

**STAFF REPORT: Recreation Department**



**REPORT TO: Recreation Committee**  
**MEETING DATE: May 29, 2008**  
**REPORT NO.: DOR 08 23**  
**SUBJECT: Tomahawk Recreation Concept Plan**  
**PREPARED BY: Shawn Everitt**  
**Director of Recreation**

**A. Recommendation**

THAT Council receive and approve Report DOR 08 23 “Tomahawk Recreation Complex Concept Plan” and that future planning of the Tomahawk Recreation Complex be based on the Concept Plan as presented.

**B. Background**

Staff, in conjunction with Envision Tatham has prepared the Tomahawk Recreation Complex presentation graphic and feel confident that the graphic is a reflection of early visioning meetings with stakeholders and also it has highlighted the needs of the community.

Staff have identified 3 full size soccer pitches and 2 mini soccer pitches. These pitches were identified prior to the land acquisition and fulfill the present needs of the Minor Soccer Program.

Along with the soccer pitches we have identified the availability of parking for 260 vehicles. A new entrance off the 10<sup>th</sup> Line will also create a new entrance into the Golf Course and an increased supply of parking will benefit the Golf Course facility as well.

A second entrance off of the 10<sup>th</sup> Line will allow access to the proposed Recreation Department Operations Building. This Building would also include a large fenced area for storage and an adequate turn around area for delivery vehicles, it would also include a proposed Greenhouse that will allow Staff to develop an in house inventory for planting purposes.

A Bandshell/pavilion/washroom facility has been proposed to be directed toward the Golf Course and pond to ensure that noise from possible music events be directed away from any future development potential, as well using the pond as a feature for events. The installation of fabric shelters between soccer pitches as well as the planting of shade trees will allow for shade and cover areas while

providing an increased natural feel to the property. A proposed town tree nursery will allow for tree development for future parkland tree placement. A walking trail that will surround the entire property will increase the usability of the Parkland for activities other than Soccer and Golf. These trails could be utilized in the winter months for snowshoeing and cross country skiing.

Also identified is a potential driving range area that would require protective netting to ensure no balls are entering the golf course area.

### **C. The Blue Mountains' Strategic Plan**

Addressing the Town's municipal infrastructure needs

Supporting the development of social and recreational programs to meet the broad range of needs in the community

Providing a strong, well managed municipal government

### **D. Environment Impacts**

To ensure sustainable use of Town Parkland.

### **E. Budget Impact**

As outlined in the 5 year capital project

Soccer Pitch Construction and Property Upgrades

2007 \$300,000.00

2008 \$188,000.00

2009 \$79,000.00

2010 \$79,000.00

2011 \$79,000.00

2012 \$79,000.00

Total \$804,000.00

Recreation Department Operations Building

2008 \$400,000.00

Total \$400,000.00

**F. Attached**

1. Tomahawk Presentation Graphic (available at the meeting)

Respectfully submitted;

Shawn Everitt, Director of Recreation

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