



COUNCILLOR LISA BLACKBURN
DISTRICT 14 ONLINE NEWS
 MIDDLE/UPPER SACKVILLE - BEAVER BANK - LUCASVILLE

WELCOME JANUARY!



To quote the lyrics of one of my favorite bands, ABBA: *“Happy New Year, Happy New Year. May we all have a vision now and then, of a*

world where every neighbour is a friend. Happy New Year, Happy New Year. May we all have our hopes, our will to try”.

What is more exciting than the beginning of a brand-new year! A fresh start and a time to perhaps cross a few more items off your bucket list...try something new...or get involved! There are lots of opportunities to get involved in your community...sign-up as a volunteer with a community group or local sport team!

It’s never too late to fulfill your dreams; or, give back to your community. My goal for 2023 is to continue my efforts to represent you as best I can with all municipal matters.

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JANUARY MEETING DATES

Regional Council:

Tuesday, January 10th, 2023 at 10 a.m.

Tuesday, January 24th, 2023 at 10 a.m.



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Budget Committee:

Wednesday, January 18th, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

(*if required* January 20th, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.)

Wednesday, January 25th, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

Friday, January 27th, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

North West Community Council:

Meeting for January cancelled

(*next meeting: February 6th, 2023 at 7 p.m.*)

Meeting dates/times are subject to change,
please confirm on our municipal [website](#)

NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Case 24045

<https://www.halifax.ca/business/planning-development/applications/case-24045-carriagewood-estates-beaver-bank>

Case 23293

<https://www.halifax.ca/business/planning-development/applications/case-23293-beaver-bank-road-windgate-drive-beaver-bank>

Check the municipal [website](#) for more information on meetings

UPCOMING DATES

January 4th is World Braille Day

Braille is a tactile representation of alphabetic and numerical symbols that uses six dots to represent letters and numbers. It also includes musical, mathematical, and scientific symbols. It is named after its inventor - Louis Braille - who developed it from the military code called night writing, developed in 1819 by the French army

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as a tool for communication at night.

January 18th is Winnie the Pooh Day

This day seeks to honor the designer of the character, Alan A. Milne. Winnie the Pooh is an anthropomorphic teddy bear created by Milne. Real-life Winnie was a female black bear that belonged to Harry Colebourn, who was from Winnipeg, Canada. He brought her to England, where he served during World War I. Winnie's permanent residence became the London Zoo where Milne visited her with son Christopher.

January 27th is International Holocaust Memorial Day

This day commemorates the millions of Jews and minority groups killed in the 1930s and 40s. The Holocaust was one of the most horrific genocides in history with an estimated 11 million lives lost. January 27th, the remembrance date, is significant as it was the date that Auschwitz-Birkenau, the largest and most infamous Nazi extermination camp in Poland, was liberated in 1945. In 2005, Holocaust Memorial Day was established by the [United Nations](#) General Assembly.



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RCMP ROAD SAFETY STATISTICS

RCMP Road Safety Stats
 November 2022, District 14
 Middle – Upper Sackville / Beaver Bank / Lucasville

- 354 Calls for Service in Nov. 2022 – Down 22.9% from Nov. 2021
- 67 Summary Offence Tickets (vs. 21 issued in Nov. 2021)
 3 seatbelt, 4 cell phone, 17 other MVA (e.g., unregistered vehicle, no insurance, no license, etc.), 43 speeding.
- 116 Proactive Assignments (vs. 199 in Nov. 2021)
- 30 Cell Phone/Impaired/Seatbelt/Speeding Checkpoints/
 Radar Enforcement
- 98 Traffic Stops (vs. 93 in Nov. 2021)
 2 Impaired Driving Charges (same as in Nov. 2021)
 2 Impaired Driving Suspensions (vs. 3 in Nov. 2021)
- 11 Motor Vehicle Accidents (vs. 8 in Nov. 2021)
 • None of these accidents resulted in injuries.
- 0 Vehicle/Pedestrian/Cyclist Accidents (same as Nov. 2021)

Please Drive Safely!

SPRINGFIELD LAKE RECREATION CENTRE



Springfield Lake Recreation Association

Contact Us

Facility Bookings: Donna MacDonald (Program Coordinator)
Fax Number: 865-1430
E-mail: info@springfieldlakerec.com
Fieldhouse Phone: (902) 865-2866
Upper Sackville Phone: (902) 869-3840
Emergencies: (902) 456-3253

SACKVILLE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTRE



Check out the 2023 Sackville Heights Community Center Scholarship application at [SHCC Scholarship - Sackville Heights Community Centre \(myshcc.com\)](http://myshcc.com)

Application Deadline: March 31st, 2023

WALLACE LUCAS COMMUNITY CENTRE



Our Mission
 To provide a social and recreational meeting place which recognizes and celebrates the rich Nova Scotian heritage of the community, thus fostering a greater sense of community and pride in the Lucasville area residents both

Wallace Lucas Community Centre.
 596 Lucasville Rd, Lucasville
 Phone: 902-865-0944

BEAVER BANK KINSAC COMMUNITY CENTRE



1583 Beaver Bank Road, Beaver Bank
 Phone: 902-865-5114



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SENIORS & PERSONS WITH DISABILITY SNOW REMOVAL SERVICE



Removing snow around your property can be a challenging – or impossible – task for many people. There is help available! Halifax Regional Municipality provides an annual contribution of \$400,000 in support of the YMCA Snow Removal Program for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities.

To find out more about this program and to apply, please call YMCA at 902.483.3678 or visit their [website](#).

WINTER PARKING BAN

The municipal overnight **winter parking ban** is in effect annually from **December 15th to March 31st**. The ban is enforced from 1 a.m. to 6 a.m. during declared weather events and snow removal operations only. [Sign up for](#)

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[hfxALERT](#) notifications to receive important updates from the municipality, including Winter Parking Ban notifications.

For more information on service standards, winter parking, and winter's impacts across our municipality, visit [our website](#) or keep up to date on clearing operations and municipal service updates via [@hfxgov on Twitter](#).

PROVINCIAL SNOW REMOVAL STANDARDS

When will my road get plowed?

SERVICE TIMES

Type of Road	Clearing Time
100-Series and trunk highways, and other high traffic roads	8 hours after snow stops
Secondary routes and other medium traffic roads	12 hours after snow stops
Local paved roads, most subdivision and residential streets	24 hours after snow stops
Gravel roads	24 hours after snow stops



There are more than 400 snow plows and other snow-clearing vehicles working to keep Nova Scotia's roads, highways, and bridges safe during the winter months. Crews are on the job day and night, 24/7, keeping the roads as safe and as clear as possible. Work starts before the storm and continues during and after the storm. At left is more information to help explain what you can expect this winter.

SALTING¹ AND SANDING

100-Series and trunk highways, and other high traffic roads

- Salted to achieve bare pavement
- Salt applied before, during and after a storm if required

*Secondary routes and other medium traffic roads

- Salted to achieve a bare centre line
- Salt applied at beginning of storm and after a storm if required

*Local paved roads, most subdivision and residential streets

- Salted to achieve a bare centre line
- Salt applied only after a storm



HRM COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

The 2023-24 Community Grants Program will **open January 4th, 2023** with an applications **deadline of March 31st, 2023**.



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The program provides annual cash grants to registered non-profit organizations and charities located throughout the region. There are two types of grants: a project grant of up to \$5,000 **OR** a capital grant of up to \$25,000. Applicants should review the Program Guidebook prior to submitting an application, for more information please check out our website: [Community Grant](#) | [Non-profit](#) | [Project Grant](#) | [Capital Grant](#) | [Halifax](#)

WELCOME THE NEW CAO

2023 HRM Volunteer Awards

Do you know an outstanding volunteer who gives back to our community? You can give them the recognition they deserve!

Nominations for HRM's 2023 Volunteer Awards: **January 6th deadline.** For more information on the process and application forms, please visit: [Volunteer Awards](#) | [Volunteering](#) | [Halifax](#)

WINTER 2023 REC REGISTRATION

Registration is now open for Rec programs happening this winter! 🛼🏠 This includes dryland programs, along with skating and aquatics! Program details are available at on our [website](#).

Issues with registration? Questions can be directed to your local recreation centre or call (902) 490-6666.



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Did you know?

✔ [The Recreation Funding Access Program](#) provides discounted recreation opportunities for children, youth and adults in financial need.

✔ Starting in January 2023, the municipality's aquatics program will be transitioning from the Red Cross Swim Program to the Lifesaving Society's Swim Program. Residents can find more information on the transition [here](#).

STUDENT TRANSIT PASS – EXPANDED



Students at select high school and junior high schools will receive a free, annual Halifax Transit pass for use on buses, ferries and Access-A-Bus for 2023, through Phase 2 of the Student Transit Pass Pilot Program.

Participating schools and grades are:

- Woodlawn High School: Grades 10-12
- Dartmouth High School: Grades 9-12
- École secondaire du Sommet: Grades 9-12

- École secondaire Mosaïque: Grades 9-12
- Bicentennial School: Grades 7-9
- Caledonia Junior High: Grades 7-9
- Dartmouth South Academy: Grades 7-8
- Ellenvale Junior High: Grades 7-9
- Eric Graves Memorial Junior High: Grades 7-9
- John Martin Junior High: Grades 7-9

This pilot program, offered in collaboration with the Halifax Regional Centre for Education (HRCE) and the Conseil scolaire acadien provincial (CSAP) **gives free annual transit passes to students, providing access to conventional buses, Access-A-Bus, and ferries.** Halifax Transit will review the extended program in fall 2023 and provide recommendations to Regional Council on next steps for the program. For more information, visit [our website](#).

IN THE COMMUNITY



Dropping off a donation at the recent Q104/HRM Firefighters Holiday Toy Drive at Station 11



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Having fun at the Sackville Heights Elementary School Holiday Fair with organizer Holly Clarke.



PROVINCIAL & FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES



Provincial Representatives in District 14:

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MLA Brian Wong

Waverley – Fall River – Beaver Bank



Great to be back in person at the Breakfast With Santa at Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre with MP Darrell Samson!

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I currently serve on the following Boards and Committees along with Halifax Regional Council and the North West Community Council:

- Appeals Standing Committee
- Board of Police Commissioners
- Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee
- Executive Standing Committee
- Grants Committee
- Women’s Advisory Committee
- North West Planning Advisory Committee

“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 and Friendship Treaties signed in this Territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People.”

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