



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON
DISTRICT 1 NEWSLETTER
WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

WELCOME APRIL 2026!



April is the first whole month of spring, and the weather is neither too cold nor too hot. If the cold has kept you in the house, now is the perfect time to enjoy some spring fun. Take advantage of the season by exploring one of our

beautiful municipal parks or green spaces. Spring gives the world a makeover; and it's the perfect time to do the same for yourself. Refresh your mind with gratitude, kindness, motivation, and love - it will set a positive tone for the rest of the year.

Budget Committee has completed their review of each business unit's budget and business plans and have reviewed the final capital and operating budgets. We expect to complete final budget approval at the March 31 meeting of the Budget Committee, but dates are subject to change.

Keep reading for information on the upcoming Waverley Road improvements, municipal tax bills and much more on what's happening in and around the community.

Please contact me if you have questions regarding municipal programs/services by phoning 902-717-2718 or by email at deaglec@halifax.ca.

April 2026

TABLE OF CONTENTS

WELCOME APRIL 2026!	1
TABLE OF CONTENTS	1
APRIL MEETING DATES	2
WAVERLEY ROAD IMPROVEMENTS PLANNED FOR 2026	3
HRM BUDGET 2026/27	3
STUDENT TRANSIT PASS PROGRAM	3
MUNICIPALITY RECEIVES BEE CITY STATUS	4
PROVINCIAL HOUSING LEGISLATION UPDATE	4
YOUTH WORX APPLICATIONS	5
DIVERT NS CHAMPION OF THE ENVIRONMENT SCHOLARSHIP	5
YOUTH SERVICES PLAN 2026-29 ENGAGEMENT SURVEY	5
MICROTRANSIT SERVICE PLAN	6
CANADA GAMES CENTRE RE-NAMING	6
CENTRE FOR ART TAPES CONTRIBUTION	6
ACCESSIBLE AND INCLUSIVE RECREATION SURVEY	7
INVASIVE SPECIES AWARENESS	7
WELCOMING NEW POLICE SERVICE DOGS	7
MUNICIPAL TAX BILLS	8
ANNUAL SPRING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS	8
WILDFIRE SEASON	9
HALIFAX WATER CUSTOMER PORTAL PRIVACY INCIDENT INVESTIGATION	9
SHARED MICROMOBILITY E-SCOOTER & E-BIKE RESUMES	10
RCMP REPORTS INCREASE IN TRAFFIC STOPS AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY	10
IN THE COMMUNITY	11
COMMUNITY HALLS/CENTRES	16
GORDON R. SNOW COMMUNITY	16
CENTRE SPRING PROGRAMS	16
PROVINCIAL & FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES	17
COUNCILLOR DEAGLE GAMMON	18
E-NEWSLETTER/SUBSCRIBE	18
LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	18



APRIL MEETING DATES

April meetings will be held on the following dates:

Regional Council:

Tuesday, April 14 at 10 a.m.

Tuesday, April 28 at 10 a.m.

Standing Committees:

Environment & Sustainability Standing Committee

Thursday, April 2 at 1 p.m.

Audit & Finance Standing Committee:

Wednesday, April 15 at 10 a.m.

Community Planning & Economic Development Standing Committee:

Thursday, April 16 at 10 a.m.

Executive Standing Committee:

Monday, April 27 at 10 a.m.

Please confirm dates and times on our [municipal website](#) as they are subject to change.

DID YOU KNOW....

In Canada, April is recognized for several health, Cultural and social awareness campaigns, including Daffodil Month, IBS Awareness Month, Parkinson Awareness Month, National Oral Health Month, World Autism Month, and Sikh Heritage Month. April is also designated as Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) and Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month.

April 1 is April Fool's Day

April 2 is World Autism Awareness Day

April 3 is Good Friday

April 4 is [Refugee Rights Day](#)

April 5 is Easter Sunday

April 6 is Tartan Day

April 6 is Easter Monday

April 7 is Green Shirt Day

April 7 is World Health Day

April 8 is [International Day of Pink](#)

April 9 is [Anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge](#)

April 11 is World Parkinson's Day

April 17 is World Hemophilia Day

April 19 – 25 is [National Volunteer Week](#)

April 22 is [Earth Day](#)

April 22 is [Administrative Professionals Day](#)

April 28 is [National Day of Mourning](#)



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

WAVERLEY ROAD IMPROVEMENTS PLANNED FOR 2026

The Halifax Regional Municipality will complete safety and infrastructure upgrades on Waverley Road between 1291/1293 and 1335 during the 2026 construction season (May–September) as part of its 2026–2030 Strategic Plan. Work includes replacing and extending the guiderail, widening the road shoulder toward Lake William, constructing a retaining wall where needed, and repaving the roadway.

