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CANADA DAY 2024

DEPUTY MAYOR CATHY DEAGLE GAMMON DISTRICT 1 - JULY ONLINE NEWS WAVERLEY - FALL RIVER - MUSQUODOBOIT VALLEY

### **WELCOME JULY!**



Happy Canada Day! So happy to be welcoming July with a celebration of our wonderful country Canada. A country I was able to connect with in a

more intimate way on your behalf by attending the Federation of Canadian Municipalities conference in Calgary and the Atlantic Mayor's Conference in Summerside, both held in June. The discussions and workshops I was able to be part of have given me a deeper understanding of our shared issues and the incredible importance of networking with our neighbouring municipalities and provinces.

Keep reading for information on the Halifax County Exhibition, Dartmouth Concert series, EV Test Drive opportunities and much more!

If you have questions regarding municipal programs/services, contact me by phone at 902-717-2718 or by email at <u>deaglec@halifax.ca</u>.

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### JULY MEETINGS

**Regional Council**: Tuesday, July 9 at 10:00 a.m.

### North West Community Council:

Monday, July 15 at 7:00 p.m. (If required)

### **Standing Committees:**

July 11 at 10:00 a.m.

- Appeals Standing Committee
- July 17 at 10:00 a.m. (If required)
- Audit & Finance Standing Committee July 18 at 10:00 a.m. (If required)
  - Community Planning & Economic Development Standing Committee
- No July meeting scheduled
  - Executive Standing Committee

July 25 at 1:30 p.m.

• Transportation Standing Committee

### **Advisory Committees:**

July 15 at 4:00 p.m.

- Accessibility Advisory Committee July 24 at 10;00 a.m.
  - Grants Committee

### **External Meetings:**

July at 6:00 p.m.

• Halifax Water Board

### NWCC UPDATE

The North West Community Council (NWCC) reviewed the following matter at their June 17 meeting:

PLANAPP-2024-00177: Rezoning of 749 Windgate Drive, Beaver Bank [PDF]

That North West Community Council gave First Reading to consider approval of the proposed amendment to the Land Use By-law for Beaver Bank, Hammonds Plains and Upper Sackville to rezone 749 Windgate Drive, Beaver Bank from MU-1 (Mixed Use 1) to I-1 (Mixed Industrial) to allow for an automotive repair and sales business use; and schedule a public hearing for July 15.

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

### DID YOU KNOW....

- That July is **Plastic Free July** July 1 - Canada Day July 1 – Africville Reunion July 5 - Calgary Stampede July 6 - International Day of Cooperatives July 6 - International Kissing Day July 7 - World Chocolate Day July 9 - Nunavut Day (NU) July 11 - World Population Day July 11 - International Town Criers Day July 12 - Orangemen's Day (NL) July 12 - National French Fry Day July 15 - World Youth Skills Day July 17 - National Hot Dog Day July 17 - National Tattoo Day July 17 - World Emoji Day July 18 - Nelson Mandela International Day July 24 – International Self-Care Day
- July 28 Commemoration of the Great Upheaval
- July 29 World Heart Day





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### CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!



Congratulations to the Middle Musquodoboit Rural High graduating class of 2024! I was honoured to be in attendance for your special day. All the best to you as you step into your future.



Congratulations to the Lockview High School graduating class of 2024! I was thrilled to be invited to witness your special day. Best wishes to you as you start the next chapter of your life's journey.



### WEEKLY GREEN CART COLLECTION



Effective Saturday, June 29, weekly green cart collection began in all communities across the Halifax Regional Municipality.

The summer weekly green cart collection

service will be in effect for the months of July, August and September. Collection services can begin as early as 7 a.m. To ensure collection, residents are asked to place materials curbside the evening prior to collection day. Residents can look up their collection schedules by clicking <u>here</u>.

The last day for weekly green cart collection is Friday, September 27.

