

**Special Council Meeting
June 11, 2025
Town Council Chambers**

Present

Mayor S. Cameron
Deputy Mayor D. Roberts
Councillor L. MacLellan
Councillor, P. McKenna
Councillor A. Murray
Councillor J. Pelly
Councillor J. Sullivan

Also in Attendance

R. Delorey, CAO
M. Fougere, Deputy Clerk

1. Call to Order

Mayor S. Cameron called the meeting to order at 4:52 PM.

1. Approval of Agenda

It was Moved by Councillor Murray, Seconded by Councillor McKenna “to approve the Agenda as presented.”

Motion Carried

2. New Business

2.1 Town of Antigonish Community Grants 2025-2026

Council was provided with a spreadsheet of all Community Grant applications for the 2025–2026 fiscal year in advance of the meeting, allowing members sufficient time to review each request. During the meeting, Council and CAO R. Delorey reviewed and discussed each application in detail and determined the final grant allocations for the year.

Deputy Mayor D. Roberts joined the meeting at 5:34 PM.

Council has approved the following Grant allocations. Staff will follow up with each organization listed.

Organization	Grant Approved Amount
ACALA	\$3,500.00
Antigonish Affordable Housing Society	\$4,500.00
Antigonish Arts Fair	\$18,000.00
Antigonish Challenger Baseball	\$2,000.00
Antigonish Culture Alive	\$6,500.00
Antigonish Emergency Fuel Fund	\$5,000.00
Antigonish Highland Society	\$15,000.00
Antigonish Imagination Library (ABC for Kids Society)	\$6,500.00

Organization	Grant Approved Amount
Antigonish Seniors' Care Van	\$1,000.00
Antigonish Skateboard Association	\$2,000.00
Antigonish Tourism Association	\$8,000.00
Antigonish Town & County Family Mental Health Support Society	\$3,000.00
Antigonish Marksmen Association	\$0.00
Antigonish VIC (Visitor Information Centre)	\$6,000.00
Antigonish Youth Group	\$0.00
Antigonish Farmers Market	\$2,000.00
Antigonish Amateur Radio Club	\$0.00
Antigonish Sno Dogs	\$15,000.00
All-of-Us Society	\$1,500.00
Arisaig Parish Community Centre	\$0.00
CACL Antigonish	\$8,000.00 *
DEANS	\$8,000.00
Eastern Nova Scotia Exhibition	\$0.00
Festival Antigonish	\$15,000.00
Keep Well Antigonish	\$3,000.00
Positive Action for the Keppoch Society	\$10,000.00
L'Arche Antigonish (Councillor J. Pelly recused)	\$3,500.00
Naomi Society (Councillor P. McKenna recused)	\$3,000.00
Nova Spiritus Society	\$0.00
The Williams Point Community Centre Association	\$0.00
Roof Over Your Head	\$2,000.00
Strait Area Ground Search and Rescue	\$2,500.00
Pickleball Antigonish Society	\$0.00
Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library (PARL)	\$2,900.00

Council held a discussion regarding the allocation of grant funding.

*CACL – Council requested that staff review the organization's property tax obligations and confirm final amount for council decision.

Some groups were not awarded funding due to insufficient information. Council suggested that these groups be invited to a future Council meeting to provide additional

context about their organization and request. Staff will follow up with the respective groups.

Additionally, Council requested that staff explore the possibility of withdrawing from DEANS and review the differences between DEANS and the Antigonish Tourism Association to better understand the Town's support of both entities.

2.2 Chief Administrator Officer (CAO) Performance Review

This item has been deferred to Monday, June 16th Regular Council Meeting.

3. Adjournment

Mayor called for an adjournment at 6:58 PM. Moved by Councillor Pelly, Seconded by Councillor McKenna.