



MINUTES

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Village of Ashcroft Council Chambers, 601 Bancroft Street
 Monday March 10, 2025, at 5:30 pm

PRESENT: Mayor, Barbara Roden
 Councillor, Jonah Anstett (Zoom)
 Councillor, Jessica Clement
 Councillor, Nadine Davenport
 Councillor, Doreen Lambert

CAO, Daniela Dyck
 CFO, Yogi Bhalla
 DPW, Brian Bennewith

EXCUSED:

Media – 1
 Public – 1

1. CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Mayor Nadine Davenport called the Committee of the Whole Meeting for Monday March 10, 2025, at 6:00 pm

2. ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA

3. MINUTES

All COTW Minutes are adopted at a Regular Meeting of Council.

4. DELEGATIONS

3.1	NONE	
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5. BYLAWS FOR DISCUSSION

3.1	NONE	
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6. STAFF REPORTS

6.1	CAO REPORT – Grant In Aid – First Intake Purpose: The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an opportunity to review and discuss the received Grant in Applications for the first	
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	<p>intake of 2025, in line with the Village’s Grant in Aid Policy #C-05-2024.</p> <p>The CAO informed Council that prior to 2024, the GIA budget allocation was \$2,500 annually rather than per intake. However, staff inadvertently allocated \$2,500 per intake for this year. As a result, Council was asked to provide direction on whether to maintain the total annual allocation at \$2,500 as budgeted or to proceed with \$2,500 per intake for 2025, with a review during the budget process.</p> <p>M/S Roden / Lambert <i>THAT, Council approves a budget of \$2,500 for both the 2025 spring and fall Grant in Aid intakes, and that the GIA budget be reconsidered before year end.</i></p> <p>M/S Roden / Clement <i>THAT, Council approves the GIA request for TOPS for \$387.50, does not support the BOSS request and split the remaining funds equally between the other five (5) applicants.</i></p> <p>M/S Clement / Lambert <i>THAT, Council rise and report the first intake Grant in Aid allocation to the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, March 10, 2025, determined by Council as follows:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. TOPS - 387.50 2. Royal Purple - \$422.50 3. South Cariboo Sportsmen Association - \$422.50 4. Ashcroft 4-H - \$422.50 5. Twisted Desert Music Society - \$422.50 6. South Cariboo Elizabeth Fry Society - \$422.50 <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comment in regard to B.O.S.S. Enrichment backpack giveaway appears to be a duplication as DSCS provides school supplies to all students and backpacks to those that request them. • Comment that previous recipients should not be considered this year to give opportunity for new organizations to establish programs or events. GIA funding is not guaranteed from year to year and organizations should become self sustaining. • Comment that 4-H provides great benefits to children while the Sportsmen have been volunteering many hours to re-establish the range after the 2017 wildfire, and both organizations do fundraise for their events as well. 	
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comment that upgrades to the RV plug ins at the range is not a necessity for camping. • Royal Purple operates primarily out of Cache Creek but has Ashcroft members and the proposed event and tour of Ashcroft will benefit the community. • Comment that there should be more public education in regards to GIA eligibility and intent of the program to encourage organizations sustainability and not rely on GIA funding for annual revenue. 	

7. CLOSED MEETING

Motion to move to a closed meeting to discuss an item under the Community Charter Section 90.1

7.1	NONE	
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8. TERMINATION

Deputy Mayor Nadine Davenport adjourned the Committee of the Whole Meeting for Monday, March 10, 2025, at 5:48 pm.

Certified to be a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of Council held Monday, March 10, 2025.

 Daniela Dyck,
 Chief Administrative Officer

 Barbara Roden,
 Mayor