



Staff Report

Report Title: Ripley-Huron Community Centre Ice Installation

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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-2021-08-43 prepared by Mike Fair, Director of Community Services.

Background:

Staff has received enquiries regarding installing the ice early at the Ripley-Huron Community dependent on the needs of the Ripley Fall Fair. The annual normal ice installation is early October.

Discussion:

The Ripley-Huron Agricultural Society has indicated that the arena floor will not be used for Fall fair purposes in 2021 due to Covid-19.

The Huron Bruce Minor Hockey, and Ripley Figure Skating Club, Ripley Wolves Senior A team, and the Bruce County Kings have all either expressed and or confirmed that early ice would be beneficial, and confirmed bookings. The expected ice usage will exceed forty hours per week. The anticipated revenue is well received.

Staff initiated discussion with the Lucknow and District Sports Centre Staff and determined that the Lucknow ice will be ready for ice rentals September 27th, 2021. The Huron Bruce Minor Hockey regular schedule begins September 27th, for the 2021-22 season and split between the two facilities at that time.

Casual part time staff has confirmed their availability to support the operation of the ice surface while still maintaining the buildings, cemetery, and parks this fall.

The anticipated start date for ice rentals is September 13th, 2021. We bring this forward for information purposes.

Financial Impacts:

Net Increase in revenues to the Ripley-Huron Community Centre budget

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 an accessible community that offers opportunities for everyone.

By having amenities and services nearby

By being age friendly

By being open and transparent

Respectfully Submitted By:

Mike Fair, Director of Community Services

Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer