



Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting: Regular Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: March 11, 2025
Originated By: Glenn Barnes, General Manager of Planning and Community Services
Title: Friends of the Lakeland – Request for Funding Support

PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND

At the February 25, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council, Council directed Administration to present the Friends of the Lakeland's event funding request at the March 11, 2025 Regular Meeting of Council for consideration.

DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS

Friends of the Lakeland are requesting \$2,500 to assist with the cost of the venue to bringing motivational speaker Joe Roberts (Skidrow CEO) to the Lakeland community. Friends of the Lakeland are planning two events, one for students and one for the Lakeland community on March 25, 2025. The two events are planned as no cost for the people attending.

Joe Roberts speaks from the heart on his life story from a young age on the streets of Vancouver to recovery and becoming a CEA. Mr. Roberts' mission is to awaken young people to overcome challenges in life. Topics touch on resiliency, the power of possibilities, and what can happen when you believe in yourself.

Lakeland Credit Union is to be covering the cost of the speaker as well as other community agencies and businesses providing support.

Friends of the Lakeland is not listed with the Alberta Non-Profit Listing.

Attached for Council consideration:

- Appendix A: Letter of Request from Friends of the Lakeland to Reeve and Council

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 1: Building a Prosperous and Sustainable Community

REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION

N/A

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING

\$2,500 from Community Action Grant Reserve

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

Friends of the Lakeland will be notified in writing of Council's decision.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION

THAT Council denies the funding request from the Friends of the Lakeland as the organization does not meet with the eligibility criteria established in Policy No. 3C.012 Community Action Grant Policy.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

1. THAT Council denies the funding request from the Friends of the Lakeland as the organization does not meet with the eligibility criteria established in Policy No. 3C.012 Community Action Grant Policy.
2. THAT Council approves the funding request from Friends of the Lakeland in the amount of \$____, to be funded from the Community Action Grant Reserve.
3. THAT Council refers the request by Friends of the Lakeland for event funding support back to Administration for additional information regarding _____ and to bring it back to a future meeting of Council.

Report Approval Details

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Attachments:	- Appendix A - Letter of Request from Friends of the Lakeland_Redacted.pdf
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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