



**COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON**  
**DISTRICT 1 ONLINE NEWS**  
 WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

**WELCOME NOVEMBER!**

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November is the month of remembrance – remembering to turn our clocks back 1 hour to end Daylight Saving Time and, remembering our service personnel who have made the ultimate sacrifice to ensure we maintain the

freedom to celebrate religion of choice, individual heritage and culture as well as embracing the gender with which we most comfortably identify. On November 11<sup>th</sup>, please seek out a local Remembrance Day event to honour the sacrifices made and to celebrate our liberty.

This month’s newsletter has important information on tax relief for non-profits, annual volunteer conference, update on Case 21460: Ingram Drive, Fall River , the 2022/23 budget process and much more!

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## NOVEMBER MEETINGS

### Regional Council

- Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.
- Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. (if required)
- Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 a.m.
- Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. (if required)

### North West Community Council

- Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
- Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

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

## NWCC UPDATE



The October 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the North West Community Council (NWCC) dealt with [Case 21460: Amendment to the Municipal Planning Strategy for Planning Districts 14 & 17](#) and a [Development Agreement for Opportunity Site C off Ingram Drive, Fall River](#).

NWCC defeated a Notice of Motion to consider the proposed Development Agreement. This decision has been appealed to the [Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board](#).

The proposed amendment to the Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) to remove the requirement for direct road access from Ingram Drive to Cobequid Road is scheduled for a joint public hearing with Regional Council on November 8<sup>th</sup>.

To view the full meeting agenda, [click here](#).

## DID YOU KNOW ...

November is [Indigenous Disability Awareness Month](#).

November 1<sup>st</sup> is [World Vegan Day](#)

November 6<sup>th</sup> is [End of Daylight Saving Time](#)



November 11<sup>th</sup> is [Remembrance Day](#)

November 13<sup>th</sup> is [World Kindness Day](#)

November 14<sup>th</sup> is [World Diabetes Day](#)

November 20<sup>th</sup> is [Transgender Day of Remembrance](#)

November 25<sup>th</sup> is [Buy Nothing Day](#)

November 25<sup>th</sup> is the [International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women](#)

November 28<sup>th</sup> is [Cyber Monday](#)

## INDIGENOUS DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH



2022 marks the inaugural year that Halifax Regional Municipality is recognizing

November as Indigenous Disability Awareness Month.

Created in 2015 by the British Columbia Aboriginal Network on Disability Society, this



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November marks the 8<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Indigenous Disability Awareness Month.

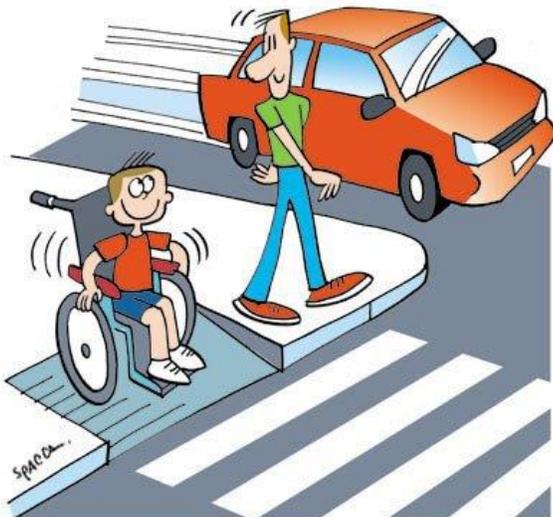
Indigenous Disability Awareness Month brings awareness and understanding about the barriers Indigenous people living with disabilities experience each day.

