

# The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes

## Committee of the Whole Report

Report Number CS2019-008

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**Date:** June 4, 2019  
**Time:** 1:00 p.m.  
**Place:** Bobcaygeon Service Centre

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**Ward Community Identifier:** Fenelon Falls

**Title:** Release of Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Funds

**Author and Title:** LeAnn Donnelly, Executive Assistant, Community Services

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### Recommendation(s):

**That** Report CS2019-008, Release of Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Funds, be received; and

**That** the Senior Citizens Club of Fenelon Falls be approved for funding in the amount of \$1309.09 with the allocation to come from the Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Reserve (3.24350); and

**That** the Maryboro Lodge – The Fenelon Museum be approved for funding in the amount of \$10,000.00 with the allocation to come from the Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Reserve (3.24350); and

**That** Kawartha Works Community Co-operative Inc./ Fenelon Live! be approved for funding in the amount of \$10,000.00 with the allocation to come from the Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Reserve (3.24350); and

**That** this recommendation be brought forward to Council for consideration at the next Regular Council Meeting scheduled for June 18, 2019.

**Department Head:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Financial/Legal/HR/Other:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chief Administrative Officer:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **Background:**

Grant applications for the disposition of Fenelon Falls residual C.H.E.S.T. funding have been received by Community Services Administration on behalf of community interests. The local Councillor is supportive of these requests. Total funding requested is \$21,309.09. There is \$180,639.42 residual funding available for distribution.

Residual fund distributions are treated in the same manner, and subject to the same criteria as the ongoing C.H.E.S.T. funding programs in Lindsay and Bobcaygeon. The distribution of these funds is also subject to requirement for a full reconciliation of costs at the end of the project.

This report is brought forward to Council to approve the release of funds from the Fenelon Falls C.H.E.S.T. Fund Reserve (3.24350). The applications and review comments are summarized below.

## **Rationale:**

### **The Senior Citizens Club of Fenelon Falls**

The Senior Citizens Club of Fenelon Falls has served the needs of Fenelon Falls Seniors for more than 43 years by providing social and physical activity programs such as cards, shuffleboard, art classes, exercising, bingo, and line dancing. It also supports community events such as Fenelon Falls Santa Day. Many local organizations, in addition to private rentals, utilize the building space as well.

The club is seeking \$1309.09 to replace the current toilets at the centre with user friendly "right height" toilets. This will improve accessibility for all the club members, senior participants, user groups, and rental groups.

### **Maryboro Lodge – The Fenelon Museum**

Maryboro Lodge - The Fenelon Museum was founded in 1963 as a community history museum. They offer a variety of programs for all ages including afternoon teas, senior social programs, a one room summer school house, the Allen Wood Play Space (featuring the Kawartha Lakes Heritage of Toy Manufacturing), a speaker series, and a variety of exhibits on the history of Kawartha Lakes.

The first annual KidsFest is a free family festival featuring prominent children's musical performers, a variety of activities inspired by the Kawartha's history of toy manufacturing, and a variety of arts and crafts. This inaugural event will take place from August 31 to September 1, 2019 at the Fenelon Falls Museum and Garnet Graham Park, and to celebrate the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Fenelon Lock will have a maritime theme. Kawartha Lakes has a rich history relating to children. Allen Wood Products produced a variety of wooden toys during its operations and Crayola and Kawartha Dairy still operate within the Municipality.

KidsFest is intended to bring this rich history to life by providing hands on activities and performances highlighting the Kawartha's contributions to families.

Maryboro Lodge – The Fenelon Museum is seeking \$10,000.00 for musical performers for KidsFest. Many acts were contacted and performers were selected based on the quality of their offerings, their price, and whether their acts were relevant to the maritime theme. Any funds remaining will help contribute to advertising and the many supplies required to produce the numerous amount of children's activities that will be available.

### **Fenelon Live/Kawartha Works Community Co-operative Inc.**

Fenelon Falls Live! is a volunteer organization formed in August of 2016 and is a member of Kawartha Works Community Co-operative Inc. Their mandate is to capture audiences, develop venues, cultivate talent and showcase remarkable performers. From 2016 to date Fenelon Falls Live! has sponsored dances featuring local bands, open-mic contests and nights, a songwriting workshop and Simcoe Day. The first Simcoe Day was held in August of 2018 and was an immediate success drawing thousands of visitors to a performance by an 1812 reenactment group, the Peterborough Concert Band, local musicians, artisans and actors.

Annually in Ontario the first weekend in August is termed "Simcoe Days". This year organizers are expanding the event's profile by promoting awareness of settlement in Fenelon Falls and Simcoe's influence in Canadian history before, during and after his role as First Lieutenant Governor of Upper Canada. For 2019 Simcoe Day will be a three day event where patrons can "Reach Into History". While Fenelon Live! is hosting the War of 1812 reenactment the three day platform allows for other historical organizations such as Kawartha Settlers Village, Maryboro Lodge – The Fenelon Museum, Lindsay Legion and others to join the event and share with the community their projects and educational resources. Sponsors are also welcome to set up booths and demonstrate their products.

The 1812 encampment will be set up at Lock 34 of the Trent Severn Waterway the evening of August 2<sup>nd</sup>. On August 3<sup>rd</sup> there will be three reenactments and cannon exhibition/firing. The Peterborough Concert Band will also be performing throughout the day. In addition to various exhibits and vendors the event will offer wagon rides, shuttle bus transportation between events, free ice cream, pipers, canoe museum displays, and a fireworks display.

Fenelon Falls Live! through Kawartha Works Community Co-operative Inc. is requesting \$10,000.00 for Simcoe Day 2019. These funds will go towards an increased marketing campaign to include print production of posters, signage for highways, waterways, parking, shuttling, newspaper and media ads. The goal is

to reach tourists outside of a 40 km radius. Funds would also help contribute to event staffing, staffing, and insurance.

### **Other Alternatives Considered:**

This report is brought to Council at the request of the Ward Councillor in keeping with the established policy for disposition of residual C.H.E.S.T. funds in the absence of a community committee. No alternative has been considered.

### **Financial/Operation Impacts:**

The Fenelon Falls Legacy C.H.E.S.T. Fund has residual funds remaining in the amount of \$180,639.42. With the recommendations outlined within this report if approved will leave a balance of \$159,330.33 for further distribution in future years.

### **Relationship of Recommendation(s) To The 2016-2019 Strategic Plan:**

The recommendations within this report directly align with all Strategic Goals through our Value of Collaboration, namely:

- Goal 1 – A Vibrant and Growing Economy
- Goal 2 – An Exceptional Quality of Life
- Goal 3 – A Healthy Environment

### **Review of Accessibility Implications of Any Development or Policy:**

N/A

### **Servicing Implications:**

N/A

### **Consultations:**

Councillor Elmslie

Treasury

### **Attachments:**

N/A

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