



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

MUNICIPAL GRANTS PROGRAM COMMITTEE - MINUTES

May 12, 2025
Teleconference

PRESENT: Sumaila Gariba, Member
Stephane Fournier, Councillor, Replacement Chair
Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle, Councillor
Frédéric Desnoyers, Treasurer
Karine McCulloch, Deputy Clerk

ABSENT: Renée Forcier, Chair
André J. Lalonde, Councillor

1. Opening of the meeting

The chair opens the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Sumaila Gariba

Seconded by Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle

That the agenda be adopted, as presented.

CARRIED

3. Disclosure of pecuniary interests

None

4. Adoption of the minutes

Moved by Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle

Seconded by Sumaila Gariba

That the minutes of the Municipal Grants Program Committee meeting of December 10, 2024, be adopted.

CARRIED

5. Grants Applications Received

5.1 Clarence-Rockland Plowmen's Association for the Clarence-Rockland Plowing Match (Russell County)

Following questions, Frédéric Desnoyers confirmed that \$1,500 was allocated to this event last year.

Following questions, Frédéric Desnoyers mentioned that the municipal grant committee still has a budget of \$17,100 for 2025.

Following questions, Frédéric Desnoyers mentioned that tonight is the last application period for 2025. The next application period in fall 2025 will be for the 2026 budget.

Following questions, Frédéric Desnoyers confirmed that no in-kind contributions are requested.

Moved by Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle

Seconded by Sumaila Gariba

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

- Clarence-Rockland Plowmen's Association for the Clarence-Rockland Plowing Match (Russell County) in the amount of \$2 400.

CARRIED

5.2 Hammond Optimist Club for Hammond en Fête

Following questions, Frédéric Desnoyers confirmed that the committee had allocated funds to them last year, but that the contract was never signed, so they never received them.

Following questions, Frédéric Desnoyers mentioned that they are requesting financial assistance of \$1,000 and in-kind assistance worth \$1,563, for a total of approximately \$2,500.

Moved by Sumaila Gariba

Seconded by Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle

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

- Hammond Optimist Club for Hammond en Fête in the amount of \$1 000.

CARRIED

5.3 Alzheimer Society of Cornwall & District for IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer's

Frédéric Desnoyers mentions that the organization has also requested in-kind assistance worth \$553 for this event. The total amount of \$5,000 requested in financial assistance would not be possible, as the in-kind assistance must be taken into account in the maximum authorized amount of \$5,000.

Following questions, Frédéric Desnoyers clarifies that the event is taking place in Clarence-Rockland. It is a fundraising walk. The money received from participants will be donated to the Alzheimer's Association.

Following questions, Frédéric Desnoyers mentions that the Community Development Department had left a comment indicating that the event had been a success in Clarence-Rockland in the past. Since the previous funds were not allocated through the committee, he is unable to say how much they had received in the past.

Sumaila Gariba suggests not granting the full amount requested but granting a portion of it.

Stéphane Fournier suggests granting an amount of \$2,000, plus the requested in-kind contribution of \$553.

Moved by Sumaila Gariba

Seconded by Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle

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

- Alzheimer Society of Cornwall & District for IG Wealth Management Walk for Alzheimer's in the amount of \$2 000.

CARRIED

6. In-Kind Grants Report

Not discussed.

7. Funds Summary

Following questions, Frederic Desnoyers informs the committee that there is 10 750\$ left in the budget for 2025.

The committee discuss the possibility of opening a third round of application to allocate more grants in 2025.

Moved by Simon-Olivier Péladeau-Houle
Seconded by Sumaila Gariba

That the Municipal Grants Program Committee recommends to Council to launch a third application round for the 2025 Municipal Grants Program in August, with the aim of awarding the grants in September 2025.

CARRIED

8. Adjournment

The meeting is adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Stephane Fournier, Chairperson

Karine McCulloch, Deputy Clerk