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WELCOME AUGUST!

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Happy Natal Day!
 Happy Emancipation
 Day! Happy Acadian
 Day!

As I welcome the
 month of August, I
 reflect on our collective
 history - how far we
 have come from the
 days of enslavement -
 and how much further

we have to go in order to ensure an inclusive
 society for all cultures/races through global
 improvement on race relations. We can
 continue to improve in these areas by sharing
 our collective history and acknowledging that
 all persons have played an important role in
 the building of our city.

Keep reading for more information on regional
 and local matters including a call for public art!

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AUGUST MEETINGS

Regional Council

Tuesday, August 2nd at 1:00 p.m. (Special Virtual)

Tuesday, August 9th at 10:00 a.m. (If required)

Tuesday, August 23rd at 10:00 a.m. (If required)

North West Community Council

No meeting scheduled for August.

Please confirm meeting dates and times on the [municipal website](#) as they are subject to change.

NWCC UPDATE

The North West Community Council (NWCC) met on Monday, July 18th to consider the following:

Public Hearing held on [Case 21826: Amending Development Agreement for 771-819 Bedford Highway and 12-32 Esquire Lane, Bedford](#). NWCC approved the development agreement to allow additional commercial uses, expansion of the commercial area within existing buildings, construction of new motel buildings and accessory buildings, subdivision of the lands, and a reduction to the size of the non-disturbance area.

Variance Appeal was heard on [Case 24176: Appeal of Variance Refusal – 1236 Beaver Bank Road, Beaver Bank](#). NWCC overturned the Development Officer's decision and granted the variance to allow for the shipping container to be located 1.5' from the sideyard with minimum separation distance of 5'.

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To view the full agenda and watch the video of the meeting [click here](#).

DID YOU KNOW....

August 1st is: [Emancipation Day](#)

August 1st is: [Terry Fox Day](#)

August 7th is [National Lighthouse Day](#)

August 8th is [International Cat Day](#)

August 9th is the [International Day of World's Indigenous People](#)

August 13th is [International Left-handers Day](#)

August 15th is [National Acadian Day](#)

August 16th is [World Tell a Joke Day](#)

August 19th is [World Humanitarian Day](#)

AUGUST 1st is NATAL DAY!

Natal Day was first celebrated on June 21st, commemorating the founding of Halifax in 1749. Dr. John P. Martin, town historian, wrote about how Natal Day celebrations shifted to August in his book *"The Story Of Dartmouth."* The first annual Natal Day started in the summer of 1895 when Dartmouth townsfolk decided to have their own Natal Day, with the holiday date coinciding with the inauguration of the first train arriving on the new railway line in the area. As the new railway branch was scheduled to be completed by August of 1895, preparations to host a summer carnival began earlier in the same year. By June, it was evident that the railway branch would not be finished that year. The locals and the Dartmouth Committee went ahead with their celebration plans for Natal Day at First Lake in August.



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In 1906, a half-holiday was declared by Halifax on the same day as Dartmouth's Natal Day.

In August 2022, the Annual Dartmouth Natal Day Road Race and Pepsi Natal Day Parade will be held to celebrate this special day.

Monday, August 1st:

The 115th Annual Dartmouth Natal Day Road Race is scheduled to begin at 8:00 a.m.



Dartmouth Natal Day Road Race

Monday, August 1st:

Pepsi Natal Day Parade at 10:00 a.m. starting at the Hydrostone in Halifax, crossing the Macdonald Bridge and ending at Sullivan's Pond, Dartmouth.

For more information on these events, contact: **Brian Rolle**, Civic Event Support Coordinator at brian.rolle@halifax.ca - 902-490-6773

Andrew Cox, Senior Civic Event Coordinator at coxa@halifax.ca - 902-490-4729.

AUGUST 1ST – EMANCIPATION DAY



August 1st is Emancipation Day. It marks the actual day in 1834 that the [Slavery Abolition Act](#) of 1833 came into effect across the British Empire and the practice of slavery officially ended for millions of African people and their descendants in Canada and around the world.

On March 24th, 2021, members of parliament unanimously voted to designate August 1st as Emancipation Day in Canada. On April 13th, 2021, the province of Nova Scotia followed the federal declaration by officially introducing [legislation](#) to annually recognize August 1st as Emancipation Day in Nova Scotia.

Each August 1st, Canadians are invited to reflect, educate and engage in the ongoing fight against anti-Black racism and discrimination.

Emancipation Day celebrates the strength and perseverance of Black communities in Canada.