Halifax Water and Nova Scotia Power will coordinate stormwater upgrades and utility relocations during construction. All required environmental approvals are in place for work near Lake William.

Residents should expect traffic impacts, including single-lane stop-and-go traffic and occasional short-term full closures (up to three days). Local and emergency access will be maintained.

Updates will be shared at halifax.ca/waverleyroad and through municipal channels.

HRM BUDGET 2026/27



Budget Committee has completed their review of each business unit’s budget and business plans and have reviewed the final capital and operating budgets.

Early estimations predicted a 10.5% average property tax bill increase for the 2026/27 fiscal year.

After some difficult discussions aiming to reduce the tax burden while maintaining essential services, the final budget increase is estimated to be closer to a 7.5% total tax bill increase.

We expect to complete final budget approval at the March 31 meeting of the Budget Committee, but dates are subject to change. For more the full schedule and more information on the 2026/27 municipal budget process, visit our [website](#).

STUDENT TRANSIT PASS PROGRAM



You might have caught the news that, as part of the Provincial budget, the Province is eliminating funding for

HRM's student bus pass program. This will impact up to 30,000 junior high and high school students.

For the last several years, HRM and the Province have partnered to provide junior high and high school students with bus passes. The program launched in 2021 with four schools as an initial pilot and expanded to include all schools in HRM in 2024.

To evaluate the program, HRM completed surveys of students and parents in 2024 and 2025, which generated over 8,100 responses. Survey results show an increase in usage, with 52% of student respondents indicating that transit is their primary mode of transportation. The number of students who reported that transit is their primary means of getting to school increased from 12% to 33%.



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

Parents and kids both independently reported that about 75% of students were using transit on a weekly basis and were making trips for other non-school related purposes too. The HRM survey data suggests the program is well used, helps reduce congestion (parents not having to provide rides as often), provides young adults with more independence, and potentially creates a life-long culture of transit ridership.

The main cost of the program is lost fare revenue. By providing students with free passes, HRM doesn't collect as many fares as the municipality normally would. To offset the fare revenue losses, the Province contributed \$1.2 million and HRM agreed to absorb the remaining \$600,000. HRM hasn't been charging the Province on a per student basis, the cost of the program has been fare replacement. Besides the small incremental cost of printing passes, there has been no cost for students who don't use their bus pass.

So what happens next? Current passes will remain valid until September. I know the student pass program is important to many families. I continue to hope that the Province will take a second look at this and restore funding.

MUNICIPALITY RECEIVES BEE CITY STATUS



The Halifax Regional Municipality has received Bee City status, as designated by Bee City Canada.

Bee City status recognizes the municipality's commitment to protecting and promoting pollinators

by establishing and maintaining pollinator

April 2026

habitats, supporting community education and celebrating National Pollinator Week, held annually during the third week of June. "Achieving Bee City status is a testament to the dedication of our community," says Mayor Andy Fillmore. "More than 100 volunteers took part in naturalization events, helping transform over 7,500 square metres of municipal land into healthy, pollinator-friendly habitat. Their generosity and hands-on leadership are what make initiatives like this possible."

The designation also provides access to expert resources from Bee City Canada to support ongoing work under the municipality's Naturalization Strategy [Naturalization Strategy](#).

Naturalization is a landscape management approach that focuses on biodiversity and making urban spaces more resilient. It includes the use of native or non-invasive grasses, perennials, shrubs and trees.

Click here halifax.ca/naturalization to learn more about the municipality's naturalization efforts.

4

PROVINCIAL HOUSING LEGISLATION UPDATE



The Province of Nova Scotia has made amendments to the Housing Supply and

Services Act, Housing in Halifax Regional Municipality Act, Municipal Government Act and the Halifax Regional Municipal Charter that will extend the Executive Panel on Housing in the Halifax Regional Municipality and give the Minister of Housing new authority. The Executive Panel on Housing is a joint planning task force created to address housing challenges. The panel will now be active for an additional two years.



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

The Minister of Housing will now have order-making authority with Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) and Halifax Water to improve co-ordination of water, wastewater and infrastructure and the Minister of Municipal Affairs will now have temporary regulated authority to amend HRM's urban service area boundary to build out infrastructure required for growth.

You can find out more about these changes [here](#).

YOUTH WORX APPLICATIONS



The Halifax Regional Municipality is inviting youth aged 16 to 24 who face employment barriers to apply for Youth WORX, a professional development and skill-building program. Youth WORX offers up to 24 weeks of paid full-time employment. Participants gain hands-on experience in the service industry in a supportive space for those who have anxiety and other barriers to finding employment. Participants who complete the full 24-week program may also earn a Grade 11 elective personal development credit toward high school graduation.

Applications for the spring session close on **April 10**.

For more information on how to apply, or attend an upcoming information session, visit [our website](#)

April 2026

DIVERT NS CHAMPION OF THE ENVIRONMENT SCHOLARSHIP



Are you a Grade 12 student in Nova Scotia? [Divert NS](#) is proud to award \$40,500 in

scholarships to Nova Scotia Grade 12 students who are making a difference for the environment.

This year, 18 scholarships are available, including awards valued at \$3,500 and \$1,000 across Nova Scotia's solid waste regions.

Dedicated scholarships are also available for students who apply in French, as well as for Indigenous and Black Nova Scotian students.

Click [here](#) to apply before the **May 10** deadline. Winners will be announced in June.

YOUTH SERVICES PLAN 2026-29 ENGAGEMENT SURVEY



The Halifax Regional Municipality is inviting youth to participate in an online engagement survey to help guide future youth focused programs and services.

Survey results will inform the municipality's Youth Services Plan 2026-29

by identifying areas for improvement and opportunities to enhance recreation services for youth across the municipality. The survey takes approximately 10 minutes to complete.



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

Visit engagehalifax.ca/YSP to take the online survey. For more information on the Youth Services Plan 2026-29, visit halifax.ca/YSP.

All respondents will be entered into a draw to win prizes, including a Nintendo Switch, two Apple Watch devices and three Apple AirPods sets. To qualify, participants must provide their name and phone number.

Contest ends on **April 30**. Draw date is May 8.

MICROTRANSIT SERVICE PLAN



Regional Council approved Halifax Transit's Microtransit Service Plan

in February, and staff will be preparing detailed information on requirements to implement it going into the 2027/28 budget process. Microtransit is an on-demand, shared-ride transit service primarily geared towards communities outside the conventional transit boundary.

If the project is approved, Lucasville has been selected to be the first community to receive Microtransit as a pilot in the plan's Proof-of-Concept stage.

Microtransit typically uses smaller vehicles and a digital booking system to coordinate rides efficiently over large areas.

Prior to launch, Halifax Transit would work in collaboration with community leaders to determine potential service hours, stop locations and ways to communicate with residents about the service.

April 2026

Regular engagement and feedback on the service would occur throughout the proof-of-concept stage. For more information, check out the [staff report](#).

CANADA GAMES CENTRE RE-NAMING



The Canada Games Centre is getting a new name! Last month, the Halifax Regional Municipality and Manulife Canada

announced a 10-year naming rights partnership.

HRM will receive \$1 million over 10 years for capital facility improvements. The new branding of the Manulife Recreation Centre will roll out gradually starting in May and there will be no changes to the facility ownership, operation or member or visitor access and fees. You can find out more about this change [here](#).

CENTRE FOR ART TAPES CONTRIBUTION



At the Feb. 24 meeting, Regional Council approved a one-time contribution of \$225,000 to the

Centre for Art Tapes (CFAT) to support the purchase of 2199 Gottingen Street in Halifax.



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

The funding will be accommodated within the 2025/26 Parks & Recreation operating budget, and the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to negotiate and execute a standard Contribution Agreement.

CFAT is a non-profit, artist-run media arts centre founded in 1979 and the region's only dedicated media arts production facility. The property purchase will provide a permanent home for the organization, stabilize operations and expand programming capacity within Halifax's North End cultural corridor. Funding supports the down payment only and additional renovation funding is not included in this approval.

