

TOWN OF INGERSOLL
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
SUMMER DAY CAMP – ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM FOR CAMP HOPE PARTICIPANTS

Report No. R-087-10

Approval Date: May 3rd, 2010

Mayor Holbrough and Members of Council:

Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval to utilize \$7,500 to run an alternative program for former participants of Camp Hope.

Report

On April 26, 2010 Council approved \$7,500 to be utilized to assist in the established of an alternative program for the former participants of Camp Hope. Council requested that staff explore alternative possibilities.

Staff is proposing that the Parks and Recreation Department integrate former Camp Hope participants into their regular Summer Day Camp.

The Town would need to hire four (4) additional Camp Counselors to provide a ratio of 1:4 for the former Camp participants. This proposal would accommodate 16 fully subsidized spaces for former Camp Hope participants.

The Summer Camp runs for 5 days per week from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm daily for 7 weeks. The Camp is available for children between the ages of 3 to 12 years. Maximum numbers per week including the 16 subsidized spaces is 70. All campers will have daily swimming, theme weeks, off site excursions, outside play, crafts, games, guest speakers, special pizza and BBQ lunches. See attached Summer Day Camp information for more details.

Staff is currently interviewing Day Camp applicants and are conducting second interviews on Friday, May 7, 2010. At the present time 6 of the 12 applicants coming back for 2nd interviews have worked at Camp Hope.

With this previous work experience at Camp Hope and ratios of 1:4 we are confident we can handle camper issues and concerns.

Former Camp Hope participants have had hot lunches provided on a daily basis. We are not able to provide this service but are proposing that we provide a limited supply of healthy breakfast and lunch food choices for all campers who require food items.

Financial Impact

Expenditures

Salaries & Benefits

- 4 Staff @\$11.73/hr x 40 hrs x 8 weeks - \$ 15,014.
- 4% Vacation Pay - \$ 600.
- Benefits – 11.36% - \$ 1,774.

Additional Expenses

- Breakfast & Lunch Supplies - \$ 500.
 - Trip Fees - \$ 300.
 - Pizza/BBQ Lunches - \$ 375.
- \$ 18,563.

Revenue

- Town of Ingersoll \$ 7,500.
 - Ingersoll Community Foundation \$ 11,063.
- \$ 18,563.

Note: Staff has submitted a request to the Ingersoll Foundation for the additional funding required.

Recommendation

THAT Council approves the Summer Day Camp proposal as presented in this report for former Camp Hope participants;

AND FURTHER THAT \$7,500 is utilized from the Grant to Groups budget to help cover camp costs;

AND FURTHER THAT staff be authorized to contact the Ingersoll Community Foundation to obtain further financial assistance in the amount of \$11,063.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Ward, Director of Parks and Recreation



Calling Campers!

Camp Dates and Registration Details

- No camp Monday, August 2nd.
- Registration must be done in person in order to complete the necessary camp forms.
- All camps (Mini, Junior and Senior) are based at the Victoria Park Community Centre.
- Post dated cheques may be used for payment if you are registering for more than one week of camp, but must be dated the Monday prior to the week requested.

Summer Day Camp Program Fees

All fees must be paid at the time of registration, including all extra fees.

	First Child	Additional Child	Extended Care 6:45-8:30am and/or 5:00-6:00pm \$3.00 per child per time slot
Weekly	\$110.25	\$89.60	
Daily	\$35	\$33	
Daily Day Trips	\$48	\$46	

All weekly camp registrations will only be accepted up to the Friday prior to the week requested. Daily registrations will only be accepted as of Friday prior to the week requested. This is critical to finalizing the planning for upcoming weeks of camp. This includes assigning staff to ensure appropriate supervision ratios as well as confirming trip numbers and bussing. Daily camp requests are subject to availability.

Upon registration you will receive a day camp information package. this will help to answer all your camp questions.

