



**SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2024 AT 3:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MUNICIPAL OFFICE
31C MAIN STREET, SACKVILLE**

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Conflict Of Interest
4. Closed Session
 - a. HR-2024-04
 - b. P-2024-03
5. Tantramar Medical Education Scholarship – K. Miller
6. DTI Aboiteau – J. Epell
7. Adjournment

Note: *In-Camera Meetings deal with items as per section 68(1) of the Local Governance Act – Legal, Police, HR, Confidential Information (ex: Personnel), and/or Financial Agreements of Contracts or Land Transactions*



To: Mayor and Council

Submitted by: Kieran Miller, Director of Community & Corporate Services

Date: June 21, 2024

Subject: Tantramamar Medical Education Scholarship

PROPOSAL

Present proposal to contribute to a medical education scholarship with a return-to-service agreement to practice in Tantramamar.

BACKGROUND

The New Brunswick Medical Education Foundation (NBMEDED) is a private, not-for-profit foundation dedicated to recruiting and retaining New Brunswick's future physicians. They offer scholarships for medical students with a return-to-service agreement. Generally, recipients are asked to commit to practice in New Brunswick following graduation for a period of 1 year per each award given (eg. Four-year scholarship would yield a four-year return-to-service). Recipients sign a pledge to this effect before funds are distributed. In 2023, NBMEDED supported over 280 students with over \$1M in funding.

Donors include private citizens, corporations, provincial and municipal governments, regional health authorities, foundations and economic development authorities. Several New Brunswick municipalities have created scholarships, including:

- City of Dieppe (Endowment fund with initial investment of \$115,000 which allows a \$5000 annual scholarship in perpetuity)
- City of Bathurst (\$5000)
- Town of Rothesay (\$5000)
- Town of Riverview (\$10,000)

The neighbouring community of Strait Shores is creating a scholarship targeted towards Nurse Practitioners (NPs) for the Port Elgin and Region Health Clinic. They have committed to covering the first year of tuition for two (2) NPs this fall, and an annual scholarship of \$7,200 for three (3) years after that.

DISCUSSION

Memramcook-Tantramamar MLA Megan Mitton is creating a \$2,500 medical education scholarship for the Tantramamar region. The funding agreement with NBMEDED allows additional funds to be added to the award. Tantramamar is proposing to add \$5200 from the Healthcare Recruitment budget towards the scholarship (this figure includes a 4% administrative fee to NBMEDED). This could be a one-time 2024 \$5200 contribution, or a four (4) year flow-through scholarship for \$5200 each year. NBMEDED deposits the funds directly to the university tuition office in September of each year to support tuition expenses.

A contribution towards a scholarship would be considered a grant, and therefore a motion of Council is required.

LEGISLATION/POLICY

Under By-law 2023-08 *A Bylaw To Regulate Purchasing, Leasing, Tendering and Disposal of Surplus Property, Equipment and Materials* this proposal would be considered a grant and require a resolution of Council.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

\$5200 from Healthcare Recruitment budget, 2024 Operational Budget and 2025, 2026 and 2027 budgets.

COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Scholarship information would be shared on our engagement platforms including website, social media and newsletter. We would also share with surrounding universities (eg. Mount Allison, Université de Sherbrooke – Moncton site).

TANTRAMAR 2024 PRIORITY ACTION PLAN

This aligns with pillar no. 3 – Healthy, Safe, Livable Community of the 2024 Priority Action Plan.

COMMUNITY IMPACT

Improve Tantramar residents’ access to primary health care.

CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

N/A

CLIMATE LENS

Climate Lens	Towards	Away	No change
Emissions reduction			x
Stormwater management			x
Thriving natural assets			x
Sustainable processes			x
Climate change adaptation			x
Climate leadership			x

OPTIONS

- a) Approve funds to create a Tantramar Medical Education scholarship.
- b) Don’t approve funds to create a Tantramar Medical Education scholarship.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that Council approve the transfer of \$5200 from the Healthcare Recruitment budget each year for four (4) years for a Tantramar Medical Education Scholarship administered through the New Brunswick Medical Education Foundation.

ATTACHMENTS

N/A

To: Mayor and Council
Submitted by: Jon Eppell, Director of Engineering & Public Works
Date: June 21, 2024
Subject: TAN-2023-11-Construction of New Aboiteau AB-01

PROPOSAL

Present an update and financial information.

BACKGROUND

The new aboiteau AB-01 construction was funded by DTI. An agreement was established between Tantramar and DTI for Tantramar to conduct construction and consulting by March 31, 2024 up to the available funding of \$2.4 million.

Tantramar retained Englobe as the consultant and awarded the construction contract to Caldwell & Ross for a reduced scope to fit within the available budget.

The available budget in 2023/2024 fiscal year did not cover the complete tendered price. As a result Phase 1 was completed by March 31, 2024.

DTI secured additional funding and decided to oversee Phase 2 directly with Englobe as the consultant. At the time it was thought this would be easier than revising the agreement with Tantramar.

DISCUSSION

Phase 2 was successfully completed the end of May 2024.

DTI has received invoices but has determined that they do not have a contractual relationship with Caldwell & Ross for the project and therefore cannot make the payments directly. DTI has requested that payment be made through Tantramar.

DTI will provide an e-mail requesting extension of the Aboiteau AB-01 agreement with Tantramar, that Tantramar submit an invoice to DTI for the amounts owing to Caldwell & Ross and Englobe, and once Tantramar receives payment from DTI, make payment to Caldwell & Ross and DTI.

CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

N/A

LEGISLATION/POLICY

N/A

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

The following Phase 2 amounts are due:

Caldwell & Ross (Progress Claim 4, 5 and 6) - \$761,795.82 including HST

Englobe (Invoice 174234 and 178158) - \$52,900.00 including HST

Subtotal - \$814,695.82 including HST

The above amount would be invoiced to DTI. Once payment is received from DTI, payment would be made to Caldwell & Ross and Englobe.

TANTRAMAR 2024 PRIORITY ACTION PLAN

N/A

COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

N/A

COMMUNITY IMPACT

N/A

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Stormwater management			x
Thriving natural assets			x
Sustainable processes			x
Climate change adaptation			x
Climate leadership			x

OPTIONS

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council consider authorizing all the necessary expenses relating to Tender No. TAN-2023-01 Construction of new Aboiteau AB-01 to be paid with the understanding that NB DTI will be reimbursing Tantramar all expenses and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign and seal any related documents.

ATTACHMENTS

N/A