



**Date:** 09/05/2019

## **AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

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**To:** Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

**And To:** John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer

**From:** Darron Campbell, Manager of Community Services

**Date of Meeting:** Cariboo Regional District Board\_May24\_2019

**File:** 0260-34

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### **Short Summary:**

Big Lake Community Hall Community Works Funding (CWF) Water Well Project and Enabling Agreement

### **Voting:**

Corporate Vote - Weighted

### **Memorandum:**

The Big Lake Community Association has requested a Community Works Funding grant of up to \$15,000 to drill a new well at the Big Lake Community Hall.

Currently, the water needs of the Big Lake Community Hall and the new Hall Caretaker Residence are served by a culvert cistern fed with run-off from the Big Lake Elementary School well adjacent to the Community Hall. This system is 20-30 years old and in need of repair; the Community Association has determined it practical to install a new water-source specifically to serve the needs of the community hall and caretaker residence. This new well would replace the current water supply and is expected to more ably meet the hall's and caretaker residence's water demands.

Because the community hall is not owned by the CRD, a contribution agreement between the Regional District and the Big Lake Community Association is required for this project by UBCM under its Gas Tax Sharing Master Agreement with the federal government. Under the terms of the agreement, the community group is responsible for managing the project, maintaining financial records, reporting on measurable results and retaining ownership of the asset for a minimum of 10 years.

### **Attachments:**

- 1) CWF project request package for the Big Lake Community Association
- 2) Request letter from the Big Lake Community Association.

### **Financial Implications:**

The proposal from the Big Lake Community Association requests up to \$15,000 from the Community Hall Improvements envelope of the 2019 CWF program.

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The Board approved the CWF funding schedule for 2019, including the Community Hall Improvements envelope which has a total of \$150,000 available. If this application from the Big Lake Community Association is approved, \$15,000 will be committed through the Community Hall Improvements envelope, leaving a balance of \$111,000 available for community hall projects.

**Policy Implications:**

None. The Board approved the CWF funding schedule for 2019, including the Community Hall Improvements envelope. This project meets CWF criteria for developing drinking water systems.

**Alignment with Strategic Plan:**

- ☒ Ensuring Sufficient and Sustainable Funding
- ☒ Building on our Relationships
- ☐ Providing Cost Effective High Quality Services
- ☐ Focusing on Being Well Governed

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**CAO Comments:**

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**Options:**

- 1) Endorse recommendation;
- 2) Receipt and other action;
- 3) Defer.

**Recommendation:**

That the agenda item summary from Darron Campbell, Manager of Community Services, dated May 9, 2019, regarding a proposal from the Big Lake Community Association for drilling of a new well at the Big Lake Community Hall, be received. Further, that up to \$15,000 for the project be approved from the 2019 Community Hall Improvements envelope of the Community Works Fund and that the appropriate signatories be authorized to enter into the necessary contribution agreement.