



Town of Onoway Request for Decision

Meeting:	Council Meeting
Meeting Date:	September 12, 2024
Presented By:	Gino Damo, Director of Corporate and Community Services
Title:	2024 Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) Applications Round 2 & 2024 Recreation Tax

BACKGROUND / PROPOSAL

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.

During the May 23, 2024, Council meeting, Council made the following Motion #173/24 regarding 2024 Round 1 FCSS funding & Recreation Tax.

Motion #173/24 | **MOVED** by Councillor Bridgitte Coninx that administration proceed as directed by Council on Round 1 FCSS applications and bring further information to a future Council meeting regarding the Alberta Beach Snowmobile Club groomer purchase and the Heritage Centre Water Fountain.

CARRIED

During the August 8, 2024, Council meeting, Council made the following Motion #244/24 regarding a Recreation Tax Request from Onoway and District Historical Guild.

- a. Recreation Tax Request - Onoway and District Historical Guild

Motion # 244-24

MOVED by: Councillor Bridgitte Coninx

THAT Council approve \$1,485.07 for the 2024 recreation tax request received from the Onoway and District Historical Guild.

CARRIED

DISCUSSION / OPTIONS / BENEFITS / DISADVANTAGES

2024 FCSS

Administration is bringing forward Round 2 Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) Applications for 2024. It is important to note that Administration is only bringing forward requests made by application and any remaining unfunded applications from Round 1. Remaining FCSS Allocation for distribution in Round 2 is **\$10,119**.

Tri-Village Committee Round 1 & 2 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. Year to date total is \$547 (2024 Q1 actual amount is \$284 and Q2 actual amount is \$263). Administration has not received the Q3 invoice. Allocation can be adjusted during Round 3 if required.

2024 Recreation Tax 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.

Below is a breakdown of Recreation Tax transactions in 2024.

2024 Recreation Tax Allocation	\$4,050
Less: Onoway Pickleball Organization (Motion # 173/24)	(\$841)
Remaining Balance after Round 1	\$3,209
Addition: Onoway Pickleball Organization	\$841
Less: Onoway & District Historical Guild (Motion #244-24)	(\$1,485)
Remaining Recreation Tax Allocation for distribution	\$2,565

Administration is bringing forward one request from Round 1 for the 2024 Recreation Programming allocation. This request is contained within the spreadsheet and below provides more information.

Alberta Beach Snowmobile Club- New Snowcat/Groomer

Additional Information Received After Round 1

The club received the CFEP Grant from Alberta Government in the amount of \$100,000 and have purchased a used Snowcat/Groomer. The club are currently working on shipping it as it was purchased in the United States to the amount of \$200,000 CAD and this amount includes the machine, brokerage, transportation, & updates/repairs.

The club is now looking at purchasing a new drag to go along with the new snowcat (the drag is what is towed behind and grooms the snow). Donations received by the club have been in the range of \$500 - \$1000 towards the purchase, apart from Lac Ste Anne County who budgeted \$25,000.

Information provided to Council during Round 1

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.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

Service Excellence

COSTS / SOURCE OF FUNDING

2024 approved operating budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

- That Council approve the 2024 FCSS Funding Round 2 amount of \$.... towards the FCSS grant applicants in the attached 2024 FCCS/Recreation Programming Tracking Spreadsheet Round 2.
- That Council approve the 2024 Recreation Programming Round 2 amount of \$.... towards Recreation Programs requests in the attached 2024 FCCS/Recreation Programming Tracking Spreadsheet Round 2.

ATTACHMENTS

- 2024 FCCS/Recreation Programming Tracking Spreadsheet Round 2.