



**GRANTS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
March 2, 2020**

PRESENT: Councillor Russell Walker, Chair
Councillor Steve Streach
Councillor David Hendsbee
Mark Lucas
Alana Baxter
Stefan Ludin
Dorina Bitá

REGRETS: Councillor Lindell Smith
Jill McSweeney-Flaherty
Maggy Burns

STAFF: Peter Greechan, Community Developer, Community Grants
Krista Vining, Legislative Assistant

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The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m., and adjourned 1:44 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Russell Walker, Chair called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. in Halifax Hall, 2nd Floor City Hall, 1841 Argyle Street, Halifax. Round table introductions were given.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 13, 2020

MOVED by Councillor Streach, seconded by Mark Lucas

THAT the minutes of January 13, 2020 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

MOVED by Mark Lucas, seconded by Alana Baxter

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. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence – None

7.2 Petitions – None

7.3 Presentation – None

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 HRM Board and Committee Orientation

The following was before the Committee:

- A staff presentation entitled: Advisory Boards and Committees - Grants Committee Orientation
- A staff presentation entitled: Finance and Asset Management – ICT - Grants and Contributions

Krista Vining, Legislative Assistant presented an overview on the following:

Role of Advisory Board and Committees

- Terms of Reference
- Role of the Chair
- Meetings and Agendas
- Conflict of Interest
- What Happens at a Meeting
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Member Conduct

and responded to questions raised by the Committee.

Peta-Jane Temple, Team Lead Grants Tax & Special Project, Community Grants and Peter Greechan, Community Developer, Community Grants, provided an overview on the following:

- Community Grants Program
- Tax Exemptions for Non-Profit Organizations
- Non-Profit Fire Tax Concessions
- Administrative Order 50 Respecting Disposal of Surplus Real Property – Assigned to the Community Interest Category
- Interim Community Museums Grants Program
- Grants and Contributions – Interdepartmental Support

and responded to questions raised by the Committee.

9.1.2 211 Information and Referral Services Association (o/a 211 Nova Scotia) – License Agreement

The following was before the Committee:

- A staff recommendation report dated October 30, 2019

Tara Legg, Leasing Officer, Corporate Real Estate provided an overview of key terms and conditions outlined in the discussion section of the October 30, 2019 staff report for a five (5) year (April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2025) license agreement with 211 Nova Scotia for the premises at 21 Mount Hope Avenue, Dartmouth.

MOVED by Councillor Hendsbee, seconded by Alana Baxter

THAT the Grants Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to negotiate a less than market value license agreement, for execution by the Mayor and Municipal Clerk on behalf of the Municipality, with 211 Information and Referral Services Association (o/a 211 Nova Scotia) for the premises located at 21 Mount Hope Avenue, Dartmouth as per the key terms and conditions set out in Table 1 in the discussion section of the staff report dated October 30, 2019.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

11. ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

The Chair called for nominations of Vice Chair of the Grants Committee.

Alana Baxter was nominated as Vice Chair.

The Chair called three times for any further nominations, there were none. Alana was declared the Vice Chair.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – April 6, 2020

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:44 p.m.

Krista Vining
Legislative Assistant