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WELCOME SEPTEMBER!

•HAPPY• LABOUR * DAY*



Happy Labour Day! Labour Day is a statutory holiday commemorating the hard-fought struggle for worker's rights, such as an 8-hour work day,

allowing workers more time to spend with family and friends.

Enjoy the last long weekend of the summer by taking in exciting events like the <u>Patio Lanterns</u> <u>Festival</u> or the <u>Halifax Fringe Festival</u> and give tribute to our front-line workers who have been there for us throughout the pandemic. From restaurant/pub staff, grocery store clerks to transit drivers to the amazing health care professionals, they deserve our gratitude.

You may reach me at:

<u>Shawn.Cleary@halifax.ca</u> or call 902.579.6746 to discuss municipal programs and services.

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SEPTEMBER VIRTUAL MEETING DATES

Virtual Regional Council, Halifax & West Community Council and Regional Centre Community Council meetings will be held on:

Regional Council:

Tuesday, September 14th at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 28th at 10:00 a.m.

Halifax & West Community Council:

Tuesday, September 7th at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 21st at 6:00 p.m.

Regional Centre Community Council:

Wednesday, September 29th at 6:00 p.m. (If required)

Please confirm dates and times on our <u>municipal website</u> as they are subject to change.

HALIFAX & WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL UPDATES

For updates on what was dealt with at the August 24th Halifax & West Community Council (HWCC) meeting, you can view the agenda, reports and draft minutes <u>here</u>.

DID YOU KNOW...

Labour Day/ Fête du Travail has its origins in the labour union movement, specifically the eight-hour day movement, which advocated eight hours for work, eight hours for recreation, and eight hours for rest. Labour Day is a statutory holiday celebrated on the first Monday in September since 1894.

Donate Your Recyclables for Long Lake

You can donate your recyclables at Beaver Enviro Depot, 251 Herring Cove Road, to help support the Long Lake Provincial Park Association!

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

There are many exciting events to attend in September. The following is a small sampling of what is happening:

- <u>Patio Lanterns Festival</u> running to October 11th
- <u>Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo</u> (virtual) September 1st
- <u>Halifax Urban Folk Festival</u> (HUFF) August 29th to September 5th
- <u>Halifax Fringe Festival</u> September 2nd to 12th
- <u>FIN Atlantic International Film Festival</u> September 16th to 23rd

CROSSWALK GUARDS NEEDED!

The Halifax Regional Police (HRP) Traffic Unit is currently accepting resumes for regular parttime Crosswalk Guard positions across several locations in the municipality. Apply now by sending your resume to <u>richart@halifax.ca</u>. Inquiries can be made by leaving a message at (902) 490-5168.



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CROSSWALK GUARD OPPORTUNITIES

Crosswalk Guards provide a safe and secure crosswalk for elementary children at designated school crosswalks.

Opportunities are available for Halifax, Dartmouth, Sackville, Bedford and Tantallon.

Send resume to richart@halifax.ca.
Enquiries can be made by leaving a message at 902-490-5168.



DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Safely escort elementary school children across busy crosswalks throughout HRM
- Enforce all policies and procedures in the operation of the crosswalk
- Abides by all laws dealing with pedestrian traffic at the crosswalk

REQUIREMENTS

- Ability to stand or walk 2 3 ¹/₂ hours a day and be exposed to all weather conditions
- Ability to maintain control under pressure
- Ability to work with minimum supervision\
- Possess adequate vision and hearing
- Successfully meet the security clearance requirements administered by Halifax Regional Police.

Crosswalk Guards work up to 3.5 hours per day Monday to Friday, 10 months a year. The hourly rate for this position is \$14.00 (Under Negotiation) accordance with the collective agreement between CUPE Local 4814 and Halifax Regional Municipality.

HRM encourages applications from qualified African Nova Scotians, racially visible persons, women in non-traditional positions, persons with disabilities and Aboriginal persons in the workplace. HRM encourages applicants to selfidentify.

HALIFAX HARBOUR SWIM

After a hiatus last year in response to COVID-19, I am pleased to share that the Halifax Harbour Swim will be taking place on September 8th at 11:30 a.m. This year marks the 10th anniversary of this initiative in support of United Way Halifax (UWH).



Let's make this year's Halifax Harbour Swim the biggest one yet. Join Chief Dan Kinsella, Halifax Regional Police (HRP) and Divisional Chief Chuck Bezanson, Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency (HRFE) for an incredible, inspiring day of teamwork and friendly competition in support of UWH.



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Interested swimmers will be required to raise a minimum of \$150 in pledges and must be able to swim 1,500 meters within a 40-minute period. All events will follow public health guidelines and HRP, HRFE the RCMP, lifeguards and support boats will be onsite to ensure the safety of all participants.

If you're feeling inspired by the recent Olympic Games, you're welcome to participate in <u>other</u> <u>swims</u> happening across the province: Chester Swim – September 7 | 6 p.m. Sydney Swim – September 9 | 6 p.m. Pictou Swim – September 10 | 12 p.m.



DISTRICT 9 DISTRICT CAPITAL PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING

Each fiscal year, all districts are allocated District Funds that Councillors have the ability to designate for community benefit. District Capital Funds can provide a grant to any nonprofit organization or charity or provide funding for HRM projects that are in the HRM departmental operating or capital budget or proposed by the Councillor. The amount of funding provided for 2021/22 District 9 District Capital Fund is \$94,000.

Usually, a public information session would be held to provide information on the Participatory Budget process to interested members of non- profit groups and the public. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this public session will not be held.

The Participatory Budget process is:

- Non-profit groups submit a project proposal for a specific amount of funding toward their proposed community project. Submissions must include a letter from the non-profit group outlining the project and how it would benefit the greater community, confirmation of non-profit status, completed <u>District Capital Fund</u> <u>Request Form</u>. Incomplete submissions will be returned.
- 2. Staff review the submission to ensure they meet the <u>District Capital Fund</u> <u>criteria</u>.
- 3. If the project meets the District Capital Fund criteria for funding, the project goes forward for the Community Vote Night where residents will vote on the projects.
- Non-profit groups set up their proposed project submission, science fair style, for residents to review and ask questions
- Residents then vote on the project(s) they would like to see funded.



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6. Votes are tallied and the winners announced.

Proposal Submission Deadline: Friday, September 17th at 4:00 p.m.

- Email submissions to
 <u>Chris.Newson@halifax.ca</u>
- or mail via Canada Post to: Chris Newson, Council Support Office PO Box 1749 Halifax, NS B3J 3A5

Community Vote Night/Town Hall: Wednesday, September 29th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Bethany United Church Fellowship Hall.

District 9 residents of all ages VOTE on their favourite projects in person (if public health authority permits). That's right! YOU decide which project gets funding. Winners are announced that night.

For more information on the District 9 District Capital Fund and to apply for funding, visit <u>the</u> <u>municipal website</u>.



AFFORDABLE ACCESS PROGRAM

Affordable Access Program

If you qualify, you only need one application to apply for:



All applicants to the <u>Affordable Access</u> <u>Program</u> are evaluated based on Statistics Canada's Low-Income Cut-Offs for the current year. For some programs, applications are reviewed on a first come, first served basis.

COVID-19 EVENTS RECOVERY GRANT PROGRAM

The <u>COVID-19 Events Recovery Grant Program</u> for non-profit organizations is intended to:

- support non-profit community and cultural event organizations to maintain or restart in-person events
- increase activities that benefit residents and visitors to the municipality under the public health guidelines.

This one-time grant is to assist with COVID-19 adaptation expenses incurred and directly related to deliver in-person (live) events.





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Application deadline is 4:00 pm on December 31st, subject to availability of funds.

Outcomes of participation in the COVID-19 Events Recovery Grant program include:

- increasing the organization's liquidity to ensure continued operations or adapt their activities from virtual programing to in-person event delivery;
- encouraging the engagement with local businesses to deliver the event, stimulate the local economy and provide an opportunity for residents to engage and participate in the community;
- enhance the capacity of the organization to develop safe, COVID-19 compliant spaces for in-person gatherings; and,
- deliver in-person experiences and events that draw visitors to our communities and will complement tourism-related initiatives.

The total budget for the COVID-19 Events Recovery Fund is \$150,000. Event applications will be assessed non-competitively on an ongoing basis as they are received.

This rolling intake grant program will remain open until the stated deadline or until such time as program funds have been fully allocated.

For more information on the program criteria, eligibility and the application form click <u>here</u>.

HALIFAX TRANSIT - TRANSIT CODE CAMPAIGN



Halifax Transit has officially launched a guide for passenger conduct and

passenger policies in an effort to help foster safety, courtesy and respect.

The Transit Code campaign is relevant to everyone, and aims to:

- Improve awareness of Halifax Transit policies;
- Highlight Halifax Transit's zerotolerance policies and practices regarding prohibited conduct including racism, discrimination, harassment, verbal and physical abuse, and other serious behaviours; and,
- Clarify passenger courtesy practices, including key themes related to entry and exit, bags and backpacks, courtesy seats, and respecting others' space and privacy while using transit.