All day camp questions can be answered by Chrislyn Dykxhoorn, our day camp coordinator

Camp Times - 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Children have the opportunity to be dropped off at day camp in a supervised setting any time after 7:30 am for no additional cost. Our regular camp day will start at 8:30 am until 5:00 pm. Post camp supervision will be until 5:30 pm. All children must be picked up by 5:30pm or late fees will be added to the child's account, at a cost of \$1.00/minute, and must be paid before the child can return to camp.

All of our camps have swimming, theme weeks, off site excursions, outside play, crafts, games and much more!

Mini Camp

Ages 3-5 years

This is a great opportunity to introduce your child to a day camp setting. Mini camp is run separately from other camps except during extended care, trips and swimming. Children must be toilet trained.

*1:8 staff to camper ratio. *afternoon story and rest time.

Junior Camp

Ages 6-8 years

Be prepared for junior sized adventures with super sized excitement. This is an amazing opportunity for your kids to grow and excel in a happy, safe and fun atmosphere.

*1:8 staff to camper ratio.

Senior Camp

Ages 9-12 years

Sr. campers will enjoy hanging out with friends and experiencing tweensize activities! Summer camp is a chance to have many new experiences *1:10 staff to camper ratio. * Out trips to Fusion Youth Centre

Regular programming at the Fusion Youth Centre will not be operating during the camp hours.

What's happening each week - Day Camp Master Schedule

Each theme week will allow campers to explore new adventures along with regular camp activities such as swimming, creek walking and age appropriate games and activities.

Week #1 (July 12-16) **In the Kitchen**

Each day, have fun with food! Taste yummy, healthy treats, interesting new foods and create an easy healthy meal or snack that you can prepare for yourself and family. Kitchen safety will also be explored. All recipes, games and activities are food allergy friendly. Day camp and food...a great combination!

Pizza Friday!

Week #2 (July 19-23) **Medieval Madness**

Come and experience the past through castles, dragons, kings and queens with a trip to Dundurn Castle in Hamilton. Let your imagination take you back in time. Trip day is Thursday July 22nd.

Trip Week!

Week #3 (July 26-30) **Move It and Groove It**

Tennis, soccer, baseball, basketball, water and cooperative games are just some of the activities and skills the campers will be learning over the week. Be prepared to be on the go all week and try something new. Like all camp activities, this week will be planned based on High Five principles so every camper will have fun and be able to participate no matter what their skill or interest level is.

BBQ Cookout!

Week #4 (August 3-6) **Camps Got Talent**

Can you do something unique and be entertaining? Ever wanted to be in a play or direct one? Come showcase your brilliant and maybe quirky talents as we gear up for a grand performance on Friday for your friends and family to watch.

Pizza Friday!

Week #5 (August 9-13) **Wet'n Wild**

Summer is not summer without a crazy water week! Learn about water safety and discover some very interesting activities our campers can do centered around this amazing natural resource. Extra towels and clothes are a must! Trip is to Bronte Creek Provincial Park on Thursday August 12th.

Trip Week!

Week #6 (August 16-20) **A Bugzzz Life**

Come investigate the earthy world around you. Ever wonder what lives beneath the ground, in trees or under water? Our campers will be sure to discover nature's amazing features.

BBQ Cookout!

Week #8 (August 23-27) **Memories and Magic**

Reflect back on a summer well spent with our camper friends! Play all your favourite games and activities.

Pizza Week!

Ingersoll's Splashpad

In Victoria Park

The Splashpad will be open daily from 10:00 am to 9:00 pm June to September

(Weather & Maintenance Permitting)

The Splashpad is designed for infants to children 12 years of age. The Splashpad features three play areas:

Discovery Bay – Infants & Toddlers

A friendly and fascinating haven for infants and toddlers to explore their first water play experience.

Adventure Bay

An exhilarating world of fun, exploration and non-stop thrills and spills!

Action Bay

A high-energy play area – water fights, heavy flows of water and basically a good soaking.