### **RCMP STATISTICS – MAY**







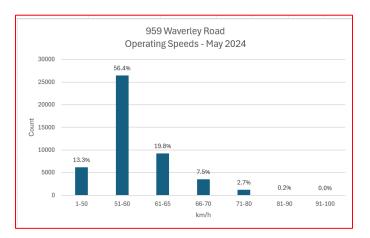
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### WAVERLEY ROAD - SPEED DATA

At the May 22 community meeting that I hosted to provide updates on information learned from the Waverley Road survey, many concerns were raised in regard to speeding.

Chief Superintendent RCMP, Jeff Christie, and HRM Public Works Engineer and Executive Director, Lucas Pitts, committed to investigating to obtain data on the Waverley Road. While it is a sample – this data tells a story as well.

The following tables of speed results recorded from May 1 to May 31 show that 56.4% of drivers were driving between 51 to 60 kph.



Location:	959 Waverley Road	
Report Period:	May 1 - 31, 2024	
Speed(km/h)	Count	
1-50	6211	13.3%
51-60	26,424	56.4%
61-65	9,274	19.8%
66-70	3,525	7.5%
71-80	1262	2.7%
81-90	111	0.2%
91-100	11	0.0%
Total	46818	

The RCMP conducted traffic monitoring over five different days at different times between May 31 and June 20. Overall, the speeds were consistent between 40 and 70 km/h with the highest number of vehicles being in the 51-60 km/h range (68%).

The observed speeds were consistent throughout the day and night. There was a very small percentage observed to be over 70 km/h with 1.2% being between 71 to 80 km/h and 0.18% over 81 km/h. The chart below shows the number of vehicles, speeds and percentages observed over the five days.

	Day Total	Morning	Afternoon	Night Total	Evening	Late Night	Total
40-50	19.7	20.9	18.7	17.5	18.9	14.9	18.7
51-60	67	68.6	65.7	69.5	71.2	66.4	68
61-70	12.8	9.7	15.4	10.3	9.1	12.4	11.8
71-80	.48	.69	.29	2.2	.7	4.9	1.2
80 +	0	0	0	.4	0	1.2	.18

Of the 1075 vehicles observed during the five days, only two (2) were clocked at over 80 km/h. Both vehicles were observed late at night, between 21:00 and 23:00, consistent with times identified by the residents as problematic for high rates of speed.

The RCMP will continue to provide regular patrols and HRM shall continue with our work to get photo radar.

We all have a role to play in keeping our roads safe. If you see someone driving dangerously, report it to police by calling 911. Please report all incidents of speeding to the non-emergency police line at 902.490.4020.





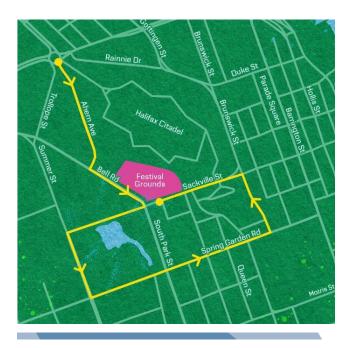
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### HALIFAX PRIDE FESTIVAL



The 2024 <u>Halifax Pride Festival</u> takes place from July 18 to 28. The festival honours the first Pride March in Halifax, which took place in July 1988.

This year's theme is Then. Now. Forever. See the full calendar of Halifax Pride Festival <u>events here</u>. To view the new parade route for 2024, click <u>here</u> and see below.



### WE'RE HIRING – FERRY ENGINEER / DECKHAND



Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) is inviting applications for an Engineer/Deckhand Eligibility List with the

Ferry Division of Halifax Transit.

The Engineer/Deckhand is administratively responsible to the Supervisors, Ferry Operations. While working on a vessel, the Engineer / Deckhand is functionally responsible to the Vessel's Captain.

Applications will be received up to 11:59 p.m. on Monday, July 8. Click <u>here</u> to view full job description.

### PADDLEALL - CHEEMA AQUATIC CLUB







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### AFFORDABLE ACCESS PROGRAM



The Recreation Funding Access Program provides recreation opportunities to children, youth, and adults in financial need.

This is part of the Affordable Access

Program, which allows residents to save 50% or 100% in registration fees for child, youth & adult participants in most recreation programs.

You can learn more about the program and apply <u>here</u>.

