



**SPECIAL EVENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
April 10, 2024**

PRESENT: Councillor Tony Mancini, Chair
Councillor Kathryn Morse, Vice Chair
Councillor Pam Lovelace
Roberta Dexter Robidoux
Natasha Chestnut
Tim Rissesco

REGRETS: Alison Gillan
Mark Schaay
Ross Jefferson

STAFF: Billy Comer, Manager, Events
Shari Dillman, Events Grant Administrator
Catie Campbell, Legislative Assistant
Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku, Legislative Assistant

The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.

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The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m., and the Committee adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 13, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Morse, seconded by Roberta Dexter Robidoux

THAT the minutes of March 13, 2024 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions: None

Deletions: None

As provided for in section 37 (1) of Administrative Order One, *Respecting the Procedures of the Council*, Councillor Mancini, requested that Items 7.3.3; 7.3.4; 7.3.6; 7.3.5 be considered prior to item 7.3.2.

MOVED by Natasha Chestnut, seconded by Tim Rissesco

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence

Correspondence was received and circulated for item 9.1.1.

For a detailed list of correspondence received refer to the specific agenda item.

7.2 Petitions – None

7.3 Presentations

7.3.1 Rock the Harbour – Alderney Landing Facility Association

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated April 10, 2024

Bea MacGregor, Alderney Landing Facility Association and Lori Laderoute, Alderney Landing Facility Association gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding attendance at last year's events, ticket sales and hotel bookings.

7.3.2 2024 Baseball Canada 22U Championships – 22U Renegades Baseball Society

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated April 10, 2024

Paul Arsenault, 22U Renegades Baseball Society gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding the demographic of players and competition level.

7.3.3. 2024 Myoflex Pickleball Canada National Championship – Pickleball Nova Scotia

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated April 10, 2024

Donald Johnson, President, Pickleball Nova Scotia and Sandra Merkas Treasurer, Pickleball Nova Scotia gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding facilities for the event.

7.3.4 Atlantic Canadian Artistic Gymnastics – Halifax Alta Gymnastics Club

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated April 10, 2024

Michelle Pothier, Halifax Alta Gymnastics Club gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding resources to expand the capacity of the club.

7.3.5 Volleyball World Beach Pro Tour Future Halifax 2024 – Volleyball Nova Scotia

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated April 10, 2024

Chris Larsen, President, Sports Entertainment Atlantic and Jason Trepanier, Executive Director, Volleyball Nova Scotia gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding Provincial funding, coaching development, weather accommodations and event logistics.

7.3.6 Rising Tides Canada Youth Cup – Suburban Football Club

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated April 10, 2024

Chris Larsen, President, Sports Entertainment Atlantic and Jessie Burgins, Suburban Football Club gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding partnership with Dalhousie University.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 Marketing Levy Special Events Reserve 2024 Grant Report

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff report dated March 4, 2024
- Correspondence from Terry Sheahan

MOVED by Councillor Morse, seconded by Roberta Dexter Robidoux

THAT the Special Events Advisory Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the total funding in the amount of \$988,500 from the Community and Events Reserve, Q621, as shown in Table 2; and**
- 2. Pending final approval of the 2025/26 budget, approve \$250,000 from the Community and Events Reserve, Q621 as identified in Table 3 of the staff report dated March 4, 2024.**

Shari Dillman, Events Grant Administrator spoke to the topic.

Dillman and Billy Comer, Manger, Events responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding the scoring process and the capacity of hotels within the Municipality to accommodate all the events.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED

10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – May 8, 2024

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku
Legislative Assistant