



**HARBOUR EAST-MARINE DRIVE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES
January 11, 2018**

PRESENT: Councillor Tony Mancini, Chair
 Councillor Sam Austin, Vice Chair
 Councillor Bill Karsten
 Councillor David Hendsbee
 Councillor Lorelei Nicoll

STAFF: Krista Vining, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., and adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 7, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT the minutes of December 7, 2017 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT the order of business be approved as presented.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

7. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

9. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

10. HEARINGS – NONE

11. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

11.1 Correspondence – None

11.2 Petitions – None

11.3 Presentations

11.3.1 Eastern Shore Life Style Centre Society re: new replacement community centre

Senator Tom McInnis, Chair of the Eastern Shore Life Style Centre Society introduced the Committee Chairs: Greg Cross, Chair of Site Management; Scott MacKenzie, Chair of Facility Components; and Ed Empringham, Chair of Business Plan, and provided introductory remarks on the new replacement community centre. Each Chair made a brief statement; a copy of their remarks is on file. The group sought Community Council's endorsement of the new centre, and in so doing, to release requisite funds to secure the services of a professional architect/planner to develop a concept plan. HRM's capital budget currently includes \$2.515 million for the replacement of the building. They wanted to use the budgeted HRM funds to lever equal amounts from the Federal and Provincial governments.

The Senator responded to questions of clarification, speaking to aging facilities in Sheet Harbour and the community input and support for this project. Scott MacKenzie commented on the proposed site location in relation to the downtown core. The Senator further explained that the current building has been condemned and is unsafe. The building used to be an indoor swimming pool built in the 1970's but it was too costly to continue to operate. They explained that the next step in this process was to complete a facility plan to show its sustainability.

The Chair thanked the group for their presentation.

12. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

13. REPORTS

13.1 STAFF

13.1.1 Update on the Centre Plan

Carl Purvis, Major Projects Planner, Development Approvals gave an update on the Centre Plan. The Centre Plan is divided into four chapters that state the goals, objectives and policies that will guide staff in realizing the core concepts of the Plan: Human Scale Design, Complete Communities, Pedestrians First and Strategic Growth. From a regulatory perspective, the Centre Plan will consolidate 21 secondary MPS, 22 LUBs and 481 zones, standardize definitions and numbering, and modernize equity and use of plain English. In terms of document delivery, it was explained that Package A includes: polices and Land Use By-law regulations relational to centres, corridors, higher order residential and future growth nodes; and Package B includes: polices and LUB regulations related to established residential, industrial, park and institutional. A copy of the presentation is on file.

Carl Purvis responded to questions from the Community Council. Purvis was unable to confirm the timeframe when the Centre Plan would go to Regional Council for review and approval.

The Chair thanked the speaker for their presentation.

13.1.2 Case 20436: Amendments to the Dartmouth MPS and LUB, and proposed development agreement for 102 Albro Lake Road, Dartmouth

The following was before the Community Council:

- A staff recommendation report dated November 22, 2017

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Nicoll

THAT Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council recommend that Regional Council:

- 1. Give First Reading to consider the proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS) and Land Use By-law (LUB) for Dartmouth, as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated November 22, 2017, to enable an automotive repair garage in an existing commercial building at 102 Albro Lake Road, Dartmouth, by development agreement, and schedule a public hearing; and**
- 2. Approve the proposed amendments to the MPS and LUB for Dartmouth, as set out in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated November 22, 2017.**

It is further recommended that Harbour East-Marine Drive Community Council:

- 3. Give Notice of Motion to consider the proposed development agreement, as set out in Attachment C of the staff report dated November 22, 2017, to permit an automotive repair garage within an existing commercial building at 102 Albro Lake Road, Dartmouth. The public hearing for the development agreement shall be held concurrently with that indicated in Recommendation 1.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13.2 MEMBERS OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL

13.2.1 Councillor Austin – Sullivan’s Pond Weed Control

The following was before the Community Council:

- A request for Council consideration form from Councillor Austin

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT Harbour East – Marine Drive Community Council request a staff report regarding possible options for cutting or reducing the aquatic weeds in Sullivan’s Pond in the Halifax and Area Model Yacht Club course.

Staff is being asked to look at low-cost options for addressing the weeds on the Halifax and Area Model Yacht Club's race course. It was noted that a bigger policy review could be done later with the Regional Watersheds Advisory Board.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

14. MOTIONS – NONE

15. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

Council may rise and go into a private In Camera session, in accordance with Section 19 of the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, for the purpose of dealing with the following:

15.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – December 7, 2017

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Karsten, seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT the In Camera (In Private) minutes of December 7, 2017 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

16. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

17. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

18. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Tom Mahar, Woodlawn wondered why the Centre Plan did not extend to the Dartmouth circumferential, rather than just focusing on the peninsula. They further questioned what impact the vegetation would have on Lake Banook’s water supply, and if this would be addressed as part of the clean-up or was it a separate matter.

John Woods, Dartmouth spoke to Administrative Order 50 – Community Interest Sale Process in relation to the property located at 10 Monique Avenue (Gray Arena). The speaker commented that residents are concerned that Council’s directive is vague, questioning the timeline, and what departments were involved. They wanted Council to communicate with stakeholders, and invite them to meetings, to develop the arena for the greater good. A copy of the speaker’s presentation is on file.

David Jones, Downtown Dartmouth spoke to the number of people who enjoy skating on Lake Banook, but that was too dark to do so in the evenings. They suggested that strategically placed flood lights around the lake would allow people to skate at night.

Warren Wesson, District 5 agreed with the previous speaker’s suggestion about lights at Lake Banook, adding that they could be removeable. Wesson asked for a Dartmouth flag to be installed at the

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Dartmouth Commons above the gazebo. The speaker added that they did not like the esthetic of the sign at Sullivan's Pond and asked to have it removed, suggesting a Dartmouth flag could be installed on the Pond's island.

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – February 1, 2018, 6:00 p.m. HEMDCC Meeting Space Main Floor, Alderney Gate 60 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth

20. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Krista Vining
Legislative Assistant