



**GRANTS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
February 13, 2023**

PRESENT: Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon, Chair  
Alana Baxter, Vice Chair  
Councillor Becky Kent  
Councillor Lisa Blackburn  
Leona Milne  
Stefan Ludin  
Joseph Allen  
Ayo Aladejebi

REGRETS: Alex Handyside  
Councillor Lindell Smith  
Peter Greechan

STAFF: Krista Vining, Acting Deputy Clerk  
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 10:07 a.m., the Committee adjourned at 10:40 a.m.*

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

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:07 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.

### **1.1 Annual Election of Vice Chair**

The Chair called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair of the Grants Committee.

MOVED by Joseph Allen, seconded by Councillor Kent

**THAT Joseph Allen be nominated Vice Chair of the Grants Committee.**

Allen accepted the nomination.

The Chair called three times for any further nominations, there were none.

**THAT Joseph Allen be appointed Vice Chair of the Grants Committee.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

Joseph Allen was declared Vice Chair of the Grants Committee.

## **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 14, 2022**

MOVED by Stefan Ludin, seconded by Alana Baxter

**THAT the minutes of November 14, 2022 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 Ayo Aladejebi

**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 - None**

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

## **9. REPORTS**

### **9.1 STAFF**

#### **9.1.1 Less than Market Value Lease: Homes for Independent Living (Nova Scotia)**

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff report dated February 10, 2023

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Joseph Allen

**THAT the Grants Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council approve and authorize the CAO to negotiate and finalize a less than market value lease agreement with Homes for Independent Living (Nova Scotia) located at 2505 Oxford Street, Halifax, as per the key terms and conditions set out in Table 1 of the staff report dated February 10, 2023 and direct the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the necessary agreements.**

Shawn Woodward, Senior Real Estate Officer, Elizabeth Macdonald, Legislative Assistant and Krista Vining, Acting Deputy Clerk responded to questions of clarification.

A request was made to allow members additional time to review the February 10, 2023 staff report.

MOVED by Alana Baxter, seconded by Joseph Allen

**THAT item 9.1.1 Less than Market Value Lease: Homes for Independent Living (Nova Scotia) be deferred to the next meeting.**

**MOTION TO DEFER PUT AND PASSED.**

#### **9.1.2 Less than Market Value Lease: Back to the Sea Society**

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff report dated February 3, 2023

Tara Legge, Leasing Officer, Corporate Real Estate, Property, Fleet & Environment provided an overview on the Less than Market Value Lease: Back to the Sea Society.

MOVED by Joseph Allen, seconded by Alana Baxter

**THAT the Grants Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council authorize the Executive Director, Property, Fleet & Environment to negotiate and finalize a less than market value lease agreement with Back to the Sea Society for the premises located at 140 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth as per the key terms and conditions set out in Table 1 in the discussion section of the staff report dated February 3, 2023, and direct the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the finalized less than market value lease agreement.**

Legge responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

#### **9.1.3 Proposed Grants Committee 2023 Meeting Schedule**

The following was before the Committee:

- Handout dated February 13, 2023

MOVED by Joseph Allen, seconded by Ayo Aladejebi

**THAT the Grants Committee approve the proposed 2023 meeting schedule as presented.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

**12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – March 13, 2023**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Elizabeth Macdonald  
Legislative Assistant