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I was pleased to join Council Colleagues Iona Stoddard and Lindell Smith for the Emancipation Day flag raising on the Grade Parade, Wednesday, July 7th. In photo from left to right are: Councillor Iona Stoddard, Faith (member of UACWA), Elizabeth (Wellness Navigator NS Health), Daisy (president of UACWA), Councillor Lindell Smith, Jennifer (member of UACWA), and me, Councilor Cathy Deagle-Gammon.

FRABA – FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

The [Fall River and Area Business Association](#) (FRABA) invites you to enjoy the Food Truck Festival on August 10th in the parking lot of the Lakeview-Windsor Junction-Fall River (LWF) Community Hall, 843 Fall River Road, Fall River.

Come Join Us for:



FRABAs Food Truck Festival

August 10, 2022

From: 4-8 pm

In the LWF Parking lot!!!





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LA FÊTE DE L'ACADIE – 15 AOÛT



La Fête Nationale de L'acadie, le 15 août, est une occasion pour les Canadiens de s'informer sur les festivités et les traditions culturelles du peuple acadien et d'y participer.

Le peuple acadien souligne la Fête de l'Acadie le 15 août depuis 1881, année durant laquelle a eu lieu la première Convention nationale acadienne à Memramcook, au Nouveau-Brunswick.

La municipalité a la communauté acadienne et francophone la plus importante de la Nouvelle-Écosse. Partout dans la région, nous avons eu la chance de bénéficier des contributions de communautés acadiennes dynamiques. Cette année marque la dixième année que la municipalité tient la cérémonie de lever du drapeau pour commémorer la Fête nationale de l'Acadie.

SOYEZ DE LA FÊTE!

Venez célébrer la fête de l'Acadie sur le Grand Parade Square à Halifax, le vendredi 12 août à partir de 19h!

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Le Festival Quinzou présente La Fête de L'Acadie à Halifax en partenariat avec le Conseil communautaire du Grand Havre et Halifax Civic Events, mettant en vedette Jacques Surette, Ashley MacIsaac, Ça Chante Encore (Nicole Deveau, Michelle Deveau, Elyse Delaney, Jude Pelley et Chris Babineau), Weldon et Josée Boudreau avec Ryan Boudreau, Serena Wu, Maxim Cormier et Gervais Cormier. Pour plus d'informations, visitez www.quinzou.com.

HALIFAX COUNTY EXHIBITION



The [Halifax County Exhibition](#) will be held from August 17th to 20th at the Exhibition Grounds, 190 Exhibition Grounds Road, Middle Musquodoboit.

Bring the whole family to share in the fun of livestock displays and competitions, 4-H



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competitions, children's games and activities, tasty treats, local entertainment and so much more!

KELOOSE COMMUNITY FESTIVAL



The parade starts at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 17th.



SAVE THE DATE! August 19th to 21st are the dates for this year's Keloose Community Festival at the [Windsor Junction Community Centre](#), 48 Community Centre Lane, Windsor Junction.

Tentative Schedule:

Friday: Softball tournament, adult dance (LWF Community Centre), and more...

Saturday: Kids day (parade, face painting, bouncy castles, games), youth dance, softball tournament, and more...

Sunday: Food trucks, live music, fireworks, and more...

Check their [Facebook page](#) for updates on the event schedule.

Keloose Community Festival organizers are hoping to re-invigorate the event over the next few years to resemble past week-long Keloose festivals. If you would like to volunteer and help add an additional event in future, please reach out to them via their [Facebook page](#) as they would love to hear from you! Some ideas recently suggested are revival of adult water frolics (e.g., belly flop contest), 10km road race around Third Lake, Kids of steel triathlon in MacDonald Park, 3-on-3 basketball





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tournament, pickleball tournament, corn boil, engagement of local environmental groups to learn about nature (e.g., turtles, fish) and what residents can do to maintain the health of Third Lake.

UPDATE - WAVERLEY ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Thank you, residents of Waverley, for your patience as many of you were severely inconvenienced by the closure of the Waverley Road this summer due to construction. This work involved necessary guardrail repair and more importantly, the building of the retaining wall.

HRM should have provided more notice and communicated earlier on the conditions which warranted this unexpected full closure of the road, deemed necessary for the contractor to complete the work safely. We have waited quite some time to see an investment in this road infrastructure and it is about time.

The current status of this project is:

- guiderail and erosion protection work on 3 of the guiderail sites has been completed and the 4th site (near civic 2342) is progressing well.
- retaining wall has been installed
- road opened to one lane of stop-and-go traffic as of 7:00 p.m. Friday, July 29th
- from 7:00 p.m. Friday, July 29th until 7:00 p.m. Friday, August 5th, temporary traffic signals will direct traffic flow at the work site near 2342 Waverley Road.
- Crews will continue to be on-site during weekdays until Friday, August 12th.

