



COUNCILLOR TRISH PURDY
DISTRICT 4 ONLINE NEWS
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DEAR RESIDENTS,

Happy November District 4!

I hope you are having a wonderful fall so far. The air is getting colder and the leaves have almost fallen off all the trees. Even though we have been enjoying higher than normal temperatures for November, we know that winter is right around the corner!

I want to thank everyone who came out to my first town hall meeting in October. We had a great discussion, and I received a lot of feedback on various concerns throughout the district. I am always happy to hear from you.

I also want to thank everyone who came out for my Senior's Tea Social at Cole Harbour Place. It was a very informative session on Senior's Health, and I was so pleased to see all your smiling faces. Stay tuned for future event dates!

A friendly reminder that there will be a Remembrance Day ceremony at Cole Harbour Place on Remembrance Day starting at 11:00 a.m. I hope to see you there!

HRM is currently recruiting members of the public to serve on our various boards and committees. More information, including the application process can be found below.

As always, I encourage you to reach out to me anytime with any of your municipal concerns. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,





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REMEMBRANCE DAY

Thank you to our Veterans and those who courageously serve our country today. Please consider attending a Cenotaph ceremony on November 11th and wearing a poppy leading up to Remembrance Day to honour them.

The poppy is a visual pledge to honour Canada's Veterans and remember those who sacrificed for the freedoms we enjoy today. The Royal Canadian Legion has now launched the annual Poppy Campaign, so please keep an eye out for Legionnaires who volunteer to distribute Poppies to the community or Poppy boxes placed throughout our communities.

Remembrance Day Fly-Past and Ceremonies

On October 25th, Regional Council once again granted permission for the Canadian Forces to conduct a fly-past of a Cyclone helicopter over Grand Parade to mark this year's Remembrance Day on Friday, November 11, 2022.

The Cyclone helicopter, flown by the Canadian Armed Forces, will fly from north to south, beginning its travels from 12 Wing Shearwater. It will fly-past at a height of 500 feet at Grand Parade after the 21-gun salute during the ceremony, at approximately 11:02 a.m. The Remembrance Day ceremony will consist of a military parade at Grand Parade, and the event will also include the participation of the 1st Field Regiment firing a 21-gun salute from Citadel Hill.

This annual occurrence is part of the municipality's activities honouring those who have served with valour and distinction – and gave the ultimate sacrifice in the First World War, the Second World War, the Korean War, in United Nations Peacekeeping missions and in Afghanistan.

And of course locally, there will be a Remembrance Day ceremony at Cole Harbour Place on Remembrance Day starting at 11:00 a.m.

Lest we forget.

SQUARE ROOTS: NOVEMBER DATES



Square Roots is a community interest company (not-for-profit) that aims to reduce food waste and food access challenges. They provide fresh local produce that may get rejected by grocery stores for not being "pretty" enough to families in need for low or no cost. The dates for bundle pick up in November are the 11th and 25th. Please e-mail me at trish.purdy@halifax.ca to sign up and find out more.



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INDIGENOUS DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH

November is Indigenous Disability Awareness Month (#IDAM), an opportunity to raise awareness and take action to support Indigenous communities and organizations that create culturally appropriate services and resources for Indigenous persons with disabilities.

Indigenous Disability Awareness Month was founded in 2015 to create awareness and understanding about the barriers Indigenous people with disabilities face each day.

1 in 5 five Nova Scotians over the age of 15 identify as having a disability, while Indigenous people in Canada experience a significantly higher disability rate than that of the general population?

According to Statistics Canada, in 2017, 32 per cent of First Nations people living off reserve, 30 per cent of Metis, and 19 per cent of Inuit, have one or more disabilities.

These statistics further underscore the importance of recognition and action related to IDAM in our region.



Indigenous Disability Awareness Month



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COUNCILLOR DROP-IN

The following Community Drop-In sessions are planned for the month of November. Please feel free to drop by to discuss any municipal concerns or questions, I would love to see you!

Tim Hortons, Forest Hills Parkway

Friday November 18, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Selby's Bunker, Cole Harbour Road

Saturday November 19, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

HALIFAX IS HIRING!



Considering a career change or looking for work? With new opportunities posted each week, the Halifax Regional Municipality offers dynamic opportunities for a variety of skillsets. There are great jobs available right now – apply online [here](#).

- ✓ The municipality employs between 3,600-5,000 people annually. You could be one of them.
- ✓ A municipal public servant makes a difference in the lives of over 400,000 people in the Halifax region.
- ✓ Mechanics, accountants, bus operators, planners, police and fire services: municipal careers are diverse and hands-on and offer exciting and dynamic opportunities.



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HRM'S ANNUAL VOLUNTEER CONFERENCE: NOVEMBER 18TH



Register now for HRM's annual volunteer conference!

When: Friday, Nov. 18th from 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Where: DoubleTree by Hilton, 101 Wyse Rd

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.

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RECRUITMENT UNDERWAY FOR MUNICIPAL BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

HRM is now seeking applications for volunteers to serve on a variety of municipal boards, committees, and commissions.

See the list of all committees, boards and commissions seeking new members, and apply online [here](#). The deadline to apply is November 22nd.

- ✓ Municipal boards, committees, and commissions consist of councillors, residents and industry representatives.
- ✓ These groups provide recommendations to Regional Council, community council or standing committees, and serve as an important part of the decision-making process.
- ✓ The municipality is seeking board, committee and commission members that are reflective and inclusive of residents from the Halifax Regional Municipality.
- ✓ Meeting schedules and formats will vary between committees, please consult our [website](#) for details on each committee.

For questions about the Public Appointment Policy, application process, concerns about computer or internet access or to request another accommodation to the recruitment process, please contact serve@halifax.ca or call 902-490-4210.



