

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Subject: Community Grants Round Two 2024

Meeting Date: Tuesday, October 22, 2024

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RELEVANT LEGISLATION:

Provincial (cite)- N/A

Council Bylaw/Policy (cite)- Policy # 15-3, Community Grants to Non-Profit Organizations

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

The Round Two Community Grant Application deadline was on October 2nd, 2024.

Attached for Council's consideration are the applications.

There are a total of four eligible applications with the fifth application may or may not be eligible and we have brought this application forward for Council to determine eligibility.

The total amount requested, including the potentially ineligible application, is \$10,125.37. There remains a balance of \$14,475.50 in the grant program, meaning Council has sufficient funds to approve all applications, should they choose to do so.

Total of 2024 Budget	\$30,000.00
Round One Funding February	\$15,524.50
Round Two Funding October	\$0.00
Balance for 2024	\$14,475.50

DISCUSSION/OPTIONS/BENEFITS/DISADVANTAGES/OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

Trochu Dance Troupe

The Trochu Dance Troupe is seeking funding to purchase and install mirror coverings in their dance studio. The total project cost is \$850. They are requesting \$425 in funding. The County has not provided them with funding in the past.

Torrington & District Agricultural Society



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The Torrington & District Agricultural Society is seeking funding to purchase new goalie net netting. The total project cost is \$960.75. They are requesting \$480.37 in funding. In 2019, the County provided them with \$1,500 to update their website.

Kneehill Minor Hockey Association

Kneehill Minor Hockey Association is seeking funding to replace their worn out goalie equipment. The total project cost is \$2,939.98. They are requesting \$1,470 in funding. The County has provided them support in the past. In 2022, the County provided them with \$5,000 in funding for new jersey's, and in 2022 the County provided them with \$2,732 to purchase smaller nets.

Kneehill Adult Learning Society

Kneehill Adult Learning Society is seeking funding to provide minor renovations/upgrades to learning and office space. The committee presented their project at the October 15, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting. The total project cost is \$5,500. They are requesting \$2,750 in funding. The County provided this organization grant money previously to renovate for wheel chair access in the amount of \$5,000.

Kneehill Housing Corporation

Kneehill Housing Corporation is seeking funding to renovate their single rooms to double rooms. The total project cost is \$10,000. They are requesting \$5,000 in funding. The County has not provided them grant money in the past.

Administration is uncertain that Kneehill Housing Corporation meets the grant program criteria, but Council has funded projects in seniors lodges in the past (Linden Benevolent Society for Seniors).

Overview

Trochu Dane Troupe Society	\$425.00	Purchase and install mirror coverings in their dance studio
Torrington & District Agricultural Society	\$480.37	Purchase new goalie net netting
Kneehill Minor Hockey Association	\$1,470.00	Replace worn out goalie equipment
Kneehill Adult Learning	\$2,750.00	For minor renovations/upgrades to learning and office space
Kneehill Housing Corporation	\$5,000.00	To assist in the cost of renovating single rooms into double rooms
TOTAL	\$10,125.37	

FINANCIAL & STAFFING IMPLICATIONS:

The total budget for Community Grants is \$30,000, allocated across both Round One and Round Two. After awarding \$15,524.50 in Round One, \$14,475.50 remains for Round Two. If Council approves all current applications, \$5,399.13 will still be available in the budget.

RECOMMENDED ENGAGEMENT:				
Directive Decision (Information Sharing, One-Way Communication				
Tools:	Individual Notification	Other:		

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ATTACHMENTS:

- Grant Applications
- Community Grants Policy

COUNCIL OPTIONS:

- 1. That Council approve the recommended grant applications totaling \$10,125.37
- 2. That Council approve certain applications, but not all them.
- 3. That Council defer this item to a future meeting in order for Administration to require further information.
- 4. That Council receive for information.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

That Council approve the following Round Two Community Grants for the listed non-profit organizations:

Trochu Dane Troupe Society	\$425.00	Purchase mirror coverings in their dance studio	
Torrington & District Ag Society	\$480.37	Purchase new goalie net netting	
Kneehill Minor Hockey Assoc	\$1,470.00	Replace worn out goalie equipment	
Kneehill Adult Learning	\$2,750.00	For minor renovations to learning and office space	
Kneehill Housing Corporation	\$5,000.00	To assist in the cost of renovating single rooms into double rooms	
TOTAL	\$10,125.37		

FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS:

Administration will reach out to the following organizations to inform them of Council's decision.

APPROVAL(S):

Mike Haugen, Chief Administrative Officer

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