

## The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss

# Staff Report

**Report Title: Community Services Status Report December 2024** 

Date: Dec. 2, 2024 Report Number: CS-2024-12-49

**Department: Community Services** File Number: C11 CS 24

**Prepared By: Mike Fair** 

**Attachments:** 

#### **Recommendation:**

THAT the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report CS-2024-12-49 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services.

#### **Background:**

### Memorial Bench Program

Huron-Kinloss has a memorial bench program. Residents have an opportunity to donate funds for the installation of a bench in Huron-Kinloss parks and trails. The benches are similar however there are two styles of plaques. Standard bench with a phenolic plaque is \$2500.00, and Bronze plaque bench is \$3500.00. The program is revenue neutral.

### Ripley Medical Centre Ribbon Cutting Date

The Ripley Medical Clinic is operating in December. A date for an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony will be set in January, and Council notified then.

### Kincardine Recreation Use Agreement

The Kincardine recreation use agreement expires December 31, 2024. The agreement provides Huron-Kinloss residents the opportunity to use the facility, and primarily the pool at standard rates as set out by the Municipality of Kincardine.

# Ripley Dog Park Project

The Ripley Dog Park Project is included in the 2024 budget.

# Ripley-Huron Community Centre Kitchen Renovation update

The main kitchen was included in the 2024 budget.

# Discussion/Analysis/Overview:

# Memorial Bench Program

In 2024 four benches were installed. A bench was installed in Lewis Park in memory of John Gamble. Three benches were installed at Lighthouse park in memory of Keith Kelly, Florence Corinne Lewis, and Maithel Lee Wilson. A photo is attached.

### Ripley Medical Centre Ribbon Cutting Date

The Ripley Medical Clinic is operating in December. The Ribbon cutting open house will be scheduled in January and date announced then.

### Kincardine Recreation Use Agreement

Kincardine staff have provided Huron-Kinloss resident usage data. Staff will bring forward the agreement for consideration after a legal review. We bring this forward for information purposes.

### Ripley Dog Park Project

The Ripley Dog Park Project has been delayed until 2025. Staff preferred to delay until the Parks and Trails redevelopment was completed and the site selected. Staff are recommending carrying the funds forward from the 2024 budget into the 2025 budget and initiate meetings to include residents interested in the dog park starting late January.

### Ripley-Huron Community Centre Kitchen Renovation

The Kitchen facility was included in the 2024 budget. Staff capacity for this project was limited due to other projects in the 2024. Staff are recommending carrying the funds forward from the 2024 budget into the 2025 budget. Staff are scheduling the renovation for April 2025 for completion.

### **Financial Impacts:**

There are no financial impacts.	
Performance Measurement:	
N/A	
Strategic Area:	
☑Embrace a thriving rural lifestyle ☐Prepare for Inclusive Growth	<ul><li>□ Enhance Municipal Service Delivery</li><li>□ Ensure Financial Stability</li></ul>

### Strategic Goal: Encourage strong communication and community engagement

## **Respectfully Submitted By:**

Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

### **Report Approved By:**

Jodi MacArthur, Chief Administrative Officer