



City of
Peterborough

To: Members of the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

From: Rob McAulay, Recreation Division and Peterborough Sport & Wellness Centre Manager

Meeting Date: April 13, 2021

Subject: Report APRAC21-011
Divisional Update Report

Purpose

A standing report to advise the Arena Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee on the current and upcoming activities of staff and division projects.

Recommendation

That the Arenas Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report ARAC21-011, dated April 13, 2021, of the Recreation Division and Peterborough Sport and Wellness Centre Manager, as follows:

That Report APRAC21-011 be received for information.

Budget and Financial Implications

There are no budget or financial implications associated with the recommendation.

Background

Starting in the 2021 meeting cycle, committee meetings will be delivered virtually and to assist with providing effective communication, divisional staff will provide the committee updates on current or upcoming projects and activities associated with the Arena, Parks and Recreation Services for the City of Peterborough.

Arena Division – Sue Warrington

2021 Allocations – Ice, Floor, Room and Facility Rentals

The Peterborough Public Health region shifted into the Red/Control level on March 8.

Kinsmen ice was removed, and facility ice rentals continued on the remaining ice pads until March 29th when ice availability was further reduced to two ice pads. Increased restrictions limit capacity to groups of no more than 10 participants plus 2 instructors/trainers with no spectators allowed. Effective April 3, the remaining ice rentals were cancelled in response to the Provincewide shutdown, with Evinrude Leons ice to be removed on April 3rd, and Peterborough Memorial Centre to remain active ice pad until Mid-June. Ice in is scheduled at Kinsmen for Mid-June to replace PMC ice and additional second pad ice in for Mid-July to allow for additional programming.

Staff continue to regularly consult with Public Health officials regarding revisions to the provincial shutdown instructions and provide weekly email updates to all user groups as information becomes available.

Evinrude Centre Banquet Hall is the active location for the community vaccination clinic operated by the Peterborough Regional Health Centre.

The Peterborough Petes 2020/21 Season remains on hold pending further restrictions.

The Peterborough Lakers 2021 Season remains on hold pending further restrictions.

The Peterborough and District Farmers' Market Association continues to operate a Saturday morning Farmers' Market in the Morrow Building, following Peterborough Public Health guidelines as permitted under the Provincial regulations.

Arena Projects

The Freedom Mobile Roof Replacement is scheduled to begin May 3rd with projected completion date of September 17th, 2021.

The Kinsmen Arena Condenser project was awarded and schedule pending with completion date of no later than May 30, 2021.

The PMC Condenser project is out scheduled for tender late April, with a projected completion date of in Mid-August.

Urban Park Operations – Ice Rink

Phase 2 of construction is on schedule and will be awarded in early spring 2021, with projected completion date for early December 2021.

Marina Operations

Site preparations for the upcoming season are currently underway, with a planned opening date of Friday, May 21, 2021 to align with the long weekend.

Planning is underway with Peterborough Public Health regarding COVID-19 safety plan requirements and restrictions for Marina users.

Marina Docks Wi-Fi Project is scheduled to be completed prior to opening.

Review of the firework barge is underway, as the barge has shifted approximately 100ft due to drift/ice. Structural assessment and recommendations for repairs are pending, however there is no immediate concern of further movement and/or damage.

PMC Drive-In Events 2021

Through Report CSAD21-004 dated March 8, 2021, Council approved staff to proceed with the Drive-In Event stage plans for concerts and events during the months of June, July, and August 2021. These events include working with our community partner organization to maximize usage of the stage and strengthen community collaboration.

Facilities and Planning – Gillian Barnes

Holy Cross Field project update

The field is complete and in use by Holy Cross students under supervision. The track surface will be completed in late May/early June, weather permitting. An official opening is being planned for the end of June 2021.

Wading Pool Conversions and New Splashpads

Report APRAC21-006 Update to Outdoor Water Play Facilities Capital Strategy was endorsed at the February 16, 2021 meeting. An online public engagement will be launched April 16, 2021 for Turner Park and Hamilton Park. There will be a media release and signage at both park locations to advise the community of the opportunity to provide input. A survey for each park location will be available from April 16, 2021 until May 7, 2021 on the City of Peterborough's online engagement site www.connectptbo.ca.

Planning and Urban Design – Brian Buchardt

No updates from Brian Buchardt on planning and urban design projects.

Parks and Fields – Cassandra Babcock

Neighbourhood Rinks have concluded their season. Currently there are three rink locations scheduled for service upgrades that will include the Maple Ridge, Stenson and Earlwood to a hydrant style water service.

Parks and Horticulture seasonal staff will begin to on-board April 26th with the second phase scheduled for May 3rd.

Parks and trails sanitation program will switch from the spring collection schedule to the summer collection schedule as of May 3rd with an additional 40 bins to be placed through out the city for garbage and recycling collection.

Parks and Trails clean up and brushing program is well under way and the spring portion of the schedule will be complete by May 21st.

Playground amenity procurement will begin shortly for the lower part of Jackson Park.

Forestry has completed the winter removal cycle that included high risk ash trees within city parks and open spaces. Forestry will begin the spring plant in early June with the fall plant in September.

The Parks crew is completing the picnic table and bleacher repairs along with table deliveries to pavilions.

Park facilities are being prepared for the installation of the water meters and the backflow preventers for seasonal opening schedule for the first week of May.

Recreation Programs – Heather Stephens

Aquatic Programs – 300 registrations for lessons and leadership programs; however, they were paused after one week in March due to red zone restrictions. A re-start is planned for May for these programs.

Camp Programs – Planning for summer days camps, beaches, wading pools, instructional sports camps, adult pickleball leagues and junior parks programs has begun, with the ability to modify and adjust based on public health recommendations and provincial regulations.

Martial Arts – Program for children and youth had 75 participants, was paused in March, however a re-start is being planned for May.

Pickleball Program – Leagues saw 125 participants registered into five different leagues based on ability were paused in March during red zone restrictions, and now cancelled during this shutdown.

Skate/Hockey Programs – 75 participants that started in the fall of 2020, were paused in January, were re-started in February, and cancelled in March due to restrictions and shutdowns.

Downtown Youth Space – Operating out of PCVS started back up on Feb 16th and continued to offer drop in programming for youth during the red zone until April 1st when it was closed under the provincial shutdown.

Recreation Services – Rob McAulay

Navy Club

Site review is continuing, including a review of mechanical systems and overall property condition. Recommendations for property use is underway including review of partnerships and primary uses.

Sport Fields and Leagues

Organized league and team play is not currently permitted under shutdown restrictions; however, leagues are in communication with recreation division on planning for return to play operations, including review of COVID Safety Plans, Facility Safety Plan and league return to play guidelines. In coordination with Public Works and our Partners field preparations are underway.

Wellness Centre

During the provincial shutdown, the Wellness Centre will be closed to the public, and during this closure annual preventive maintenance is taking place, including aquatic and fitness equipment preventative maintenance.

Summary

This report provides updates for the Arena, Park and Recreation Advisory Committee for information purposes. Questions related to the above updates can be directed to staff for clarification.

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