



# TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HURON

# REPORT

Item No.

**REPORT TO:** Reeve Vincent and Members of Council  
**PREPARED BY:** Pat Newson  
**DATE:** 05/12/2016  
**SUBJECT:** Recreation and Facilities Report 12 05 16 (Department Update)  
**ATTACHMENTS:**

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## **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Council of the Township of North Huron hereby receive the Activity Report of the Director of Recreation and Facilities, dated December 5, 2016, for information purposes.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Director of Recreation and Facilities provides a monthly report of department activities and ongoing projects to keep Council informed

## **DISCUSSION**

### **Wingham Town Hall Theatre Trillium Grant Presentation**

On Friday November 25, 2016 MPP Lisa Thompson presented North Huron Reeve Neil Vincent and the Wingham Town Hall Theatre Committee representative Doug Kuyvenhoven with a plaque from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, in recognition of the \$30,000 grant the project received from the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

### **Airport Meeting**

The Airport committee meeting was held on Tuesday November 29<sup>th</sup> and Andrew Kemp, Huron County Economic Development Officer was invited as a delegation to share Huron County's plan to assist with some investigation reports on the opportunities for the airports in Huron County. After a review of the North Huron Committee Appointment Policy, the airport committee has decided not to renew their status as a committee of council in 2017. They will continue to be a user group and meet with staff as needed. Minutes of the meeting were not ready in time to be included on this Council agenda package, but will be included in the December 19 agenda package.

### **MVCA Lease Renewal for Galbraith Soccer Field**

The Township of North Huron leases property at the Galbraith Soccer Field from Maitland Valley Conservation Authority. The land is owned by MVCA and is located in the Turnberry Flood Plain Conservation Area. The renewal is for a five year term, with a termination clause subject to the mutual agreement of both parties upon thirty days' notice. The soccer field is utilized by Wingham Minor Soccer and adult teams to allow for enough fields to accommodate all the local soccer players. While FE Madill fields are under construction they will also be utilizing the Galbraith fields. Total hours used in 2016 was 139. The lease agreement is in the by-law section of this agenda for Council's consideration. The Township is responsible for maintaining the grounds and collects rent from the users. No fee is paid to MVCA for the use of the land, however the Township is responsible for payment of the property tax.

### Blyth Memorial Community Hall Renovation Project

The Blyth Memorial Community Hall Renovation Committee held a meeting on Wednesday November 23, 2016. Two site meetings were held with the Director of Recreation and Facilities and the contractor and consultants on November 7 and 21. The project continues to progress on schedule. The majority of the demolition work is completed, and the removal of the floors in the lower hall and north meeting room is on-going. The committee reviewed the summary of change orders report from the consultant. Most of the cash allowance and contingency funds have been allocated during the project with \$20,831.88 remaining in the contingency.

### North Huron Children's Centre

The program received \$11,600 in funding from Huron County to be applied to additional floor removal and replacement. The Facilities department will coordinate this work.

### Department Events/Activities:

- Wingham Sports Wall of Fame was held on Friday November 18, 2016. Three new inductees were celebrated.
- Wingham Silver Stick Tournaments:
  - Midget November 13-20
  - Atom November 27-Dec 4
- Building Bridges Committee will be hosting a fundraising hockey tournament at the NHWCC on December 27, 2016.
- Blyth Lion's Christmas Dinner/Dance on December 10<sup>th</sup> at the Blyth Community Centre
- Due to the late Xmas break – the department is holding a Christmas Break Day Camp January 3-6.

### Holiday Promotions and Programs

The North Huron Westcast Community Complex is circulating a holiday schedule of activities. Free skating and many sponsored swims are part of the holiday schedule. Free use of the courts December 24-January 8. Holiday Hot Deals include a Winter Fun Punch Pass for 12 visits to public swims or use of courts for only \$12. Home for the Holidays fitness pass \$20 for month of December, sale on ice rentals, and much more. Copies of the promotional calendar and flyer will be available at Council.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

None

### **FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS**

Next Department Update Report is scheduled for January, 2017

**RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

Our community is Healthy and Safe

Our administration is fiscally responsible and strives for operational excellence.

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Pat Newson, Director of Recreation and  
Facilities

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Sharon Chambers, CAO