



### Staff Report

**Report Title: February Status Report**

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**Department: Community Services**

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#### **Attachments:**

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#### **Recommendation:**

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby approves Report Number CS2021-02-3 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

#### **Background:**

The February status report is below.

#### **Discussion:**

##### **Ripley-Huron Community Centre Ice Pad Update**

The Lucknow and District Recreation Board has initiated the removal of the Ice surface in Lucknow. Staff supports that decision based on the unknown future for re-opening facilities, and the fact that one arena could accommodate the needs of Huron-Bruce Minor Hockey, and Ripley Figure Skating Club, and other rentals will be offered ice upon availability. The announcement from the Province has indicated that recreation facilities are closed, and the closing date extended from Jan 24th, 2020 to February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The ice surface is still in place. Temperatures have been raised, and no flooding at this time to use less electricity and minimize costs.

Staff recommends monitoring the Provincial announcements, and re-opening plans then evaluating again in February to determine when to remove the ice. Huron-Bruce Minor Hockey, and Ripley Figure Skating Club have committed to using the ice surface if available until March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Both organizations will be the priority if the facility re-opens. If the facility can not re-open by the last week of February staff recommends removing the ice at that time.

## **Point Clark Harbour Wall**

Staff has received the permit from the Ministry of Natural Resources. Kempton Construction have arranged for the delivery of the stone required, which began on January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Actual placement of stones is dependent on the near shore being frozen as a condition of permit.

### **Financial Impacts:**

If the Ripley-Huron Community re-opens the last week of February and all of March, it is anticipated that the energy costs for January to March could be recovered with essentially a break-even scenario.

### **Strategic Alignment / Link:**

We are a prosperous community that continues to grow in a sustainable manner

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

We are a spirited community that takes pride in calling Huron-Kinloss home and welcoming others.  
By engaging in our community

We are an accessible community that offers opportunities for everyone.  
By having amenities and services nearby  
By being open and transparent

### **Respectfully Submitted By:**

Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

### **Approved By:**

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer