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WELCOME APRIL!

Spring is here and we can turn our attention from snow removal to garden preparation. Check out the municipal <u>SEED KIT</u> program as part of our Neighbourhood Placemaking initiative.

My council colleagues and I are continuing budget discussions and doing our utmost to ensure the municipal programs and services you value are maintained. I encourage you to contact the Office of the Municipal Clerk to be added to the speakers list to have your voices heard: clerks@halifax.ca or call 902.490.4210.

Keep reading for information on inclusion support for summer camps, the supplier diversity pilot program, bridging the gap paid internship program and much more!

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

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APRIL MEETINGS

Budget Committee:

Tuesday, April 2nd at 9:30 a.m. (Contingency Date) Tuesday, April 23rd at 9:30 a.m.

Regional Council:

Tuesday, April 9^{th} at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 23^{rd} at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 30^{th} at 10:00 a.m. (If required)

North West Community Council:

Monday, April 15th at 7:00 p.m.

Standing Committees:

Thursday, April 11th at 10:00 a.m.

- Appeals Standing Committee Wednesday, April 17th at 10:00 a.m.
- Audit & Finance Standing Committee Thursday, April 18th at 10:00 a.m.
 - Community Planning & Economic
 Development Standing Committee

Monday, April 22^{nd} at 10:00 a.m.

- Executive Standing Committee Thursday, April 25th at 1:00 p.m.
 - Transportation Standing Committee

Advisory Committees:

Monday, April 15th at 4:00 p.m.

• Accessibility Advisory Committee

External Meetings:

Wednesday, April 3rd at 7:00 p.m.

- Volunteer Firefighter Graduation Thursday, April 4th at 5:00 p.m.
 - Literacy Nova Scotia Spring Dinner & Auction

Friday, April 5th at 11;00 a.m.

 Literacy Nova Scotia Adult Learner's Week

Saturday, April 6th at 2:00 p.m.

 Shubenacadie Watershed Environmental Protection Society (SWEPS) - McCallum Environmental

Wednesday, April 10th at 7:00 p.m.

- Grand Lake Oakfield AGM Saturday, April 13th at 1:00 p.m.
- Moose River Museum Wednesday, April 17th at 6:30 p.m.
- Volunteer Awards Ceremony Saturday, April 20th at 9:00 a.m.
 - Ground Search & Rescue Executive PD Day

Tuesday, April 30th at 6:30 p.m.

• Waverley Community Association

NWCC UPDATE

The North West Community Council (NWCC) reviewed the following matters at their March 18th meeting.

Two public hearings were held and closed as follows:

PLANAPP 2023-01145: Amending Development Agreement for 644 Bedford Highway, Halifax

Paul Skerry Architects Limited requested substantive amendments to the existing development agreement at 644 Bedford Highway, Halifax. The amendments would allow the conversion of surplus interior parking spaces to create an additional two units within the building which is presently under construction.





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No additional changes to the development agreement or building are proposed.

The major aspects of the proposal are as follows:

- The existing development agreement requires a minimum of 70 vehicle parking spaces with no more than 25 exterior parking spaces. There are currently 85 indoor parking spaces and eight outdoor parking spaces. The reduction of six indoor parking spaces would result in a total of 79 indoor spaces which still exceeds the required minimum; and
- The proposed changes will not affect the exterior of the existing apartment building which is currently under construction.

PLANAPP 2023-00912: Development Agreement to Allow an Expansion to an Existing Recycling Depot at 15 Sackville Cross Road, Lower Sackville

Chris O'Connell, on behalf of the property owner, has applied for a development agreement to allow for the expansion of an existing recycling depot (Archie's Bottle Exchange) at 15 Sackville Cross Road, Lower Sackville. This expansion will allow the business to reduce the outdoor storage on their property by enclosing it within the proposed addition to the building.

The applicant proposes to construct an addition on the northern side of the existing building. The major aspects of the proposal are as follows:

 A 9.8 metres x 17 metres (166 square metre) building addition (32 feet x 56 feet, 1792 square feet) (the proposed development agreement allows up to 650

- square metres [7000 square feet] total footprint); and
- The addition is proposed to be 7.6 metres (25 feet) in height (the proposed development agreement allows up to 35 feet in height, as per the underlying PR zone).

For information on upcoming meetings, or past meetings, click <u>here</u>.

DID YOU KNOW....