### MCDONALD SPORT PARK -DOCK INSTALLED



Big thank you to the staff of Old Creel Canoe & Kayak for their help getting the dock installed. Paddlers enjoy!

### HALIFAX FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES - GRADUATION



What a privilege to provide a welcome and opening remarks to the graduating class of HRM's Fire & Emergency Services personnel! Welcome to the team! Stay safe and thank you for your service.

# HALIFAX REGIONAL POLICE – PROMOTIONS



Congratulations to the nine Halifax Regional Police officers who were promoted at a ceremony held at City Hall on Friday, June 14.

Congratulations to the following new Inspectors, Staff Sergeants and Sergeants (L-R): Inspector Mo Chediac





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Inspector Kim Robinson Inspector Chris Marinelli Staff Sergeant Joanne Sweeney Staff Sergeant Stephen McCormack Sergeant Nancy Miller Sergeant Trena Gillis Sergeant Andrew Gordon Sergeant Amy Edwards

The newly promoted officers will fill vacancies throughout the organization. Congratulations to each of them. We look forward to their leadership in their newly assigned roles!

### HALIFAX COUNTY EXHIBITION



MARK YOUR CALENDAR! We are excited to announce the date of the 2024 <u>Halifax County</u> Exhibition

## August 14-17, 2024



### **EV TEST DRIVES**



Join us for an electric vehicle test drive!

July 7 | 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Bicentennial Theatre halifax.ca/EV

We're partnering with Next Ride and Clean Foundation to host electric vehicle (EV) test drive events in communities throughout the municipality.

Members of the municipality's Community Energy team will be there answering questions and sharing information about EVs, EV rebates and what to expect from the municipality's electric vehicle strategy.

Mark your calendars for July 7 and test drive an E vehicle. We had a great turnout last summer at the Gordon R. Snow Centre so now it's the





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Musquodoboit Valley Bicentennial Theatre's turn to host. <u>Click here</u> for the full list of dates and locations.

### RADON REDUCTION GRANT PROGRAM



LungNSPEI has launched a new program to assist lowmiddle income Nova Scotian

households test and remediate their home of radon gas. The Radon Reduction Grant Program – Building Equitable Access to Radon Testing & Mitigation.

Radon is an invisible radioactive gas that seeps into homes undetected. Long-term exposure to high levels of radon is the 2nd leading cause of lung cancer in Canada. The only way to know the radon levels in your home is to test.

LungNSPEI has launched this program to create greater access and to reduce barriers for Nova Scotians to be able to test their homes and remediate if high levels are found.

The <u>Radon Reduction Grant Program</u> is a twopronged program that offers free long-term radon test kits to lower-income Nova Scotian households to test their homes. The program also provides grants up to \$2,500 to assist with the cost of remediation for homes that have high levels.

Visit the program webpage <u>Radon Reduction</u> <u>Grant Program</u> to find eligibility requirements. If July 2024 you do not have internet access, you can call LungNSPEI toll-free at 1-888-566-5864 to learn more about the program and how to apply.

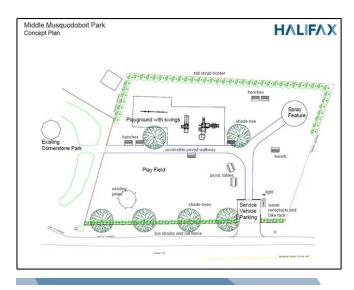
### MIDDLE MUSQUODOBOIT COMMUNITY PARK -SPLASHPAD



Work is underway on the <u>Middle Musquodoboit</u> <u>Community Park</u> Splashpad. The cost is \$645,00 plus tax which includes an asphalt driveway/walkway to the spray feature.

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A Request for Proposal (RFP) for the play equipment and park landscaping is anticipated to be completed later this summer or early fall.





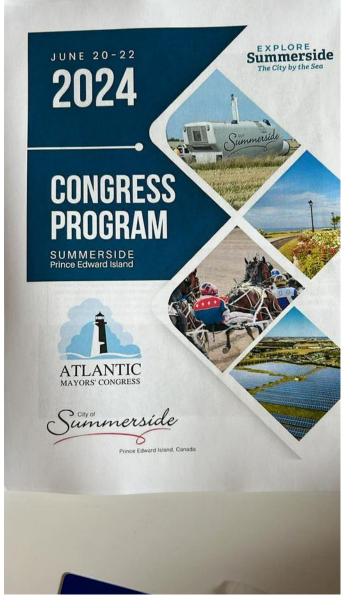


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### IN THE COMMUNITY....



