

WELCOME JULY!

Happy Canada Day and Hello Summer! I hope you take some time to celebrate the holiday with



friends and family and get out enjoy this beautiful place we call home!

I also hope you take some time to honour the heritage and traditions of Canada's

Indigenous peoples who were first to call this beautiful land home. I encourage you to take time this Canada Day to reflect on the mosaic that is Canada and how we celebrate our diversity with pride while accepting that we have room for improvement and growth.

If you have questions regarding a municipal program or service, please contact me at 902.579.7164 or by email at <u>Lisa.Blackburn@halifax.ca</u>.

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JULY MEETING DATES

Regional Council:

Tuesday, July 11 at 10 a.m.

North West Community Council

July meeting was rescheduled to June 26th at 7 p.m.

Meeting dates/times are subject to change, please confirm on our municipal <u>website</u>.

NORTH WEST COMMUNITY COUNCIL

The North West Community Council (NWCC) met on June 12 and 26 to discuss the following:

Case 23247:Amendments to the Sackville Drive Land Use By-Law Regarding the Measurement of Building Height

The NWCC gave a first reading to the proposed amendments to the Land Use By-Law on June 12 and then scheduled a public hearing on June 26.

The proposed changes to the Land Use By-Law are only applicable to parcels of land within the PR and PC zones which have lot frontage on Sackville Drive. The change to the Land Use By-Law would allow the height of a building to be based on the mean grade of the building, not the lowest grade of the curb. For more information about the proposed changes please refer to <u>the staff report</u> that was presented to the Council at the March 27th meeting. A Public Hearing was held during the June 26 NWCC. The Land Use By-Law amendments were approved. This approval was based on the proposed changes in the staff report.

To review upcoming or past agendas, click <u>here</u>.

FIRE SUPPORTS

Recovery from a natural disaster does not happen overnight. If you were impacted by wildfire and in need of financial support or social supports because of this incident, please call the provincial 2-1-1 hotline or visit their website <u>https://ns.211.ca/</u>.

The Canadian Mental Health Association has a wide list of resources of mental health resources for anyone who needs them. The Canadian Mental Health Association can be contacted toll free 24/7 at 1-833-456-4566. Kids Help Phone offers free phone counselling for children, their toll free number operates 24/7 at 1-800-668-6868. For members of the First Nations community you can contact First Nations and Inuit Hope for Wellness Help Line at 1-855-242-3310. Bell Let's Talk is an additional resource that provides a list of other mental health organizations that provide resources.



Canadian Mental Health Association *Mental health for all*

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NO BURNING AFTER MIDNIGHT

In the Halifax Regional Municipality, open air burning is not allowed between the hours of midnight and 2 p.m. The time of day may be further restricted by provincial or municipal bans, check for bans every time before you burn. They are posted 2 p.m. every day <u>here</u>.

For more information on Municipal Burning Rules & Regulations visit our <u>website</u>.

WEEKLY GREEN CART

Weekly Green Cart Collection will begin again the week of July 3rd and will continue until September 30th. To find out more about your collection day and what goes where visit <u>our website.</u>



KANA'TA: CANADA DAY 2023

The Halifax Regional Municipality is inviting residents to participate in KANA'TA: Canada Day 2023 on Saturday, July 1.

Introduced last year, the KANA'TA: Canada Day format was developed in collaboration with Indigenous communities to create programming that honours the traditions of the Mi'kmaw Nation and celebrates pan-Indigenous communities that call the municipality home.

This re-envisioned format for Canada Day will offer residents across the region a variety of cultural, musical and family-oriented events. Fireworks are planned to occur at 10 p.m. and the municipality is working closely with Halifax Fire and Emergency to put measures in place to ensure fireworks are used in a safe manner and in accordance with fire regulations. As always, the status of fireworks for events is subject to change. Notification of changes will be shared via the municipality's Civic Events' <u>Facebook</u> page and <u>Twitter channel</u>.

Halifax Transit's Alderney Ferry service will be free on Saturday, July 1.

The Canadian Forces Snowbirds will also perform an aerial display on Saturday, July 1 at 12 p.m. This will be followed by live musical performances on both the Halifax and Dartmouth waterfronts. Residents are advised that a marine exclusion zone will be in place. For more information on the exclusion zone see our <u>website</u>.

