



**AUDIT AND FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
October 23, 2019**

PRESENT: Councillor Lorelei Nicoll, Vice Chair
Councillor Stephen Adams
Councillor Bill Karsten
Councillor Paul Russell
Councillor Russell Walker, Chair

REGRETS: Mayor Mike Savage
Councillor Matt Whitman

STAFF: John Traves, Municipal Solicitor
Jane Fraser, Chief Financial Officer
Jacques Dube, Chief Administrative Officer
Kevin Arjoon, Municipal Clerk
Robyn Dean, Legislative Assistant

The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.

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The meeting was called to order at 10:02 a.m. and The Standing Committee adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 18, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT the minutes of September 18, 2019 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions:

15.1 Route 91 Routing Options – Supplemental Report

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Adams

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Two-third majority vote required.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

7. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

9. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

10. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

10.1 Correspondence – None

10.2 Petitions – None

11. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

12. REPORTS

12.1 AUDITOR GENERAL – NONE

12.2 STAFF

12.2.1 Investment Activities – Quarter Ending June 30, 2019

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated September 9, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT the Audit and Finance Standing Committee forward this report to Halifax Regional Council as an information item.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.2.2 First Quarter 2019-2020 Financial Report

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated October 7, 2019
- A staff presentation

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT the Audit & Finance Standing Committee forward the First Quarter 2019/20 Financial Report to Regional Council for their information in the format as presented; and further recommend that the fourth quarter report be combined into a single report with the audited financial statements of the municipality to be presented to the Audit Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.3 GRANTS COMMITTEE – NONE

12.4 COMMITTEE MEMBERS – NONE

13. MOTIONS – NONE

14. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

14.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – September 18, 2019

This matter was dealt with in public.

MOVED by Councillor Nicoll, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT the In Camera (In Private) minutes of September 18, 2019 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

15. ADDED ITEMS

15.1 Route 91 Routing Options – Supplemental Report

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated October 10, 2019

MOVED by Councillor Adams, seconded by Councillor Karsten

THAT the Audit and Finance Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council direct the CAO to fund the Route 91 – Hemlock Ravine rerouting along Southgate Drive using Halifax Transit’s existing operating budget.

Patricia Hughes, Manager of Planning & Scheduling, responded to questions from the Committee with respect to the feasibility of the rerouting for proposed Route 91, including the Hemlock Ravine detour from Oceanview Drive to Southgate Drive. Patricia stated that it is possible to alter Route 91 while maintaining comparable running times and cost.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

16. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public came forward at this time.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – November 20, 2019

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Robyn Dean
Legislative Assistant