## RCMP ROAD SAFETY STATS SEPTEMBER

**RCMP Road Safety Stats**  
September 2022, District 1  
Fall River / Waverley Rd. / Musquodoboit Valley

- 724 Calls for Service in Sept. 2022 - Down 11.4% from Sept. 2021
- 25 Summary Offence Tickets (vs. 48 issued in Sept. 2021)  
8 speeding, 5 aggressive driving, 12 other MVA (e.g., no registration, no insurance, invalid inspection sticker, etc.)
- 155 Proactive Assignments (vs. 237 in Sept. 2021)
- 64 Cell Phone/Impaired/Seatbelt/Speeding Checkpoints/Radar Enforcement
- 126 Traffic Stops (vs. 182 in Sept. 2021)
- 2 Impaired Driving Charges (vs. 3 in Sept. 2021)
- 3 Impaired Suspensions (vs. 1 in Sept. 2021)
- 15 Motor Vehicle Accidents (vs. 25 in Sept. 2021)  
• Two of these accidents resulted in injuries.
- 0 Vehicle/Pedestrian/Cyclist Accidents (same as Sept. 2021)

**Please Drive Safely!**



## OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE (OHV & ATV)



Sadly, RCMP officers across the province have been attending an increasing number of all-terrain vehicle (ATV) collisions. "Every year, the RCMP responds to numerous fatal and serious injury collisions involving ATVs," says

Staff Sergeant Ben Parry of the Nova Scotia RCMP's Traffic Services Unit. "However, we're hearing from various detachments across the province that over the past few years, hardly a weekend goes by without a call to an ATV incident."

Provincial government statistics show that there's been an 18% increase in off-highway vehicle (OHV) registrations between 2020 and 2021. There are approximately 50,000 registered OHVs in the province.

"The data shows there are three main causes of major OHV events: impaired driving, speed, distracted operation of the vehicle, or a combination of all three," says Staff Sergeant Parry. "Improper use of protective equipment, or not using it at all, is another risk."

The exact number of OHV collisions is unknown. Those that occur on private properties and trails are likely to be under-reported due to how the Motor Vehicle Act defines mandatory collision reporting; it applies to public roadways only.



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*“We want Nova Scotians of all ages who choose to ride OHVs to be safe and responsible,”* said Public Works Minister Kim Masland. *“A reminder to OHV users to wear a helmet, observe speed limits when using the trails, and keep a safe distance between you and other trail users.”*

*“When you get on an off-road vehicle, safety needs to be your number one priority,”* says Staff Sergeant Parry. *“Otherwise, your life – and the lives of others – is at risk. Ride sober. Don’t speed. Pay attention. Operate the machine according to your skill level. And wear safety gear, including a proper helmet.”*

Staff Sergeant Parry also encourages OHV users to understand and obey the laws governing OHV use.

*“Those who violate the Off-Highway Vehicles Act could face a penalty of \$200-\$2,000 for a first offence and have their vehicle seized. And if found to be impaired, they can be charged under the Criminal Code.”*

If those 16 and under are found to be operating OHVs out of compliance with the Off-Highway Vehicles Act or the Motor Vehicle Act, parents or guardians are responsible.

*“Fall is a beautiful time of the year to explore Nova Scotia,”* says Staff Sergeant Parry. *“While OHV operators are encouraged to have fun while enjoying the outdoors, our message is to ride safely – for their sake and the sake of others.”*

## NOVA SCOTIA OFF ROAD RIDERS’ ASSOCIATION



The [Nova Scotia Off Road Riders Association](#) (NSORRA) have just finished the Split Pine Bridge, farther north on the Old Truro Road, 600 metres in from the end of Grant Road in Enfield. Like the Ledwidge Bridge, the Split Pine Bridge is multi-use and suitable for hikers, mountain bikers, ATVs, horses, dirt bikes, snowmobiles and all but the largest side by sides.

This bridge was built to protect an unnamed stream that crosses the road and to make a more comfortable crossing of the stream for most user groups. We have named it after the very unusual pine tree not far from the bridge .



Once again Kyle Ledwidge of Ledwidge Lumber – an amazing support of trail projects - sponsored



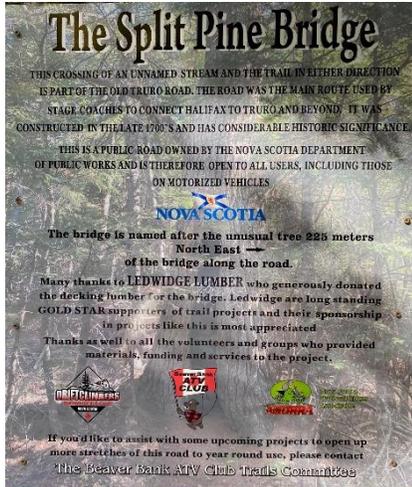
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the build by donating the decking boards. Thanks to other sponsors: Beaver Bank ATV Club, the Nova Scotia Offroad Riders Association and the Driftclimbers Snowmobile Club for providing additional funding, materials, and volunteers to build the bridge.