Halifax Transit is committed to the safety and security of all staff and customers, in every transit vehicle and vessel, and on every transit property.

For more information about passenger conduct and policies, please visit <u>halifax.ca/transitcode</u>.



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NATIONAL URBAN PARK IN HRM?

Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) and Parks Canada have agreed to collaborate on the feasibility of the potential designation of a national urban park at Blue Mountain Birch Cove Lakes (BMBCL).

As <u>announced by Parks Canada</u>, a Statement of Collaboration has been signed between the municipality and Parks Canada through the National Urban Park Program. Blue Mountain Birch Cove Lakes is one of a few sites identified across Canada for this potential designation. The municipality has also identified BMBCL as a priority through the <u>Regional Plan</u>.

As the National Urban Park program unfolds, the municipality will review current Regional Council approved parkland priorities to determine what areas would be prime candidates within the potential urban park boundary.

Through the <u>Parks & Recreation Business</u> <u>Plan</u> and <u>Capital Budget</u> the municipality has identified key deliverables for this year which include the overall planning for the future of Blue Mountain Birch Cove Lakes Regional Plan. Further review of this site, along with other special green spaces in Halifax, will be considered as part of the urban park identification process.

Residents can anticipate being invited to participate in an extensive public engagement program supporting the feasibility assessment.

More information is expected to be available in the coming months and will be shared via <u>Halifax.ca</u>.

WEEKLY GREEN BIN COLLECTION ENDS SEPTEMBER 30TH



This is a reminder that weekly green bin collection ends on September 30th. Check the municipal website to confirm collection schedules or download the free Halifax Recycles app on your Android or iOS device to have waste info at the

palm of your hand!



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We also have Household Sorting Guides available in a number of languages: <u>Curbside Sorting Guide - Large Print English</u> <u>Curbside Sorting Guide - English</u> <u>Curbside Sorting Guide - French</u> <u>Curbside Sorting Guide - Arabic</u> <u>Curbside Sorting Guide - Farsi</u> <u>Curbside Sorting Guide - Simplified Chinese</u>

PROVINCIAL AND FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES IN DISTRICT 9



As of the August 17th, 2021 Provincial Election, the following are the Members Elect of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs) representing District 9 and surrounding areas:

MLA Brendan Maguire Halifax Atlantic Constituency office

349 Herring Cove Road. Suite C. Halifax, NS B3V 1R9 Phone: 902-444-0147 Fax: 902-444-8941 brendan@brendanmaguire.ca

MLA Ali Duale

Halifax Armdale Constituency Office Nova Scotia Liberal Party P.O. Box 723 5151 George Street, Suite 1400 Halifax, Nova Scotia Canada B3J 1M5 Tel: (902) 429-1993 Fax: (902) 423-1624 Email: <u>office@liberal.ns.ca</u>

MLA Gary Burrill

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MLA Lisa Lachance

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PARLIAMENT OF CANADA



HOUSE OF COMMONS CHAMBRE DES COMMUNES CANADA

The Federal Members of Parliament (MPs) representing the District 9 area are:

MP Andy Fillmore Halifax

Constituency Office 1888 Brunswick Street, Suite 808 Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 3J8 Telephone: 902-426-8691 Fax: 902-426-8693

MP Geoff Regan (Not reoffering) Halifax West

Constituency Office 1496 Bedford Highway, Suite 222 Bedford, Nova Scotia B4A 1E5 Telephone: 902-426-2217 Fax: 902-426-8339

MP Bernadette Jordan South Shore St. Margaret's

Constituency Office 129 Aberdeen Road, Suite 106 Bridgewater, Nova Scotia B4V 2S7 Telephone: 902-527-5655 Fax: 902-527-5656

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I am a member of Halifax Regional Council, Halifax & West Community Council, Regional Centre Community Council and the following boards & committees:

- Environment & Sustainability Standing Committee (Chair)
- Transportation Standing Committee
- Community Design Advisory Committee
- Halifax Chain of Lakes Trails Association
- Halifax Partnership

HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

Halifax is committed to strengthening its relationship with Indigenous communities and honouring the significant contributions of Indigenous peoples. Another way the



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municipality has demonstrated this is by formalizing the official 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 and Friendship Treaties signed in this Territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People."

Historically, a Land Acknowledgment is a traditional practice shared amongst Indigenous groups to recognize the Indigenous land and territory they are visiting. Making a respectful Land Acknowledgement now, remains a way to express gratitude and respect to Indigenous peoples for being stewards of the land we live and work on. It is an important step in reconciliation.

In Nova Scotia, we are all Treaty People; with that comes roles and responsibilities.



