

AGENDA

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Village of Clinton Council Chambers, 1423 Cariboo Highway Monday, January 20, 2025 at 6:00 pm

Mission Statement: "To Increase Economic Opportunity and Improve the Quality of Life for all Citizens."

Vision Statement: "Clinton is a lively resilient community, proud of its rich heritage while building a sustainable future with local Secwepemc and neighboring communities"

Call to Order

"Mayor and Council acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional ancestral and unceded territory of the Whispering Pines/Clinton Indian Band and High Bar First Nation"

Adoption of Agenda

Administrative Reports

CAO Basketball Court Refurbishment

Correspondence

None

Notice to Proceed to In-Camera

None

Adjournment



Staff Report to Council Committee of the Whole Meeting

Date: January 20, 2024

From: CAO

Subject: Basketball/Tennis Court Refurbishment

Attachments:

None

Recommendations:

The following options will be considered at the regular Council Meeting on Jan 22:

THAT the Village of Clinton supports the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust's Community Spaces Fund for the Outdoor Court Revitalization and Beautification Project and commit to funding the remainder of the project. [The Village's contribution would be approximately \$50,000 - \$60,000 and can be taken from the Community Forest Fund]

OR;

THAT the Village of Clinton supports the application to Northern Development Initiative Trust's Community Spaces Fund for the Elliott Park Outdoor Court Complex Project and commit to funding the remainder of the project. [The Village's contribution would be approximately \$60,000 - \$70,000 and can be taken from the Community Forest Fund]

OR;

That Council direct Staff to include \$20,000 from the Clinton Community Forest Fund in the Financial Plan for the refurbishment of the Basketball/Tennis Court Complex.

<u>Purpose</u>

NDIT's Community Spaces Fund can contribute up to \$30,000 towards the development of a community space. As the deadline to apply is the end of January, Staff are looking for Council's direction on whether the basketball and tennis court should be revitalized in their current location, rebuilt at Elliott Park, or if a less costly option should be considered as a temporary measure.

Background:

At the August 14, 2024 Regular meeting of Council, the Village received a delegation from members of the public looking to see the Tennis Courts/Basketball Courts refurbished. This had been previously identified as a priority in the 2021 Parks and Recreation Master Plan. Staff

obtained a quote for repaving the courts at \$70,000. This price only includes resurfacing the court, and does not take into account the costs associated with removing and reinstalling the fence, repairing the parking area or adding any landscaping/signage to the site. A more thorough estimate to rejuvenate the site is closer to \$80,000.

An alternate option is to build a Tennis/Basketball court complex at Elliott Park. The cost would not be significantly more than the cost to rebuild the court at its current location.

If Council intends to pursue resurfacing the courts or building a new complex at Elliott Park, the Village could apply for NDIT's Community Spaces Fund, which would contribute \$30,000 toward the project if the application is successful. Alternately, minor upgrades can be made to improve the site which do not require the extensive and costly measure of repaving. These improvements include repairing the fence, replacing the tennis net, thorough weeding and crack sealing, replacing the tennis backstop, levelling sunken areas, etc. While some of the labour for this work can be completed in house, the cost would still be approximately \$20,000. With this option, maintenance costs and time requirements would be higher, and the surface will likely need more work within a few years. This option is likely not eligible for a NDIT grant.

The site's suitability for the development of housing or commercial rental stock should be taken into consideration. It is challenging to establish a timeframe but developing and managing the property, either directly or with a partner such as BC Assessment, is not likely to come together within the next five to ten years. Maintaining the site for recreation may be a viable option while these details are being sorted and funds raised.

Financial Impacts:

Whether Council chooses to pursue the full repaying project or the smaller refurbishment project, Village of Clinton expenses are eligible under the new Community Forest Fund Policy and could be used in lieu of taxation. Administration is seeking direction from Council to inform preparation of the financial plan, and to allow the Village to apply for funding.

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