The bridge builds were done once permission and permits were obtained from the Nova Scotia Department of Public Works.

NSORRA's next project involves plans to open a currently impassible section of the Old Truro Road in the Grand Lake area.



In recognition of Mi'kmaq History Month in October, a new, permanent display featuring twenty-four of Gould's original artwork designs was installed at the airport. The artwork, located on windows throughout the airport check-in hall, features images of a traditional birchbark canoe, fishing, and spiritual ceremonies, to name a few.

The display reminds everyone that we are in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded land of the Mi'kmaq people, by showcasing traditional Mi'kmaq art.

*"I've always had art in my life; when I grew up, I wanted to be a fashion designer," said Gould, reflecting on how she became an artist. "I started with quilting but then I was drawn to painting instead at the Friends United Art Gallery. That was 12 years ago and the pieces you see at the airport were all created over time. My hope is that people coming in and out of the airport have the same feeling seeing my work that I had when I created it - I hope it makes them happy."*

The semi-transparent material used to display the artwork allows the sun to shine through, and in the afternoon, the artwork creates colourful reflections throughout the check-in hall.

Gould's natural talent and passion for sharing Mi'kmaq culture through her art also shines through as she reflects on today's unveiling of her art for the world. *"Seeing my art come to life in this way brings me a lot of joy."*

*"This airport is located on the ancestral and unceded lands of the Mi'kmaq people, and as such, it is our duty to honour the stewards of these lands who were here for generations before us,"* said

## LOCAL MI'KMAQ ARTIST - LORETTA GOULD



Beautiful images depicting Mi'kmaq culture and traditions created by local Mi'kmaq artist, Loretta Gould, are now on display for all to enjoy at Halifax Stanfield.

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Joyce Carter, President & CEO, Halifax International Airport Authority (HIAA). *“As a key gateway for the region, our airport often makes a first impression for visitors and travellers. We want to make sure that impression reflects the diverse communities we serve.”*

HIAA is committed to reconciliation and has been taking steps to be a better ally to Indigenous communities and partners. HIAA will continue to showcase Mi’kmaq art, history, and culture at the airport, through ongoing collaboration with the 2023 North American Indigenous Games, Mi’kmaq community members and other partners.

For an overview of Loretta Gould’s pieces on display in the airport, click [here](#).

## CONGRATULATIONS LOCKVIEW DRAGONS BASEBALL!



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## REMEMBRANCE DAY



From the last Friday in October to [Remembrance Day](#) on November 11<sup>th</sup>, millions of Canadians wear a Poppy as a visual

pledge to never forget those who served and sacrificed. The red flower is the symbol of the Legion's Poppy Campaign, raising funds to support Veterans and their families in need. Show your support by proudly wearing this symbol of Remembrance.

Plan to attend a local ceremony on November 11<sup>th</sup>. Check with your [local legion](#) for details.

The Lockview Dragons High School baseball team has won the 2022 provincial championship. Congratulations on 2 consecutive championship wins, 2021 and 2022! This quote by Curt Schilling says it all: *“Baseball is not a sport you can achieve individually.”* Congratulations to each player for an example of successful teamwork.





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### FALL RIVER & AREA LIONS CLUB CHRISTMAS EXPRESS



Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

The [Fall River & Area Lions Club Christmas Express](#) graciously donated \$2,000 to supply gas for generators to residents with extended power outages in the most rural parts of District 1.

Over 75 homes, from Meaghers Grant to Upper Musquodoboit and Lemmon Hill, express their sincere appreciation and thanks. Additionally, thanks go to our volunteer drivers and Parker ESSO – it takes a team. I love when communities help communities! See more in the IN THE COMMUNITY section of this newsletter.