For more information, read the [staff report](#).

ACCESSIBLE AND INCLUSIVE RECREATION SURVEY

The Halifax Regional Municipality is inviting residents to share their input on how recreation programs can be more inclusive and accessible. Feedback received will help inform updates to accessibility and inclusion in recreation programming across the municipality.

Engagement sessions

Residents can participate through a virtual engagement session:

- **Monday, April 13**, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Virtual town hall (Microsoft Teams)

*Please note registration is required. Residents can register by emailing: inclusion@halifax.ca.

Click [here](#) to access the online engagement survey. The survey will be available until **Thursday, April 30**. For more information about the engagement and the Inclusion Support Advisory Group, click [here](#).

April 2026

INVASIVE SPECIES AWARENESS



The Nova Scotia Invasive Species Council and the Halifax Regional Municipality's Environment & Climate Change team are doing everything they can to slow and stop the spread of invasive species that can have a negative impact on our ecosystems.

In Nova Scotia, we have pests like hemlock woolly adelgid and emerald ash borer causing serious trouble. This year, we are focusing on knotweed, a plant that is stubborn and difficult to get rid of, for many reasons. If it's left to grow uncontrolled, knotweed spreads so fast and it bullies other plants in the area. Find out about knotweed and our struggle to contain it [here](#).

WELCOMING NEW POLICE SERVICE DOGS



Welcome Libby, Spirit, Yogi and Goose, four K9 officers who were presented their HRP Badges as official members of the Halifax Regional Police Force last month.

These four new police service dogs and their handlers will join the current staff of five K9 officers and provide support with airport and patrol-based operations.

You can learn more about our K9 unit [here](#).



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

MUNICIPAL TAX BILLS

Average Single-Family Household Tax Bill

	2025/26 Approved	2026/27 Proposed	% Change
Assessment	\$ 338,500	\$ 357,500	5.6%
Urban General Rate	0.661	0.687	
Local Transit Rate	0.092	0.095	
Strat. Inf. & Climate Fund	0.017	0.016	
Municipal Tax	0.770	0.798	3.6%
Average Mun. Tax Bill	\$2,606	\$2,853	
Municipal Increase \$		\$247	
Municipal Increase %		9.5%	
Supplementary Education	0.015	0.015	0.0%
Mandatory Education	0.294	0.290	-1.4%
Property Valuation Serv.	0.011	0.010	-9.1%
Fire Protection	0.015	0.014	-6.7%
Stormwater ROW	0.010	0.008	-20.0%
Total Tax	0.345	0.337	-2.3%
Average Total Tax Bill	\$3,774	\$4,058	
Total Increase \$		\$284	
Total Increase %		7.5%	

The municipal tax bill, which is made up of the municipal tax rates controlled by Council makes up the top portion of the total tax bill. This is increasing by 9.5%.

The mandatory portion of the tax bill which are the rates Council does not directly control and which is made of remittances to the province and Halifax Water is at the bottom portion of the total tax bill. This section is increasing by 3.3%.

When you combine both parts of the tax bill (taking into account the proportions that each part makes up mentioned above) you get a total increase of 7.5%.

DOWNTOWN HALIFAX BUSINESS COMMISSION IS HIRING



Love working outdoors? Or know someone who does?

With warmer weather just around the corner, we're now hiring our next Downtown Halifax Crew!

The Crew serves as Downtown ambassadors, helping keep our streets clean and welcoming all season long. Think you'd be a great fit? Apply now!

More information can be found here: [We're Hiring! | Downtown Halifax Business Commission](#)

ANNUAL SPRING WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

Spring weight restrictions

The Halifax Regional Municipality has implemented regulations restricting the maximum vehicle and axle weights permitted on all Halifax maintained roads NOT referenced in Schedule "B".