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SENIOR SNOW REMOVAL



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:

- ✓ The participant must reside in a single dwelling home which is owned or rented;
- ✓ The participant, also including all individuals who live on the premises aged eighteen or older, must not exceed a total gross household income of \$32,000, and;
- ✓ The participant 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. You can download the 2022/2023 application package [online](#) .

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

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

NOVEMBER TIME CHANGE & VISIBILITY

It’s time to fall back once again! Daylight savings time ends early Sunday morning, November 6th. So, don’t forget to set your clock back one hour.

This time change also means we will experience reduced daylight hours; this means reduced visibility and collisions are more common this time of year. Please be sure to drive for the conditions, reduce your speed, and watch for other road users.

Road safety is everyone’s responsibility whether you’re walking, rolling, cycling, or driving. Plan for the conditions and watch for other road users.





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ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S ANNUAL TOWN HALL

Residents are invited to the Accessibility Advisory Committee's Annual Town Hall:

Thursday, Nov. 17th

6:30 - 8:30 p.m

Paul O'Regan Hall at the Halifax Central Library
OR join online.

Learn more and register for the virtual event [here](#).

You can also join (and share) the Facebook event page [here](#).

The Town Hall is an opportunity the Halifax Regional Municipality to provide updates to the community on current accessibility initiatives at the municipal level and receive questions, feedback, and input from residents. This year's Town Hall will be taking place in a hybrid fashion, with multiple ways for residents to participate:

- Attend the in-person event at Paul O'Regan Hall, Halifax Central Library
- Join the virtual event in Zoom and submit questions live by registering in advance
- Watch the live stream on YouTube



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GREEN CART TIPS FOR 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 cart 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 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 on the [Halifax webpage](#).



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TAX RELIEF FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS: NOW OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

HRM's Tax Relief for Non-Profit Organizations Program is now open for application to be considered in next year's program (2023). Be sure to apply by the deadline of **Wednesday, November 30th, 2022.**

This program can help some non-profit organizations reduce their annual property tax under Administrative Order 2014-001-ADM the Tax Relief for Non-Profit Organizations Program.

Learn more about eligibility and find the application form online at the bottom of this [webpage](#).

Applications can be mailed (see the address on the webpage noted above), e-mailed, or dropped off at any HRM Customer Service Centre. Questions? Please reach out to the program's designated email address at: nonprofittax@halifax.ca.

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This program is now open for applications to be considered in 2023. Visit halifax.ca to apply by Nov. 30th, 2022.

Questions?

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RCMP Road Safety Stats

September 2022, District 4

Cole Harbour / Westphal / Lake Loon / Cherry Brook

632 Calls for Service in Sept. 2022 - Down 3.7% from Sept. 2021

38 Summary Offence Tickets (vs. 42 issued in Sept. 2021)
2 cell phone, 9 speeding, 13 aggressive driving,
14 other MVA (e.g., unregistered vehicle, no insurance, no license, etc.)

166 Proactive Assignments (vs. 151 in Sept. 2021)

11 Cell Phone/Impaired/Seatbelt/Speeding Checkpoints/
Radar Enforcement

103 Traffic Stops (vs. 162 in Sept. 2021)
2 Impaired Driving Charges (vs. 9 in Sept. 2021)
5 Impaired Suspensions (vs. 2 in Sept. 2021)

17 Motor Vehicle Accidents (vs. 14 in Sept. 2021)
• 1 of these accidents resulted in injuries.

0 Vehicle/Pedestrian/Cyclist Accidents (vs. 2 in Sept. 2021)
• None of these accidents resulted in injuries.

**Please
Drive
Safely!**

Impaired Driving Statistics From Halifax Regional Police (Sept. 2022)

- In **September 2022**, 36 drivers were charged with impaired-related offences. 32 of these charges were alcohol-related, 4 were drug-related.
- 8 of these drivers - who provided breath samples - **were at least twice the legal limit.**
- 8 of the drivers **refused a breath sample** and were charged with the offence of refusal.
- Police received **21 calls in September** from citizens who suspected impaired drivers.

If you see a potential impaired driver:

Call 911 immediately. Give the call taker your location, a description of the vehicle, including the license plate number, colour, make and model, the direction of travel for the vehicle and a description of the driver.

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UPCOMING REGIONAL COUNCIL MEETINGS



There are three Regional Council meetings scheduled for November. **Regional Council meetings are held on Tuesdays:**

- November 8th
- November 9th (if required)
- November 22nd
- November 29th

I look forward to participating in these meetings, and I hope you can join us – in person or by tuning in on YouTube! Check out the full schedule of upcoming meetings - including committees [here](#).

Meeting agendas (including the specific start time of 10:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.) and a link to watch the video are generally available by the Friday prior to the meeting. Reports on the items that councillors vote on are available and are linked throughout the meeting agenda.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL SCHEDULE AND AGENDA

The Harbour East – Marine Drive Community Council normally meets on the first Thursday of each month, at 6:00 p.m. in the HEMDCC Meeting Space, Main Floor Alderney Gate, 60 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth.

The next Community Council meeting will take place on Thursday December 1st. Meeting dates, times and location are subject to change. You can find agendas, reports, and minutes [online](#).

COMMISSIONER OF OATHS

As Councillor, I am also a Commissioner of Oaths. While in office, I may administer oaths and take and receive affidavits, declarations and affirmations within the Province for use within the Province.

If you require a Commissioner of Oaths, please contact me.

CONTACT

Should you wish to discuss municipal services or programs, please contact me at trish.purdy@halifax.ca or **902-240-3067**.

For routine municipal matters, please call our **Citizen Contact Centre at 311**.

To reach my office, please call Emily Simonov at **902-490-7177**.

For information on all things municipal, please visit our [website](#).