



**TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
June 12, 2025**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Sam Austin, Chair  
Councillor Kathryn Morse, Vice Chair  
Councillor Trish Purdy  
Councillor Shawn Cleary  
Councillor Patty Cuttell  
Councillor John Young

**STAFF:** Dave Reage, Executive Director Strategic Infrastructure & Transportation  
Planning, Office of Strategic Infrastructure and Transportation Planning  
Chris Giddens, Solicitor  
Krista Vining, Team Lead, Legislative Assistants

*These minutes are considered draft and will require approval by Transportation Standing Committee at a future meeting.*

*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](http://halifax.ca).*

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 22, 2025**

MOVED by Councillor Cuttell, seconded by Councillor Cleary

**THAT the minutes of May 12, 2025 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 Cleary, seconded by Councillor Cuttell

**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 – None**

**11. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Ben Hammer, Ecology Action Centre spoke about predictable transit service, labour conditions for drivers and reducing service until more drivers could be hired. Hammer responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

Colin May, Dartmouth spoke about prioritizing pedestrians over cyclists and scooters in the Dartmouth Common, submitting photographs for the record, and sought enforcement of the *Halifax Regional Municipal Charter*. May responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

**12. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

**13. REPORTS**

**13.1 STAFF**

**13.1.1 Proposed Residential Parking Permit Surcharge for Heavy Vehicles**

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Staff report dated April 14, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Cleary, seconded by Councillor Young

**THAT the Transportation Standing Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to direct staff to prepare amendments to implement a pricing model based on vehicle weight for annual residential parking permits, as described in the discussion section of the staff report dated April 14, 2025, and return to Halifax Regional Council for approval.**

Jeff Nephew, Supervisor Parking Operations responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**14. MOTIONS – NONE**

**15. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE**

**16. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

**17. NOTICES OF MOTION**

**17.1 Councillor Cuttall**

TAKE NOTICE that, at a future meeting of the Transportation Standing Committee, I intend to move a motion to request an information report on the reporting and response process for issues related to micromobility, and the number and nature of complaints in the first two months since their introduction.

**18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – August 21, 2025**

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Krista Vining  
Team Lead, Legislative Assistants