



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

Grant Review Committee
Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.
City Hall Main Boardroom

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall Main Boardroom. The following Committee members were in attendance:

Present: Councillor S. Arden-Smith, Chair,
Mayor, R. Alty, ex-officio,
L. Bardak (5:42 p.m.), and
K. Macdonald.

The following committee member joined the meeting via teleconference:
Councillor T. McLennan.

The following members of Administration were in attendance:
C. Caljouw,
B. Ly,
C. Saunders,
S. Van Dine, and
K. Cook.

Call to Order

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

Opening Statement

2. Councillor S. Arden-Smith read the Opening Statement.

Approval of the Agenda

3. Committee approved the Agenda as amended, to include the Debriefing.
4. Mayor R. Alty moved,
Councillor T. McLennan second,

That the Agenda be approved as amended.

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Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

5. K. Macdonald declared a conflict of interest with respect to Item #5 on the Agenda, Deliberation of Funding Applicants, i. Multi-Year Grant Applications and ii. Community Service Grant Applications, due to her employment.

Deliberation of Funding Applicants

6. Committee commenced deliberating the 2025 Funding Applications separately.
7. K. Macdonald declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 5:58 p.m.
8. K. Macdonald returned to the meeting at 6:02 p.m.
9. Committee moved Western Arctic Moving Pictures from Multi-year Grant to Sponsorship Grant.
10. Committee moved Old Town Community Association, Still Dark Festival, The Ptarmicon Society, and Northern Mines Health & Safety (NMHSF) from Community Service Grant to Sponsorship Grant.
11. Committee recommends that Council award funding as follows:

Multi-Year	Purpose of Funding	2025	2026	2027
Association franco-culturelle de Yellowknife (AFCY)	Jeunesse TNO, Le theatre du 62e parallele	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
Music Teachers Association of the NWT	Music Festival, Alumni Concerts, Music Sundays	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Northern Arts and Cultural Centre (NACC)	NACC Season Presentations	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00
NWT Disabilities Council	Experience Summer	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00
Snowkings' Winter Festival Society	Winter Festival	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00
Yellowknife Playgroup Association	Indoor playgroup	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Yellowknife Ski Club	Ski and biathlon programming and events	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Previous Funding Groups		\$180,000.00	\$56,000.00	
Subtotal A		\$311,000.00	\$187,000.00	\$131,000.00

Sponsorship	Purpose of Funding	2025
Far North Photo Society	Photography Festival	\$10,000.00
Hockey NWT	Development programs for youth	\$10,000.00
NorthWords Writers Festival Society	Writers Festival	\$13,000.00
Old Town Community Association	The Old Town Ramble and Ride Festival	\$10,000.00
Steadily Deadly Society	Music Festival	\$2,500.00
Still Dark Festival	Music and Art Festival	\$8,000.00
The Ptarmicon Society	Multi-day Festival	\$10,000.00
Territorial Agrifood Association	Culinary Festival	\$10,000.00
Western Arctic Moving Pictures	Yellowknife International Film Festival	\$10,000.00
Subtotal B		\$83,500.00



Community Service	Purpose of Funding	2025
Ecology North	Earth Week & Other Events	\$4,000.00
Food Rescue Yellowknife	Ongoing	\$10,000.00
Inclusion Northwest Territories	Summer Program	\$10,000.00
Makerspace YK	Programs, Projects & Events	\$10,000.00
Music NWT	Workshops & Showcasing	\$4,000.00
NWT Badminton Association	Tournament and Athlete Development	\$4,000.00
NWT Judo Association	Accessible Programing	\$4,000.00
NWT Literacy Council	Community Connection Program	\$9,000.00
Special Olympics NWT	Recreational Programing	\$10,000.00
Yellowknife Choral Society 2003	Aurora Chorealis & Fireweed Children's Chorus Performances	\$7,500.00
Yellowknife Climbing Club	Programing	\$1,000.00
Yellowknife Gymnastics Club	Programing	\$10,000.00
Yellowknife Live Action Roleplay	Live Action Roleplay Events	\$1,000.00
Yellowknife Search and Rescue	Training for Volunteers	\$2,500.00
Yellowknife Tennis Club	Clubhouse Storage and Expansion, McNiven Beach	\$4,000.00
Yellowknife Ukrainian Association	Aurora Art Studio	\$10,000.00
Subtotal C		\$101,000.00

12. Committee noted that the opening balance of the Community Grant Reserve for 2025 was \$27,800.00 and that if funding is approved as recommended by the Grant Review Committee that \$27,500.00 be allocated from the Community Grant Reserve.
13. Mayor R. Alty moved,
 L. Bardak seconded,

That Council adopt the funding allocations presented by the Grant Review Committee and allocate \$27,500 from the Community Grant Reserve.

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Debriefing

14. Committee discussed the Grant Review Policy.

Action Item: Administration will bring forward an updated Grant Review Policy to Council with a revised application deadline of November 15.

Action Item: Administration to review internal financial processes and make improvements to material distribution to committee members in future years; and that material is sent to committee members at least two weeks before deliberations.

Adjournment

15. L. Bardak moved,

That the meeting be adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

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Prepared: March 6, 2025; KC