## Chesley Lawn Bowling Club Presentation to Council Regarding Approval to Make Grant Application

## **HISTORY**

The Chesley Lawn Bowling is currently in its 125<sup>th</sup> year of continuous operation. The original greens were on the Main Street of Chesley. In 1919, the land was wanted for a retail outlet, so Major Bell gave the Club the land for its current location. The CLBC has been on this property since 1920. The Club has been an active member of the community since the beginning.

## **GRANT**

The Chesley Lawn Bowling Club (CLBC) is seeking Council approval for Carly Steinoff, Recreation Director, to make a Grant Application for the demolition and reconstruction of the other half of the Club House. The Club has completed a design and the construction drawings for this renovation. We have also received quotes from contractors for this project. The Club is now prepared to move forward.

In 2019, we received a Trillium grant through the Recreation Department to do the first half of the building. Covid-19 interrupted the start and the project was not completed until this past summer. In this half of the project, we created an Accessible washroom and an Accessible entrance to the club house proper.

The reasons for the first renovation was to work on our accessibility issue and to replace the wood flooring which had severe rotting. The second renovation for which we are seeking a grant is to complete the accessibility issue by extending the sidewalk to the road and to replace the remaining wooden flooring which has started to rot and give way in certain areas.

As you may or may not know, the Municipality owns the buildings and the property. The CLBC has a lease agreement with the Municipality where we maintain the property and the buildings. The Club was aware of the accessibility mandate and that was one reason for the rebuilding of the clubhouse. As such, the Club and the Municipality are close to complying with the accessibility mandate on this structure.

## **BASICS**

The Club has received 2 quotes for the demolition and rebuilding of the second half of the building, including the concrete pad and the extended sidewalks. We have received one quote for the electrical work and one quote for the materials list. Also a quote for sod to refinish the disturbed groundwork. Other landscaping will be at the Club's expense.

The grant committee contacted a number of contractors for both the electrical work and the construction. The above mentioned contractors are the ones who followed through. The

materials list quote was done by Hattan's Home Hardware and the sod quote is from Grey Bruce.

The current total (with the lowest construction quote) would be 127,697.36 without HST. The Club understands from the last project that the Municipality does not get a full HST rebate. The CLBC Executive has agreed to a \$4,000.00 project contribution to cover project overages of which the extra HST payment would be part of. And as the project would be about a year after grant approval some costs will likely be greater. Not much goes down in price these days.

From the Municipality with regard to this project, we are seeking three things. 1) The Club is asking that the building permit fees be waved or paid in house. 2) The landfill fees for the current structure to be removed be waived or covered in house. Haulage would also be appreciated. And 3) that the gravel underbed for the concrete slab be provided by the Municipality. The volume of the gravel can only be determined after this half of the building is removed and the contractor begins digging. The Municipality has provided the gravel for several of our previous projects.

Also the hydro pole on the property needs to be moved. It would be too close to the new structure and would be inside the new eave line. We will be contacting Hydro One about moving the pole. Cost of this is yet to be determined.

The last project with the Club and Rec. Department went fairly smoothly. The next project will provide a clubhouse which will have no major problems for the next 50 years or more and it will complete full accessibility to the building.

The In-Kind volunteer labour for this project is estimated to be a minimum of 440 hours of volunteer labour and even at \$15 an hour that would be \$6600.00 of free labour. The prestart date labour for planning and drawings was only 50 hours. We are well past that estimate at this time.

Any questions will be gladly answered.