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WELCOME AUGUST

Dartmouth is alive with activity this month and I hope you'll all get out and enjoy the sunshine and connecting with your community.

This weekend we celebrate Emancipation Day and Natal Day – commemorating our history and looking forward to the future of an inclusive and diverse municipality.

Next week, Dartmouth will host the National U22 Men's Baseball Championships and Canoe'22 – the ICF Canoe Sprint and Paracanoe World Championships.

Read on for more information about everything going on in the municipality this month, plus an update on homelessness in HRM and much more. I wish you all a safe and sunny August!



BIENVENUE EN AOÛT!

Dartmouth est pleine de vie et d'activités ce mois-ci et j'espère que vous sortirez tous et profiterez du soleil et vous rapprocherez de votre communauté.

Cette fin de semaine, nous célébrons le Jour de l'Émancipation et la Fête de la fondation — commémorant notre histoire et nous attendons avec impatience l'avenir d'une municipalité inclusive et diversifiée.

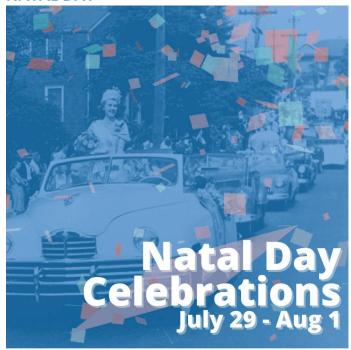
La semaine prochaine, Dartmouth accueillera le Championnat national 22U masculin et Canoe' 22 – les Championnats du monde de canoë-kayak sprint et de paracanoë 2022 de la Fédération internationale de canoë (FIC).

Lisez la suite pour de plus amples renseignements sur tout ce qui se passe dans la municipalité ce mois-ci, plus une mise à jour sur l'itinérance dans la Municipalité régionale d'Halifax (MRH) et beaucoup plus. Je vous souhaite à tous un mois d'août ensoleillé et en toute sécurité!



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NATAL DAY



Natal Day is on Monday and there are lots of celebrations happening on Natal Day Weekend from Friday, July 29th – Monday, August 1st.

Grand Oasis x Natal Day Festival Series from Friday, July 29th to Monday, August 1st. The four days of programming offer both Natal Day celebrations and a tribute to Emancipation Day. Festival artists include Ria Mae, Jah'mila, Aquakulture, AMA LOU, and events including a meet-and-greet with Bob the Builder and RUBBLE from Paw Patrol, the Buskers All-Star Finale, and more.

Halifax-Dartmouth Natal Day Harbour Fireworks will be on Saturday, July 30th at 10:00 p.m.; Rain Date Sunday, July 31st.

Macpass Bridge Mile race on Sunday July 31st starting at 9:00 a.m. Open to runners and walkers of all ages and speeds, the one-mile MACPASS will include four races starting on the Halifax side of the historic Macdonald bridge and ending just short of the Dartmouth toll booths. The Macdonald Bridge Walk will follow from 2:00

 4:00 p.m., an opportunity for families and bridge enthusiasts to take a leisurely stroll across the bridge with music and busker entertainers and a bicycle safety clinic.

<u>16th Annual African Nova Scotian Music Association</u>
<u>'Freedom Festival'</u> on Sunday July 31st at 1:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. will feature gospel and R&B artists as part of the 2022 Dartmouth Summer Sunshine Series free concerts at the Dartmouth Ferry Terminal Park.

115th Annual Dartmouth Natal Day Road Race on Monday, August 1st at 8:00 a.m. will be a 1.8 mild and 5.4 mile course starting and finishing on Ochterloney by Christ Church. You can register online until Saturday at 11:00 p.m. or stop by Christ Church Sunday between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. There will be no day of registrations. Pepsi Natal Day Parade on Monday, August 1st starting at 10:00 a.m. will start in Halifax at the Hydrostone, cross the Macdonald bridge and end in Dartmouth at Sullivan's Pond.

<u>Buskers Festival</u> – the Buskers arrived Wednesday, July 27th but will be around until Natal Day. Check out some of the amazing acts plus the carnival and glow bouncy castles.

The Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents of the following municipal program and service level adjustments over the upcoming Natal Day long weekend.

- Halifax Transit buses will be operating on holiday service on Monday, August 1st. On Saturday, July 30th, Alderney Ferry service will run at half-hour frequency from 6:30 a.m. until noon, 15-minute frequency from 12:15 p.m. to 11 p.m., and halfhour frequency from 11 p.m. to midnight. On Monday, August 1st, Alderney Ferry service will run at half-hour frequency. The first crossing will depart the Alderney terminal at 7:30 a.m. and the final crossing will depart the Halifax terminal at 11:45 p.m.





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- No municipal solid waste collection service will take place, Monday, August 1st. Curbside collection of garbage, organics or recyclables normally scheduled for Monday, August 1st will occur on the preceding Saturday, July 30th. The Otter Lake Waste Management Facility, the Halifax recycling facility and municipal composting facilities will be closed on Monday, August 1st, but will be open for regular hours on Saturday, July 30th and Tuesday, August 2nd. The Household Special Waste Depot in Bayers Lake will be closed on Saturday, July 30 but will be open on Saturday, August 6th. A mobile Household Special Waste Depot will be held on Saturday, July 30th at Saint Mary's University, 960 Tower Road (use Inglis Street entrance), from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., rain or shine.
- The 311 Contact Centre will be operating from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, August 1st.
 The three Customer Service Centres that provide in-person access to municipal services and payments will be closed on Monday, August 1st, and will reopen for regular business hours on Tuesday, August 2nd.
- On-street paid parking will be free on Monday, August 1st. Motorists are reminded to abide by other posted signage, including no-parking zones.
- All municipal beaches, splashpads and outdoor pools will remain open with lifeguard supervision on Monday, August 1st.
- The Emera Oval will be open on Monday, August 1st. A detailed schedule can be found <u>here</u>.
 Equipment lending will be open 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., weather permitting.
- Residents are also reminded that Halifax Transit will be offering free transit service on Fridays and free Alderney Ferry service on Saturdays as part of the municipality's <u>Free Fares Fridays & Free</u> <u>Sail Saturdays</u> program.

More details on activities will be shared on www.natalday.org. Follow along with HRM's official social media pages for this information and be in-the-know on any municipal services on Natal Day. Have a safe and fun Natal Day weekend!

EMANCIPATION DAY

The Halifax Regional Municipality is encouraging residents to observe Emancipation Day Monday, August 1st.

In 2021, the Province of Nova Scotia officially designated August 1st as Emancipation Day, in recognition of the history and impacts of slavery in our region. It provides residents an opportunity to maintain ongoing meaningful dialogue around race relations and an inclusive society, and to celebrate the diverse heritage, culture, and contributions of people of African descent across the region.

The municipality hosted a flag raising of the Pan-African Flag in Grand Parade on Wednesday, July 27 with a municipal proclamation reading from Mayor Savage.

For more information on how you can observe Emancipation Day, visit our website.

Councillor Tony Mancini will Host: MONTEBELLO & AREA TOWN HALL MEETING ON COMMUNITY SAFETY



Wednesday, August 3rd 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Fairbanks Centre, Shubie Park

In June we had a homicide in our Montebello community.
I heard from many residents asking, "is our community safe?"
This is a valid question. I do believe our community is safe. However I, and many residents feel we should meet to discuss our community's safety.

Attending the meeting will be **HRP Chief Dan Kinsella**, **Inspector Nichols** and **HRM Staff**.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Councillor Mancini: 902-292-4823 | tony.mancini@halifax.ca

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NATIONAL BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Beazley Field and the Mainland Commons will be host venues for the 2022 22U Men's Baseball Championships from August $4^{th} - 7^{th}$.

We wish the very best to our Dartmouth Men's team and all the athletes travelling from across the country to compete. If you want to check out a game, see their schedule here.



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ROAD CLOSURE – PORTLAND STREET

Portland Street from Prince Street to Alderney Drive will be closed from Friday, July 29th to Sunday, August 7th. This closure is to create a pedestrian plaza in support of a number of downtown events, such as the <u>Buskers</u>, <u>Natal Day</u> and <u>Canoe '22</u>. A marked detour will be in place. Access for emergency vehicles will be maintained. Motorists should expect delays and are asked to use alternative routes.

NATIONAL ACADIAN DAY

August 15th is National Acadian Day. National Acadian Day is an opportunity for Canadians to learn about, and participate in, the cultural festivities and traditions of the Acadian people.

The Acadian people have celebrated Acadian Day on August 15 since 1881, the year in which the first National Acadian Convention was held in Memramcook, New Brunswick.

The municipality has the largest Acadian and Francophone community in Nova Scotia. Across the region, we have been fortunate to benefit from the contributions of vibrant Acadian communities. This year marks the 10th year the municipality has held a flag raising ceremony to commemorate National Acadian Day!

Come celebrate the Acadian Day festival on the Grand Parade Square in Halifax on Friday, August 12th starting at 7:00 p.m.! Festival Quinzou is presenting Halifax Acadian Day in partnership with Halifax Civic Events and Conseil communautaire du Grand Havre. The concert will feature Jacques Surette, Ashley MacIsaac, Ça Chante Encore (Nicole Deveau, Michelle Deveau, Elyse Delaney, Jude Pelley and Chris Babineau), Weldon and Josée Boudreau with Ryan Boudreau, Serena Wu, Maxim Cormier and Gervais Cormier. For more information, please visit their website.