Schedule "B"

1. WINDGATE DRIVE FROM BEAVER BANK ROAD EASTERLY 1.2 KM
2. BEAVER BANK ROAD WINDGATE DRIVE TO SACKVILLE DR
3. BISSETT ROAD COLE HARBOUR ROAD TO BISSETT LAKE ROAD
4. COBEGUID ROAD SACKVILLE DRIVE TO ROCKY LAKE DRIVE
5. COLE HARBOUR ROAD CALDWELL ROAD TO ROSS ROAD
6. COW BAY ROAD MAIN ROAD TO CALDWELL ROAD
7. DUKE STREET ROCKY LAKE DRIVE TO HIGHWAY 102
8. MAIN ROAD BELMONT AVENUE TO COW BAY ROAD
9. ESTATES ROAD GLENDALE AVE SOUTHERLY TO END OF PAVEMENT
10. FOREST HILLS DRIVE MAIN STREET TO COLE HARBOUR ROAD
11. GLENDALE AVENUE COBEGUID ROAD TO HIGHWAY 102
12. HAMMONDS PLAINS RD LARRY UTECK BOULEVARD TO HIGHWAY 103
13. LAKE MAJOR ROAD IN TOTAL
14. LUCASVILLE ROAD SACKVILLE DRIVE TO HEFLERS MILL
15. ROCKY LAKE DRIVE DUKE STREET TO HIGHWAY 2
16. SACKVILLE DRIVE HIGHWAY 102 TO PATTON ROAD IN UPPER SACKVILLE
17. ST. MARGARET'S BAY RD PROSPECT ROAD TO HIGHWAY 103, EXIT 4 IN TIMBERLEA
18. HIGHWAY 2 ROCKY LAKE DRIVE TO SUNNYSIDE ROAD IN WELLINGTON
19. MAIN STREET RIDGECREST DRIVE TO LITTLE SALMON RIVER BRIDGE
20. HERRING COVE ROAD OLD HALIFAX CITY BOUNDARY TO HERRING COVE
21. EVERGREEN PLACE IN TOTAL
22. WINDSOR JUNCTION RD 400 METRES NORTH FROM COBEGUID ROAD
23. TIMBERLEA VILLAGE PKWY. ST. MARGARET'S BAY ROAD TO HIGHWAY 103
24. ALL STREETS IN THE FORMER CITY OF HALIFAX, DARTMOUTH & TOWN OF BEDFORD
25. HIGHWAY 3 FROM INDIANSPORT CONNECTOR TO HIGHWAY 103 EXIT 4
26. HIGHWAY 7 FROM HIGHWAY 107 TO BILLEROCK ROAD (EAST END)
27. ROUTE 207 FROM ROSS ROAD TO MINNELL ROAD
28. ROUTE 219 FROM HIGHWAY 103 TO HIGHWAY 3
29. MINNELL ROAD FROM HIGHWAY 7 TO ROUTE 207
30. CLARENCE AVENUE FROM HOWARD AVENUE TO MACHAB AVENUE
31. HOWARD AVENUE FROM MAIN ROAD TO CLARENCE AVENUE
32. MORRIS AVENUE FROM MAIN ROAD TO CLARENCE AVENUE
33. MACHAB AVENUE FROM CLARENCE AVENUE TO END
34. TALLAHASSEE AVENUE FROM CLARENCE AVENUE TO END

To minimize potential damage to municipal roads, the Halifax Regional Municipality introduced its annual spring weight restrictions on Sunday, March 15 and ending at 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, April 26. These restrictions are for heavy vehicles travelling on municipally maintained roads. Residents can view which roads are exempt from spring weight restrictions on this [map](#) or by reviewing the list attached. Regular weight tolerances apply on exempt roads.

The municipality's spring weight restrictions are consistent with those of the Nova Scotia Department of Public Works. More details of vehicle restrictions can be found on the provincial [website](#).



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

WILDFIRE SEASON



Wildfire season runs from March 15 to Oct. 15. While burning restrictions are in effect year-round, additional restrictions are in effect during wildfire season. Always check our [Before You Burn](#) website before starting a fire.

If burning is permitted, follow these safety guidelines:

- Never leave your fire unattended - unattended fires can spread quickly and become dangerous.
- Completely extinguish your fire - douse it with water, stir the ashes and repeat until everything is cool to the touch.

Residents can voluntarily register to receive a wildfire risk assessment for their property using the FireSmart standard. FireSmart is a program that helps people reduce wildfire risk by making homes and neighbourhoods less likely to catch fire from embers. It focuses on straightforward actions like basic home improvements, keeping buildings and yards free of combustible debris and managing nearby vegetation so fires are less likely to spread.

To learn more about a FireSmart assessment, visit our [website](#). For more information about wildfire safety, visit our [website](#).

HALIFAX WATER CUSTOMER PORTAL PRIVACY INCIDENT INVESTIGATION

Customer Connect Update

Customer Connect online portal will remain offline while, Halifax Water investigates unauthorized access to information associated with the portal.

There is no indication that financial information is at risk.

We apologize for the concern and inconvenience this may cause.

If any customers have any questions or concerns, please contact our Customer Care Team at 902-420-9287 during normal business hours, Monday to Friday, 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM.



Halifax Water is continuing to respond to a privacy incident involving its Customer Connect Portal. Protecting customer information is

a top priority, and the utility is committed to transparency as more information is confirmed.

The Customer Connect Portal remains offline while Halifax Water and the external vendor that owns and operates the platform complete a comprehensive investigation and verification process.

The investigation is ongoing and is focused on determining what information was accessible and to what extent. This privacy incident is limited to the online customer portal and is not impacting their day-to-day operations.

Customers are reminded to be cautious of unsolicited calls, emails, or text messages claiming to be from Halifax Water. Halifax Water is not contacting customers regarding this incident. If you receive a call and are unsure, hang up and call back using the phone number listed on the official Halifax Water website.

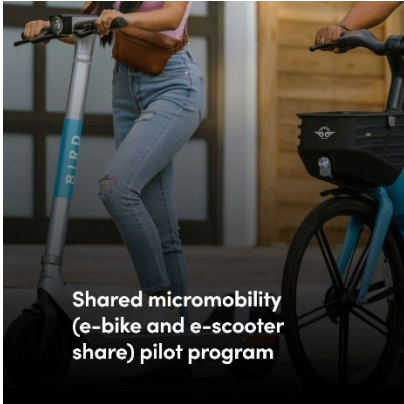
Customers with questions or concerns can contact Halifax Water's Customer Care Team at 902-420-9287, Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. You can find out more [here](#).



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

SHARED MICROMOBILITY E-SCOOTER & E-BIKE RESUMES



The Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents that the shared micromobility pilot program, offering e-scooters and e-bikes through

Bird Canada, has resumed service on Monday, March 16. The pilot provides residents with low-emission transportation options that support short distance travel and help reduce traffic congestion.

E-scooters and e-bikes will be available at designated parking locations throughout the municipality. Riders can locate, unlock and pay for devices through the Bird Canada mobile app.

Residents are reminded of key guidelines to support safe and responsible use:

- Devices must be parked in designated parking zones and not block sidewalks, transit stops, access points or private property.
- Riders must follow all applicable traffic rules and municipal regulations.
- E-scooters are intended for use on roads, bike lanes and multi-use pathways unless otherwise signed.
- Only one rider is permitted per device.

Since the pilot program began in May 2025, there have been over 122,000 rides taken on these shared e-scooters and e-bikes.

The shared micromobility pilot program helps evaluate how these new mobility options can complement existing transportation choices across the municipality. Findings from the pilot will inform future planning and decision making. For more information on the program, including parking maps, user guidelines and pilot background, visit our [website](#).

RCMP REPORTS INCREASE IN TRAFFIC STOPS AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY



The RCMP Halifax Regional Detachment (HRD) Traffic Unit has recorded a steady increase in traffic stops and enforcement

activity over the past several months, with the most significant rise occurring in January and February.

Between January 1 and February 24, officers conducted 1,381 traffic stops, issued 1,009 Summary Offence Tickets, and completed 128 proactive patrols. These numbers represent the highest enforcement levels observed in recent reporting periods. Speeding infractions made up 23% of the tickets issued in January while February saw that number rise to 32% of all tickets issued.

Administrative infractions, such as expired vehicle registration, expired safety inspection and no insurance accounted for approximately 40% of all tickets issued for both months. HRP is asking all motorists to slow down, stay focused, and make safe choices behind the wheel. Safe driving is a shared responsibility on roadways.



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

IN THE COMMUNITY



Be sure to mark your calendars!



The luncheon with Halifax Chamber of Commerce was titled Runways to Growth with guest speaker Joyce Carter, President and CEO of Halifax International Airport Authority. She spoke to how strategic connectivity and infrastructure investment are unlocking new opportunities for Nova Scotian businesses and expanding Halifax and Nova Scotia's runway for future growth.

