



**GRANTS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
January 22, 2025**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Jean St-Amand, Chair  
Joseph Allen, Vice Chair  
Councillor David Hendsbee  
Councillor Virginia Hinch  
Councillor Nancy Hartling  
Lara White

**REGRETS:** Ayo Aladejebi  
Darryn Steeves

**STAFF:** Peter Greechan, Community Developer, Grants & Contributions  
Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku, Legislative Assistant

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

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:03 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 – December 2, 2024**

MOVED by Joseph Allen, seconded by Councillor Hinch

**THAT the minutes of December 2, 2024 be approved as circulated.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

## **3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

Additions:

- Item 10.1 – HRM Anti-Black Racism Grants Program: Fiscal 2024 – Recommended Awards

Deletions: None

MOVED by Joseph Allen, seconded by Councillor Hartling

**THAT the agenda be approved as amended.**

**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/DISCUSSION**

### **9.1 STAFF**

#### **9.1.1 Regional Special Events Grants Program Review**

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff report dated January 22, 2025
- Staff presentation dated January 22, 2025

Shari Dillman, Civic Event Coordinator/Events Grant Administrator gave a presentation.

Shari and Billy Comer, Manager Events, Culture & Events responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Hartling, seconded by Joseph Allen

**THAT the Grants Committee forward the staff report dated January 8, 2025 to Halifax Regional Council for information.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**10. ADDED ITEMS**

**10.1 HRM Anti-Black Racism Grants Program: Fiscal 2024 – Recommended Awards**

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff report dated January 22, 2025

MOVED by Joseph Allen, seconded by Councillor Hartling

**THAT the Grants Committee recommend that Halifax Regional Council approve thirteen (13) awards as detailed in Attachment 2 of the staff report dated January 22, 2025 for a combined total of \$104,000 from Operating Account MABR001 Anti-Black Racism Grants.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – February 27, 2025**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku  
Legislative Assistant