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Request for Agenda Item

Date of Committee of the Whole Council Meeting: Feb. 13, 2024
(Requests must be submitted to the Municipal Clerk's Office by end of day on the Wednesday before the meeting)

Subject: Covering of the MODB Pool

Motion to be Considered: Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the covering of the MODB Existing Pool be added to the Capital Investing Plans of 2024-2025 ~~considered and~~

Reason: Approached by constituents to bring forth to Council to be ~~considered and~~ added to this years Budget Planning.

Name: Andree Mood-Nickerson

Date: Feb. 6, 2024

MODB District 2 Councillor

Lesla Rossetti

From: Andrea Mood-Nickerson
Sent: February 6, 2024 11:29 PM
To: Lesla Rossetti; Chris Frotten
Subject: The MODB Pool Request

Dear Lesla,

With the request I would like to share the Barrington Municipal Pool Meeting Power Point Presentation that was put together by the MODB CAO , notes gathered from the meeting , letter from Bay Side Home Recreation Director and MOS Resident. These will be the notes included in the presentation to COW.

I will forward you the letters and the January 30 Meeting notes are below;

Suggestions, Recommendations, and/or Questions

Hotel with Pool be more feasible and useful Size pool? Benefits everyone - Study is done (Save \$)

Can we get a rough cost to enclose our pool - Do we survey's, data, etc.

Truro area there is a smaller pool for comparison . It is the NSCC Pool.

Could we support Yarmouth , Argyle Tuskett and try for something more centralized?

What is the Yarmouth Pool (old ymca) revenue / operating cost? Do they run a deficit ?

How much are the sports domes ? East Hants ? Sackville?

Quotes from local contractors to cover the pool ? Solar panels Grants? Thermal?

"Net zero carbon footprint"

Limited Activities to offer youth around here

What do the MODB or Councillors have in mind for our youth, seniors, people requiring water for medical needs or reasons ?

Covered Pool - Year Round, swimming lessons for all including in the school systems , swimming lessons for fishers (many cannot swim) , seniors programs, people with mobility issues , use for all age , race and fitness, medical world, create jobs

What is one of our loved ones life worth?

How much money has the MODB got in their reserve fund?

Has the MODB ever considered borrowing the money?

If you cover the pool , in the long run people will use it.

Are the Councils onboard with us?

Covered pool needs to be heated , bathrooms, change rooms, showers , section for a party area

Non - For- Profit Group: fundraising, receipts , have set positions for the Group, private Sectors, investors, Advertize

Anyone spoken to Ella - Registration Cost

Don't put your effort into quoting impossible ideas for our Community - Aquatic Center

Where did the Agures come from for Sus for Pool ?? (don't really understand this question.

Process Needed - What is Step #1?

Start small Look at options ie May - October School - Swimming lessons

Feb.13 , Get a pool on the radar

Start a Committee of committed people who can work with Council .

All rec. buildings should be open all year round; Rean, pool, curling club, rec. center

Why are we not open year round?

Mariners are starting from scratch

Swimming - all ages

July/ August - More people because the other months are too cold

Only open 75 days / ish of year

Up price - other places charge more

Permanent Structure

Driving in 45 minutes to get rec. plus gas, food, and paying for resources

Hire someone - Get it done not a 5 Year Plan

28 People present

Sent from my iPhone

From: ANDREA MOOD-NICKERSON <andrea.moodnickerso@gmail.com>
Sent: February 6, 2024 11:31 PM
To: Chris Frotten; Lesa Rossetti
Subject: Fwd: pool coverage

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **ANDREA MOOD-NICKERSON** <andrea.moodnickerso@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Feb 6, 2024 at 11:30 PM
Subject: Re: pool coverage
To: Mary Telford

On Mon, Jan 22, 2024 at 10:03 PM Mary Telford wrote:

Hope it helps... just trying to make the point that this is more than just a pool in the Barrington backyard. Not just serving as recreation but also a means of supporting our health and education fields along with providing residents with the opportunity to improve and maintain a healthy lifestyle which goes a long way in supporting prevention and promoting full recoveries.

Just me again,
Good night!

On Mon, Jan 22, 2024 at 10:00 PM Mary Telford wrote:
You are so welcome!

On Mon, Jan 22, 2024 at 9:09 PM ANDREA MOOD-NICKERSON <andrea.moodnickerso@gmail.com>
wrote:
This is great, thank you so much!

On Mon, Jan 22, 2024 at 5:19 PM Mary Telford wrote:
Hi Andrea,

I am sending this to both email addresses. Let me know if you have any questions or concerns or if you need clarification. Also just let me know that you got it.

Wish I was going to be there.

Best of luck,
Cheers,
Mary Telford



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Monday January 29, 2024

RE: Pool Coverage for year-round use.

To Barrington Municipality,

On behalf of Bay Side Home, I am writing to you a letter in support of covering of our municipal pool for year-round use and how that can benefit the residents of Bay Side Home.

The residents of Bay Side Home would greatly benefit from using the pool year-round, such benefits would include, increased mobility and flexibility, improve mental health well-being, improve sleep and provide an alternative form of exercise, as well as improved quality of life.