That April is:

Sikh Heritage Month
Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and
Prevention Month

April 1st - Easter Monday

April 1st - April Fool's Day

April 2nd - World Autism Awareness Day

April 2nd – International Children's Book Day

April 4th - National Hug a Newsperson Day

April 6th - International Pillow Fight Day

April 6th - The International Day of Sport for

Development and Peace (IDSDP)

April 6th - Canada National Tartan Day

April 7th - World Health Day

April 7th - The International Day of Reflection

April 7th - The Country Music Television Awards

April 7th - Canada National Beer Day

April 9th - Ramadan ends

April 9th - Vimy Ridge Day

April 10th - International Day of Pink

April 10th - National Siblings Day

April 11th - Canada National Pet Day

April 11th - Canada National Poutine Day

April 12th - Canada Jersey Day





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April 14th - Passover

April 17th - National Canadian Film Day

April 19th - World Liver Day

April 21st - World Creativity and Innovation Day

April 22nd - Earth Day

April 27th – International Girls in ICT Day

April 29th – International Dance Day

April 30th - Canada National Adopt a Shelter Pet Day

April 30th - International Jazz Day in Canada

HalifACT POP-UP LIBRARY

HalifACT is hosting Pop-Up Human Libraries for Earth Fest. If you're in Sackville, Tantallon or Musquodoboit Harbour in the lead-up to the big Earth Fest event on April 21st, come hear some authentic perspectives on climate action.

We're working in partnership with Halifax Public Libraries, Ecology Action Centre and Every One Every Day to give you an opportunity to "check out" a human book and chat with community climate experts that are showing leadership in some of the core parts of the climate movement.

After the success of the 2023 Call to Climate Action event in November, we wanted to share more inspirational ideas in different communities across the municipality.

Earth Fest Pop-Up Human Libraries

- Tantallon Public Library, March 26th, 5:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.
- Musquodoboit Harbour Library, March 27th, 4:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
- Sackville Public Library, April 2nd, 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Click <u>here</u> to learn more.

INCLUSION SUPPORT -SUMMER CAMPS

Parents/guardians are able to apply online or by email for inclusion support 2024 summer camps for their children and youth. Applicants can submit their requests for one-to-one inclusion support at halifax.ca/myrec by using barcode **00081986** until April 10th.





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SUPPLIER DIVERSITY PILOT PROGRAM



The Halifax
Regional
Municipality is
joining a provincewide Supplier
Diversity Pilot
Program, led by
the <u>Canadian</u>
<u>Aboriginal and</u>

Minority Supplier Council (CAMSC).

The Pilot Program aims to promote inclusive supply chains and support diverse local business owners – including CAMSC's database of over 800 diverse suppliers.

The municipality regularly works with suppliers to deliver municipal services – including the acquisition of materials and equipment; the solicitation, facilitation and execution of contracts for goods, services and construction; and the physical control, security and distribution of materials.

The municipality's participation in the Pilot Program aligns with the municipality's <u>Social Value Framework</u>, while also increasing economic opportunities and expanding participation in the municipality's supply chain. All public bid opportunities are advertised on the municipality's <u>bids&tenders</u> website.

For more information on doing business with the municipality, visit <u>our website</u>.

HOUSING ACCELERATOR FUND

I am pleased to share this article from the March 5th <u>Canadian Insider</u> on the Housing Accelerator Fund:

Canada is in a housing crisis. Municipalities have an important role to play in addressing this crisis by removing outdated approaches to permitting and zoning that are not keeping pace with the growth of our communities. But they cannot do this alone.

To help them, the <u>Housing Accelerator Fund</u> was launched. The fund was used to negotiate agreements with municipalities across the country and with the Government of Quebec that have resulted in major changes that will make it easier to build homes.

The Housing Accelerator Fund has led to the largest upzoning movement in Canadian history, with 179 final agreements that have advanced ambitious housing reforms in big cities, small towns, rural communities, and indigenous communities in every region of the country.

The program was extremely competitive, with 540 applicants. In order to secure federal funding, cities across Canada revised their applications to include more ambitious measures that will help build more homes in order to improve their chance at receiving federal support.

In the first three years, the program will fast track more than 107,000 permits for new homes.



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Over the next decade, these agreements will be responsible for more than 750,000 newly permitted homes.

This program is going to help get more homes built, faster and ensure that we have more homes at prices that Canadians can afford to rent or buy.

ACTIVE PLANNING APPLICATIONS IN DISTRICT 1

On the municipal website for active planning applications, you may find detailed information on planning and development projects brought forward for consideration. The cases listed below are intended to provide more detailed information on selected current land use applications requiring discretionary approval. Not all active applications are listed as some may be as-of-right developments which simply means that the proposed project meets current land use by-laws (LUB) and municipal planning strategies (MPS).

<u>Case 21460 - Residential Development</u> <u>Opportunity Site C, south of Ingram Drive and west of Highway 102, Fall River</u>

Application by KWR Approvals Inc., on behalf of Perry Lake Developments, for a Residential Development Opportunity at Site C, south of Ingram Drive and west of Highway 102, Fall River.

