

Municipality of Lakeshore – Report to Council

Growth & Sustainability

Community Services



To: Mayor & Members of Council
From: Frank Jeney, Division Leader – Community Services
Date: May 23, 2022
Subject: Lakeshore Sports Field Allocation Policy

Recommendation

Approve the Lakeshore Sports Field Allocation Policy, as presented at the May 31, 2022 Council meeting; and

Direct the Clerk to read By-law 57-2022 adopting the policy.

Background

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from Council to adopt the attached Lakeshore Sports Field Allocation Policy attached as “Draft – Lakeshore Sports Field Allocation Policy”.

As a result of Council’s Strategic Goals, commitment of capital and operational investment in community services, and the growing and diverse demographics of Lakeshore, it is necessary to more clearly define and communicate how sports fields will be managed, allocated and distributed.

Lakeshore currently does not have a formal Sports Field Allocation Policy.

Comments

Allocation policies are used to address equitable use of Municipal assets. This policy will help ensure the growth of Lakeshore sports field user groups, while also protecting the long-standing operations of our local organizations.

The Lakeshore Community Services Division is constantly reviewing the allocation and use of all indoor and outdoor Municipal assets. This ongoing attention to the needs of our users and user groups allows Lakeshore to stay informed with the most up to date management required of our many recreational amenities. The current capacities of our Sports Fields proves that Lakeshore residents have a healthy appetite for outdoor sports, operating currently in 2022 at a diamond use of 98% of the available booking times.

With the adoption of this policy, the Lakeshore user groups will begin submitting their requests for field times between December 15th and January 15th annually. This will assist in providing user groups with equal opportunity to request field time and allow Lakeshore time to equitably approve field time using the Lakeshore Sports Field Allocation Distribution hierarchy to determine priority.

Others Consulted

Lakeshore Whitecaps Minor Baseball (Formerly Belle River Braves Minor Baseball)

Belle River Soccer

Stoney Point Soccer

Financial Impacts

There are no financial impacts of this policy.

Attachments

Draft – Lakeshore Sports Field Allocation Policy

Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Lakeshore Sports Field Allocation Policy.docx
Attachments:	- Attachment 1 Draft - Lakeshore Sports Field Allocation Policy 20220531.pdf
Final Approval Date:	May 26, 2022

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

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