Swimming is a low impact and low risk sport, which allows the residents an opportunity to feel weightless and move their body in ways they may not be able to out of water. Accessing community programs provides our residents with a sense of purpose and meaning to their day, which in turn improves mental health and over all well-being. Providing our residents with an alternative form of exercise and increased social opportunities, will also improve their quality of life.

In conclusion, Bay Side Home supports covering the municipal pool for year-round use which would allow our residents to enjoy the many benefits of aquatic exercise and social engagement.

Thank you,

Megan LeMoine, Recreation Director

Barrington Municipal Pool Meeting

January 30, 2024



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Welcome & Purpose

- Introductions
- Presentation
- Questions & Answers
- Listen & Learn
- No Commitments

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Our Pool

Diving into the past

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Our Pool

- Water reservoir for the arena's water suppression system.
- 82 feet long and 28 feet wide heated pool.
- \$55,000-\$70,000 to operate per year.
- Additional capital costs (i.e. liner, automatic chlorinator)

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Usage Data



	2021	2022	2023
Swimming Lessons			
Spaces Offered	514	596	511
Registrations	216	146	162
Uptake Percentage	42.02%	24.50%	31.7%
Bubble Rentals			
<i>June</i>			
Spaces Offered	59	30	45
Bookings	27	21	25
Booking Percentage	45.76%	70.00%	55.56%
<i>July/August</i>			
Spaces Offered	129	130	105
Bookings	91	94	95
Booking Percentage	70.54%	72.31%	90.5%

Usage Data

User Data	
Public Swim Users	786
Senior Swim Pass Holders (season pass)	22
Senior Daily Passes (Drop in fee- \$5)	32
Adult Daily Passes (Drop in fee- \$10)	227
Youth Daily Passes (Drop in fee- \$5)	466
Parent & Tot Daily Pass (Drop-in fee- \$10)	39

Open Swim Participation**

Weekend	2
July	
Weekday	17
Weekend	13
August	
Weekday	17
Weekend	8

Details the **average total participants per open (public)swim. Does not include Senior Swims/ Parent-Tot Swims

Schedule

SUMMER 2023!
POOL
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SCHEDULE

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
SENIOR/Adult SWIM	11:30-12:30 PM	8:30-9:30 AM 5:00-6:00 PM <i>Adult Lane</i>	8:30-9:30 AM	8:30-9:30 AM	8:30-9:30 AM	8:30-9:30 AM	10:30-11:30 PM
BUBBLE RENTALS	12:30-1:30 PM 3:00-4:00 PM 6:00-7:00 PM	6:00-7:00 PM	4:00-5:00 PM 6:00-7:00 PM	4:00-5:00 PM 5:00-6:00 PM		4:00-5:00 PM 5:00-6:00 PM 6:00-7:00 PM	12:30-1:30 PM 3:00-4:00 PM 6:00-7:00 PM
PARENT & TOT	-	-	3:00-4:00 PM	-		-	11:30-12:30 AM
OPEN SWIM	1:30-2:30 PM 5:00-6:00 PM	3:00-4:00 PM	-		3:00-4:00 PM 6:00-7:00 PM	1:00-2:00 PM 3:00-4:00 PM	1:30-2:30 PM

SWIM PRICES - Seniors: \$5 - Adults: \$10 - Kids: \$5 - Kids Under 5: Free - Bubble Rental: \$50 - Swimming Lessons: \$40 week

For more information contact the Barrington Recreation Department: (802) 637-2015 EXT. 230

Recreation Centre Project

Project Details

Recreation Centre Project

- Why isn't the pool part of the project?
- We recognize the diverse needs and preferences of the community.
- Council takes into consideration many factors when making decisions.

Future Concepts

Aquatic Centre & Covering the Pool

Aquatic Centres in Nova Scotia

- An aquatic centre is not feasible to build or operate for the size of our area and municipality
 - Pictou County Wellness Centre (2010) - 43,748
 - Lunenburg County Lifestyle Centre (2013) - 47,126
 - East Hants (2018) - 22,453
 - Mariners Centre Expansion (Future) - 24,419

Covering the Pool

- Options for Covering an Outdoor Pool
 - Retractable Roof: Allows for the flexibility of covering the pool during inclement weather or colder months while providing an open-air experience during favorable conditions.
 - Tensioned Membrane Structure: Offers a lightweight and versatile covering solution that can span large areas with minimal support columns.
 - Fixed Enclosure: Involves constructing a permanent structure around the pool, typically with glass or polycarbonate panels, to provide protection from the elements.

Indoor Pool Challenges

■ Daytime Use and Utilization

- Maintaining consistent daytime usage of an indoor pool can be challenging, particularly in a smaller rural area like ours and during off-peak hours when attendance may be low.

■ Staffing Requirements

- Operating an indoor pool necessitates a dedicated staff for lifeguarding, facility maintenance, cleaning, and customer service. Staffing costs constitute a significant portion of the operational budget, and recruiting and retaining qualified personnel can be competitive and costly.

Indoor Pool Challenges

■ Significant Operating Costs

- Indoor pools incur substantial operating costs associated with heating, ventilation, water treatment, and maintenance.

■ Additional Infrastructure

- Operating a year-round indoor pool would necessitate supplementary infrastructure such as washrooms, change facilities, and locker rooms.

