



Township of Brock Interoffice Memorandum

To: Mayor and Member of Council
From: Wayne Ward, Manager Facilities and IT
Subject: Early Ice request update
Date: Friday, July 15, 2022

During the June 27, 2022 COW meeting a request for early ice was brought forward by Sunderland Ringette and Brock Minor Hockey.

Through discussions with the arena managers it has been determined that due to prior obligations already booked at the Beaverton and Sunderland facilities the earliest we can have ice prepared for use would be:

- Foster Hewitt Memorial Community Centre – Monday October 3rd
- Sunderland Memorial Arena – Monday September 26th

Due to the Sunderland Agricultural Fair on September 13/14, the Beaverton Fall Fair on September 16/17 and the Beaverton Lions Club Elimination Draw on Saturday September 24th the ice plants cannot be started up until September 19th for Sunderland and September 25th for Beaverton. With the configuration of the Cannington arena not having roof insulation we are restricted to putting ice in once the weather starts cooling down, which is typically October.

If there is an option for future Lions Club Elimination Draw dates to be moved earlier into the year, there would be ability to have the ice plant in Beaverton started after the Beaverton Fall Fair. This would allow for ice to be available in both Beaverton and Sunderland at around the same time frame.

Additionally, in consultation with the arena managers the projected end of the ice season will be Sunday April 2, 2023. This date may change based on the Sunderland Maple Syrup Festival, which is typically the first weekend of April.

Should the user group agree to the date changes, the Treasurer will be assessing the financial impact of having early ice available and the agreement will be subject to recovering from the user group all incremental costs to the Township.

Respectfully submitted,

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Manager Facilities and IT