

# ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES September 2, 2021

PRESENT: Councillor Tony Mancini, Chair

Councillor Kathryn Morse, Vice Chair Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon

Councillor Sam Austin
Councillor Pam Lovelace

REGRETS: Councillor Shawn Cleary

STAFF: Kelly Denty, Executive Director, Planning and Development

Joshua Judah, Senior Solicitor

Haruka Aoyama, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. The Standing Committee adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - July 7, 2021

MOVED by Councillor Morse, seconded by Councillor Austin

THAT the minutes of July 7, 2021 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

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

Correspondence was received from Alexandra Futterman and Sam Buck and circulated to the Standing Committee.

10.2 Petitions - None

10.3 Presentation

10.3.1 A Model CSO Alert - Kelly Schnare and Or Denemark

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A presentation request dated March 22, 2021 and August 22, 2021
- A handout entitled Model Policy for Sewage Spill Public Alerts
- A presentation entitled A Model CSO Alert

Kelly Schnare gave an audio-recorded presentation on Model CSO Alert. Or Denemark responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

## 10.3.2 Water Quality of Blue Mountain-Birch Cove Lakes - Donald Gordon

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A presentation request dated August 6, 2021
- A presentation entitled Water Quality of Blue Mountain Cove Lakes

Donald Gordon gave a presentation on water quality monitoring of Blue Mountain-Birch Cove Lakes and responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

#### 11. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD - NONE

#### 12. REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS

**12.1 STAFF** 

#### 12.1.1 Review HRM Litter Receptacle Placement Criteria

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated August 25, 2021
- A staff presentation dated September 2, 2021

Councillor Morse, Vice Chair assumed the role of Chair.

Shannon Betts, Division Policy Coordinator, Solid Waste, gave a presentation on HRM Litter Receptacle Placement Criteria. Shannon Betts and Andrea Mehner, Superintendent – Streets & Sidewalks East, responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to:

- 1. Maintain existing Public Space Litter Receptacle Criteria set out in Attachment A of the staff report dated August 25, 2021 to ensure continued consistency and collaboration across departments and agencies who manage litter in the Municipal right-of-way or public spaces (i.e. right-of-way, parks, sports fields and trails);
- 2. Increase public awareness of the placement criteria and service standards for litter receptacles as part of ongoing municipal campaigns, including publishing a map identifying the location of receptacles; and
- 3. Continue purchasing lids for all 45-gallon litter drums to address concerns of blowing litter and animal access.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

# 12.2 MEMBERS OF STANDING COMMITTEE

#### 12.2.1 Plastic Pollution Resolution

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- A request for Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee Consideration form dated September 2, 2021 from Councillor Tony Mancini
- A staff presentation dated September 2, 2021

Councillor Morse, Vice Chair assumed the role of Chair.

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Joshua Judah, Senior Solicitor noted that as provided for in section 4(2) of Administrative Order One, section 17 of Administrative Order One may be suspended by Standing Committee by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3rds) of the Members present and voting.

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee suspend the Rules of Procedure under section 17 of Administrative Order One, the Procedures of the Council Administrative Order.

#### MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Councillor Mancini, seconded by Councillor Lovelace

THAT the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee recommend Regional Council to endorse the Plastics Resolution as outlined in Attachment 1 of Request for Consideration form dated September 2, 2021.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

- 12.3 BOARDS AND COMMITTEES NONE
- 13. MOTIONS NONE
- 14. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) NONE
- 15. ADDED ITEMS
- 16. NOTICES OF MOTION
- 17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NONE
- 18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING October 7, 2021\* if required
- 19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

Haruka Aoyama Legislative Assistant