11

Halifax Stanfield is redefining what's possible for a mid-sized, globally connected airport. As the most internationally connected airport of its size in North America, it links Nova Scotia to key markets around the world; igniting trade, tourism, and economic activity.



I celebrated International Women's Day at an early breakfast and then with a panel of women leaders at the Halifax International Airport.

April 2026



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

**Grand Lake Oakfield
Annual General Meeting**



Wednesday, April 22 2026

At 7:00pm

**Community Centre
22 Lakeside Drive, Grand Lake**

If you have any questions you can email them to globulletin@gmail.com



The Grand Lake Oakfield AGM is next month. Mark your calendar and come out to join the conversation.



Charlie also enjoyed the local talent, good people and treats as well.



It was a great afternoon of music at the Lemmon Hill Community Centre.



I had the pleasure of attending the flag-raising ceremony for St. Patrick's Day, in the Grand Parade. I was joined by Council colleague Jean St-Amand, Mayor Fillmore, and many excited children!

April 2026



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY



The children were very happy to be participating in the celebration!



Percy and I had a great time celebrating!



Lots of folks came out to celebrate the day at the full house event hosted by The Waverley Royal Canadian Legion Dieppe Branch 90, with many wearing their green.



Councillor Gillis and I attended our monthly Community Safety Meeting with HRM RCMP Leadership, where issues within our districts and the importance of keeping our communities safe were addressed.



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY



World Down Syndrome Day was celebrated with the Proclamation reading and Flag Raising followed by a party the next day. Thank you for the invitation to join you in this celebration.

HALIFAX AMATEUR RADIO CLUB 90th ANNIVERSARY

MOOSE RIVER GOLD MINES 90th Anniversary 1936 Cave-in and Rescue

The Moose River Gold Mine Museum Society invites you to attend a commemorative ceremony paying tribute to the spirit of community and the courageous volunteers

The Moose River Gold Mine Museum, 6752 Moose River Road, Musquodoboit Valley
Saturday, April 25th, 2026 2pm

Ceremony with guest speakers and music

- Celebrate the museum's 40th Birthday with refreshments and birthday cake, fresh popcorn, and cotton candy
- Visit the museum and Provincial Park
- Pan for gold with The Nova Scotia Prospector's Association
- Salvation Army Disaster Services
- Halifax Amateur Radio Club emergency wireless demonstrations

Mark your calendars for the Moose River Gold Mines 90th Anniversary Celebration

MERCHANDISE BINGO

Friday, May 1, 2026
Waverley Legion
2234 Rocky Lake Drive

Doors open at 6 pm
Games start 7 pm

CASH ONLY

Great prizes, 50/50 tickets
Fun for the whole family

Hosted by St. André Bessette Parish



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY



Great news! With support from the Inland Fisheries Division of the Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Lock 5 Park will open early on April 1 and stay open until November 30, this year—giving you more time to enjoy fishing on Grand Lake! Plan your visit and make the most of the season.



I attended a Community Forum on Early Literacy and Community Impact hosted by the founders of **REDspace** in Bedford. We discussed both the significant short and long-term benefits of early childhood reading experiences and a program called Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.



A remarkable celebration was hosted by Events East to honor the tenure of outgoing President & CEO, Carrie Cussons. Thank you, Carrie, for your exceptional leadership; HRM extends its sincerest appreciation for your time, talent, and dedication.



I attended a breakfast hosted by Halifax Chamber of Commerce with guest speaker Prime Minister Mark Carney!

April 2026



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

COMMUNITY HALLS/CENTRES

District 1 is home to many community halls and non-profit organizations. Check out their website or Facebook pages to find information on local events as well as opportunities to volunteer in your community.

- [Elderbank Recreation Club](#)
- [Lemmon Hill Sports Association](#)
- [Upper Musquodoboit Nova Scotia Nunavut Command](#)
- [Upper Musquodoboit Community Hall](#)
- Upper Musquodoboit Fellowship Centre
(902)568-2536
- [Musquodoboit Valley Bicentennial Theatre](#)
- [Musquodoboit Valley Family Resource Centre](#)
- [Musquodoboit Valley Food Bank](#)
- [Carrolls Corner Community Center](#)
- [Meaghers Grant Community Hall](#)
- [Gordon R. Snow Community Centre](#)
- [Wellington Fletchers Lake Station House](#)
- [Grand Lake Oakfield Community Centre](#)
- [Waverley Heritage Museum](#)
- [Waverley Legion Dieppe Branch 90](#)
- [LWF Community Hall](#)
- [Windsor Junction Community Centre](#)
- [Helping Hands Families Helping Families](#)
- [Barefoot Farmers Association](#)

If for those may have missed, please reach out to let me know, and I will add you to the list!

