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100 Mile House Outdoor Ice Rink Group

February 26, 2021

To whom it may concern:

Re: 100 Mile House Fire Rescue Involvement with Outdoor Ice Rink

It was a pleasure volunteering our time throughout the 2020/2021 winter season in order to establish the ice needed for this project. Although this project had some volunteer scheduling challenges, it proved successful and appeared well used by the public. With the approval of the District of 100 Mile House, our department would be able to assist in a similar fashion next year if required.

We look forward to working with your group of volunteers.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roger Hollander".

Roger Hollander

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February 26th, 2021

Re: 100 Mile Outdoor Rink

To whom it may concern,

It is with pleasure that I offer this letter of support for the continued operation and upgrade of the outdoor rink here in 100 Mile House. PSO's students have greatly benefited from this option especially this year with COVID-19 restrictions. Exercise is a necessary component of a student's development and the rink has offered that both during class time and outside of school. Our Snow Day activities were a great success and having access to the rink made the activities possible and enjoyable and were well received by students and their parents. Having an outdoor rink is part of the Canadian heritage and PSO is grateful for it's presence and wish it all the best in the future.

Geoff Butcher
Principal
Peter Skene Ogden Secondary



To whom it may concern (District of 100 Mile House and the Cariboo Regional District),

I am Kameron Taylor, Head of the Health and Physical Education Department at the Peter Skene Ogden Secondary School (PSO). I am writing this letter of support for the 100 Mile House Outdoor Rink to hopefully keep this organization/operation going on for years to come. All our Health and Physical Education (PHE) classes go to the outdoor rink to use this facility for educational time through physical activity, whether it's free-skating, ice hockey or broom ball. Especially during these hard times because of the COVID-19 Pandemic as we are not allowed to use the South Cariboo Recreation Centre. However, even if there wasn't a pandemic right now, the students absolutely love going to the outdoor rink (ODR as they call it) over the indoor rink.

In the future, there is a plan in place to use the facility in the off-season (Spring-Fall) for Tennis and Pickleball activities. We are highly in support of this notion as the PSO at times have three Health and Physical Education classes going on at once which limits the available space for us educators to instruct our classes accordingly. We have been juggling how our classes are running at times base on what educator is in the gym, the weight-room, outside or teaching a lesson in the classroom (if there is any available). So, with the addition of the outdoor rink and possible off-season Tennis and Pickleball, we can have another option where we can plan our activities to adhere to the needs for our students and meet the curricular competences for their education.

Thank you very much for taking the time to read this letter of support for the continuing operation of the 100 Mile Outdoor Rink facility.

Kam Taylor, Health and Physical Education Department

Geoff Butcher, Principal of Peter Skene Ogden Secondary School

March 1, 2020

To: 100 Mile House Outdoor Skating Society
100milerink@gmail.com

From: South Cariboo Pickleball Club

The South Cariboo Pickleball Club would like to commend you for the work you are doing in your endeavour to establish an all-season multi-use sports facility within our community.

Pickleball is apparently the fastest growing sport in North America, and this could perhaps also be said for the South Cariboo, and in particular 100 Mile House. We presently have over 50 members, of which at least 30 are actively playing the sport.

We believe we would have even more interest if we had facilities available to us. We now rely on school gymnasium time within 100 Mile House, and we also play at the old Buffalo Creek School gym and the Lac La Hache Arena. There are other sites where the game is played at Lone Butte, Interlakes, and Forest Grove.

As you are aware, we have no outdoor courts in 100 Mile House. With schools closed during summer and holidays, we have nowhere within 100 Mile House to play.

Congratulations on the success you have had with the outdoor rink. We believe much more year-round success with other activities would be accomplished with the construction of a multi-use facility at the site of your skating rink.

Bob Hansen,
Steering Committee Chairperson,
South Cariboo Pickleball Club



100 Mile House Wranglers Jr B Hockey Club

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February 27, 2021

To: The 100 Mile Outdoor Rink Society

Re: Outdoor Skating Rink

This is a letter of support for the outdoor skating rink and tennis/pickleball courts. We believe that it is important that we maintain some sense of social activity while still abiding by the provincial health orders.

On behalf of the 100 Mile House Wranglers Junior B hockey club, we support the efforts of this group and hope that everyone will pitch in to make it a success.

Thanks to all the volunteers and for the community for trying to make everyone's lives a little better in these unprecedented times.

If you have any questions, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

Greg Aiken

President

100 Mile Wranglers Jr.B Hockey Club

May every child's sky be blue

To: CRD District of 100 Mile house

Blue Sky's Autism Services was very thankful for the outdoor ice rink this winter. Our Wednesday afternoon social group had the opportunity to use the 100 Mile House Outdoor Skating Rink on multiple occasions this winter. Our group consists of five to seven individuals ranging in age 9-16. For the majority of our clients, this skating opportunity was a first-time experience. This year, due to the pandemic it has been difficult to find activities that are community driven.

Social opportunities are important for our students to learn and practice their social skills. Having a safe, outdoor area in the community for us to bring our students to for social interaction is valuable. Blue Sky's is an in-home center located on a family ranch so our students already have a lot of access to outdoors and nature. However, exposure to new experiences and the opportunity to do activities within our community is a great experience for the children. Many of our children were excited to share their new skating experiences with their families. I believe the outdoor rink and its casual, unscheduled, drop in at anytime setup, made it very user friendly for families and programs like ours.

We believe the ice rink was a safe and supportive place for these children to challenged themselves and build friendships through a positive, healthy outdoor activity. Community activity spaces like the ice rink, help our children feel safe, accepted and supported by their town. This is the feeling that helps encourage them to be active within their community.

We are grateful for the use of the 100 Mile House Outdoor Skating Rink. We are hopeful it will become a permanent part of the community. We look forward to seeing it expand and perhaps be a useful area for families and groups year-round.

Sincerely
Krysta Stewart and Team



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March 3, 2021

To Whom it may concern:

RE: Outdoor Arena Project

100 Mile & District Minor Hockey supports the Outdoor Arena Project as put forth by Nadaya and John McNeil. It is a great addition to winter sport for the entire community of 100 Mile House and the surrounding areas giving families and people with all skill levels an outdoor space to be active.

We understand that Nadaya and John would like to expand the usage of the location to include summer sports and events to which we also support as great community involvement.

Thank you

100 MILE & DISTRICT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Kersti Toews
Administrator

March 3, 2021

Nadaya and John McNeil
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Regarding: Outdoor Rink

The 100 Mile House & District Figure Skating Club is in support of the 100 Mile Outdoor Rink. We feel the benefit of an additional rink in our community is a necessity for maintaining social and physical health. Children need to physical and mentally remain active to encourage a healthy lifestyle. We feel the addition of this rink gives access to those families that love to remain active and enjoy spending time together. We have had many of our skaters enjoy the outdoor rink. Our club feels that this should be a long term commitment for the benefit of our community. We look forward to future endeavors of the Outdoor Rink team who put so much time and effort into creating this wonderful addition to our community.

Sincerely,

DANYELLE HOWARD

President
100 Mile House and District Figure Skating Club



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March 2, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

RE: 100 Mile Outdoor Rink Society Proposal

The Chief and Council of the Canim Lake Band are in support of the proposal presented to the CRD/District of 100 Mile and School District #27, to construct

"An all season, multi use, permanent, outdoor sports facility focusing on skating and ice hockey in the winter, pickle ball, floor/roller hockey, tennis, basketball in the summer. "

We look forward to this project and the high impact it will have on our community's outdoor recreation and fitness.

Meté Xyemstes (with respect)



Kukpi7 (Chief) Helen Henderson

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From: Ursula Hart [REDACTED]
Subject: Public Outdoor Rink
Date: January 29, 2021 at 12:18:02 PM PST
To: "district@100milehouse.com" <district@100MileHouse.com>

Dear Mayor and Council,

It is with gratitude that I write this email for the resources made available, both financially and donated, that facilitated the 100 Mile House public outdoor rink. It has brought so much joy to my 7 year old, his friends and to us adults too! It has enabled them to better their skating skills in a way that lessons haven't been able to. In years past, because we live so far out of town, evening lessons have proven too difficult for our young son to attend. Many families are in the same boat.

Now, with the outdoor rink our son is able to skate at least 2 days a week after school with friends and make new friends he otherwise would not have met. The unstructured opportunity means he gets to skate just for fun, and play games, watch the older kids play hockey, and sweep the ice with the broom. This outdoor rink has brightened his life so much that I hope the district will consider making the outdoor rink a permanent, annual opportunity for kids and adults alike to enjoy. Furthermore, in a community with so few amenities to attract professionals, I imagine seeing kids skating would be a simple step in the right direction to making 100 Mile House a great location to relocate.

We are so thankful for the opportunity to skate after school this year, and would like to recognize the great job the people are doing in keeping the quality of the ice great and also in keeping the grounds clean and safe. It is a really happy place to be!

My sincere thanks,

Ursula Hart

Looking forward

2 messages

Kelly M [REDACTED] >

Wed, Feb 3, 2021 at 8:45 AM

To: 100milerink@gmail.com

Hello

We haven't yet used the outdoor rink at 100 Mile House as we are planning to move next year to the area.

However, have already been showing our hockey obsessed 3 year old the photos and updates. He is very much looking forward to a "real rink" (not like the indoor only rinks where we currently live). The fact that fire fighters helped flood it just blows his mind :)

I personally grew up in the cold prairies and spent many many hours at the local outdoor rink. Like my experience, I imagine all the community spirit and connections that come out of it for 100 Mile House.

Looking forward to future seasons!

Thank you

Kelly

Nadaya McNeil <100milerink@gmail.com>

Wed, Feb 3, 2021 at 8:58 AM

To: Kelly M [REDACTED] >

this is great, thank you very much, and welcome to 100 Mile!

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100 Mile House Outdoor Rink Society
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March 1 2021.

Dear Nadaya and John McNeil,

First of all thank you to you both for your hard work and dedication to the building and maintenance of the outdoor rink in the Junior High School Property in 100 Mile House this winter. It has brought so much joy to so many who otherwise would not have had the opportunity to do what they love each winter. Skating playing hockey or just getting out doors for their health and well being. I know there were many volunteers businesses involved in this project but it always takes someone with the vision and the leadership to get through hurdles to make these type of projects become a reality.

This town was built by those before us and some still here with vision and courage, our old arena our ball fields our outriders grounds our soccer fields snowmobile facility and gold rush trail, the Nordics cross country ski facility, Mt. Timothy Ski Hill which at first was in 100 Mile House all done by people with vision and courage. I could go on.

I support the vision put forward by the 100 Mile House Outdoor Rink Society. Yes it will of course have a capital cost to it which all projects do. The Society has volunteered to raise money to assist. With all the COVID 19 recovery funds the District of 100 Mile House has received, the CRD has received and there are many other grants available as you read in the paper for infrastructure for COVID 19 recovery.

Funds could also be made available through the 100 Mile Community Forest which I was a part of obtaining while Mayor funds which were to help community arts and culture originally. Council may have changed the original proposal but reading the 2009 Management Plan states Ensure profits generated stay in the Community for the benefit of all citizens in the area. A successful Community Forest tenure should relieve some of the tax burden experienced by the small town serving a large trading area, and will generate capital for recreation, arts and culture.

Read 7.3.2 Social Goals of the Management Plan it states the following:

The overarching social goals with establishing the Community Forest are to preserve and improve the quality of life enjoyed by residents of the South Cariboo. This will be achieved by directing any profits generated by the Community Forest into recreational and cultural initiatives.

As we also do not know when we will be able to return to the quality of life before COVID 19 an outdoor facility will only help the mental and physical quality of life for so many. Even after COVID 19 this asset would be highly used by many and only add to the great quality of life we all wish to enjoy.

Yours truly

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March 1, 2021

Mr. John McNeil
Mrs. Nadaya Tresierra

Email: [REDACTED]

Dear John and Nadaya,

Thank you for meeting with me to discuss your project. Your vision for an outdoor skating rink, Pickle ball court and multi-use facility is an admirable one. While I know you are in the beginning stage of the project, I applaud your commitment to the financial and time requirements to see this through.

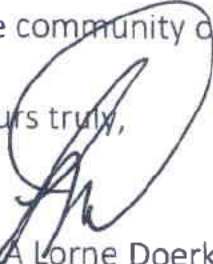
I have witnessed how much use the outdoor rink has had and am aware of the significant amount traffic the facility is receiving.

I know that your work has only just begun and that there are many meetings and many approvals ahead of you; including fully understanding the needs of the community, to further this project along.

Should the residents of 100 Mile House and area decide that this is a facility that is desired, wanted and can be added to the community in an affordable way -I would assure you and the residents that I will do my very best to help with the project and to support it from my position as MLA.

I wish you the best of luck in the future and look forward to working with you and the community on the project as it moves forward.

Yours truly,


MLA Lorne Doerkson