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Special Projects Committee Report Annual General Meeting May 3, 2022

Part of CMEI's mandate is to review applications to the Host Community Enhancement Fund and recommend applicants for approval and the amount of each approved project.

Due to Covid-19 and the supply chain delays the projects for Westfield Elementary in 2020 and 2021 had to be carried forward on the budget of the landfill. The school has now received the playground equipment with payment pending shortly.

The amount available for projects in 2021 was \$90875.00. (Refer to spreadsheet on screen)

The Special Projects Committee received 20 applications for grants prior to the Feb. 15, 2021 deadline. The total of the requests was about of \$146,016. After careful consideration, the projects were selected by CMEI, and subsequently accepted by the Fundy Regional Service Commission for funding during the 2021 calendar year.

In December 2020 and January 2021, advertisements were placed in the Telegraph Journal, emails sent to all former grant recipients and ads placed in the Grand-Bay-Westfield newsletter to solicit applications for \$90,875 of grant money available through the Host Community Enhancement Fund for 2021.

The Special Projects Committee is responsible for receiving the invoices from the application and generating an invoice from the Host Community Enhancement Fund representing the total amount of expenditure, net amount before tax and amount of HST, eligible for payment.

The list of projects approved for 2021 will appear on our website <u>www.cmei.ca</u> when the site is updated. On the "Special Projects" page, follow the link to 2021. Actual amounts distributed to applicants in prior years are also linked on the "Special Projects" page. In the coming months members of the special projects committee will be following up on the progress of the projects to ensure that the completion deadline, Oct. 1, 2021 is met.

Grants awarded for 2021 are shown in the spreadsheet on the attached page.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Simpson

Tom Simpson Chair, Special Projects Committee