



## Town of Onoway Request for Decision

Meeting:	<b>Council Meeting</b>
Meeting Date:	May 23, 2024
Presented By:	Gino Damo, Director of Corporate and Community Services
Title:	2024 Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) Applications Round 1 & Recreation Programming

### **BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL**

#### **2024 FCSS**

As stated on the Province of Alberta website the Family & Community Support Services or FCSS program is an 80/20 funding partnership between the Government of Alberta and participating municipalities or Metis settlements. Provincially, the FCSS Program receives its mandate from the FCSS Act and Regulation. The Act describes what the province and municipality/Metis Settlement can do to provide preventive social services.

The Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) program promotes and enhances the well-being of Albertans, families, and communities. The Town of Onoway administers Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) funding for the following areas:

- Alberta Beach
- Summer Village of Castle Island
- Summer Village of Sunset Point
- Summer Village of Val Quentin
- Summer Village of Yellowstone
- Town of Onoway

During the January 11, 2024, Council meeting, Council made the following motion to approve a Memorandum of Agreement with LSAC to provide Home Support Program. Preventative Counselling Subsidy program is no longer available in 2024 and onward.

**Motion #006/24** **MOVED** by Councillor Sheila Pockett that Council approve Home Support Program services to be provided through Lac Ste. Anne County as per the Memorandum of Agreement as presented.

**CARRIED**

Also, during the January 11, 2024, proposed the following changes to the FCSS process in 2024 in which Administration has implemented.

- In Round 1, set aside funds for annual programs (based on 2+ years of receiving funds) that have not submitted applications by round 1 deadline and provide notification to organizations of amount of funds set aside and to request submission of applications.
- Change Final Round submission presentation to Council from November to First Meeting in October as per the attached proposed 2024 FCSS Process.

- Discuss with Lac Ste Anne County regarding their FCSS process and incorporate any changes that may benefit the Town of Onoway FCSS Process.

### **2024 Recreation Programming**

During the April 11, 2024, Council meeting, Council made the following motion to approve the 2024 Operating Budget.

**Motion #106/24** | **MOVED** by Councillor Robin Murray that Council approve the 2024 Operating Budget as presented with a 3.88% increase.

**CARRIED**

As part of the 2024 Operating Budget Approval, within GL # 2-71-00-241 Rec Programming an amount of \$4,050 was approved as an allocation to be set aside for Recreation programming.

### **DISCUSSION / OPTIONS / BENEFITS / DISADVANTAGES**

#### **2024 FCSS**

Administration is bringing forward Round 1 Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) Applications for 2024. It is important to note that Administration is only bringing forward requests made by application.

Also, as noted above, Administration is presenting any applications that received FCSS funding from 2021 to 2023 but have not submitted applications in 2024 before the Round 1 deadline so that funding can be set aside. Administration will provide notifications to organizations with funds set aside and request a submission of application.

Tri-Village Committee Round 1 approved funding amounts are provided along with Lac Ste Anne County request amounts only as they have yet to be approved.

#### **Home Support programming**

The 2022 allocation was \$4,000 for Home Support only and the 2023 allocation was \$2,000 for both Home Support and Preventative Counselling Subsidy programming.

The proposed 2024 allocation is \$2,000 and this amount is based on LSAC's recommendation of \$500 per quarter or \$2000 for the year. 2024 Q1 actual amount is \$284. Allocation can be adjusted during Round 2 & 3 if required.

#### **2024 Recreation Programming**

As indicated above an amount of \$4,050 was approved and required to be allocated towards recreation programming and distributed by December 31, 2024.

Administration is bringing forward three requests for the 2024 Recreation Programming allocation. These requests are contained within the spreadsheet and below provides more information.

1. Alberta Beach Snowmobile Club- New Snowcat/Groomer

The Alberta Beach Snowmobile Club presented to Council requesting funding towards a new Snowcat/Groomer during the February 8, 2024, Council meeting. The information presented was accepted for information and recommended to forward to as a Recreation Programming funding request. Since the presentation below are additional information provided by the Snowmobile Club from expense standpoint:

\$50,619 - Alberta Snowmobile Association  
\$18,861 - Casino (2023)  
\$10,000 - T-Bill Account (Savings)  
\$22,071 - Trailer Repayment to ourselves  
\$34,390 - Raffle Profits  
Total: \$135,941.00.

If the new snowcat is \$235,000 + GST (\$11,750) = \$246,750, there would be a shortfall of \$110,809. The Snowmobile club re-applied to the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) grant in January intake to the amount of \$200,000 total project costs.

2. Onoway District and Historical Guild - Replacement of Water Fountain (\$4,252.50 GST included)

On March 13, 2024, Administration received an email from the Onoway & District Historical Guild requesting funding from the Town of Onoway to replace the existing water fountain in the Onoway Heritage Centre/Museum.

In the past couple of months, the gym has had a variety of groups use the gym nearly every day. This includes a fitness class, two volleyball teams, a soccer club, Cadets, Scouts, a church group, playschool, Out-of-School Care and Moms and Tots. The current fountain functions poorly, and the new model would be a major upgrade to the facility and appreciated by all.

The cost breakdown is as follows:

\$3,500 – for supply, installation, and cost of Elkay LZS8WSLK Water bottle filling station including plumbing and waterline rough in alterations.  
\$50 – Plywood to mount on-wall.  
\$500 – Labour costs

3. Onoway Pickleball Organization (\$841.12 GST included)

On May 13, 2024, Administration received an email from the Onoway Pickleball Organization requesting funding from the Town of Onoway to purchase pickleball equipment to start pickleball in the Town. The organization is starting up and received an approval to use the “JOE” outdoor rink as pickleball courts.

The cost breakdown is as follows:

\$639.96 - 4 x Portable pickleball nets

\$61.72 - 4 x Pickleball paddles

\$39.39 – 12 x Outdoor pickleballs

\$60.00 – 4 x spray paint for court lines.

## **STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT**

Safe Community

## **COSTS / SOURCE OF FUNDING**

2024 Approved operating budget.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

- That Council approve the 2024 FCSS Funding Round 1 amount of \$.... towards the FCSS grant applicants in the attached 2024 FCCS/Recreation Programming Tracking Spreadsheet Round 1.
- That Council approve the 2024 Recreation Programming Round 1 amount of \$.... towards Recreation Programs requests in the attached 2024 FCCS/Recreation Programming Tracking Spreadsheet Round 1.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- 2024 FCCS/Recreation Programming Tracking Spreadsheet Round 1.