

# COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

# Wednesday, February 19, 2025 7:00 – 9:00 pm HYBRID (IN-PERSON AND ONLINE VIA MS TEAMS)

Present: Becky Zelikson (Chair) Michael Shi

Brenna Quaas Paola Blendl
Christina Cassidy Ruby Vennesland
David Puterman (Vice-Chair) Trelawny Bell

Genevieve MacMillan

**Regrets:** Kelly Bond **Guests:** Chris Roach

Zoha Meisami Nahid Pak

**Staff:** Eirikka Brandson, Social Planner

Mary Jukich, Committee Clerk

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Committee members were introduced and welcomed to the committee.

Doug Beckett and Mahshid Rezaei have resigned from the committee.

## 2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved, seconded and resolved To adopt the agenda.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3. Adoption of the January 15, 2025 Minutes

Moved, seconded and resolved To adopt the minutes.

**CARRIED** 

#### 4. Grant Review Process & Evaluation Software Training

Committee members were provided with an overview of the District's website particularly the municipality community municipal grants section. The website includes information on the grant program, staff reports from the previous year, summary of all the agencies who applied for grants and a summary of the organization, as well as information on how to apply for a grant, the application form, and the work of the committee and role of the committee members.

Committee members were also provided with training for Submittable, the evaluation software that will be used for this year's grant process.

For this year, 24 applications were received, one was ineligible, and the total amount requested was \$319,800. The budget for this year is approximately \$400,000, with approximately half of the budget reserved for agencies in their second year of funding. The total amount has not yet been confirmed.

### 5. Any Other Business

No other business was presented.

# 6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 12, 2025

#### **District Vision Statement**

Our goal is to be recognized among the most sustainable communities in the world as demonstrated through our environmental stewardship, strong network of neighbourhoods, a vibrant economy and community-driven growth and change.