

HALIFAX WATER BOARD – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: July 11, 2024

Meeting Time: 4:00 p.m.

Attendees:	Commissioner Colleen Rollings, Chair
	Commissioner Deagle-Gammon, Vice Chair
	Commissioner Cathie O'Toole
	Commissioner Patty Cuttell
	Commissioner Paul Russell
	Commissioner Nancy MacLellan
	Commissioner John MacPherson
Regrets:	Commissioner Becky Kent
Staff:	Kenda MacKenzie, Acting General Manager/CEO
	Louis de Montbrun, Director, Corporate Services/CFO
	Colin Taylor, Acting General Counsel and Corporate Secretary
	Josh DeYoung, Director, Engineering & Capital Infrastructure
	Ashley Kendall, Director, People & Culture
	John Eisnor, Director, Operations
	Lorna Skinner, Administrative Assistant

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

The agenda and any supporting documents are available online at www.halifaxwater.ca

Agenda Items

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:07 p.m.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. THE CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS

The Chair introduced herself and welcomed the attendees to the Annual General Meeting of Halifax Water. She acknowledged that the meeting is being held on the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

2. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS.	
Discussion Notes	MOVED BY Commissioner Deagle Gammon, seconded by Commissioner Russell that the Halifax Regional Water Commission Board approve the order of business and approve additions and deletions.
Decision	MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE 2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING DATED JULY 13, 2023.	
Discussion Notes	MOVED BY Commissioner Cuttell, seconded by Commissioner MacLellan that the Halifax Regional Water Commission Board approve the minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting dated July 13, 2023.
Decision	MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

At this time, the Chair recognized the significant impact of the boil water advisory of July 1, 2024, on the residential customers and businesses. The risk to customers was low but the advisory was the appropriate mitigation measure. The Board of Commissioners has requested a full report on the event and the corrective measures being taken to prevent such an event from re-occurring.

4. STRATEGIC INITIATIVES OVERVIEW	
2023/24 Accomplishments and 2024/2025 Goals	
Discussion Notes	<p>Kenda MacKenzie gave a presentation on the accomplishments of 2023/24 and the goals and objectives for 2024/25.</p> <p>Louis de Montbrun gave a presentation on the year-end financial results for 2023/24.</p>

5. MAJOR CAPITAL INITIATIVES FOR 2024/25	
Discussion Notes	Josh DeYoung gave a presentation on the 2024/2025 major capital initiatives.

6. QUESTION AND ANSWER FORUM

Discussion Notes

A staff member inquired about the timeline for the water main replacement that runs down Evans Avenue through to the Windsor Street Exchange. Mr. DeYoung responded that Halifax Water is working with HRM to ensure the water main replacement project is aligned with the Windsor Street Redevelopment project. Currently, the schedule for completing the project is 3-4 years but is dependent on federal funding.

7. CHAIR'S CLOSING REMARKS

The Chair thanked the Board of Commissioners, the Acting General Manager, the Executive Team, all those who participated in the meeting as well as those attending.

Minutes Recorded By:

Lorna Skinner, Governance Coordination Assistant