*we ♥ our  
Volunteers*

### HRM'S ANNUAL VOLUNTEER CONFERENCE

Register now for HRM's annual volunteer conference!

**When:**

Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**Where:**

DoubleTree by Hilton, 101 Wyse Road

Learn more and register [here](#).

The conference is an opportunity for volunteers to connect, celebrate, and learn relevant skills to build stronger volunteer capacity throughout the municipality. Delegates representing a variety of organizations and causes will participate in two training workshops and networking activities and enjoy a keynote speech and seated meal.

This year's workshops will cover topics like grant opportunities, diversity and inclusion in the volunteer sector, collaboration as power, connecting with youth, marketing your organization, fundraising, volunteer recruitment and retention, community event planning, engaging your community, healthy board practices, rural perspectives in volunteerism, and improving accessibility in the volunteer sector.



## TAX RELIEF FOR NON PROFIT GROUPS

**TAX RELIEF FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS**

This program is now open for applications to be considered in 2023. Visit [halifax.ca](http://halifax.ca) to apply by Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

**Questions?**  
[nonproftax@halifax.ca](mailto:nonproftax@halifax.ca)

HRM's [Tax Relief for Non-Profit Organizations Program](#) is now open for applications for the 2023 season.

Application deadline is **Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>**.

This program may assist some non-profit organizations reduce their annual property tax under [Administrative Order 2014-001-ADM the Tax Relief for Non-Profit Organizations Program](#).

Applications can be mailed, e-mailed, or dropped off at any HRM Customer Service Centre. If you have questions, please contact [nonproftax@halifax.ca](mailto:nonproftax@halifax.ca).

## MUNICIPAL BUDGET 2023/24

The [Strategic Multi-Year Business Planning and Budget Process and 2023/24 Budget Outlook](#) report, presented to Halifax Regional Council on October 25<sup>th</sup>, marks the start of the 2023/24 Budget and Business Planning process. This [report](#) provides a high-level overview of the background, changes and updates, key dates and milestones, financial challenges and budget implications.

The commencement of the strategic planning process begins with the adoption of, or changes to, the multi-year strategic business planning and budget process, as well as the approval of the business planning and budget schedule.

On December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 Regional Council's Budget Committee approved the [2021-2025 Strategic Planning Framework](#) and directed the Chief Administrative Officer to develop discrete plans (Council and Administrative) in accordance with this Framework.

On January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Regional Council's Budget Committee approved the 2021-2025 Strategic Priorities Plan. This plan remains in place over the duration of the mandate of Regional Council but is reaffirmed annually.

On October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Regional Council's Budget Committee approved the creation of an annual report that provides an update on progress toward the commitments in the Strategic Priorities Plan. This report, named the *Strategic Performance Report*, will be provided to Council each year in October or November, and will include highlights, accomplishments, and



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performance results associated with the previous year. A 2021/22 *Strategic Performance Report* will be presented on Tuesday, November 22, 2022.

### UPPER MUSQUODOBOIT DANCE

Another great dance coming up at the Upper Musquodoboit Community Hall! Entry by donation with all donations going to [Helping Hands: Families Helping Families Society](#) for community needs.



### SENIOR SNOW REMOVAL PROGRAM



There's no denying it – winter is on its way. There is a snow removal program available for seniors (ages 65 and older) and persons with disabilities to help ensure safe access to your home.

The Senior Snow Removal is a YMCA program provided in partnership with Halifax Regional Municipality, and oversees the clearing of front and back steps, walkways, ramps, and access to fuel tanks. **Please note that the program does not include driveway clearing.**

Those 65+ or persons with disabilities must also meet the following eligibility criteria:

- must reside in a single dwelling home which is owned or rented.
- must not exceed a total gross household income of \$32,000, and
- may not be a landlord.

**The Senior Snow Removal operates on a first-come, first-serve basis.** When maximum capacity is reached, the program will come to a close and individuals will be placed on a waitlist.

