



NOVA SCOTIA
BARRISTERS' SOCIETY

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

The Society's Council met on Friday, March 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in person and via videoconference and conducted the following business:

Consent agenda – Council approved the following consent agenda matters:

- **Approval of Minutes of January 26, 2024 Council Meeting**
 - **Professional Standards (Real Estate)** 5.6 Property Tax and 5.2 Personal Property
 - **Committee Appointments:** Raffi Balmanoukian – Real Estate Standards Committee
 - **Resignations:** Mr. Shawn Douglas Langlois – NSBS – TJ Wilson – Code of Professional Conduct Committee – Raffi Balmanoukian – Complaints Investigation Committee
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- **Halifax Courthouse Accessibility.** A memo was provided in advance with recommendations regarding the ongoing lack of accessibility at the Halifax Courthouse. After some discussion, Council approved the recommendations to remedy the accessibility at the Courthouse.
 - **Truth and Reconciliation Working Group** A memo was provided to Council with the recommendation that the Truth and Reconciliation Working Group become an official Equity Committee of Council. Council approved the motion.
 - **Budget 2024/2025** Kate Shewan, Director of Finance & Administration, introduced the 2024-2025 budget. Council discussed several items of the budget and fee models. Council gave feedback and approved the budget in principle.
 - **LIANS Six-Month Report** Lawrence Rubin, Director of LIANS, provided a bi-annual update to Council. Lawrence shared that the LAP Peer Program will be reestablished which provides a no-cost wellness program for members.
 - **Strategic Planning Update** – Cheryl Hodder, KC, provided an update on the strategic plan. The senior management team will present a draft plan to Council at the June meeting.

In Camera

Conclusion 12:00 p.m.