



Date: November 29, 2023

- To: Municipal Council
- cc: Kim Ramsay, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Councillor Rhyno, Parks, Recreation & Culture Committee Chairperson

RE: Parks, Recreation & Culture Committee Report

The Committee held its regular meeting November 21, 2023 in Council Chambers. The following motions are coming forward as a result of that meeting:

1. NOT-FOR-PROFIT INSURANCE GRANT UPDATE

In February 2023, Council approved the Not-for-Profit Insurance Grant Policy for a stand-alone insurance grant program for not-for-profit organizations in East Hants, with the program beginning April 2023. The initial response has been positive and the requests have exceeded the initial budget.

The Parks, Recreation & Culture Committee recommends that \$9500 from General Government Reserve be added to the Not-for-Profit Insurance Grant Program to meet the demand of this new grant program in 2023/2024.

As Chair of the Committee, I so move.

2. MEADOW VIEW WAY OPEN SPACE SECONDARY ENTRANCE/EXIT

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee considered the possible disposal of a portion of PID 45354677 and the intent of the recommendation was to proceed with the disposal process to allow for the development of a future public road between Meadow View Way and future development on PID 45333333.

Upon further review, Staff recommend that Council table this recommended motion to allow for further consideration of options and a subsequent staff report in January 2024.

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee recommend to Council to declare surplus the section of PID 45354677 required for the future public road between Meadow View Way and the proposed development on PID 45333333.

As Chair of the Committee, I so move.

(Any member of Council can make a motion to table before the vote).

3. TRAIL AGREEMENT & NAMING, COTTAGE COUNTRY DEVELOPMENT

The Tony Borovsky Memorial Trails Association has requested to enter into an agreement with the Municipality of East Hants for the stewardship of and naming of the trails within the Cottage Country development in Long Lake, East Uniacke.

The Parks, Recreation & Culture Committee recommends that Council authorize the CAO to enter into an agreement with the Tony Borovsky Memorial Trails Association for the operations and maintenance of trails on PID 45392578 in accordance with the Cottage Country Development Agreement and Open Space Agreement; and, that Council authorize the CAO to approve naming of the trails on PID 45392578 in alignment with the guidelines in Council's Park Naming Policy.

As Chair of the Committee, I so move.

4. FORMER DAR RAIL LINE UPDATE

The Parks, Recreation & Culture Committee recommend that Council give the CAO direction to engage in discussions with the Fundy ATV Club or newly formed entity representing multi-modal groups to entertain a longer-term management and maintenance agreement that would be brought back to Council for the 8 km section of the former DAR Line lands from Kennetcook to Trenholm Road.

As Chair of the Committee, I so move.

As Chair of the Committee, I move the adoption of this report.