

The Corporation of the Town of Lakeshore

Report to Council

Community & Development Services

Recreation Services



To: Mayor & Members of Council

From: Frank Jeney, Manager of Recreation and Leisure

Date: March 24, 2020

Subject: Aquatics Safety Audit - WFCU Pool/Lakeview Park/West Beach

Recommendation

Report is for information purposes.

Background

On August 26th & 27th, 2019, team members from the Lifesaving Society Aquatics Safety Management Services department performed a comprehensive safety audit of the WFCU Pool, as well as Lakeview Park and West Beach. The purpose of this audit was to maximize the safety of participants in public aquatic recreational facilities by identifying what steps can be taken to minimize the risk of drowning or serious water-related injuries.

Comments

The final copy of the Lifesaving Society's Comprehensive Aquatics Safety Audit Report is provided with this report (Attachment 1). It provides valuable information to improve the operations of the WFCU Pools and Lakeview Park/West Beach.

In a review of similar facilities in Essex County-- Essex, Lasalle, and Windsor have had aquatics safety audits performed on pools and beaches.

Priority, Primary and Secondary recommendations are outlined in the "Lifesaving Society Safety Audit – Follow Up Tracking Sheet" that is attached (Attachment 2). Listed concerns of the safety audit are being addressed, budget permitting, throughout the 2020 year with many targeted to be completed by September 2020. Priority concerns have been addressed or, as in the case of the spa pool water concerns, will be addressed in the near future. Many safety upgrades will be further completed during our current WFCU Pool shutdown (due to the COVID-19 emergency) or alternatively, the scheduled maintenance shutdown in the second week of September 2020.

Recreation and Leisure staff will work with Parks staff to address the recommendations that apply to West Beach.

Financial Impacts

The final cost of the Safety Audit was \$6,132.07, which was included in the 2019 budget.

Attachments:

1. Lifesaving Society Comprehensive Aquatics Safety Report FINAL
2. Lifesaving Society Safety Audit – Follow Up Tracking Sheet

Report Approval Details

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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