- temporary traffic signals will be removed on August 5th and any outstanding work will be done using stop-and-go traffic with traffic control personnel on-site.

I am pleased to see this much-needed work getting completed this summer, for the safety of all road users in the area.

For more information, or if you have questions, contact:

[Phil Nickerson](#), P. Eng, Project Manager, Project Planning & Design or [call 311](#).

[Darrell McCallum](#), Construction Services or [call 311](#).

HRM RECEIVES ISO 37120 PLATINUM CERTIFICATION

On July 12th, Halifax Regional Municipality received ISO 37120 Platinum Certification from the World Council on City Data (WCCD). This certification recognizes the high caliber of the Halifax Regional Municipality's data, which is reflected in its reporting of 90 indicators in accordance with ISO 37120 for the 2020/21 fiscal year.

The WCCD is a non-profit organization that administers [ISO 37120 – Sustainable Cities](#) – the first globally comparative international standard on city indicators. There are over 100 cities currently certified, representing 40 countries with 30 Canadian cities having achieved Platinum Certification.

The globally standardized WCCD indicators allow for globally comparative benchmarking, enabling administration to continue making



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evidence-based decisions, while tracking progress against our peers.

"On behalf of the World Council on City Data, I am pleased to award Mayor Savage and the Halifax Regional Municipality with WCCD's ISO 37120 Certification, at the highest, Platinum level. As is clear from the municipality's exceptional performance across a wide array of indicators – and its dedicated, data-driven staff – Halifax is a leader in Canada and on the global stage. The WCCD looks forward to its continued work with the municipality as an important member of the WCCD Canadian and Global Network of data-driven cities." – WCCD President and CEO, Dr. Patricia McCarney

Of the WCCD indicators for the 2020/21 fiscal year, the municipality excelled in the following:

- Public outdoor recreation space: With its extensive range of outdoor recreation facilities and assets, the municipality ranks in the top tier of Canadian cities in the WCCD Network for the amount of outdoor recreation space per capita.
- Public street lighting electricity consumption: Due to its significant commitment to energy efficiency and greening government operations, Halifax ranks among the top three of all cities in the WCCD Network for electricity consumption of public street lighting; and
- Higher education degrees: Within the WCCD Network, the municipality demonstrates a highly educated workforce, ranking in the top 15 per cent of cities for higher education degrees.

To learn more, read the [World Council on City Data \(WCCD\) information report](#) or visit the [WCCD website](#).

GRAND OASIS: FREE MUSIC / ART / CULTURE



Come on downtown to the Grand Oasis stage at Grand Parade (1841 Argyle Street) all summer long - HRM's Civic Events team is bringing you **15 weeks of FREE music, art, & culture!** There will be

38 events, featuring 50+ artists.

Grand Oasis is in the heart of the city and has limited capacity - reserve your free pass now. Don't miss out! Reserve [here](#) and stay tuned for more details: halifax.ca/grandoasis.



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SUMMER SUNSHINE CONCERT 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.

28 free, family-friendly community concerts and events for all residents to enjoy. Entertainment will include urban, gospel, classic rock, folk, country, acoustic artists and more. Children and youth entertainment will include the [Kiwaniis Mother Goose Festival](#), the [Halifax Busker Festival](#), and [multicultural celebrations](#).

All events are free of charge - tickets are not required for attendance.

Don't forget - Halifax Transit will be offering free transit service on Fridays as part of the municipality's [Free Fares Fridays & Free Sail Saturdays program](#).

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CHECK FOR TICKS

Tick Check Basics	Conseils relatifs aux tiques
<p>Check your body and clothing for ticks after spending time outside. Ticks like warm places on the body.</p>	<p>Vérifiez votre peau et vos vêtements après avoir passé du temps à l'extérieur. Les tiques aiment les endroits bien au chaud.</p>
<p>In hair and hairline Cheveux et contour de la chevelure</p> <p>Back of neck Nuque</p> <p>Elbows Coudes</p> <p>Back of knees Derrière les genoux</p>	<p>Behind ears Derrière les oreilles</p> <p>Armpits Aisselles</p> <p>Waist Taille</p> <p>Groin Aine</p> <p>Between toes Entre les orteils</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don't forget to check your pets • A bath or shower within two hours of being outdoors makes it easier to spot ticks 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
<p>For more information, including how to remove a tick safely, visit novascotia.ca/ticksafety</p> <p>NOVA SCOTIA NOUVELLE-ÉCOSSE</p>	<p>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).</p>

FREE TRANSIT!