GORDON R. SNOW COMMUNITY CENTRE SPRING PROGRAMS

Check out some of the programs the Gordon R. Snow Community Centre are offering this spring:

Preschool Programs:

- M/W/F morning Preschooler Play
- Monday evening sports – Little Sports | Basketball | Soccer
- Thursday & Friday Tumblebugs

Children’s Sport Programs:

- Monday Soccer
- Tuesday – Parent & Child Fun & Fitness | Basketball | Badminton
- Thursday Golf
- Friday Baseball

Children’s Drama - Mondays |Arts & Crafts and Sketch & Draw - Tuesdays | Jr. Scientists -Fridays.

Adult evening fitness programs (all fitness levels welcome)

Mondays – Fitness Strength |Tae Bo
 Tuesdays – Zumba | Yoga
 Wednesdays – Tai Chi |Yoga
 Thursdays – Shimmy Fit | Yoga

Adult Arts & Crafts:

Tuesdays – Sketch & Draw classes starting April 7th

Upcoming Workshops:

Water Colours– April 20 & May 23
 Card Making – April 26
 Cookie Decorating – May 16

Archery – all equipment provided and classes offered for ages 9 to adult on Wednesdays starting April 8th.

Registration is now open. Please call or drop by the centre if you have any questions 902 860-4570. Register online [here](#).

See the complete spring program [here](#).



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

PROVINCIAL & FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES

The following are the [provincial](#) Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs) and [federal](#) Members of Parliament (MPs) representatives for [municipal District 1](#).

MLA Scott Armstrong



Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley
Progressive Conservative
Caucus Office: 1601
Lower Water Street,
Halifax, NS B3J 3P6
Phone: 902424-2731
Fax: 902-424-748

E-mail: PCcaucus@novascotia.ca

MP Sean Fraser



[Central Nova](#)
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6
Phone: 613-992-6022
Fax: 613-992-2337

Email: sean.fraser@parl.gc.ca

MLA Brian Wong



Waverley-Fall River-
Beaver Bank
Constituency Office:
1265 Fall River Road
Suite 101 Fall River, NS
B2T 1E6
Phone: 902-576-3411

Email: brianwongmla@gmail.com

MP Braedon Clark



Sackville-Preston-
Chezzetcook
Constituency Office:
281 Sackville Drive, Unit G
Lower Sackville, Nova
Scotia B4C 2R5

Phone: 902-861-2333

Email: braedon.clark@parl.gc.ca



COUNCILLOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON

WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

COUNCILLOR DEAGLE GAMMON



Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon

DISTRICT 1
Waverley – Fall River – Musquodoboit Valley

902.717.2718
cathy.deaglegammon@halifax.ca

HALIFAX

halifax.ca | 311

I currently serve on Regional Council, North West Community Council and the following boards and committees:

- Executive Standing Committee
- Audit and Finance Committee (Chair)
- Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee (Chair)
- Community Planning and Economic Development Standing Committee
- Halifax Regional Water Commission (Vice Chair)
- Halifax Partnership
- Federation of Canadian Municipalities
- Canadian Capital Cities Organization

Community Committees:

- Aerotech Community Liaison Community Committee
- Halifax International Airport Advisory
- Goffs Quarry Community Liaison

E-NEWSLETTER/SUBSCRIBE

The District 1 newsletters, are available on my [municipal website](#), or to request to be added to the distribution list, please contact my Council Constituency Coordinator, Nancy Viner at Nancy.Viner@halifax.ca.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



The Halifax Regional Municipality honours and recognizes the importance of the Indigenous

people (First Nation, Métis, and Inuit) and their cultural contributions to the tapestry of our region. 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 & Friendship Treaties signed in this Territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People.



I hope your basket is overflowing with goodies and your day is overflowing with blessings.

April 2026

HALIFAX