



**CORPORATION OF THE
CITY OF CLARENCE-ROCKLAND**

MUNICIPAL GRANTS PROGRAM COMMITTEE - MINUTES

June 19, 2024
Council Chambers
415 rue Lemay Street, Clarence Creek, Ont.

PRESENT: Renée Forcier, Member (late arrival: 6:29 p.m.)
Sumaila Gariba, Member
André J. Lalonde, Councillor
Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle, Councillor
Mario Zanth, Mayor
Frédéric Desnoyers, Treasurer
Karine McCulloch, Deputy Clerk
Michel Cousineau, Director of Corporate Services

ABSENT: Stephane Fournier, Councillor

1. Opening of the meeting

The chair being absent from the meeting, Mayor Mario Zanth propose to be chair for today's meeting. No objection from committee members.

Mayor Mario Zanth opens the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle

Seconded by André J. Lalonde

That the agenda be adopted, with the addition of item 5.2.

CARRIED, as modified

3. Disclosure of pecuniary interests

None.

4. Adoption of the minutes

Moved by Sumaila Gariba

Seconded by André J. Lalonde

That the minutes of the Municipal Grants Program Committee meeting of June 5th, 2024, be adopted.

CARRIED

5. Grants Applications Received

5.1 The Indigenous Grassroots Circle of Eastern Ontario

Michel Cousineau explains the situation of the organization requesting funds.

Following questions, Frederic Desnoyers explains that the policy does not allow organizations to appeal the decision, but that the policy does allow the organization to make a second request for the same event. This request is therefore treated as a new request from the organization.

Mister Sumaila Gariba questions the requested amount, since the application still ask for 5000\$.

Frederic Desnoyers explains that despite the amount requested, the policy says that the municipal grant cannot be more than 50% of the funding for the event. He confirms that the organisation currently has 3000\$ + 600\$ in sponsorship and that their in-kind request is for 830\$. This leaves the committee with the possibility of giving them 2750\$.

Moved by André J. Lalonde

Seconded by Sumaila Gariba

That the Municipal Grants Program Committee recommends to Council that the following Grants be awarded:

- The Indigenous Grassroots Circle of Eastern Ontario for a financial amount of 2750\$.

CARRIED

Renée Forcier arrives at the meeting at 6:29 p.m.

5.2 Sentier recreatif Prescott Russell

The committee discussed the application and question the other source of funding the organization mentioned having, since they did not give any specification on their application about their sponsors and amounts. It is also pointed out that the Prescott and Russell Recreational Trail is part of all municipalities in Prescott and Russell and that funding could be obtained from other municipalities as well.

Frederic Desnoyers mentions that the application form has been updated this week, to request that a budget of the activity be attached to the application, to avoid these questioning in the future.

The Mayor Mario Zanth reiterates that the committee has been doing exceptions here and there this year, because they are trying to adapt.

The committee discuss different amount and the option of adding a condition to the financial grant.

Moved by Renée Forcier

Seconded by Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle

That the Municipal Grants Program Committee recommends to Council that the following Grants be awarded:

- Prescott and Russell Recreational Trail in the financial amount of 750\$, pending a confirmation that the City is not the major donor of the event.

CARRIED

6. Summary

Mayor Mario Zanth informs the committee that a Special Council Meeting will be held tomorrow at noon to approve the recommendations from the committee.

Frederic Desnoyers informs the committee that after this meeting recommendations, there would be 7955\$ left in financial grants for 2024, if approved by council.

The committee discussed passing a recommendation to Council to schedule the next committee meeting to the end of summer and therefore setting a final date for application for 2024 funding.

Moved by André J. Lalonde

Seconded by Sumaila Gariba

THAT the next meeting of the Municipal Grants Program Committee be held on September 5th, 2024; and

THAT the Municipal Grants Program Committee recommend to Council that the deadline for receipt of applications for financial grants for 2024 be set for September 2, 2024.

CARRIED

7. Adjournment

The meeting is adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Mario Zanth, Mayor for the
Chairperson

Karine McCulloch, Deputy Clerk