



**GRANTS COMMITTEE
MINUTES
July 10, 2023**

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

REGRETS: Councillor Lindell Smith
Leona Milne

STAFF: Peta Jane Temple, Team Lead, Grants Tax & Special Projects
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 10:04 a.m., the Committee adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:04 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 – June 12, 2023

MOVED by Alana Baxter, seconded by Ayo Aladejebi

THAT the minutes of June 12, 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 Blackburn, seconded by Alex Handyside

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

Ayo Aladejebi declared a conflict of interest for Item 9.1.1 Tax Relief for Non-Profit's 2023, as a member of the Rock Church Christian Association.

Councillor Deagle Gammon declared a conflict of interest for Item 9.1.2 Rural Transit Funding Program 2023-24, as an Ex Officio on the MusGo Rider - Rural Transportation Association.

6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence - None

7.2 Petitions – None

7.3 Presentations - None

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 Tax Relief for Non-Profit's 2023

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff report dated June 5, 2023

Ayo Aladejebi was recused from the meeting during the consideration of this item having declared a conflict of interest in the matter, as a member of the Rock Church Christian Association.

Peta-Jane Temple, Team Lead, Grants Tax & Special Projects spoke to the report and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Blackburn, seconded by Joseph Allen

THAT the Grants Committee recommend that Regional Council:

- 1. Approve the addition of twenty-two (22) properties to Administrative Order 2014-001-ADM as detailed in the Discussion section of the staff report dated June 5, 2023 at an estimated combined cost of \$253,359 from Operating Account M311-8006;**
- 2. Approve six (6) one-time grants in support of properties developed under the auspices of the federal Rapid Housing Initiatives Program: Phase 1 and Phase 2 as listed in the Discussion section of the staff report dated June 5, 2023 at an estimated combined cost of \$46,055 from Operating Account M311-8006;**
- 3. Suspend the application of Sections 7C and 7D of Administrative Order 2014-001-ADM in fiscal year 2023/24 by amending the Administrative Order as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated June 5, 2023;**
- 4. Approve records management corrections and amendments as listed in the Discussion section of the staff report dated June 5, 2023 and as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated June 5, 2023; and**
- 5. Adopt the amendments to Administrative Order 2014-001-ADM as set out in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated June 5, 2023 including adopting Attachments A through E attached to Attachment 2 to repeal and replace Schedules 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 of the Administrative Order.**

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Ayo Aladejebi rejoined the meeting at this time.

9.1.2 Rural Transit Funding Program 2023-24

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff report dated June 13, 2023

Councillor Deagle Gammon stepped down from the Chair and Joseph Allen assumed the Chair.

Councillor Deagle Gammon was recused from the meeting during the consideration of this item having declared a conflict of interest in the matter, as an Ex Officio on the MusGo Rider - Rural Transportation Association.

Lisette Cormier, Program Coordinator, Halifax Transit responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Kent, seconded by Ayo Aladejebi

THAT the Grants Committee recommend that Regional Council approve grants, pursuant to the Rural Transit Grants Administrative Order, for the 2023-24 fiscal year, to a maximum of \$400,000, including the grants set forth in Table 2 of the staff report dated June 13, 2023.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Councillor Deagle Gammon rejoined the meeting at this time.

Councillor Deagle Gammon resumed the Chair.

10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – September 11, 2023

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m.

Elizabeth Macdonald
Legislative Assistant