



## Staff Report

**Report Title: 2024 January Parks and Facilities Update**

**Prepared By: Matt McClinchey, Parks, and Facilities Supervisor**

**Department: Community Services**

**Date: Jan. 15, 2024**

**Report Number: CS-2024-01-7**

**File Number: C11 CSE 24**

### **Attachments:**

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### **Recommendation:**

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report Number CS-2024-01-7 prepared by Matt McClinchey, Parks, and Facilities Supervisor.

### **Background:**

The Community Services Department operates and maintains various facilities, parks, and trails in the Township throughout the calendar year.

### **Discussion:**

#### Winter Carnival

This year's Winter Carnival will be held at the Ripley Huron Community Center on February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Staff look to build on last year's successful carnival that saw nearly 500 participants enjoy the winter festivities. The event's success is large in part to the volunteers and local service groups. Anyone wishing to volunteer their time to assisting with the pancake breakfast is encouraged to reach out to the Community Services Department.

#### Ripley Huron Community Center

Staff have enjoyed the recently purchased floor scrubber. The machine is an upgrade from the previous scrubber and will help preserve the new rubber sport flooring that was installed in the summer of 2023.

Staff have noted minimal to no ice plant failures during this winter ice season. The repairs made to the brine pipe system over the summer of 2023 have solved operating issues.

The Community Center hosted Kincardine Silverstick hockey games over the holidays along with several family rentals and public skates.

**Financial Impacts:**

None currently

**Strategic Alignment / Link:**

We are a vibrant community that values our uniqueness and creativity.  
By creating places where people want to be

**Respectfully Submitted By:**

Matt McClinchey, Parks and Facilities

**Report Approved By:**

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer