

**STAFF REPORT: Administration**

**REPORT TO:** Finance and Administration Committee  
**MEETING DATE:** June 23, 2009  
**REPORT NO.:** CEDC.09.06  
**SUBJECT:** Changes to the Grants and Donations Program  
**PREPARED BY:** Shawn Everitt, Director of Recreation  
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**A. Recommendations**

THAT Council receive Staff Report, CEDC.09.06, 'Changes to the Grants and Donations Program', for information purposes; and

THAT Council endorse the creation of a new budget line for the Beaver Valley Athletic Association under the Recreation Budget; OR

THAT Council maintain the parameters of the current Grants and Donations Budget, under the Communications and Economic Development Budget, which currently includes funding opportunities for the Beaver Valley Athletic Association.

**B. Background**

In 2006, the Recreation Committee proposed the implementation of a Grant & Donation Program for the Town.

The rationale for the Grant & Donation Program was to provide a tool for evaluation of all requests as well as a timeline for receiving all requests.

Prior to the program, Recreation Committee and Council would receive requests for funding throughout the year, often just before or even after the event was scheduled. On occasion, requests were made to Council and to the Recreation Committee without either Council or the Recreation Committee being aware of the request being made to both and consequently, at times, being approved by both.

Actual cash requests for sponsorship were made to Council, while reduction or waive of fees were made to the Recreation Committee.

The Committee established a policy for requests. The policy provided three options:

- 1) 100% waive of fee
- 2) 50% waive of fee
- 3) Request denied

For further reference, in 1993, the policy in place for the new Beaver Valley Arena provided the Beaver Valley Athletic Association with a \$30.00 per hour subsidy on all ICE rentals, as well as one free day of use for the figure skating club and minor hockey, respectively.

The Beaver Valley Athletic Association was also provided with a flat rate of \$1200.00 for the use of all baseball fields for the season including tournaments.

Prior to the Grant & Donation Program, the Recreation Committee approved all requests and Minor Sports subsidized rates were identified through the Beaver Valley Community Centre reserve as a subsidy line.

The Grant & Donation Program allows for the approval of requests based on criteria that support public benefit. Currently, Minor Sports subsidization accounts for over one-third (\$35,433) of the overall Grant & Donation budget (\$85,000).

On May 5, 2009, the Finance and Administration Committee requested that staff bring forward a staff report to the Finance and Administration Committee to consider subsidization of the Beaver Valley Athletic Association through the Recreation Budget.

### **C. The Blue Mountains' Strategic Plan**

Strategic Action 3.5 Continue to support cultural groups and community events.

### **D. Environmental Impacts**

None

### **E. Budget Impact**

Should the Committee choose to create a new budget line for the Beaver Valley Athletic Association under the Recreation Budget, there would be no financial impact provided that the budget for subsidization of the Beaver Valley Athletic Association be transferred from the Grants and Donations Budget and the Grants and Donations Budget reflect that transfer.

Should the Committee choose to retain the parameters of the current program there would be no budget impact, provided that the budget remains the same.

### **F. Attached**

Attachment 1- Subsidization Estimates for the Beaver Valley Athletic Association Hockey Program

Respectfully submitted,

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Signature



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2.5 hours @ \$117.50 @ 30 weeks													
<b>Total of \$8,812.50 for ice</b>	<b>\$1,258.93</b>	<b>\$979.17</b>	<b>\$801.14</b>	<b>\$677.88</b>	<b>\$587.50</b>	<b>\$518.38</b>	<b>\$463.81</b>	<b>\$419.64</b>					
Subsidized at 25% savings	\$314.73	\$244.80	\$200.28	\$169.47	\$146.87	\$129.60	\$115.95	\$104.91		\$2,203.05 for each Bantam team at 25%			
<b>Cost at 25%</b>	<b>\$944.20</b>	<b>\$734.37</b>	<b>\$600.86</b>	<b>\$508.41</b>	<b>\$440.63</b>	<b>\$388.78</b>	<b>\$347.86</b>	<b>\$314.73</b>					
Subsidized at 40% savings	\$503.58	\$391.67	\$320.46	\$271.15	\$235.00	\$207.35	\$185/.52	\$167.86		\$3,525.00 for each Bantam team at 40%			
<b>Cost at 40%</b>	<b>\$755.35</b>	<b>\$587.50</b>	<b>\$480.68</b>	<b>\$406.73</b>	<b>\$352.50</b>	<b>\$311.03</b>	<b>\$278.29</b>	<b>\$251.78</b>					
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<b>25% of \$117.50 is \$88.22 per hour</b>										Typical year of Team		25%	40%
<b>40% of \$117.50 is \$70.50 per hour</b>										1 Mite/Tyke		\$1,762.50	\$2,820.00
										1 Novice		\$1,762.50	\$2,820.00
										2 Atom		\$3,525.00	\$5,640.00
										3 Pee Wee		\$6,609.15	\$10,575.00
										3 Bantam		\$6,609.15	\$10,575.00
										2 Midget		\$4,406.10	\$7,050.00
										<b>Sub Total</b>		<b>\$24,674.40</b>	<b>\$39,480.00</b>
										Figure Skating		\$7,345.00	\$11,750.00
										<b>Total</b>		<b>\$32,019.40</b>	<b>\$51,230.00</b>
												25%	40%