

Rural Municipality of Belfast

COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM MEETING - MINUTES

Saturday, March 9, 2019 at 7:00 PM – Belfast Firehall

In Attendance:

Chair: Councillor William (Billy) Gamble (Voting)
Councillor Virginia Cooke (Voting)
Councillor Audrey Shillabeer (Voting)
Acting Mayor Garth Gillis (Ex-officio – Voting)

Administration: CAO Bob Brooks (Non-Voting)

Item Order of Business

1. **Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Acting Mayor Garth Gillis until a Chair was selected.
2. **Declarations of Conflict of Interest Regarding Community Grants** (Committee members with a conflict of interest with a particular Community Grant Proposal, declared their conflict at this time, and will also step out during the discussion of that particular Proposal ONLY) (Those members may participate in all other discussions and final recommendation to Council) – Councillor Audrey Shillabeer declared a conflict of interest with the Belfast Historical Society and will step out during that item discussion.
3. **Approval of Agenda – Moved** by Councillor Shillabeer, **Seconded** by Councillor Cooke, to approve the Agenda. **Carried** Unanimously.
4. **Selection of a Committee Chair – Moved** by Councillor Shillabeer, **Seconded** by Councillor Cooke, to nominate Councillor Billy Gamble as Chair of the Community Grants Program Committee. **Carried** Unanimously. Councillor Gamble then assumed the role of Chair for the remainder of the meeting.
5. **Orientation of Committee Proceedings by CAO** – The CAO spoke to the Committee and Public about the process the Committee was about to undertake in determining a recommendation that would be presented to Council for consideration on the 20th of March, 2019.
6. **Public Presentations of Grant Requests/Proposals** (not required for those that had already submitted their requests) (5 minutes each) – The Point Prim and Area Environmental Development Committee were the only presenters to speak to their previously submitted proposal. After highlighting their proposal and methodology, Mr. Brian Gillis also committed to sending Committee members some additional information about the program.
7. **Deliberation – Moved** by Councillor Shillabeer, **Seconded** by Councillor Cooke, to move in-camera for deliberations. **Carried** Unanimously.

8. **Recommendation** – Committee moved out of in-camera and presented the following recommendation that will be presented to Council for consideration on the 20th of March, 2019. **Moved** by Councillor Cooke, **Seconded** by Councillor Shillabeer. **Carried** Unanimously...the following recommendation:

The Community Grants Program Committee recommends that the 2019/2020 Community Grants Funding be allocated to the following:

Fire Protection Grant	Belfast Rural Fire Department	\$90,000
GPEI Rink Grant	Belfast Rec Centre	8,500
Community Grants	Belfast Area Watershed Group	3,840
	Belfast Days	0
	Belfast Historical Society	4,000
	Belfast Minor Hockey Assoc.	3,000
	Belfast Rec Centre	26,500
	Belfast Minor Soccer	500
	Mosquito Abatement (Pin/Flat/Rose)	750
	Pinette Raceway	2,000
	Point Prim and Area Enviro. Dev. Committee	1,500
	Point Prim Lighthouse/Women’s Institute	3,000
	Wood Islands Area Development Corp.	3,500
	WIADC – Wood Islands Light House	<u>1,500</u>
	Community Grants Sub-Total (\$50,090)	
Total Recommended 2019/2020 Allocation		\$148,590

* This recommended allocation represents a **\$3,365** increase over the previous fiscal year.

9. **Other Business** – There was no other business.
10. **Adjournment** – As there was no further business...

Moved by Councillor Cooke to adjourn the meeting at: 9:27 PM
Meeting Adjourned

Minutes Approved on: September 18, 2019

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Chair – Councillor Gamble

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CAO – Bob Brooks