



# The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

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## Staff Report

**Report Title: Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund Stream 1**

**Date: Oct. 7, 2024**

**Report Number: CS-2024-10-41**

**Department: Community Services**

**File Number: C11**

**Prepared By: Mike Fair, Director of Community Services**

**Attachments: Ice Plant quote, drawing for storage.**

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### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report CS2024-10-41 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services;

AND FURTHER authorizes staff to submit a grant application to the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund stream 1 for the Ripley-Huron Community Centre Refurbishment Project.

### **Background:**

#### Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund

The Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund stream 1 supports projects that: extend the lifespan of existing facilities, maximize the use of existing facilities (for example, use of space, increasing hours of operation, enhancing functionality and/or participation rates), and or improve health and safety, accessibility and environment standards of facilities (for example, access to facility or field of play, lower operating costs, etc.)

The deadline to apply is Tuesday, October 29, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. ET.

Funding is between \$150,000 to \$1 million and all projects must be completed within 24 months of entering a Transfer Payment Agreement with the province.

Provincial cost-sharing is up to 50% for municipalities, local services boards and not-for-profit organizations, and under unique and exceptional circumstances, we may consider a provincial contribution of up to 70% of eligible project costs for not-for-profit organizations, local services boards or municipalities with a population of less than 20,000.

A resolution from Council is required for the application for a project submission.

### **Discussion/Analysis/Overview:**

Staff has reviewed the capital forecast for the Ripley-Huron Community Centre for the next 5 years. The 2026 capital budget for the ice plant refurbishment is \$200 000. The 2029 capital Budget for adding a 20 x 50 storage space for minor hockey, Figure skating, Agricultural Society and Community Services equipment is \$100 000. The

2027 capital Budget for replacing the fifty-year-old main electrical panel is \$30 000. The 2026 capital budget for replacing the cement pad and update drainage outside the Zamboni room is \$50 000.

Staff is working on receiving revised estimates. The anticipated revised estimates are summarized below.

<b>Description</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Revised Estimate</b>
Ice Plant	\$200 000	\$565 000
Storage Space	\$100 000	\$225 000
Main Electrical Panel	\$30 000	\$45 000
Cement Pad / Drainage	\$50 000	\$50 000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$380 000</b>	<b>\$885 000</b>

Staff recommend applying to the Community Sport and Recreation Infrastructure Fund stream 1 for the above projects at the Ripley-Huron Community Centre.

**Financial Impacts:**

A successful application would provide a minimum 50% funding and savings to the taxpayer \$442 500 over the next four years. If the grant is successful then a funding proposal will be brought forward at that time since it will span multiple budget years.

**Performance Measurement:**

**Strategic Area:**

- Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle
- Prepare for Inclusive Growth
- Enhance Municipal Service Delivery
- Ensure Financial Stability

**Strategic Goal:      Manage assets and infrastructure**  
**Facilitate Community Well Being**

**Respectfully Submitted By:**

Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

**Report Approved By:**

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer