

THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MISSISSIPPI MILLS

QUARTERLY UPDATE

DATE: April 29th, 2025

TO: Committee of the Whole

FROM: Calvin Murphy, Recreation Manager

SUBJECT: Recreation Department Quarterly Report – #Q1

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS:

During the 1st Quarter the Recreation Department concluded its indoor recreation facility activities on March 23rd, 2025, at which time ice surfaces were removed from both the John Levi Community Centre and The Stewart Community Centre in Pakenham. The Almonte curling season concluded on April 1st, 2025.

The Community Services Master plan working group has been meeting regularly over the last quarter with Stantec consulting. An open house is scheduled for Wednesday April 30th at the John Levi Community Centre, where the community is welcome to attend, review the progress that has been made to date and provide comments. The Community Services Master plan is scheduled to come forward to Council in May 2025.

The 2025 Recreation Department's operating budget included funding for an additional full-time Recreation facilities staffing position. Interviews for the position occurred at the end of February 2025, with the position successfully filled by Jarett Cann who was an internal candidate and has worked for the municipality for approximately 10 years in part time capacity. Jarett brings a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to the position and has been a welcomed addition to the team.

Student interviews for the 2025 summer season were completed in early April 2025. Interviews for summer recreation facilities laborer staff as well as the Almonte summer day camp program staff were conducted. Recreation laborer staff are expected to begin their employment in May 2025, with summer day camp staff starting in June 2025.

An application for Hockeykraftville 2025 was submitted for renovations at the John Levi Community Centre in January 2025. The application was submitted by members of the community. Although the John Levi Community Centre did not make it to the final four selection, it was a great first attempt, where the community stepped up and showed their support for the community centre.

2025 PROJECT UPDATES/PENDING ITEMS:

1. Registration for the Pakenham Soccer program took place on Tuesday April 8th at the Stewart Community Centre in Pakenham from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. The program received over 100 registrations.
2. On Thursday March 27th, 2025, The Mississippi Mills Community Open House took place at The John Levi Community Centre. The Recreation Department held registration for the 2025 Indoor pickleball program. A total of 210 registrations were received.
3. The Recreation Manager has been involved in discussions with an interested party to take over the arena canteens for the 2025-2026 ice season.
4. After meetings held between The Recreation Manager and Owner of the Almonte Junior Inferno hockey club, a (3) three-year extension of the current agreement has been agreed upon for the team to remain in Almonte for the upcoming seasons.

KPIs: The 2024-2025 arena ice season has now concluded. The following information provides a comparison of the revenues received for the last two seasons at both arenas in Mississippi Mills. Overall, our ice rentals have remained consistent over the last two ice seasons.

2023-2024 Ice Season		
John Levi Community Centre (JLCC) - Ice Arena		
Client Type	# of Contracts	Ice Revenue
Full Season Users: OVSS, MTK, CPGHA, Titans, APMHA, Raiders, Almonte Men's, Pond Hockey, Inferno, Community Living, A. Foubert, Rise & Grind	13	\$208,183
Single Bookings - Hockey Practices, Birthday Parties, Family Skates, etc.	16	\$3,556
Figure Skating - Almonte Carleton Place Skating Club	1	\$12,089
JLCC Arena - Total Ice Revenue	30	\$223,828
Stewart Community Centre (SCC) - Ice Arena		

Client Type	# of Contracts	Ice Revenue
Full Season Users: OVSS, MTK, CPGHA, Titans, APMHA, J. Barr, B. Barr, D. Dickson, G. Briscoe, Pakenham Friday Night, Pakenham Midtimers, Pakenhockey, West Carleton Ladies Ringette	14	\$163,450
Single Bookings - Hockey Practices, Birthday Parties, Family Skates, etc.	7	\$1,426
Broomball - J. Dodds, McMillan Ladies Broomball, G. Brown, J. Kealey	5	\$14,723
SCC Arena - Total Ice Revenue	26	\$179,599
Total Ice Revenue (Both Rinks)		\$403,427
2024-2025 Ice Season		
John Levi Community Centre (JLCC) - Ice Arena		
Client Type	# of Contracts	Ice Revenue
Full Season Users: OVSS, MTK, CPGHA, Titans, APMHA, Raiders, Almonte Men's, Pond Hockey, Inferno, Community Living, A. Foubert, Rise & Grind	15	\$240,955.00
Single Bookings - Hockey Practices, Birthday Parties, Family Skates, etc.	29	\$8,246.00
Figure Skating - Almonte Carleton Place Skating Club	1	\$13,211
Broomball - G. Brown, J. Kealey, Lanark Ladies Broomball	3	\$5,398
Public Skating Sponsorships *New for 2024-2025 Ice Season	6	\$1,194

JLCC Arena - Total Ice Revenue	54	\$269,004
Stewart Community Centre - Ice Arena		
Client Type	# of Contracts	Ice Revenue
Full Season Users: OVSS, MTK, CPGHA, Titans, APMHA, J. Barr, B. Barr, D. Dickson, G. Briscoe, Pakenham Friday Night, Pakenham Midtimers, Pakenhockey, West Carleton Ladies Ringette	17	\$124,413
Single Bookings - Hockey Practices, Birthday Parties, Family Skates, etc.	10	\$2,959
Broomball - J. Dods, McMillan Ladies Broomball	3	\$13,969
Public Skating Sponsorship *New for 2024-2025 Ice Season	1	\$199
SCC Arena - Total Ice Revenue	31	\$141,540
Total Ice Revenue (Both Rinks)		\$410,544

LOOKING AHEAD:

1. Splash Pad in Gemmill Park to reopen for the summer months the long weekend in May 2025.
2. Ball Diamonds and Soccer pitches in Almonte and Pakenham are scheduled to reopen on Saturday May 17th, 2025. (Weather permitting).
3. The Almonte summer camp program is set to commence the week of July 7th, 2025 and run out of the John Levi Community Centre. The camp will run for 5 weeks in total. The program will accept 30 campers per week from the ages of 9-12, with registration taking place the end of May. This is a new program in 2025 that the Recreation department is excited to offer.

Respectfully submitted by,

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