MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST HANTS
Special Council Minutes
July 19, 2018 8:00 p.m.
Sanford Council Chambers

1. Call to Order
Warden Zebian called the meeting to order at 8:52 p.m.

2. Call of Roll

Present:  
A. Zebian  Warden
R. Jannasch  Councillor District 1
K. Monroe  Councillor District 2
D. Keith  Councillor District 3
T. Leopold  Councillor District 4
R. Hussey  Councillor District 6
J. Daniels  Councillor District 7
P. Morton  Deputy Warden
R. Zwicker  Councillor District 10
M. Laycock  Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)
C. Remme  Communications Coordinator

Regrets:  
D. Francis  Councillor District 5

There were 4 members of the public in attendance.

3. Report(s) of the Committee(s) and Officer(s)
   a. Joint Council
      i. July 19, 2018 Excerpts

Warden Zebian read the following statement:

West Hants’ Council adopted the vision to be committed to becoming the most appealing, engaged, well-managed community in Nova Scotia. To do this, Council has had to move beyond the old beliefs, conceptions and notions that have held us back in the past to tackle the challenges facing not only our region but all municipalities in Nova Scotia.

Change is constant and is more important than ever. The Provincial government has stated that the current way municipalities are operating is not going to work for future generations of Nova Scotians. West Hants Council recognizes this and has taken the first step towards positive change.

Our Councillors are strong, altruistic leaders who are dedicated to ensuring our residents live and flourish in healthy, safe and vibrant communities. We have been entrusted to make decisions that will allow our region to grow and prosper and it is important for us to move beyond the historical differences and look to the future.

This decision will allow us to work with the Town of Windsor and the Province towards collaboratively making our region the best of everything. We will remain committed to our residents and will be entering negotiations with them in mind, ensuring that all our communities’ benefit from the proposed changes.

MOVED and SECONDED that the Municipality of the District of West Hants and the Town of Windsor make a request to the Minister of Municipal Affairs to enter into negotiations to consolidate the two municipalities through special legislation and that the process be completed no later than December 2020.

Councillor Leopold expressed that she would not be supporting the motion as she felt there was not enough information for her residents. Councillor Keith echoed Councillor Leopold.

Motion Carried.

Councillor Leopold and Councillor Keith voted nay.

4. Adjournment
MOVED and SECONDED that the meeting be adjourned.
Motion Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.
Abraham Zebian, Warden

Rhonda Brown, Municipal Clerk