Halifax Transit will be offering free transit service (that's buses, ferry, and Access-A-Bus)

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on Fridays and free Alderney ferry service on Saturdays this summer from July 1st - August 31st!

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

Visit www.halifax.ca/freefares and check out all the Transit routes and schedules.

SAFE BOATING

It's that time of year when we head to the water for fun times with family and friends and, a good time to remind everyone to practice safe boating.

For tips on being safe on and around the water, please read [Transport Canada's Safe Boating Guide](#). For more information, or if you have questions, contact Transport Canada's Office of Boating Safety: www.tc.gc.ca/boatingsafety or call 1-800-267-6687.



PUBLIC ART PROPOSALS



Halifax Regional Municipality is seeking public art proposals to be integrated in the new Halifax Common Aquatics Facility.

The [Halifax Common Aquatics Facility](#) project will include a 13,500 square foot pool with capacity for 450 people, a new playground, and a year-round pavilion with a community room, kitchenette, modular stage for performers, and natural shade areas from tree groves and overhand features of the structure. It is anticipated the new facility will be open to the public in summer 2023.

The new Aquatics Facility will offer an opportunity for qualified artists to design, fabricate, and install public art. Successful artists will work in collaboration with the municipality's project team.

The deadline for [submissions](#) is September 19th.



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WINDSOR JUNCTION COMMUNITY CENTRE

Lifeguard Services – Third Lake

The WJCC is pleased to offer hours of lifeguarding on Third Lake. All lifeguards are fully certified as National Lifeguard Service.

Lifeguard service runs:

9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. weekdays

12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. the rest of the summer days.

wjcc.camp@gmail.com

Windsor Junction Community Centre
48 Community Centre Lane
Windsor Junction NS B2T 1W6

(902)861-4976

LAKEVIEW-WINDSOR JUNCTION-FALL RIVER (LWF) COMMUNITY HALL

Check out [what's happening](#) at the LWF Community Hall this month!

Also, check the [website](#) for information on room rentals for your special event - birthday party or wedding anniversary celebration.

RENTAL RATES

EVENTS

BOOK NOW

RENTAL RATES

- HALL RENTAL - \$100.00 PER DAY
- KITCHEN RENTAL* - \$50.00 PER DAY
- BARTENDER/100 GUESTS - \$50.00 EACH
- REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT DUE UPON RESERVATION DATE** - \$50.00

* Additional surcharge of \$12/hour to use the propane stove.

** Deposit to be deducted from final amount due.

Deposit will be refunded only if event is cancelled one week before.

GORDON R. SNOW COMMUNITY CENTRE & FIRE HALL

Gordon R. Snow Community Centre
1359 Fall River Road Phone: 902.860.4570



A local facility for your recreation needs, the Gordon R. Snow Community Centre has:

- two meeting rooms
- multipurpose room
- canteen
- gymnasium
- preschool room
- arts and crafts room
- fitness centre
- youth room
- washrooms
- change rooms with showers

Fitness Centre:

- treadmills and exercise bikes
- elliptical machines
- seven-station multi-gym
- ropes and mats
- Jones machine



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- dumbbells and barbells
- exercise balls
- floor-length mirrors
- lockers
- TRX
- benches
- rowing machine



It was lovely to take part in the Canadian Association of Retired Persons (CARP) event with Bill Van Gorder, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Policy Officer for CARP and Councillor Paul Russell.

Also in attendance was Walter Regan, Sackville Rivers Association, who received an award for Environment Advocacy. Congratulations Walter!

IN THE COMMUNITY



Here I am presenting a cheque to the Upper Musquodoboit Playground Society for upgrades to the playground.



At City Hall with Fall River resident and Commissioner extraordinaire Murdo!





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I had a great visit to the Atlantic Tennis Centre, 50 Verdi Drive, Bedford, with Mark Kamperman, former Director, and Pam Cooley, Board Member.

- Accessibility Advisory Committee
- Appeals Standing Committee
- Audit and Finance Committee (Vice Chair)
- Environment and Sustainability Committee
- Grants Committee (Chair)
- Halifax Regional Water Commission
- North West Planning Advisory Committee
- Community Committees:
 - Halifax International Airport Authority
 - Goffs Quarry Community Liaison

E-NEWSLETTER/SUBSCRIBE

I send monthly e-newsletters to community members. If you'd like to keep up to date with my Councillor news, please get in touch with my Council Constituency Coordinator at: 902-490-1562 or email:

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I currently serve on Regional Council, North West Community Council and the following boards and committees:

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Staying Cool in the Heat

- Always have water available for hydration
- Never leave your dog in the car
- Plan walks during cooler times of the day
- Protect their paws from hot surfaces
- Put the sprinklers on