



REPORT

To: Rural Budgets Administration Committee

Report Number: FN-RBAC-080

From: Teri Vetter, Chief Financial Officer

Date: June 17, 2021

Subject: Release of Funds – Unclaimed Recreational and Cultural Grants-in-Aid for Kilkerran Recreation Society

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Rural Budgets Administration Committee authorize the release of the remaining \$5,125 unclaimed Sub-Regional Recreational and Cultural Grants-in-Aid allocation of \$2,000 approved in 2017, \$1,125 approved in 2018 and \$2,000 approved in 2019 to Kilkerran Recreation Society, in accordance with the policy change approved May 28, 2020 authorizing immediate release of funds upon grant approval without submission of reimbursement claim, and issue a grant payment in the amount of \$5,125 to assist with operational costs.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

The intent of this report is to provide Rural Budgets Administration Committee (RBAC) with information regarding Kilkerran Recreation Society's not-for-profit status with the Societies Act of BC so that consideration may be given to the payment of the unclaimed prior year allocation for Sub-Regional Recreational and Cultural Grants-in-Aid (GIA). On October 15, 2020, the RBAC passed the following resolution:

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED

That the Rural Budgets Administration Committee authorize the remaining \$5,125 unclaimed grant approved in 2017, 2018 and 2019 from the Sub-Regional Recreational and Cultural Grants-in-Aid funds, allocated to Kilkerran Recreation Commission, remain in the allocation until the society is in compliance with the Societies Act of BC.

Staff reached out to Kilkerran Recreation Society to advise them that information retrieved from BC Registrar for Societies indicated the society was not in compliance with Section 73 (1) of the Societies Act for failure to file the required annual reports. Kilkerran Recreation Society has informed staff that as of June 2, 2021, the society is now in compliance and all necessary information has been filed. The attached 2020 BC Society Annual Report dated June 3, 2021 confirms this information. Kilkerran Recreation Society also added that there has been an increase in interest at the hall and its operations due to the number of new and younger families residing in the area. The society indicates the grant funds will be used for operational and maintenance purposes as was originally intended.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

1. That the Rural Budgets Administration Committee provide further direction.

STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:

- ☒ Organizational Effectiveness

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

- In 2019, a total allocation of \$2,000 was approved to assist Kilkerran Recreation Society with the cost of insurance and general maintenance of the hall. No claim reimbursement have been made to date.
- In 2018, a total allocation of \$1,125 was approved to assist Kilkerran Recreation Society with improvements to the kitchen floor and general operating costs of the hall. No funding has been claimed to date.
- In 2017, a total allocation of \$2,000 was approved to assist Kilkerran Recreation Society with operational costs and general maintenance of the hall. No funding has been claimed to date.

COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):

Written correspondence will be sent to Kilkerran Recreation Society to inform them of the Committee's decision.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

None at this time.

Attachments:

1. 2020 BC Society Annual Report – Kilkerran Recreation Society dated June 3, 2021
2. Rural Recreational and Cultural GIA Policy 0340-61

External Links: Sub-Regional Recreational and Cultural GIA, Unspent Prior Year Allocations – See Item [Item #9.10](#)