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

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







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CANOE '22



The world's best paddlers are coming to Dartmouth this summer, and you're invited! Cheer on the athletes or get directly involved in this event as a volunteer.

The 2022 ICF Canoe Sprint and Paracanoe World Championships are taking place on Lake Banook August 3rd – 7th with over 1,000 athletes from

over 70 countries, and Canoe'22 organizers need volunteers to make it happen. The success of this event is dependent on volunteers, the heartbeat of any event!

Organizers are looking for volunteers across many functional areas of this event with no paddling experience required. You can join in on the competition sport-specific side, help create an exciting community experience within the Street Festival, marketplace, or concerts, or lend your skills to the logistics space helping with transportation, food services, technology, or accreditation!

Volunteers will get decked out with Canoe'22 clothing and swag, receive special perks such as a free SaltWire Media membership, and will be rewarded with an exciting post event celebration.

The Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents of the following program and service level adjustments resulting from Canoe'22:

- Parking will not be permitted on Hawthorne Street, between Crichton Avenue and Prince Albert Street, Elliot Street, in front of Henry Finley Park, and Sinclair Street until August 8th.
- Birch Cove Beach will be closed Monday, August 1st to Monday, August 8th.
- Road Closures
 - Henry Findlay Park, Lions Beach Park, Nowlan Street parking lot, Birch Cove Park parking lot and Grahams Grove will be closed until Tuesday, August 9, and Birch Cove Park will be closed from Monday, August 1st to Thursday, August 4th.
 - Banook Avenue and Boathouse Lane will be closed from 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 30th and will reopen at 11:55 p.m. on Sunday, August 7th. Local access will be maintained.
 - Prince Albert Road will be closed between Hawthorne Street and Sinclair Street from 12:05 a.m. on Monday, August 1st and will reopen at 11:55 p.m. on Sunday, August 7th. Local access to Prince Albert Road, along with Bolton Terrace and Nowlan Street, will be maintained.
 - The multi-use path adjacent to Prince Albert Road will remain open during event hours but will be closed at night.
 - Rixdale Drive will be closed from from 12:05 a.m. on Monday, August 1 and will reopen at 11:55 p.m. on Sunday, August 7. Local access will be maintained.

Click below for more information on the event, full volunteer roles and more <u>here</u>.







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HELPING ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS

The Halifax Regional Municipality's priority has been, and continues to be, treating those experiencing homelessness with dignity – and continuing to work with community partners to find ways to provide support to them within our organization's capacity and scope. The following is an update on ongoing efforts to help address homelessness in our region.

Special Meeting of Regional Council

At 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 2nd there will be a Special Regional Council meeting, with municipal staff providing an information presentation regarding the status of municipal efforts to support those experiencing homelessness in our community. You can find the agenda and link to attend here.

Designated Outdoor Sheltering Locations

As of 1:00 p.m. July 24th, the four designated outdoor sheltering locations were occupied as follows:

- 1. Barrington Street Green Space, Halifax Nine tents on site; capacity for 11 more tents
- 2. **Lower Flinn Park, Halifax** one tent on site; capacity for three more tents
- 3. **Green Road Park, Dartmouth** one tent on site; capacity for seven tents
- 4. **Geary Street Green Space, Dartmouth** two tents and three structures on site; the location is fully occupied

Work has started to install signage at each of the four locations, including site layouts and the rules and regulations that apply to everyone. It is anticipated that this will be completed by mid-August.

Water delivery was organized for each of the four locations. Feedback from those sheltering at the designated locations has been positive and delivery volumes are being adjusted based on the needs expressed by these individuals.

Lived Experience Committee

The intent of the Lived Experience Committee is to ensure the voices and perspectives of persons with lived experience of homelessness are heard in the decision-making process. The first meetings of the committee

have occurred, and a preliminary report is expected to be delivered to municipal staff by mid-August 2022.

Meagher Park

Further to the <u>municipal statement on July 5, 2022</u>, the <u>municipal updates</u> on July 15th and July 22nd the municipality set July 17th as the date for those who had been sheltering in Meagher Park to transition to a designated outdoor sheltering location (if offers by the province or service providers for temporary housing were either not available or would not/could not be accepted.)

