress, call **911**.
- Call Halifax Regional Police at 902-490-5016 or the RCMP at 902-490-5020 depending on the location to report crimes not in-progress.
- Should you wish to remain anonymous, call Nova Scotia Crime Stoppers toll-free at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), submit a secure web tip here.
- I also encourage you to contact me to make me aware if hate graffiti is occurring in our community.

Without being reported, these horrible acts of hateful vandalism continue to hurt our residents. I urge you to report hate graffiti – or any graffiti – promptly. Together, we can stop this crime by reporting it before it becomes a bigger problem in our community.

Private and Commercial Property owners can request a free Graffiti Removal Kit. Only one kit per property will be provided. Kits include information on where to buy additional product. To request a kit, call 311.



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Speaking at the Greater Burnside Business Association Luncheon

NATAL DAY

Celebrate Natal Day with us at the Natal Day Parade Monday August 1st from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Check out the Natal Day website this month for updates on other festivities and activities to celebrate our municipality.

SHUBIE PUMP TRACK EXPANSION

I was so pleased to be part of the development of the Shubie Park Pump Track, an asphalt track of "rollers" that you ride without pedaling. It's a great way to increase bike handling skills for younger riders, and for the whole family to enjoy cycling fun in a safe, traffic free environment.

This has been such a popular spot that we are planning to expand the track this season. Keep an eye on my social media for more updates.

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Halifax Regional Library Board
Special Events Advisory Committee
Shubenacadie Canal Commission
NS Solid Waste Resource Management Regional
Chairs Committee



In the two years since the 2020 election, Regional Council have not had the ability to all be together for our official council photo. Finally, as COVID restrictions begin to ease we were all able to say cheese! I'm thankful to be a part of this group of amazing individuals dedicated to serving their community.

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