What a thrilling experience to be in attendance at the Sail GP event!



I was honoured to attend the Atlantic Mayors Congress in Summerside, PEI on behalf of Mayor Savage. It was an opportunity to network with fellow Mayors, Deputy Mayors and CAOs to discuss common concerns and receive pertinent information that will benefit our communities.





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### STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL -FALL RIVER



71st Annual Strawberry Festival

St. John's United Church Hall 3360 Highway #2 Fall River, Nova Scotia

Saturday, July 6, 2024 4:00 – 6:00 PM

Price: Adults: \$15.00 Children Under 12: \$7.00 Strawberry Shortcake: \$7.00

### Menu: Baked Ham, Potato Salad,

Vegetables, Rolls, Strawberry Shortcake & Beverage

### Meal is Eat In or Take Out

Sponsored by St. John's UCW

### WAVERLEY WASHERTOSS -JULY 13



### PET SAFETY

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### **ROAD SAFETY FOCUS – JULY**



The road safety theme for the month of July is Construction Zones.

1 (888) 703-7722

It's summer, which means it's also

construction season. Summer's warm temperatures make it the ideal time for safety improvements to our streets and sidewalks. Watch for crews in construction zones and respect speed limits.





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Without a doubt, you'll come across a construction crew on our roads in your travels. Crews working on roads are counting on you to work with them to ensure everyone gets home safe at the end of the day. Keep the following tips in mind to safely navigate through construction zones:

- If construction is happening on roads you frequently travel, consider taking another route and avoid the area.
- Always obey the posted speed limit and signage when driving through construction zones. Speeding in a construction zone will result in a fine that is double that of a normal speeding ticket.
- Pay close attention to sign flaggers and obey their instructions.
- Stay extra focused and alert when driving; take note of where construction zones begin and end.
- Always be prepared to stop suddenly when driving through construction zones.
- Keep a safe distance between your vehicle and the construction workers' equipment and vehicles.
- As always, avoid driving while distracted.
- Stay calm and be flexible when encountering traffic delays.

Road safety is everyone's responsibility whether you're walking, rolling, cycling, or driving. To learn more about our initiatives click <u>here.</u>

### **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 July 2024 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>
- <u>Upper Musquodoboit Community Hall</u>
- Upper Musquodoboit Fellowship Centre (902)568-2536
- <u>Musquodoboit Valley Bicentennial</u>
  <u>Theatre</u>
- <u>Musquodoboit Valley Family Resource</u> <u>Centre</u>
- <u>Musquodoboit Valley Food Bank</u>
- <u>Carrolls Corner Community Center</u>
- <u>Meaghers Grant Community Hall</u>
- <u>Gordon Snow Community Centre</u>
- <u>Wellington Fletchers Lake Station House</u>
- Grand Lake Oakfield Community Centre
- <u>Waverley Heritage Museum</u>
- <u>Waverley Legion Dieppe Branch 90</u>
- <u>LWF Community Hall</u>
- <u>Windsor Junction Community Centre</u>
- <u>Helping Hands Families Helping Families</u>
- Barefoot Farmers Association

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

### 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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### **Provincial MLAs:**



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### COUNCILLOR DEAGLE GAMMON



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### **Federal MPs:**



### MP Sean Fraser

<u>Central Nova</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)
- Canadian Capital Cities Organization
- Environment and Sustainability Committee
- Executive Standing Committee
- Grants Committee (Chair)
- Halifax Regional Water Commission
- Halifax Partnership
- North West Planning Advisory Committee **Community Committees:**





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

### **E-NEWSLETTER/SUBSCRIBE**

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

### 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.

# HAPPY IS THE COLOR OF SUMMER.

Friends, sun, sand, and sea, that sounds like a summer to me.



