

# TOWN OF GANANOQUE

## COMMUNITY GRANTS COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting of August 31, 2011 @ 4:30 PM

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**Committee Members Present:**

Chair Don Matthews, Jayne Curtis, Mayor Erika Demchuk, Councillor Jeff Girling, Councillor Joe Jansen and Marian McLeod

**Staff Present:** Ross Jeffery, Director of Finance & Treasurer

**A) HEALTH, SAFETY & WELLNESS:**

**B) DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS:**

Jayne Curtis declared a conflict of interest regarding the application submitted by the Gananoque Curling Club. This application was reviewed at the end of the meeting. She excused herself from the meeting before the application was discussed.

**C) DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:**

**D) APPLICATIONS FOR ROUND 3:**

There was a discussion regarding the balance of the budget for community grants.

**ACTION:**

- Ross to provide the balance remaining.
- Jayne to create a media release re the availability of Community Grants.

1. **TIAP (Thousand Island Accommodation Partners) Dock Dogs Event Sponsorship** – the Committee confirmed approval of the \$1,000.00 requested by TIAP for the Dock Dogs Event that was held the weekend of August 12 -14, 2011 in the Town Park. This was approved by Council on June 7, 2011 (Motion # 2011-128).

**MOTION NO. 2011-010**

Moved by: Councillor Joe Jansen

Seconded by: Marian McLeod

Be it resolved that the Community Grants Committee approve the request from TIAP for a grant of \$1,000.00 for the sponsorship of the Dock Dogs Event that was held in the Town Park in August, 2011.

CARRIED

2. **Delaney Youth Bowling League** – requesting \$3,295.00 to assist in the development and operation of the Gananoque Youth Bowling Program.

Discussion was held regarding the bowling alley hiring a bookkeeper as a contingent requirement to receiving funding. The Committee recommended the Bowling Alley try to attract sponsors and investigate fundraising avenues. In addition, qualified sports organizations, such as the bowling alley, are eligible for HST 50% rebate . . . a good bookkeeper would know this and that it can be done for the past 3 years.

**MOTION NO. 2011-011**

Moved by: Councillor Jeff Girling  
Seconded by: Marian McLeod

Be it resolved that the Community Grants Committee approve Delaney Youth Bowling League's request for \$3,000.00, and that \$500.00 of this \$3,000.00 be contingent on the bowling alley hiring a qualified bookkeeper. In the future, they are to be advised to approach Council for future grants and Council will likely only consider matching grants.

CARRIED

3. **Frontenac Arch Biosphere Reserve** – requesting \$1,200.00 to be used to support the Job Creation Program building trails within the Town of Gananoque. This will include portages, steps, bridges, railings, retaining walls, etc. on trails within the Town.

**MOTION NO. 2011-012**

Moved by: Councillor Joe Jansen  
Seconded by: Mayor Erika Demchuk

Be it resolved that the Community Grants Committee approve John MacLeod's request, on behalf of the Frontenac Arch Biosphere Reserve, of \$1,200.00 to be used to support the Job Creation Program building trails within the Town of Gananoque.

CARRIED

4. **Communities ALIVE** – requesting \$17,000.00 to pay for start-up materials and supplies to renovate one old classroom located at 600 MacDonald Drive (T.R. Leger/UCDSB site). This space will support a collaborative, satellite site of a currently existing, local licensed daycare program.

**MOTION NO. 2011-013**

Moved by: Councillor Joe Jansen  
Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Girling

Be it resolved that the Community Grants Committee support the project by Communities ALIVE to provide space for a licensed daycare program in our community. The Committee approves putting the \$17,000.00 in Reserve until such time as:

- a business plan is submitted
- commitments from other stakeholders are obtained
- participation in any joint meetings occurs.

CARRIED

**E) CORRESPONDENCE:**

**F) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:**

**MOTION NO. 2011-014**

Moved by: Mayor Demchuk  
Seconded by: Councillor Jeff Girling

Be it resolved that the Community Grants Committee adopt the minutes of the meeting of March 9, 2011 and the minutes of the meeting of May 4, 2011.

CARRIED

**G) CONTINUING BUSINESS:**

**H) NEW BUSINESS:**

**ACTION ITEM:**

- Ross to circulate suggested revisions to the grant application for feedback from the Committee

Ross advised that a grant application was coming for Intake 4 from the “Friends of a Movie Theatre for Gananoque”. They are looking for seed money for legal and charity status.

**Note:** Jayne Curtis, who declared a pecuniary interest, left the meeting so the Committee could review and discuss the grant application from the Curling Club.

**D) APPLICATIONS FOR ROUND 3**

- 5. Gananoque Curling Club** – requesting \$16,000.00 to help facilitate their Junior and Senior Curling Programs. This grant will enable the Curling Club to put more resources into the Junior and Senior Curling Programs.

Chair Don Matthews and other members expressed concern for the ongoing viability of the Curling Club. It was recommended that the Curling Club increase all avenues of overall income to offset the deficit and then to build reserves for equipment replacement. It was approved the Curling Club receive the \$16,000.00 as a one time only grant with the requirement to submit a strategy to address the deficit within 3 months.

**MOTION NO. 2011-015**

Moved by: Councillor Jeff Girling  
Seconded by: Councillor Joe Jansen

Be it resolved that the Community Grants Committee approves of the Gananoque Curling Club’s request of \$16,000.00 as a one time only grant with the requirement to submit a strategy to address the deficit within 3 months.

CARRIED

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Chair, Don Matthews

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Recording Secretary, Ross Jeffery

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 26, 2011 @ 4:30 PM at Town Hall

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