

COUNCIL REPORT

To: Mayor and Council

From: Recreation Services

Date: November 18, 2025

Subject: Recreation Services Month End Report – October 2025

Summary

Recreation Services maintained steady program participation, supported several community events, and completed our annual pool shutdown. Building Operators and Grounds Maintenance teams undertook extensive cleaning, repairs, training, and upgrades throughout the facility. Preparations for winter operations, including ski hill and outdoor rink, are well underway.

Trends - Participation & Facility Usage Trends

- Fitness Users: 1,521
- Swimming Users: 127
- Multi-Court Users: 126
- Climbing Wall Users: 19
- Pickleball Users: 46
- Drop-in Curling Users: 0
- Arena Users: 311
- SD 57 Student Users: 120

Activities – Programs & Community Events

- **Halloween House Decorating Contest** voting Oct 29 to Nov 1.
- **Halloween Night** Recreation Services closed early - Fire Dept fireworks at 7 p.m.
- **Parade of Lights** invitations sent Oct 17.
- **Learn to Belay Course** set for Nov 22 - registration opened Oct 17.
- **Assisted Climbing** resumed Oct 3.
- **Wallyball:** 4 team league started.
- **Seniors Connection Fair** held Oct 2.
- **Quilting Retreat** held Oct 3 to 5.

Facility - Operations, Maintenance & Repairs

- Ongoing Main Washroom Accessibility upgrade (tiling, railing work).
- Ski hill prep work completed ahead of TechSafe inspection.
- Safety checks - ammonia/freon bump tests, building safety checks.
- Outdoor rink setup completed - awaiting cold weather to add liner/water.
- Slide contract sent out - installation date pending.
- Participated in monthly Safety Crew Talks and Annual Ice Plant Reviews.
- Completed online theory training for Man Lift and Skid Steer (practical sessions pending).
- Assisted with facility setup for events (Seniors Fair, Quilting Retreat) and library shelving moves.

Pool Shutdown - October 5 to 25

- Extensive deep cleaning in all pool changerooms and family changeroom.
- Sauna refurbishment - sanding and reinstalling cedar boards.
- Major pool valve repair successfully completed (confined space work).
- Diving blocks repaired - swim club instructed not to adjust them in future.
- Draining, acid bathing and painting completed.
- Mechanical work - pump replacements, pipe installation, boiler filter changes, skimmer epoxy repair.
- Contractors repaired pool tiles and started installing new water filtration system piping.
- Aquatics staff completed Emergency Procedures review.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Terry Gilmer, Director of Recreation Services

Reviewed By: Corporate Services

Approved By: Chief Administrative Officer