



**GRANTS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
September 11, 2023**

**PRESENT:** Cathy Deagle Gammon, Chair  
Joseph Allen, Vice Chair  
Councillor Becky Kent  
Alex Handsyside  
Stefan Ludin  
Pamela Crowell

**REGRETS:** Councillor Lindell Smith – Parental Leave  
Councillor Lisa Blackburn  
Leona Milne  
Ayo Aladejebi

**STAFF:** Peta-Jane Temple, Team Lead, Grants & Contributions  
Peter Greechan, Community Developer, Tax & Special Projects  
Elizabeth Macdonald, Legislative Assistant

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

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*The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m., the Committee adjourned at 11:11 a.m.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 10, 2023 and July 24, 2023**

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Stefan Ludin

**THAT the minutes of July 10, 2023 and July 24, 2023 be approved as circulated.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

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

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Stefan Ludin

**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**

**7.3.1 Lakeshore Curling Club – *Laughlin Rutt***

The following was before the Committee:

- Presentation dated September 11, 2023

Laughlin Rutt, Lakeshore Curling Club gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

**8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

**9. REPORTS**

**9.1 STAFF**

**9.1.1 Volunteer Search and Rescue Grants Program – Fiscal Year 2023-24**

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff report dated August 23, 2023

MOVED by Stefan Ludin, seconded by Pamela Crowell

**THAT the Grants Committee recommend that Regional Council amend the motion on the floor from the August 22, 2023, Regional Council meeting to:**

- 1. Approve an additional \$25,212.55 in Operating Grants for the three (3) Volunteer Ground Search and Rescue Teams listed in Table 1 of the Discussion section of the staff report dated August 23, 2023,**
- 2. Approve a one-time operating grant to the Sheet Harbour and Area Ground Search and Rescue equivalent to an operating grant under Administrative Order 2014-018-ADM in the amount of \$33,352.23,**
- 3. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a recommendation report with respect to the feasibility of repealing Administrative Order 2014-018-ADM Grants to Volunteer Search and Rescue/EMO Organizations and replacing the current policy with a Municipal Service Agreement model for each of those Ground Search and Rescue Teams recognized by Halifax Regional Municipality,**
- 4. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a recommendation report with respect to the implementation of a Municipal Registry for Emergency Service Providers pursuant to Section 306 of the *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter*, and**
- 5. Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to include an increase in funding to volunteer emergency service providers for consideration in the fiscal 2024/25 budget process.**

Peta-Jane Temple, Team Lead, Grants & Contributions and Erica Fleck, Director of Emergency Management responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

#### **9.1.2 LTMV Lease – Graham’s Grove Building**

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff report dated June 28, 2023

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Joseph Allen

**THAT the Grants Committee:**

- 1. Recommend that Halifax Regional Council approve entering into a less than market value lease agreement with the Kiwanis Club of Dartmouth Charitable Foundation for a portion of the premises located at 45 Graham’s Grove with key terms set out in Table 1 of the staff report dated June 28, 2023, and that Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the less than market value lease agreement.**
- 2. Recommend that Halifax Regional Council approve entering into a less than market value lease agreement with the Dartmouth Dragon Boat Association for a portion of the premises located at 45 Graham’s Grove with key terms set out in Table 2 of the staff report dated June 28, 2023, and that Council authorize the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the less than market value lease agreement.**

Peta-Jane Temple, Team Lead, Grants and Special Project and Scott Ingram, Service Delivery Coordinator, Parks and Recreation responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**9.1.3 Request for Reconsideration: Lakeshore Curling Club**

The following was before the Committee:

- Extract from the July 11, 2023 Halifax Regional Council minutes

Peta-Jane Temple, Team Lead, Grants & Contributions spoke to the Lakeshore Curling Club application and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

MOVED by Joseph Allen, seconded by Pamela Crowell

**THAT the Grants Committee acknowledge the presentation received from the Lakeshore Curling Club and request that staff provide a written response with alternatives and clarification and that the correspondence be copied to members of the Grants Committee.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

**11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – October 16, 2023**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Elizabeth Macdonald  
Legislative Assistant