



**GRANTS COMMITTEE
DRAFT 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

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

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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

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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.

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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