**Call 902-483-3678 for more information.**



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You can download the 2022/2023 application package online by visiting:

<https://ymcafx.ca/communityymca/ymca-senior-snow-removal/>

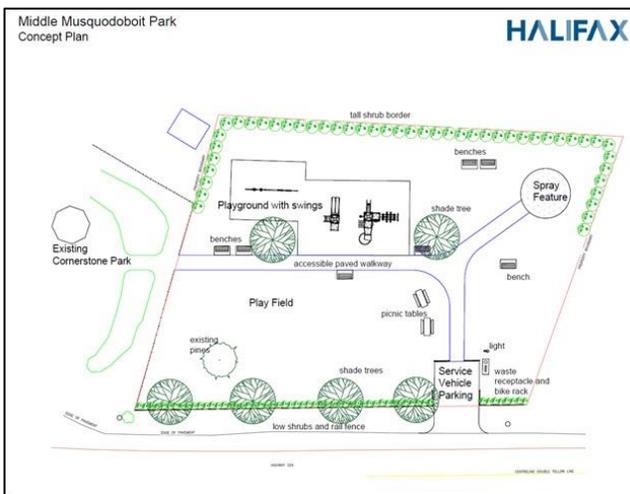
Completed applications may be faxed to 902-423-8530 or can be mailed or dropped off in person to:

**YMCA Senior Snow Removal  
Community YMCA  
2269 Gottingen Street  
Halifax, NS B3K 3B7**

The concept plan includes a swing set, playground equipment for those aged 2-5 and 12 years old, a spray feature, an open lawn to be used as a play field, various seating options, shade trees, shrubs for privacy from neighbouring properties, rail fence to protect park users from the road, a light feature, waste receptacles, bike rack, a potential path connecting the park to the existing Cornerstone Park, and a driveway for maintenance vehicles.

Comments and feedback are welcome by deadline of December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Contact: Meaghan Dalton at [daltonm@halifax.ca](mailto:daltonm@halifax.ca) or call 902-456-9683.

## MIDDLE MUSQUODOBOIT PARK CONCEPT PLAN



Based on engagement results, HRM Parks & Recreation staff created the concept plan as shown above. Funding will be recommended for approval in a future capital budget.

A concept plan uses generic graphics to demonstrate where features will be located on site. The specific design of these features is determined when a contract is awarded to a proponent to complete the work.

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## GREEN CART TIPS FOR WINTER



HRM's Solid Waste Resources recently shared some helpful tips for dealing with green carts in

winter.

When temperatures drop, materials in green carts can freeze and cause issues for both residents and waste haulers. To avoid some of the problems associated with green carts in the winter, they suggest some of these helpful tips:

- Line the bottom of the green cart with newspaper or boxboard, like a cereal box



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- or yard waste bag, and line your mini-bin and green cart with a paper bag
- Food waste can be stored in the freezer until collection day, then deposited in your green cart just before collection
- Place your green cart in an area where the sun can reach it, if possible (to avoid freezing!)
- Wrap food scraps in newspaper, boxboard, or a paper bag
- Put out your green cart to the curb for every collection, even if the cart is not full.

More information on green carts can be found [here](#).

## CSOM LATOROVSKI INDUCTED INTO SPORT HALL OF FAME

Long time Cheema and Canada National Team coach, Laszlo (Csom) Latorovszki, will be inducted into the prestigious Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m. at the Halifax Convention Centre.

Highlights of Csom's 30+ years of coaching achievements in Canada include:

- developed and coached nine Olympians, including Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Famers Karen Furneaux, Michael Scarola, and Richard Dalton.
- led Cheema to three consecutive national title burgees, 1994 to 1996.
- coached Team Canada at four Olympic Games, 2000, 2004, 2008, 2012.
- Canada's longest serving national woman's kayak coach spanning 13 Senior World Championship seasons.

- coached Canadian athletes to 11 Olympic medals and more than 100 medals at World Cup competitions.
- In 2012, he was Sport Nova Scotia Ricoh Coach of the Year.

## WAVERLEY ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION DIEPPE BR 90



MP Darrell Samson announced \$159,000 from the federal Canada Community

Revitalization Fund towards a new roof for the Waverley Legion Branch 90. It is always a pleasure to be in the room when a funding announcement is made that supports volunteers and community infrastructure. Working in collaboration with our various levels of government ensures our sustainability and growth.





