

**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, April 22, 2025**  
**8:00 PM**  
**Corporation of The Township of Edwardsburgh Cardinal**  
**Council Chambers, Spencerville Ontario**

PRESENT: Mayor Tory Deschamps  
Deputy Mayor Stephen Dillabough  
Councillor Joe Martelle  
Councillor Waddy Smail  
Councillor Chris Ward

STAFF: Sean Nicholson, CAO  
Candise Newcombe, Deputy Clerk  
Natalie Charette, Interim Clerk

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Deschamps called the meeting to order at 9:01 p.m.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**Decision:** 2025-082

**Moved by:** C. Ward

**Seconded by:** W. Smail

THAT Municipal Council approves the agenda as presented.

Carried

**3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest & the General Nature Thereof**

None.

**4. Discussion Items**

**a. 2025 Community Grants and Donations Applications**

The Committee received an overview of the 2025 Community Grant funding requests, including a summary of past recipients and their compliance with financial evaluation requirements following the disbursement of 2024 funds.

Committee reviewed and confirmed the feasibility of the in-kind requests with staff, and there was consensus to approve all in-kind requests under the program.

The Committee discussed the potential for equal distribution of funding among applicants, assessed individual councillor support for each request, and considered limitations related to prior contractual funding commitments.

Consensus was reached to award the 2024 Community Grants and Donations as follows:

| Community Organization   | Amount Requested:                       | Final Amount Allocated: |
|--|---|-------------------------|
| South Grenville Bluegrass Festival - 10th Anniversary          | \$6,000.00                              | \$6,000.00              |
| South Dundas United Football Club                              | \$10,000.00                             | \$1,500.00              |
| BaitFuel Fishing Tour  | \$2,500.00                              | \$2,500.00              |
| Spencerville Mill Foundation                                   | \$3,200.00                              | \$2,000.00              |
| Spencerville United Church                                     | \$3,683.80                              | \$2,000.00              |
| Spencerville Business Community Connections                    | \$3,000.00                              | \$3,000.00              |
| Rural FASD Support Network                                     | \$2,001.00                              | \$2,000.00              |
| Prescott Family Health Team                                    | \$1,000.00                              | \$0.00                  |
| Beth Donovan Hospice   | \$2,000.00                              | \$500.00                |
| Food For All Food Bank Serving South Grenville Area Inc        | \$2,000.00                              | \$2,000.00              |
| Seaway Optimist Club   | \$500.00                                | \$500.00                |
| Girls Inc. of Upper Canada                                     | \$2,000.00                              | \$500.00                |
| Spencerville Agricultural Society                              | \$500.00                                | \$500.00                |
| Eastern Ontario Folk Music Project - Upper Canada Folkfest     | \$1,850.00                              | \$1,000.00              |
| St. Paul's Angilcan Church Cardinal                            | \$2,000.00                              | \$2,000.00              |
| Cardinal Festival Committee - Submitted March 24               | \$2,000.00                              | \$2,000.00              |
| South Edwardsburgh Recreation Association - Sumbitted April 14 | \$2,000.00                              | \$2,000.00              |
|  | Total Requested from \$30,000.00 Budget | Total Funding Value     |
|  | \$46,234.80                             | \$30,000.00             |

**5. Councillor Inquiries or Notices of Motion**

None.

**6. Member’s Report**

None.

**7. Question Period**

None.

**8. Closed Session**

None.

**9. Confirmation By-law**

**Decision:** 2025-083

**Moved by:** S. Dillabough

**Seconded by:** J. Martelle

THAT a by-law to adopt, confirm and ratify matters dealt with by resolution be now passed, signed, sealed and numbered 2025-21.

Carried

**10. Adjournment**

**Decision:** 2025-084

**Moved by:** J. Martelle

**Seconded by:** W. Smail

THAT Municipal Council does now adjourn at 9:19 p.m.

Carried

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Mayor

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Deputy Clerk