Case 22009 - Aerotech Business Park

Planning & Development is working to update the zoning for Aerotech Business Park and surrounding lands within Airport Industrial Designation. This project includes introducing new zones that will protect and support these valuable industrial lands.

Case 22195 - 19 McPherson Road, Fall River

Application by KWR Approvals Inc. to amend the policies for Block B of the River-Lakes Secondary Planning Strategy, and also to amend the Land Use By-law to enable a development agreement on a portion of Block B in Canal Court, Fall River.

Case 22670 - Conrad Quarry Lands Rezoning

A Regional Council initiated project to consider industrial and highway commercial development on the Conrad Quarry lands (PID: 00276105; 00276188; 00275966; 40174286 and 41168279).

<u>PLANAPP 2023-00673 (Former Case 23188) -</u> <u>Hwv #2, Fall River</u>

Application by KWR Approvals Inc., on behalf of John and Judith MacDonald to enter into a Development Agreement at 3136 & 3124 Hwy #2, Fall River to construct 12 townhouses.

PLANAPP 2023-01550 - 209, 211 and 217 Waverley Road, Dartmouth

David Zareski is applying to rezone and to enter into a Development Agreement at 209, 211, and 217 Waverley Road, Dartmouth to allow a 13-storey residential building with 141 units and 2 levels of underground parking.

2024/25 PLANNED PPAM CAPITAL WORK

You will find below the detailed 2024/25 Roads and Active Transportation Capital Program for District 1. This list, which requires Council's final

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approval, includes new projects and any carryover work from 2023/24.

Once the projects are approved by Council, staff will make every effort to design, tender, and construct in 2024-25. However, unforeseen circumstances may arise which could impact on the scheduling of the project.

Street Recapitalization

Archibald Drive – High to Tamarack (Integrated Traffic Calming)

Arthur Joseph Drive – Fall River to Tamarack (Carryover, Integrated Traffic Calming) Howe Avenue – Trunk 2 to Coach (Re-Instate Traffic Calming)

Tamarack - Arthur Joseph to Archibald

Asphalt Overlay

Ashlea Drive – Windgate to Elise Victoria (Re-Instate Traffic Calming) Shirley Court – Ashlea to End

Retaining Walls

1298 – 1322 Waverley Road (Carryover)

Guiderails

Ingram Drive – Civic 65 to 71 (Carryover) 1293 Waverley Road (Carryover)

Bridges

Lockview Road Culvert Design (Carryover)

Traffic Management Projects

Waverley Road at Civic 757 - Crosswalk Upgrade to RRFB

Street Planer Patching

Kinclaven Drive – Lockview to High Highway 2 – Fall River to Coach

Proposed Crack Sealing

Joe Street – Waverley to End Rocky Lake Drive – Cobequid to Powder Mill

BRIDGING THE GAP PAID INTERNSHIP PROGRAM



The municipality is offering paid 18-month internships for new graduates interested in a career in municipal public service. The Bridging the Gap program provides

training and development opportunities to candidates who have graduated from a recognized post-secondary institution within the last 24 months including those who are scheduled to graduate before the internship start date.

The program is designed to provide experiential learning and maximum professional exposure for interns in their chosen field of study, while exploring the benefits of working for the municipality. Candidates will learn about government policy, operations, administration, services and planning.

Additional information about the Bridging the Gap program can be found here:

Facebook - Halifax Regional MunicipalityX

(Twitter) - @hfxgov

<u> Instagram - @hfxmoments</u>

LinkedIn - Halifax Regional Municipality

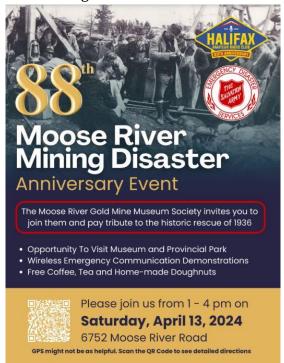


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MOOSE RIVER GOLD MINE MUSEUM SOCIETY

On Saturday, April 13th the Moose River Gold Mine Museum Society is joining with the Halifax Amateur Radio Club and the Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services to commemorate the 88th Anniversary of the internationally renowned 10-day rescue in Moose River Gold Mines in 1936.

This event will kick off National Volunteer Week by paying tribute to our brave volunteers, past and present, who put themselves in harm's way to carry out heroic rescues. There will be a PowerPoint presentation of the historic cave-in and wireless emergency communication demonstrations. Coffee, tea and delicious homemade doughnuts.



