

## Special Purpose Committee – 2019 Community Grants

May 1, 2019 at 4:00 p.m.

### Meeting Notes

Members Present: Councillor T. Oke, Councillor B. Willard, Councillor D. Faubert

Staff Present: R. Msuya-Collison, Director/Clerk

Others Present: T. Prout, Chair South Huron Community Fund, S. Currie, Member South Huron Community Fund

The meeting started at 4:00 p.m.

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

The Committee provided a brief overview of South Huron current grant process.

Tom Prout presented the Committee with an outline of the South Huron Community Fund process and possible grant options and future opportunities. He outlined different types of fund that Council can direct and noted that the fund administration includes sorting through the applications and paying the funds. Mr. Prout noted the Stratford Perth Community Foundation and gave the committee information on the “Smart and Caring Fund” available to that community. Mr. Prout noted a 2% administration fee.

The Committee discussed gradually phasing out the funds in light of the Provincial cuts to municipalities and Council priorities. The Committee also discussed the timeline for the current grant process and asked when applications are due and when funds would be paid from the community fund. The Committee discussed that if proceeding with a new model, a transition year may be necessary.

Mr. Prout and Mr. Currie left the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

The Committee discussed asking the Community Fund to a meeting to help Council understand how the fund works and the different fund types and options.

The meeting adjourned at 5:26 p.m.