



Date: March 26, 2025To: 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 on March 18, 2025, and the following motions are coming forward as a result of that meetings:

## 1. <u>DISTRICT RECREATION FUNDS, 1ST INTAKE</u>

The first DRF intake closed on January 31, 2025. There were 7 grant applications across 7 districts received with requested funds totaling \$150,284. The applications were reviewed by the Staff Grant Review Committee and evaluated against Council policy. All 7 applications meet the policy criteria and have been included in the report.

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee recommend to Council *that Council approve District Recreation Funding 2025-2026 (Intake 1)*:

Applicant	Funding Amount
Enfield District School Parent Teacher Assoc.	
District 1	\$31,973
District 2	\$10,000
District 10	\$10,000
Total:	\$51,973
EH Gymnastics & Trampoline Club	
District 1	\$2,000
District 2	\$11,849
District 3	\$2,000
District 7	\$2,000
District 10	\$1,500
Total:	\$19,349
Nine Mile River Trail Association	
District 1	\$2,000
District 2	\$2,000
District 3	\$14,605
District 3 ** if required	\$7,105
District 7	\$2,000
District 10	\$1,500
Total:	\$29,210

Milford Recreation Association	
District 2	\$2,000
District 3	\$2,000
District 6	\$16,230
District 7	\$2,000
Total:	\$22,230
Lantz Recreation Society	
District 1	\$5,000
District 2	\$2,000
District 6	\$2,000
District 7	\$17,480
Total:	\$26,480
Mt. Uniacke Mustangs	
District 8	\$7,708
District 8 **if required	\$5,400
District 9	\$7,707
District 9 ** if required	\$5,400
Total:	\$26,215
Corridor Minor Baseball	
District 1	\$2,508
District 2	\$2,000
District 8	\$484
District 10	\$4,992
Total:	\$9,984
TOTAL FUNDING ALLOCATION	\$185,441

As Chair of the Committee, I so move.

## 2. VOLUNTEER NOMINATIONS 2025

Staff presented a report outlining nominees for 2025 East Hants Volunteer Awards and provided a recommendation for the recipient for this year's Model Volunteer Award. The Model Volunteer will represent East Hants at the Nova Scotia Provincial Volunteer Awards.

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee recommend to Council to approve the Volunteer Award nominees and the Model Volunteer be accepted as presented in the confidential memo sent to Council by email; and for the Model Volunteer be designated to represent the Municipality of East Hants at the Provincial Volunteer Awards.

As Chair of the Committee, I so move.

## 3. RISING TIDE SHORE SIGNAGE PROJECT UPDATE

The proposed Rising Tide Shore is a scenic part of Highway 215, stretching across East and West Hants municipalities and is known for having the highest tides in the world. This initiative is aimed at enhancing the visitor experience, improving wayfinding and supporting economic development along the scenic Highway 215 shoreline route.

The Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee recommend to Council *that Council gives the CAO direction* to continue on the Rising Tide Shore signage program as outlined in this report.

As Chair of the Committee, I so move.

## 4. FAMILIARIZATION BUS TOUR DATES (DISCUSSION)

The Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture held a discussion with Committee regarding dates for a Familiarization Bus Tour of the Corridor and Central areas.

Based on discussion, it was determined that June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 would be the best date for Council to attend the first tour of the corridor.