The health and safety conditions in the park continued to place those sheltering in this location in an increasingly vulnerable situation. The designated outdoor sheltering locations provide a safer alternative with access to additional supports and services. The municipality has continued its civilian-led engagement approach. Municipal staff have visited the park regularly to perform wellness checks with those who remain onsite, connect them with service providers, inform them of the closure of the park and explain the services that are available at each of the four designated outdoor sheltering locations.

The municipality is aware of various groups who have been protesting at Meagher Park since July 17th and municipal staff have been in contact with representatives from some of these groups to ensure service providers have unimpeded access to the park to support those experiencing homelessness. Staff have spoken with individuals who have indicated association with Halifax Mutual Aid; Permanent, Accessible, Dignified and Safe (PADS) Community Network; and Nova Scotians United. Staff are also aware that members of the Freedom Convoy have been on site. Based on municipal staff discussions with those sheltering in the park, as well as some of the protestors onsite, there are indications that protesters may proactively engage in conflict should the municipality take steps to enforce the July 5th notice to vacate and remove individuals from the park. Municipal efforts remain focused on assisting those who are experiencing homelessness and encouraging those who remain in the park to vacate the site and accept alternative options, including the support and services currently provided at the designated outdoor sheltering





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locations. However, if someone refuses to leave the park, for whatever reason, and a negotiated settlement is not successful, the response plan may include requesting the assistance of Halifax Regional Police, as a last resort. Failure to comply with the closure of the park is an offence under the Municipal Parks Bylaw and the *Protection of Property Act, R.S.N.S., 1989*.

Once vacated, the municipality will be fencing Meagher Park so that reconstruction work can be completed – returning the park to its original state. Over the coming months, planned work includes assessing the condition of the park, cleaning the area and resodding the grass.

For more information about ongoing efforts by the municipality to help address homelessness in our region visit our website.

ANTI-BLACK RACISM PLAN UPDATE

On July 12th, Regional Council received a staff presentation providing updates on the efforts that HRM has made recently to address anti-Black racism across the organization. Key activities have included the anti-Black racism engagement plan, with a focus on public awareness as well as to facilitate involvement and solicit input and recommendations into the process involved in developing HRM's anti-black racism strategy and action plan. There is also education and continued learning across the organization to help employees gain a better understanding of anti-Black racism, an anti-Black racism grants program, anti-Black racism resource library, and work is underway to propose an African Nova Scotian Advisory Committee of Regional Council. A draft of the anti-Black racism strategy and action plan is expected to be presented to Regional Council in Fall 2022, as engagement continues with the community and partners.

Regional Council also approved a motion to have Upper Hammonds Plains be included in the provincial land titles initiative to help this historic African Nova Scotian community gain the benefits of having clear title to their land. You can find the full report here.

The North Grove August Calendar

		August 202	22 Thursday	Friday NEW TIME!
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29	30 10-11:30 Catch Up with Coffee	31 9-12 Welcome Housing Appointments 9:30-11 Crafting Together 1-5 Drop-in Vaccine Clinic	Call us at 902-464-8234 ext. 0 to get on a program's interest list. Program facilitators will call you if there is a space for you to attend. No registration required for Meal Pick-Up or the Good Food Market.	

The North Grove continues to offer so many valuable classes and services to families in Dartmouth North. Check out their website for more details.

RECREATION FUNDING ACCESS

Our Recreation Access Program provides discounts on Halifax Rec Programs for families in need. However, the application process is currently fairly extensive and can be arduous for families who are already overburdened. I recently introduced a motion to have a staff report regarding reducing barriers to recreation for vulnerable communities including barriers to using Recreation Funding Access Program from the Affordable Access Program. You can find the full report request here.



The Dartmouth North Neighbourhood Watch meeting, collaborating with the community to resolve issues. Thanks to all those who attended!



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UTILITY CORRIDOR PROPOSED SCHEDULE

The schedule for the John Breton, Jaybe Drive and Waverley Road utility corridor work is beginning to come together for the 2023 construction season. The new corridor will travel down Waverley Rd, Jaybe Dr, John Brenton Dr, through Shubie Campground parking lot, down the hill past the beach, over the Shubie Canal and cross the 111 highway to Dartmouth Crossing. This project will provide increased water distribution system reliability and improve wastewater service by renewing the existing 390 Waverly Road wastewater pumping station and reducing the wastewater flows going to the 192 Waverley Road wastewater pumping station. These upgrades will improve the level of service to existing Halifax Water customers while supporting the Municipality's projected growth within the Regional Plan.

Proposed Timeline:

- Phase 1 Shubie Canal Bridge Crossing (Winter work option) November 15th to February 15th
- 2. Phase 2 HRM Park & Campground parking lot February 2023 to June 2023
- 3. Phase 3 Highway 118 Crossing and Wright Avenue May 2023 to August 2023
- 4. Phase 4 John Brenton, Jaybe & WaverleyRd May 2023 to October 2023

The installation of the new bridge is proposed as winter work (22/23). By doing the park, campground and bridge work in the winter, it has a lesser impact on the community.



WORLD DAY AGAINST TRAFFICKING

July 30th is World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. Human trafficking, which involves the exploitation of people through deception, intimidation, threats or violence, is one of the fastest-growing crimes worldwide, and Nova Scotia has the highest rate of human trafficking incidents in Canada.

Traffickers use various tactics to keep victims under their control, and those under their influence often feel there's no safe way to get help. Sex trafficking of girls aged 14-16, especially members of the LGBTQ2+, Indigenous and African Nova Scotian communities, is the most widely known type of trafficking, but anyone can be a victim of human trafficking. In recognition of world day against human trafficking, a person might be a victim of human trafficking if they:

- appear to be under someone else's control (e.g., not speaking on their own behalf; being closely watched; never left alone; need to regularly check in with somebody)
- aren't in control of their money or personal documents (licence, passport, etc.)
- receive expensive gifts for no reason
- have changes in appearance (e.g., having hair and nails done; wearing designer clothing)
- have injuries from physical abuse, malnourishment, or show signs of branding or scarring that indicates ownership
- withdraw from family and friends

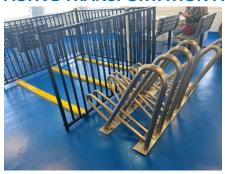
If you're a victim of human trafficking, or know someone who may be a victim, please:

- call the confidential, 24/7 Nova Scotia Human Trafficking Hotline at 902-449-2425, the Canadian Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-833-900-1010 or submit an anonymous online tip;
- contact your local <u>RCMP detachment</u> or <u>municipal police service</u>; or
- call Nova Scotia Crime Stoppers at 1 (800) 222-TIPS or <u>submit an anonymous online tip to Crime</u> <u>Stoppers</u>



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ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT



Great news for Active Transportation! Ebikes can now be transported on bus bike racks, manual scooters can now be transported on buses if they are

folded and stored on your lap and fat tire bikes can now be transported using new bike racks on the ferries. Due to new policy changes.

At this time, gas-powered bikes and motorized transportation devices, such as segways, e-scooters, and hoverboards, are not permitted on Halifax Transit conventional buses or ferries; however, a storage solution to safely store and transport e-scooters on ferries is currently underway. More information will be available in the coming weeks!

These changes demonstrate HRM's commitment user feedback, support integrated mobility and active transportation use, and align with the municipality's commitments to climate action.

For more information, check out our Transit policy guidelines here.

FALL RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Save the Date! Fall HRM REC registration begins at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, August 17th for dryland activities and Thursday, August 18th for aquatics.

Please note that registration times for activities at the Canada Games Centre, Cole Harbour Place, Zatzman Sportsplex and St. Margarets Centre take place at different dates and times. Please visit their websites directly for this information.

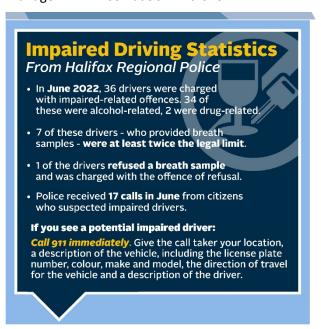
Learn more on our website.

BUS STOP IMPROVEMENTS

The Halifax Regional Municipality are upgrading bus stops across the municipality to make them more accessible. Our goal is to make all bus stops accessible by 2030. This fiscal year, we are planning to upgrade the following bus stops in District 6 this season:

- Stop 6292 Belle Vista Dr After Woodlawn Rd on the South side of Belle Vista Dr along side yard of 75 Woodlawn Rd.
- Stop 6636 Ellenvale Ave Before Spring Ave South side of Ellenvale Ave in front of Civic 75.

New sidewalk connections will be implemented from the existing sidewalk/walkway at the intersection to the nearby bus stops. The work may involve tie-in to driveways and some lawn slopes, but it is expected that most work will be within HRM's right-of-way. Any fences, hedges, shrubs and/or gardens within the street right-of-way may have to be moved or removed before construction by the property owner. Please note, HRM will remove any items in conflict with construction. Property owners have been notified and all efforts will be taken to reduce the impact to private property during construction. For more information, contact the Project Manager Erin Allison at 902-476-6161.





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COUNCILLOR TONY MANCINI

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SUMMER EVENT SAFETY TIPS

With the upcoming long weekend, Halifax Regional Police are providing some tips to safely enjoy the upcoming summer events in our city:

- Plan ahead. Check the event's website to ensure you're familiar with the venue, its location, and the amenities it has to offer.
- Drink lots of water and wear sunscreen and a hat if the event is outside.
- If possible, take public transportation. These events draw large crowds, causing heavy traffic and making parking difficult.
- If you drink, don't drive. Alcohol will be served at some of our summer festivals, so it is important to have a designated driver or take public transportation if you plan to indulge.
- For parades, ensure you stay back from the parade vehicles. Stay on one side of the street and don't run across between floats.
- Many boaters enjoy summer events from the harbour. Please boat responsibly and appoint a designated 'skipper.' Remember that penalties for impaired boating are the same as impaired driving on the road.
- If you witness suspicious and/or criminal activity, including impaired driving or impaired boating, call 911 immediately.

It's easy for little ones to become lost in the midst of a large crowd. Here are a few simple steps guardians can take to help keep their children safe:

- When you arrive at an event, agree on a meeting place in case you get separated.
- Don't allow your child to go to a public washroom or concession stand alone.
- Carry an up-to-date picture and make note of what your child is wearing.

EAST DARTMOUTH COMMUNITY CENTRE RENOVATIONS UPDATE



The East Dartmouth Community Centre (EDCC) are undergoing some major renovations to better serve our East Dartmouth community.

This year, we are working on the exterior renovations with a grant from the Atlantic Canadian Opportunities Agency (ACOA). There will be new lighting, seating, plants and artwork and we are adding free public WIFI. The new outdoor seating area a is now open and it includes FREE wifi.

We are also collecting feedback about the mural that will be installed at the centre. Please complete the survey here.

BURNSIDE LIFT STATION TENDER ISSUED

The development of Phase 13 Burnside Park is being constructed in response to market demand and is planned to be developed in three sub-phases.

On July 12th, Regional Council approved a motion to award Tender 22-224 Burnside Phase 13-1A Lift Station (sanitary sewer pumping station) to Brycon Construction Limited for \$3,147,000 in Burnside. This will also authorize payment to Ducks Unlimited Canada for the compensation of altering wetlands in Phase 13-2 and 13-3 for the amount of \$480,350 and payment to Halifax Water for inspection and review of the lift station infrastructure, for \$15,735.

You can find the full report here.



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SWIM THE SHUBIE FILM SCREENING



Head to Shubie Park (54 Locks Road) on August 12th at 8:30 p.m. for a film screening or Swim the Shubie, a documentary by A for Adventure. Swim the Shubie follows Nick Russell's incredible journey of swimming the entire 114km Shubenacadie Canal Waterway. Lemon Dogs will be open for refreshments and don't forget your blanket! The filmmakers will be available after the screening for questions and answers. Check out the trailer here.

UPDATED IMMIGRATION STRATEGY

Regional Council has approved and adopted an updated Immigration Strategy. The municipality continues to develop and expand services specifically targeted to immigrants and build strategic partnerships across communities and sectors to better understand both the needs and strengths of immigrant communities. The Strategy, in alignment with the municipality's <u>Diversity Framework</u>, has five main goals and 24 actions to be taken by business units to ensure the retention and integration of immigrants and newcomers - including international students, refugees, and temporary foreign workers. The five main goals of the Strategy are:

- 1. Ensure public service is inclusive, reflective, and accessible to immigrants
- 2. Create a workplace that encourages new and innovative ideas to flourish
- 3. Attract and retain immigrants' talents
- 4. Build internal and external partnerships that include immigrants
- 5. Provide timely and accessible information for immigrants

You can find the full report here.

VILLAGE ON MAIN PEDWAY UPGRADES

The Village on Main have been working with the NS Dept of Transportation, HRM and are reaching out to numerous other partners to help make the pedway from a residential community to the businesses and services on Main Street more welcoming. Improvements to the damaged concrete have already been made by the NS Dept of Transportation and they have called in requests to clean graffiti and replace lights that were out in the surrounding area.



Councillor Cathy Deagle-Gammon and I visited with Executive Director Henk van Leeuwen at DASC

LOCKS ROAD PARKING

Whether it's a hike, a bike ride, walking the dog or attending an event – we love our Shubie Park in Dartmouth! I'm so happy that Shubie continues to be a beloved gathering place for people all over the municipality and even tourists, however, please remember to be courteous of the neighbours to the park when choosing a place to park your vehicle. I've been receiving reports that cars often park illegally on Locks Road sometimes blocking driveways or parking in a way that makes the street too narrow to navigate for large vehicles. If you see a parking issue, please call 311 so we can make a record of the issue and dispatch parking enforcement if necessary.



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HALIFAX TRANSIT TEMPORARY SERVICE DISRUPTIONS

The municipality is advising residents that, due to current staff availability, Halifax Transit anticipates further service disruptions. A full list of cancelled trips can be found on our website.

Halifax Transit is currently running a Bus Operator recruitment campaign to increase staffing resources and resume regular operations as soon as possible. For more information, visit <u>our website</u>.

For the most up-to-date information on service disruptions, residents can follow @hfxtransit and @hfxtransitalert on Twitter.

RECREATION TRAIL GRANTS



We love our trails across HRM. Community associations in the municipality play a significant role in operating and maintaining recreational trails to support healthy living and recreation. Applications are now open for HRM's Recreational Trails Capital Grants Program. These three grant programs are to support the work of these associations:

- Recreational trails capital grants
- Recreational trails re-capitalization grant
- Recreational trails maintenance and operations grant program

For details and to apply visit our <u>website</u>. Applications for 2023-24 are due September 1st.

MUNICIPALITY RECIEVES WORLD COUNCIL ON CITY DATA PLATINUM CERTIFICATION

The Halifax Regional Municipality has received the highest possible certification from the World Council on City Data (WCCD) for our extensive range of outdoor recreation facilities and assets, public street lighting electricity consumption and high percentage of higher education degrees.

The ISO 37120 Platinum Certification from the WCCD recognizes the high calibre 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. WCCD certification benefits the municipality and staff by:

- Aiding in the measurement of performance of services and quality of life over time;
- Providing standardized indicators, ensuring consistent and reliable data;
- Allowing the municipality to compare performance to national and global peers;
- Providing access to a network of Canadian and global cities for benchmarking and learning;
- Supporting evidence-based decision-making for strategic planning, priority setting, investment attraction and economic development and policy development; and,
- Allowing employees to better understand organizational goals and objectives, and how their work contributes, as well as offering clear and consistent expectations.

The platinum certification was presented by WCCD to Regional Council virtually on Tuesday, July 12th. To learn more, read the <u>World Council on City Data (WCCD)</u> <u>information report</u> or visit the <u>WCCD website</u>.



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YELLOW FLOATING HEART CONTROL

Yellow Floating Heart (YFH), a freshwater ornamental floating plant native to Eurasia, was unintentionally introduced to Little Albro Lake, Dartmouth in 2006. YFH is not listed in the Canadian Aquatic Invasive Species Regulations but is listed as invasive with the Nova Scotia Invasive Species Council.

YFH is the dominant aquatic plant species in Little Albro Lake, covering the majority of the lake's shallow surface area. It reproduces vigorously from seed, fragments and running roots, allowing it to quickly colonize new water bodies once introduced.

The Environment & Sustainability Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to end the usage of benthic mats to control the yellow floating heart in Little Albro Lake, based on the results of the testing completed in the 2021 pilot study and prepare and submit an application for special approval from Health Canada to use ProcellaCORTM, a selective herbicide, for a pilot study to control invasive yellow floating heart in Little Albro Lake, contingent on regulatory approval by Nova Scotia Environment & Climate Change, and Environment & Climate Change Canada, discussion with all relevant government agencies, and consultation with concerned stakeholders.

Constituents have voiced repeated concerns to members of Regional Council about the extent of YFH in Little Albro Lake, and the future viability of the lake's use for recreational purposes. You can find the full report here.



Judging at the RibFest in Dartmouth

BLUE GREEN ALGAE

Blue-green algae, or cyanobacteria, are naturally found in freshwater environments like lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams. They thrive in warm water and can be harmful to people and fatal for pets.

Algae blooms can look like fine grass clippings in the water, spilled paint, pea soup or sometimes like a thick scum on the surface. Algae mats can look like clumps of vegetation, and can appear black, brown, or dark green in the water. On the shoreline they may appear brown or grey.

Here are some tips for staying safe this summer:

- When visiting a lake, river, stream, or pond, always scan the water and shoreline before entering the water or letting children or pets play in it.
- Pets may be attracted to the smell of algae mats.
- Do not allow pets to play with or eat algae mats, as it could be fatal.
- If a beach is closed, do not swim or play near the water.
- Swimming in contaminated water may cause itchy and irritated eyes and skin, including hives, rashes, or blisters.
- People or animals that consume contaminated water are at risk of headaches, fever, diarrhea, vomiting, cramps, muscle, joint pain, and liver damage.
- Do not drink or cook with water where blue-green algae are present. Boiling water will not remove toxins.

Watch for advisories by visiting our <u>website</u> and following <u>@hfxgov</u> on Twitter. Report suspected algae contamination by calling 1-877-9ENVIRO (1-877-936-8476) and 311.

BACKYARD FIRE RULES

Backyard fires must be done safely, abiding by all provincial and municipal rules around outdoor burning.

Make sure to check the <u>Provincial Burning Restrictions</u>
<u>Map</u> before you burn and follow the Municipal rules for backyard fires.

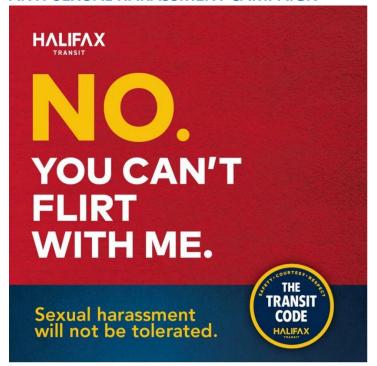
Visit the municipality's web page, <u>Burning Rules and Regulations</u>, for more information.





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ANTI-SEXUAL HARASSMENT CAMPAIGN



Halifax Transit has launched their Anti-Sexual Harassment passenger education campaign. The campaign's core message is that sexual harassment and unwanted sexual behaviors will not be tolerated on Halifax Transit, with a goal to make transit a safer and more welcoming place for everyone.

The campaign was designed in collaboration with local community groups, the municipality's Office of Diversity & Inclusion, and included a jurisdictional scan of similar anti-sexual harassment campaigns by other transit agencies. It is also based on what the municipality heard from passengers through a Talk Transit safety survey, from Operators via their direct feedback, from resident reports to the 311 Contact Centre, and through social media.

The Anti-Sexual Harassment campaign is the fourth Transit Code public campaign. Previous Transit Code campaigns included the Transit Code 8 Principles, the Anti-Racism campaign, and the Anti-Littering campaign. For more information, visit our website.

VILLAGE ON MAIN BEAUTIFICATION GRANT

The Village on Main are offering grants up to \$500 for beautification/sprucing/repair/painting/cleaning of the outside, street level of storefronts part of the Village on Main district. They currently have nine openings, work can have been completed between April – December 2022. Apply and find out more information here.

HALIFAX REC VAN

HRM Parks & Recreation's REC Van is stacked with equipment for more than 50 different activities and sports and they may be headed to a location near you!

Check out their daily stops scheduled every Monday-Thursday until August 26th here.

DISC GOLF ON THE COMMONS

You can now enjoy disc golf on the Dartmouth Commons this summer!

Have you tried disc golf yet? It's a lifetime sport for all ages – plus, it's free. Disc golf is played much like golf except, instead of a ball and clubs, players use a frisbee. As part of HRM's pilot program, free Disc Golf workshops are offered from July 6th to September 7th.

Disc Golf sets are available to borrow through the Findlay Community Centre's free equipment loan program.

Your feedback and participation will help gauge the level of interest for this activity in other communities throughout the municipality. Learn more by visiting our website. Share your feedback on our pilot program by emailing discgolf@halifax.ca

CROSSWALK FLAG PROGRAM

Regional Council voted on consent to give first reading to By-law S-313, amending By-law S-300, the Streets By-law that every crosswalk flag shall (a) be bright orange in colour; (b) not exceed forty (40) centimeters by forty (40) centimeters in width; and (c) be attached to a dowel or rod that does not exceed 75 centimeters in length. You can find the full report here.



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PETS IN PARKED VEHICLES

With the arrival of some hot weather, Halifax Regional Police reminds citizens to not leave their pets in parked vehicles.

On a warm day, even with the windows open, a parked vehicle quickly becomes like a furnace and presents potentially fatal conditions for pets left inside. With warm temperatures expected in the forecast, we encourage pet owners to not leave their pets unattended in vehicles, even for a few minutes.

If you can't bear to leave your furry friend at home, consider some alternatives to leaving them in the vehicle:

- Remember the drive-thru and curbside pickup.
 Your pet can sit comfortably with you in your car while you wait for your meal or service. Many businesses have a drive-thru window and curbside pickup options.
- Bring a friend. If you know that you have to make stops where pets are not allowed, bring a friend along who can keep your pet company. Have your friend walk your dog, give them water or stay in the shade until you return.
- Shop pet friendly. More and more stores allow pets inside. If you are unsure about a retailer's rule on pets, just ask. Most pet stores allow you to bring your pooch with you, as do many other types of businesses. Make sure your dog is on a leash and well-behaved before you take them along with you.

Also, as a reminder, a summary offence ticket for leaving an animal unattended in a motor vehicle in conditions that could cause distress carries a fine of \$697.50. If you see a pet in immediate distress, call 490-5020 and take directions from the call taker.



This is our HRM greenhouse off Caledonia Rd

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