Halifax Transit ferry service will also be paused from 11:30 a.m. until approximately 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 1 to accommodate the demonstration. Further details will be shared on Halifax Transit's service disruptions page.

Happy Canada Day!

SPLASH PADS AND BEACHES NOW OPEN FOR THE SEASON

Bring on summer... splashpads, beaches, and outdoor pools are now open for the season! Bookings are required for the Bedford and Cole Harbour outdoor pools, and can be completed on <u>our website</u>.

Visit the <u>website</u> for the full schedule and details!



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ROAD SAFETY: CONSTRUSCTION ZONES

Summer is a peak time for construction projects.

Without a doubt, you'll come across a construction crew on our roads in your travels.

Keep the following tips in mind to safely navigate through constructions 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.



RCMP Road Safety Stats May 2023, District 14 Middle-Upper Sackville, Beaverbank - Lucasville 219 Calls for Service in May 2023 - Down 53.4% over same period in 2022 6 Summary Offence Tickets (vs. 17 in May 2022) \bigcirc 3 speeding, 3 other MVA (e.g., no insurance or regi stration invalid inspection sticke 51 Proactive Assignments (vs. 130 in May 2022) 9 Cell Phone/Impaired/Seatbelt/Speeding Checkpoints/ Radar Enforcement 16 Traffic Stops (vs. 121 in May 2022) 0 Impaired Driving Charges (vs. 3 in May 2022) 1 0 Impaired Driving Suspension (same as May 2022) Please Drive 4 Motor Vehicle Accidents (vs. 10 in May 2022) Safely! none of these accidents resulted in injuries 0 Vehicle/Pedestrian/Cyclist Accidents (same as May 2022)

TRAFFIC CALMING WEBSITE

The municipality has just released a new traffic calming map on our website that enables public users to check in on the status of any traffic calming assessment. This new map replaces the previous lists posted online and will be updated on a frequent basis. To view the new map, visit our <u>website</u>.





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• People or animals that consume contaminated water are at risk of headaches, fever, diarrhea, vomiting, cramps, muscle, joint pain, and liver damage.

• Do not drink or cook with water where bluegreen algae are present. Boiling water will not remove toxins.

Watch for advisories by visiting <u>our website</u> and following <u>@hfxgov</u> on Twitter. Report suspected algae contamination by calling 1-877-9ENVIRO (1-877-936-8476) and 311. Learn more <u>here</u>.

BLUE GREEN ALGAE

Blue-green algae, or cyanobacteria, are naturally found in freshwater environments like lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams. They thrive in warm water and can be harmful to people and fatal for pets. Algae blooms can look like spilled paint, pea soup or sometimes like a thick scum on the surface. Algae mats can look like clumps of vegetation, and can appear black, brown, or dark green in the water. On the shoreline they may appear brown or grey.

Here are some tips for staying safe this summer:

• When visiting a lake, river, stream, or pond, always scan the water and shoreline before entering the water or letting children or pets play in it.

• Pets may be attracted to the smell of algae mats. Do not allow pets to play with or eat algae mats, as it could be fatal.

• If a beach is closed, do not swim or play near the water.

• Swimming in contaminated water may cause itchy and irritated eyes and skin, including hives, rashes, or blisters.

COMMUNITY CENTRES

Check out what is happening at the following community/recreation centres by clicking on the links below.

Beaver Bank Kinsac Community Centre

Sackville Heights Community Centre

Springfield Lake Recreation Centre

Wallace Lucas Community Centre

IN THE COMMUNITY





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Thank you so much for the many expressions of condolence sent my way after the recent death of my mother. She was a dedicated volunteer and took pride in her community. She will be dearly missed! Congratulations to the Lucasville Greenway Society on their community walk fundraiser!







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Proud to attend the opening ceremonies for the Special Olympics track meet recently held in Sackville.



Thanks to the Sackville Rotary Club for supporting youth with the recent Recycle Your Ride Day! So many deserving kids with new bikes thanks to your work!

PROVINCIAL & FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES



Provincial Representatives in District 14:

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I currently serve on the following Boards and Committees along with Halifax Regional Council and the North West Community Council:

- Appeals Standing Committee
- Board of Police Commissioners
- Community Planning and Economic • **Development Standing Committee**
- **Executive Standing Committee** •
- Grants Committee
- Women's Advisory Committee
- North West Planning Advisory Committee

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. The municipality has demonstrated this is by formalizing the official Land Acknowledgement:

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