



Meeting Date: September 21, 2022

Submitted by: Scott Mairs, Director of Community Services

Report No: CMS-14-2022

Subject: Optimist Club of Komoka-Kilworth MOU – Concession Services

Recommendation:

THAT Report CMS-14-2022 re: Optimist Club of Komoka-Kilworth MOU – Concession Services be received;

AND THAT the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Municipality of Middlesex Centre and the Optimist Club of Komoka-Kilworth be approved;

AND FURTHER THAT the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute any necessary documents to complete the MOU.

Purpose:

To seek Council approval of the MOU between the Municipality of Middlesex Centre and the Optimist Club of Komoka-Kilworth (Optimist's).

Background:

As a result of COVID-19, the concession operations at both the Wellness Centre and the Ilderton Arena ceased, and the service was temporarily discontinued. As the Municipality comes out of the pandemic, staff considered opening this service again and looked at the option of operating the concessions ourselves or consider other arrangements/partnerships.

In the fall of 2021, staff began communications with the Optimist Club of Komoka-Kilworth on the possibility of their club operating the Wellness Centre concession on behalf of the Municipality, with a focus on opening during all Komoka Kings home games.

Following those discussions, a Memorandum of Understanding was agreed upon, to pilot the arrangement for the balance of the 2021/2022 hockey season. By doing so, allowed this service to return with no cost to the Municipality and also allowed for a fundraising opportunity for the Optimist's to take advantage of.

Analysis:

Staff and the Optimist's found the pilot to be successful and the concession was often opened on additional days outside of Kings games. Staff feel this partnership is both advantageous for the Municipality and the Optimist's and would like to continue this arrangement for the 2022/2023 season.

Financial Implications:

There are no financial implications as a result of this MOU, however it should be noted that this partnership with the Optimist's will allow for the concession at the Wellness Centre to return to a higher service level with no direct costs to the taxpayer.

Strategic Plan:

This matter aligns with following strategic priorities:

- Sustainable Infrastructure and Services
- Responsive Municipal Government
- Engaged Community

Attachments:

A1 – Optimist Club of Komoka-Kilworth MOU – Concession Services