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**Thank you to our Veterans and all who courageously serve our country today.**

Please join me in wearing a poppy to honour them, and attending a Remembrance Day ceremony if you are able.

On November 11<sup>th</sup> and always,  
**Lest we forget.**



## WINDSOR JUNCTION COMMUNITY CENTRE

[wjcc.camp@gmail.com](mailto: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 is happening](#) at the LWF Community Hall this month!

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



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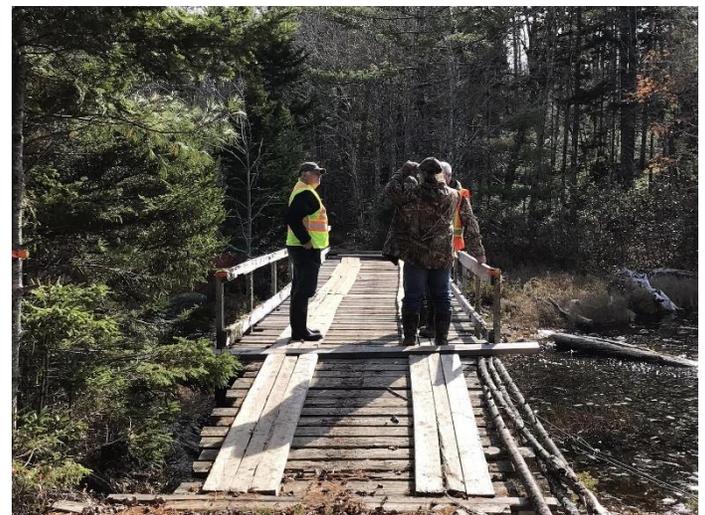
## IN THE COMMUNITY

Had a great tour of the trails in Dean area including Fantum Falls, Otter Lake and Otter Governor Crossing,

What a beautiful day to join in on a trail ride with @PUMA Pleasant Valley ATV Club. Special stop to check out the use of district funds that supported the build of Fathom Falls new alternative more accessible trail.



FIONA did extensive damage; it was sad to see so many mature fallen trees. Special thanks to Mike my ATV chauffeur and all-around trail expert.



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Did some Christmas shopping at the craft fair at Jamieson Park, Fall River Road.



Great turn out at the District Boundary Review Public Engagement session on October 17<sup>th</sup>.



Celebrating [#personsdays2022](#) with my Regional Council colleagues on October 18<sup>th</sup>.

I send a special thank you to residents of Lakeview (largest part of the crowd) Fall River, Wellington, Oakfield and Grand Lake who spoke so well on how these communities belong together in the same district.



(LtoR) Back Row: Deputy Mayor Pam Lovelace, Councillor Becky Kent, me, Councillor Kathryn Morse.

Front Row: Councillors Iona Stoddard, Patty Cuttall, Lisa Blackburn and Trish Purdy.



District 1 District Capital funds were used to provide the crosswalk flags at Fall River Road location near the Gordon R. Snow Community Centre.



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- 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 would like to keep up to date with my Councillor news, please contact my Council Constituency Coordinator at: 902-490-1562 or email:

[Chris.Newson@halifax.ca](mailto:Chris.Newson@halifax.ca).

Cancer Garden Daffodil Bulb Planting – now an annual event! In the background you can see Charlie is supervising 😊.

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

- Accessibility Advisory Committee
- Appeals Standing Committee

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## LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



The Halifax Regional Municipality honours and recognizes the importance of the Indigenous people (First Nation, Métis, and Inuit) and their cultural contributions to the tapestry of our region. The municipality recognizes the significant contributions of the Indigenous people and actively work together towards reconciliation and ensuring that our Indigenous members continue to enrich the fabric of the Halifax region.



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### Land Acknowledgement

The Halifax Regional Municipality is located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq people. The municipality acknowledges the Peace & Friendship Treaties signed in this Territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People.

### In Flanders fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.

If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

By John McCrae

