

# **STAFF REPORT**

| То:            | Mayor and Members of Council               |
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| From:          | James Allen, Recreation Facilities Manager |
| Meeting Date:  | February 25, 2025                          |
| Report Number: | 2025-040                                   |
| Subject:       | Ball Diamond Fee Schedule                  |

## Recommendation

THAT Council receives Report – Ball Diamond Fee Schedule,

**AND FURTHER THAT** Council approves the fee schedule as presented and directs staff to prepare and present the necessary by-law for passing.

## **Executive Summary**

Purpose

To present the recommended Fee Schedule for the Town's Ball Diamond facilities.

**Key Findings** 

That the Fees chosen are based on a review of local facilities and the Town's need for cost recovery.

**Financial Implications** 

Revenue raised as a result of this schedule will offset Recreation expenses.

## Report

#### Background

The Town has assumed operational responsibility for all ball diamonds in Grand Valley. A fee schedule for use of these facilities has never been necessary because the Town gave operational responsibility to the local ball association. Since this arrangement has now ended, a fee schedule is required.

#### Discussion

Staff reviewed local prices to determine a reasonable fee schedule for the Town.

The recommended schedule is as follows:

Town of Grand Valley Ball Diamonds Rates and Fees 2025

| Local Minor Ball Tournament | Daily per Diamond | \$<br>150.00 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Local Minor Ball Tournament | Weekday evenings  | \$<br>100.00 |
| Adult Game no lights        | Up to 2 hours     | \$<br>35.00  |
| Adult Tournament            | Daily per Diamond | \$<br>225.00 |
| Adult Tournament            | Weekday evenings  | \$<br>125.00 |
| Lights                      | Per evening       | \$<br>15.00  |
| Local Minor Ball            | Per player        | \$<br>22.00  |

Staff recommend that the schedule be set for 2025, then establish a 3% inflationary increase per year for the 2026 and 2027 seasons. Over the course of the next two seasons, it can be determined if these fees are adequate and a revised schedule created prior to the 2028 season registrations start.

**Financial Impact** 

\$10,000 in revenue for all sports recreation is included as an estimate in the 2025 budget. Since this is our first full season, staff are operating on rough estimates only.

Consultations Meghan Townsend, CAO/Clerk Grand Valley Minor Baseball Fee Schedules for Orangeville, Wellington North, Centre Wellington, Erin

Attachments

None

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**This report was approved by** Meghan Townsend Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk 519-928-5652 extension 222