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# Jim Kook RecPlex

### **Skating Ice Time**

We have sold 124.75 hours of ice time in February out of a possible 367 hours. We have offered a total of 138.50 hours of school skating, open ice, public skate, parent and tot and shinny. In total, we utilized 263.25 hours of ice time out of 367 possible hours. The 390 hours is based on us being open from 8:00 am-11:00 pm, 7 days a week using every possible hour for ice rentals.

### **Bowling Use**

We had people using the bowling alley for a total of 62 hours in February which included bowling leagues, private rentals and drop in times.

# **Curling Use**

We saw 58 hours of curling ice used in February. This included school bookings, curling club and private rentals.

# **Civic Center**

The Civic Center was used 12 days out of 28 days in February.

# Van Raay and Community Swimming Pool

Swimming Pool season is right around the corner! The pool hiring is 90% complete. I have a few interviews left to do as some of the applicants were away on holidays during the February break. Brennan Hefner was awarded the Pool Manager position for the 2023 pool season which we are all very excited about. He will remain a full time employee with the Town, working at the RecPlex in the Winter and Swimming Pool in the Summer. We will have 8 instructors/lifeguards, 2 lifeguards, 2 junior lifeguards and 3 pool cashiers this year. Most of the staff are returning but we have a few new applicants this year which is great to see! The swimming lesson schedule has been posted and we are aiming to do online swimming lesson registration after the Easter break in April.

### **Management**

February was a busy month for administrative tasks. I completed the GICB grant and submitted it on February 28th. I am very happy with the work and guidance our consultants provided during this process. We organized a community registration night which will take place March 13th from 6pm-8pm at the Civic Center. I am happy to share that we will be partnering up with OHS to do a trial run of swimming lessons and fitness classes within the Phys-Ed curriculum for grades 6-12 this summer - there is still a lot of planning to do with this project and my goal is to open it up to OES and LCBI for the 2024 pool season. A long term goal for this project is to offer the Bronze Medallion/Cross (certificate to become a junior lifeguard) courses to students 13+ during their Phys-Ed classes and offer an NLA (certificate to become a senior lifeguard) for students 15+ during their Phys-Ed classes. Students can obtain a high school credit through the NLA program as well so I feel it is important and beneficial for both partners to work together to provide this service to the teenagers in our community. I have been meeting and working with some non-profit organizations in our community to understand their future goals and plans and where they may have challenges. I have assisted them in small but large ways by passing on resources that may help them with their challenges. I plan on working with our community consultants within the Prairie Central District to possibly host a board governance course in Outlook as a lot of people on the non-profit boards feel they could use some training to understand their role as a board member. I am excited to dip my toes into the Community/Economic Development side of my position.