



Staff Report

Report Title: 2024 March Parks and Facilities Update

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Department: Community Services

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Attachments:

Recommendation:

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report Number CS-2024-03-11 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:

Ripley Huron Community Center

Public Health inspections were conducted in the social room and food booth kitchens. No issues were reported, and both inspections were passed.

A TSSA inspection was conducted in the refrigeration plant. Some minor issues were reported and are expected to be completed in the coming weeks. Operations will continue as normal.

March will see the Community Center host two hockey tournaments. The WOAA girls' year end tournament will be held From March 22-24th. The Pine River Muskie's will be hosting an old-timer's tournament on March 30th. The Ripley Wolves Senior A hockey team has advanced to the second round of playoffs and crowds of 500 people are expected to attend the games.

Staff anticipate the ice to be removed March 31st, 2024, and to be re-installed after the Ripley Fall Fair is over in late September 2024. Ice removal will depend on the success of the Ripley Wolves Senior A hockey team.

Grass Cutting

The grass cutting at the Whitechurch park has been contracted out for another season. Gordon Dale of Whitechurch has accepted this contract. The cost per cut will be \$95.00.

Staff continue to seek for a seasonal contractor for grass cutting at the Kinlough Cemetery. If no one can fulfill this contract, Community Services Staff will assume responsibility.

Financial Impacts:

None currently

Strategic Alignment / Link:

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By creating places where people want to be

Respectfully Submitted By:

Matt McClinchey, Parks and Facilities Supervisor

Report Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer