



STAFF REPORT

DATE: June 20, 2023

FILE: 0550-04 Board Reports

TO: Chair and Directors
Regional Board

FROM: Dave Leitch
Chief Administrative Officer

RE: REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE– CAMPBELL RIVER MOTOCROSS
ASSOCIATION

PURPOSE/PROBLEM

To consider a recommendation from the Electoral Areas Services Committee regarding financial assistance applicable to Electoral Area D.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The attached correspondence concerning a request for financial assistance was considered at the Electoral Areas Services Committee meeting held June 14, 2023 at which time the Committee passed the following resolution:

Rice/Mawhinney: EASC 164/23

THAT the Committee recommend that a grant in aid for the Campbell River Motocross Association in the amount of \$5,000 be approved to assist with costs associated with facility and equipment repairs and upgrades to be paid from the Electoral Area D grant in aid budget.

The actions outlined below are offered in support of the Committee's recommendation.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received.
2. THAT the Board approve a grant for the Campbell River Motocross Association in the amount of \$5,000 to assist with costs associated with facility and equipment repairs and upgrades to be paid from the Electoral Area D grant in aid budget.

Respectfully:



Dave Leitch
Chief Administrative Officer

Prepared by: E. Watson, Manager, Corporate Operations

Attachments: Copy of June 9, 2023 report to the Electoral Areas Services Committee



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DATE: June 9, 2023

FILE: 0550-04 EASC Reports

TO: Chair and Directors
Electoral Areas Services Committee

FROM: Dave Leitch
Chief Administrative Officer

RE: REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – CAMPBELL RIVER MOTOCROSS
ASSOCIATION

PURPOSE/PROBLEM

To consider an application for financial assistance applicable to Electoral Area D.

POLICY

The Local Government Act authorizes regional districts to provide assistance for the purpose of benefiting the community or any aspect of the community through a grant in aid service. The Strathcona Regional District grant in aid policy includes the following criteria for consideration of applications:

- the grant-in-aid is within the current year's budgeted allocation;
- the grant would not subsidize activities that are the responsibility of senior governments, as this would represent a downloading of senior government costs to local taxpayers;
- grants should not be made to other local governments, (i.e.: municipalities).
- grants should not be used to augment tax funded functions (eg. volunteer fire departments, community halls, etc) when the grant request is for a service or item that is included in the establishment bylaw for that specific local service area;
- grants must not be provided to an "industrial, commercial or business undertaking";
- a need for the service/project within the community and the financial need of the organization is demonstrated.

SUMMARY

The Strathcona Regional District is in receipt of a request for financial assistance as detailed on the attached summary sheet. From a financial perspective, the request falls within the budget limits currently authorized in the 5-year financial plan bylaw and, to the extent that staff are able to determine, the request meets the policy criteria established by the Regional District. However, with respect to the matters of community need and/or financial need (as stated above), it should be noted that the associated staff analysis is necessarily limited to the information provided by the applicant. The Area D Director has requested that it be placed before the Board. Accordingly, the application is appropriate for the Board's consideration of approval and, in that event, the passage of a resolution confirming the awarding of the grant will be required.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. THAT the report from the Chief Administrative Officer be received.

2. THAT the Committee recommend that a grant in aid for the Campbell River Motocross Association in the amount of \$5,000 be approved to assist with costs associated with facility and equipment repairs and upgrades to be paid from the Electoral Area D grant in aid budget.

Respectfully:



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Dave Leitch', is written over a horizontal line.

Dave Leitch
Chief Administrative Officer

Prepared by: E. Watson, Manager, Corporate Operations

Attachments: June 9, 2023 email from Director Rice and request from the Campbell River Motocross Association

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Area 'D' Grants in Aid Summary (2023)

Grant in Aid 2023 Budget (2023-2027 Final Financial Plan)	\$ 45,000
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Applications previously approved for funding in 2023

<i>Museum at Campbell River</i>	\$ 2,750
<i>Volunteer Campbell River</i>	\$ 1,800
<i>Campbell River Citizens on Patrol</i>	\$ 2,000
<i>Mountaineer Avian Rescue Society</i>	\$ 5,000

Total approved to date	\$ 11,550
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AVAILABLE BALANCE	\$ 33,450
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New applications received:

<i>Campbell River Motocross Association</i>	\$ 5,000
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\$ 5,000

<i>If all new applications are approved, total funds available (overspent):</i>	\$ 28,450
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Edith Watson

From: John Rice
Sent: June 9, 2023 1:26 PM
To: Edith Watson
Cc: Aniko Nelson
Subject: Re: Grant in Aid Request

Hello Edith

I am in support of this Grant and Aid Request for the full amount of \$5,000.

Thank You,
John Rice

From: Aniko Nelson <ANelson@srd.ca>
Date: Friday, June 9, 2023 at 1:01 PM
To: John Rice <jrice@srd.ca>
Cc: Edith Watson <EWatson@srd.ca>
Subject: Grant in Aid Request

Hello Director Rice,

As per our conversation, the Campbell River Motocross Association is seeking a grant in aid in the amount of \$5000 from Electoral Area D (letter attached).

Edie requires that you reply in support of this request so that it may be considered at next week's Board meeting.

Thank you!

Aniko Nelson
Senior Manager, Community Services



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The Strathcona Regional District respectfully acknowledges that our corporate office and the Strathcona Gardens Recreation Complex are located on the traditional unceded territory of the Ligw'idaŋw' people.

We also recognize that we operate within the traditional, treaty and unceded territories of the Ehattesaht, Homalco, Ka:'yu:'k't'h' / Che: k'tles7et'h', Klahoose, K'omoks, Mowachaht / Muchalaht, Nuchatlaht, Tlowitsis, We Wai Kai and Wei Wai Kum First Nations.

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June 7, 2023



Electoral Area D Director, John Rice
Strathcona Regional District
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Re: 2023 Campbell River Motocross (CRMX) Grant In Aid Request

The Campbell River Motocross Association is once again seeking support from Electoral Area D to support needs of the ever evolving and expanding association. The need this year is greater than ever with the impacts of COVID and recent invigoration of interest in the sport.

Campbell River Motocross Association provides a safe place for dirt bikes to participate in competition in the sport. Our club creates a place for young and old alike to ride and race and train for their sport. The CRMX track sees riders from Vancouver Island, B.C. and the United States participating in its events and the economic benefit to the Strathcona Region when we host major competition is significant. Each year, CRMX hosts three races that support the development of our participants' moto skills. This year we are hosting participants from all over Vancouver Island, and we are eager to showcase Campbell River's hospitality.

The Campbell River Motocross Association is grateful to Electoral Area D of the Strathcona Regional District for its past support and we would appreciate your continued Grant-in-Aid assistance so we can maintain and improve our facilities this season. We are respectfully requesting a grant in aid in the amount of \$5000 this year to assist with much needed facility and equipment repairs and upgrades.

Thank you for your consideration of our request; your support will continue to be recognized prominently at the track entrance and throughout other promotional materials.

Sincerely and with gratitude,

Tim Fluter, President

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