

Highland Park AGM  
January 19,2016  
Tantallon Library 7:00pm

- Welcome, Opening remarks: Kelly Bush
- Kelly calls meeting to order
  - First - Kelly Bush
  - Second – Stephanie Adams
- Updates from Matt Whitman, city councilor / Deputy Mayor

-Rezoning-

The Highland Park rezoning issue was discussed. There had been a request that the entire park be rezoned to R1 (residential), as there are several properties zoned as MU (multi use). HRM staff has written a report and recommendation to drop the issue, as community meetings revealed that there is very little support for this change, and it would negatively affect the small businesses we have in the subdivision. We should a final report with recommendations in the near future.

-Hammonds Plains Road widening-

Lucasville to Kingswood will be done this 2016 then following this will be any other areas from “the Basin to the Bay” as well as work on Bluewater Road intersection (flooding Area).

-Potential development in Highland Park-

Raymar Development is looking into possible development of another kilometer into the park, this would potentially go as far as Timberlea and/or link into Halliburton Heights as well.

-Highway 113 is not a current priority for the municipality-

-Transit-

Looking to improve better bus service so people are not standing on the Hammonds Plains Road. This is always an active item on the city agenda.

-Street Lights-

Call 311 for requests or repairs.

-Speeders/Stop Signs-

Police contact will come out every so often to ticket people if it is brought to their attention. Possible additional speed limit signs to be investigated and posted

- Municipal Matters

-Grant line road/ 2<sup>nd</sup> exit traffic counts were done in the late fall. Recommendations to follow. The land at the end of Sylvania has been donated to the city by the owners for the purpose of a second exit to come out at Rockcliffe. The city will be

responsible for highlighting risks and recommending solutions, but costs for the second exit will likely not be covered by the city. No word on how much such an exit would cost, and what support the developers are willing to contribute. There is still a planned church off the Grant Line Road and possible questions on whether or not that developer would be interested in helping with a second exit.

-Ditch and storm tax –

This tax will be allocated to our property taxes to whoever was issued a bill. There will be a meeting regarding the ditch tax held by Pamela Lovelace on February 16, 17 & 18 with the Utility Review Board on Lower Water Street. Times will be announced on social media

-Tax rate increases-

There is a possibility of a tax rate increase if there is hiring of firefighters as proposed /approved by city council.

-Margeson Drive from Hwy 101 to the Lucasville Road continues via Cranley – no finish date announced. Ongoing discussions of linking Margeson Drive to Glen Arbour and/or to White Hills, no firm plans of yet.

- Highland Park Year In Review / Upcoming Events

-Yard Sale-

June 11/12, 2016

There will be advertisement on Facebook and Twitter as well as on the website. There will be no rain date as it is a two-day sale, homeowners can make their own decisions in the event of inclement weather.

-Neighborhood clean up with Clean Nova Scotia-

May 28<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm, 2016

The attendance has been growing year to year, we were happy to see the great turn out last year. We will meet again at the cul de sac on Northwood and clean common areas (tennis courts, playgrounds, mailboxes etc.)

-Highland Park Family Fun day-

June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016, 1-4pm

We welcome all our residents out for a snack and some fun for all ages. Fun day is held at the Highland Park Ball field on Deepwood Drive.

-Movie Night-

September 10, 2016 Movie will start at dusk (8:00)

An indoor back-up venue will be announced if we are rained out from the Highland Park ball field (Deepwood drive) All the details (movie and indoor venue) will be announced at a later date.

-Budget-

The budget will be posted online on the website [www.highlandparknews.ca](http://www.highlandparknews.ca)

Budget Approved – Kelly Bush

Second – Rhonda Brown

- Meeting Closure