FRABA COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS GALA



On April 27th the Fall River and Area Business Association (FRABA) will be hosting their first Community Champions Gala from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

This event is brought to you by the newly formed FRABA Community Youth Activity & Sport Committee in support of youth sport and activity in the Fall River area.

SUMMER JOB OPPORUNITY



LWF Baseball and MacDonald Sports Park are

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now accepting applications for field maintenance positions for the upcoming season.

What's involved?

- Maintenance and prep work on baseball fields across the community.
- 35 hours per week, flexible hours spread over 7 days to accommodate the baseball schedule.
- Must be at least 15 years old and currently in school. Grade 12 students must have plans to attend post-secondary education in the fall.
- Pay: \$15/hour
- Training provided, including a first aid course.
- Must be responsible and capable of working independently.

Interested? Send your resume to Steve Arnold at srarnold93@gmail.com. **Deadline is Friday,** April 5th.

SEED KITS AVAILALBLE

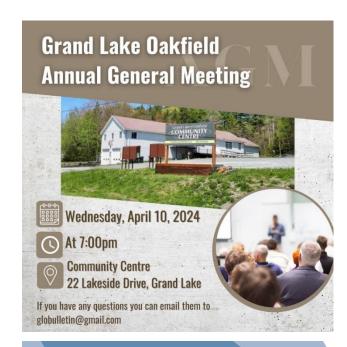


Apply today for a FREE seed kit to share with up to 20 of your neighbours. Neighbourhood Seed Kits include kale, bean, Swiss chard, basil and

zucchini seeds. Use these kits to get to know your neighbours. Share gardening tips, recipes and your harvest! Seed kits are limited, only the top 20 applications will receive kits.

Applications will be accepted until April 15^{th} . To learn more and download your application form, click <u>here</u>.

GRAND LAKE OAKFIELD AGM



IN THE COMMUNITY....



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Had an amazing evening at the Greek Independence Day event on March 23rd. The culture, the dance, the party! Thank you for the wonderful welcome.



Common Good Solutions hosted quite the event recently celebrating The 561 Project that worked with over 100 African Nova Scotian entrepreneurs over the past three years, supporting them through their entrepreneurship journeys.

Their hard work, dedication, and innovation was proudly on display. Learning about their journey, their entrepreneurship and their businesses was truly inspiring.

Thank you to Common Good Solutions for all you do to educate, promote and celebrate entrepreneurship, our youth and building good solutions!



On March 21st, I was humbled and honoured to represent Mayor Mike Savage and my colleagues on Halifax Regional Council to promote and reinforce World Down Syndrome Day's theme for this year: End the Stereotypes.

Thank you to our Town Crier, Will Brewer, the first Town Crier with Down Syndrome!



Photo courtesy of Pat Healy, THE LAKER NEWS

Blasting for the Aerotech Park will continue until May officials with the provincial Department of Public Works confirmed with reporter Pat Healy, The Laker News.

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A little history was made on Tuesday, March 19th when, for the first time, three women presided over a Regional Council session: Deputy Mayor Cathy Deagle Gammon (centre), Municipal Solicitor Karen Brown (left) and CAO Cathie O'Toole (right).



What an experience at the Junos 2024! Incredible talent and amazing organizers ensured a great time was had by all. Thank you to everyone who helped make this event such a success!

COMMUNITY HALLS / CENTRES

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

- Elderbank Recreation Club
- <u>Lemmon Hill Sports Association</u>
- <u>Upper Musquodoboit Nova Scotia</u> <u>Nunavut Command</u>
- Upper Musquodoboit Community Hall
- Upper Musquodoboit Fellowship Centre (902)568-2536
- <u>Musquodoboit Valley Bicentennial</u> Theatre
- <u>Musquodoboit Valley Family Resource</u> Centre
- Musquodoboit Valley Food Bank
- Carrolls Corner Community Center
- Meaghers Grant Community Hall
- Gordon 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

For those I have missed this time around please reach out let me know and I will add to the list!

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PROVINCIAL & FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES

The following are the <u>provincial</u> Members of the Legislative Assembly (MLAs) and <u>federal</u> Members of Parliament (MPs) representatives for <u>municipal district 1</u>.

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

- Accessibility Advisory Committee
- Appeals Standing Committee
- Audit and Finance Committee (Vice Chair)
- Environment and Sustainability Committee
- Executive Standing Committee
- Grants Committee (Chair)
- Halifax Regional Water Commission
- Halifax Partnership
- North West Planning Advisory Committee

Community Committees:

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

E-NEWSLETTER/SUBSCRIBE

The District 1 newsletters are available on my municipal website or you may subscribe to the distribution list by contacting my Council Constituency Coordinator at: 902-490-1562 or email: Chris.Newson@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.

