



**EXECUTIVE STANDING COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
January 25, 2021**

PRESENT: Mayor Mike Savage, Chair
Deputy Mayor Tim Outhit, Vice Chair
Councillor Lisa Blackburn
Councillor Kathryn Morse
Councillor Paul Russell
Councillor David Hendsbee
Councillor Waye Mason

STAFF: Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer
John Traves, Q.C., Municipal Solicitor
Iain MacLean, Municipal Clerk
Jill McGillicuddy, Legislative Assistant

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

The agenda, reports, supporting documents, information items circulated, and video (if available) are online at halifax.ca.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., moved into an In Camera (In Private) session at 11:30 and reconvened at 11:49 a.m. The Standing Committee adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 24, 2020 and April 14, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Deputy Mayor Outhit

THAT the minutes be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn seconded by Deputy Mayor Outhit

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

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

10.3 Presentation

**10.3.1 Juanita Peters, Executive Director, and Lyle Grant, President, Africville Heritage Trust
“Africville Heritage Trust – The Spirit Lives On”**

The following was before the Executive Standing Committee:

- A presentation request dated November 25, 2020
- A presentation dated January 25, 2021

The Executive Standing Committee received a presentation and asked questions of clarification.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

12. REPORTS

12.1 STAFF

12.1.1 Councillor Appointments to Boards and Committees

The following was before Executive Standing Committee:

- A staff memorandum

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT the Executive Standing Committee

- 1. Nominate one (1) Member of Council to the Women’s Advisory Committee for a term to November 2022 and**
- 2. Nominate up to three (3) Members of Council to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for a term to November 2022.**

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT Councillor Purdy be nominated as a member of the Women’s Advisory Committee for a term to November 2022.

MOVED By Councillor Morse, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Councillor Stoddard be nominated as a member of the Women’s Advisory Committee for a term to November 2022.

A secret ballot was conducted, and Councillor Stoddard was nominated to the Women’s Advisory Committee for a term to November 2022.

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT Councillor Deagle-Gammon and Councillor Russell be nominated as members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee for a term to November 2022.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

The question was called on the motion as follows:

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT the Executive Standing Committee

- 1. Nominate Councillor Iona Stoddard to the Women’s Advisory Committee for a term to November 2022 and**
- 2. Nominate Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon and Councillor Paul Russell to the Accessibility Advisory Committee for a term to November 2022.**

12.1.2 Proposed 2021 Executive Standing Committee Meeting Schedule

The following was before Executive Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated January 12, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Mason and seconded by Councillor Hendsbee

THAT Executive Standing Committee approve the proposed 2021 meeting schedule as outlined in Attachment 1 of the staff report dated January 12, 2021.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.2 WOMEN’S ADVISORY COMMITTEE

12.2.1 Amendments to the Women’s Advisory Committee Terms of Reference – Section 6 of Administrative Order Number 2019-004-GOV

The following was before Executive Standing Committee:

- A recommendation report from the Chair of the Women’s Advisory Committee dated January 8, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Councillor Morse

THAT the Executive Standing Committee request a staff report with respect to amendments to Administrative Order Number 2019-004-GOV Respecting the Women’s Advisory Committee in the Halifax Regional Municipality, to include women from racialized communities as part of the Committee complement.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.3 MEMBERS OF STANDING COMMITTEE

12.3.1 Amendments to the Design Review Committee’s Terms of Reference - Section 4 of the Downtown Halifax Land Use By-law

The following was before Executive Standing Committee:

- A recommendation report from the Chair of the Design Review Committee dated November 23, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Deputy Mayor Outhit

THAT the Executive Standing Committee request a staff report respecting amendments to the Design Review Committee’s Terms of Reference in section 4 of the Downtown Halifax Land Use By-law with respect to the length of terms for members and to consider the possibility of automatically renewing terms for a one- or two-year period.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

12.4 MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE STANDING COMMITTEE

12.4.1 Councillor Mason - Accessibility Impact Section for Staff Reports

The following was before Executive Standing Committee:

- A request for consideration form submitted by Councillor Mason

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Executive Standing Committee requests a staff report regarding the inclusion of an “Accessibility Impact” section in all staff reports

MOTION PUT AND PASSED

12.4.2 Councillor Mason – Councillor Code of Conduct – Operational Issues

The following was before Executive Standing Committee:

- A request for consideration form submitted by Councillor Mason

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT Executive Standing Committee requests a staff report and recommendations with respect to updates to the Councillor Code of Conduct and any other policies that might be needed to ensure

clear guidelines are in place with respect to the limited role of Councillors in the general administration of the business the Municipality.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

13. MOTIONS - NONE

14. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE)

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT the Executive Standing Committee convene In Camera to discuss Personnel Matters 14.2.1, 14.2.2, 14.2.3, and 14.2.4.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

14.1 In Camera (In Private) Minutes – February 24, 2020 and April 14, 2020

This matter was dealt with in Camera (In Private)

14.2 PERSONNEL MATTER – Private and Confidential Report

These matters were dealt with In Camera (In Private) and ratified in public as follows:

14.2.1 Public Appointment to Halifax Regional Library Board

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Deputy Mayor Outhit

THAT the Executive Standing Committee:

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated January 11, 2021; and**
- 2. Direct that the staff report dated January 11, 2021 be maintained as private and confidential**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

14.2.2 Public Appointments to Metropolitan Regional Housing Authority

MOVED by Councillor Mason, seconded by Deputy Mayor Outhit

THAT the Executive Standing Committee:

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated January 11, 2021; and**
- 2. Direct that the staff report dated January 11, 2021 be maintained as private and confidential**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED

14.2.3 Public Appointments to Design Review Committee

MOVED by Councillor Mason, Seconded by Councillor Blackburn

THAT the Executive Standing Committee:

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated January 12, 2021; and**
- 2. Direct that the staff report dated January 12, 2021 be maintained as private and confidential**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

14.2.4 Public Appointment to Halifax Port Authority

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Councillor Mason

THAT the Executive Standing Committee:

- 1. Adopt the recommendations as outlined in the private and confidential staff report dated January 13, 2021; and**
- 2. Direct that the staff report dated January 13, 2021 be maintained as private and confidential**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

15. ADDED ITEMS - NONE

16. NOTICES OF MOTION - NONE

17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NONE

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – February 22, 2021

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

Jill McGillicuddy
Legislative Assistant