



The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

Parks & Recreation Services

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Paul Anthony, Director Parks & Recreation Services

Date to Council: October 12, 2021

Report Number: PRS- 2021-11

Subject: Tecumseh Pickleball Association Agreement

Recommendations

It is recommended:

That Parks and Recreation Report No. PRS-2021-11, regarding the Tecumseh Pickleball Association Agreement, **be received**;

And that in accordance with Policy No. 91, Outdoor Tennis and Pickleball Club Operations, that a five (5) year Lease Agreement be entered into between the Town of Tecumseh and the Tecumseh Pickleball Association.

And further that a bylaw be prepared to authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to execute the Lease Agreement between the Town of Tecumseh and the Tecumseh Pickleball Association, satisfactory in form to the Town's Solicitor.

Background

At the May 25, 2021 Policies and Priorities Committee, Council passed the following motion (PPC-03/21):

That the Outdoor Tennis and Pickleball Club Operations Policy, Policy No. 91, as attached to Parks and Recreation Services Report No. PRS-2021-07, be approved.

Comments

In accordance with the Outdoor Tennis and Pickleball Club Operations Policy, Policy No. 91 Policy (Policy), the Tecumseh Pickleball Association (TPA) submitted a request to the Director

of Parks and Recreation requesting to register and enter into an Agreement with the Town as a Pickleball Club that designates court location for scheduled Club court times.

Administration has confirmed that TPA meets the requirements for Club designation in accordance with the Policy and has met with TPA to negotiate use of courts. An Agreement has been prepared that outlines the use of the courts and associated premises, the responsibility of TPA, restrictions of use, maintenance requirements, insurance requirements and financial obligations. The Agreement shall be in effect for a period of five (5) years, commencing on January 1, 2022, with the option to renew.

Highlights of the Agreement include:

- Exclusive use of the Lacasse Park Pickleball Court during mutually agreed upon hours that allows court use time
- TPA will promote and offer a minimum of three (3) open houses to allow public participation to promote the sport of pickleball
- TPA will pay an annual lease, plus HST as applicable, to the Town
- TPA shall provide a certificate of insurance of no less than five million (\$5,000,000)

The sport of pickleball promotes healthy, active living for all ages. Entering into an Agreement with TPA will encourage the continued growth of the sport and provide enhanced opportunities for residents to participate in the sport.

Consultations

Financial Services
Corporate Services & Clerk

Financial Implications

TPA agrees to pay an annual lease, plus HST as applicable, to the Town. The 2022 annual fee of \$4,000 is based on a 35-hour per week court schedule. Each year, the annual fee will be re-assessed based on the number of hours per week TPA requires based on their membership levels and scheduling needs.

Any fundraising initiatives conducted by TPA intended for capital improvements of the pickleball courts that require an official tax receipt, including the naming rights, will require the approval of the Town. Furthermore, the Town will maintain all funds raised for agreed upon future facility improvements in the Pickleball Capital Reserve Account.

Link to Strategic Priorities

Applicable	2019-22 Strategic Priorities
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Make the Town of Tecumseh an even better place to live, work and invest through a shared vision for our residents and newcomers.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure that Tecumseh's current and future growth is built upon the principles of sustainability and strategic decision-making.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Integrate the principles of health and wellness into all of Tecumseh's plans and priorities.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Steward the Town's "continuous improvement" approach to municipal service delivery to residents and businesses.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Demonstrate the Town's leadership role in the community by promoting good governance and community engagement, by bringing together organizations serving the Town and the region to pursue common goals.

Communications

Not applicable ☒

Website ☐

Social Media ☐

News Release ☐

Local Newspaper ☐

This report has been reviewed by Senior Administration as indicated below and recommended for submission by the Chief Administrative Officer.

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Director Financial Services & Chief Financial Officer

Reviewed by:

Paul Anthony, RRFA
Director Parks & Recreation Services

Recommended by:

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Chief Administrative Officer

Attachment Number	Attachment Name
1	Draft Tecumseh Pickleball Association Agreement