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**TO:** Mayor and Council

**FROM:** Caitlin Fox, Community Recreation Coordinator

**DATE:** May 11, 2021

**RE:** **Wadena Minor Sports Request**

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**ISSUE:**

Whether or not to postpone diamond rental for Wadena Minor Sports.

**BACKGROUND:**

Bylaw No. 2021-01 Fees and Charges Bylaw provides that Wadena Minor Sports/Youth Ball Teams will be charged \$16.00 per player per season.

On April 22, 2021, Wadena Minor Sports sent a letter addressed to the Town asking to postpone the rental fees for the use of the Ball Diamonds until they have further direction from the Saskatchewan Government and the Saskatchewan Health Authority.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

- 1) Council can postpone the invoicing of the fee.
- 2) Council can depart from the current bylaw.
- 3) Council can deny the request and implement the current bylaw.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

The town will not be making as much or any revenue if Council choose to depart from the current bylaw.

**ANALYSIS:**

Minor Sports is unsure if they will be having a ball season this year. As of todays, date May 11, 2021 all teams under Wadena Minor Sports can practice in groups of eight or fewer and wish to do so.

Wadena Minor Sports has postponed their registration fees until they have more of an idea of what this season is going to look like. As of this date, games/tournaments cannot be held. However, they are using the diamond at least 5 times a week for practices. On May 7, 2021 there was a correspondence sent by Darcy McLean saying that the season has been cancelled due to the timeline of the government's regulations for minor sports. **After discussing with Wadena Minor Sports they wish to keep practicing until ???**

**ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION(S):**

"THAT Wadena Minor Sports be charged with a discounted rate of \$8.00 per player for this season due to COVID-19".

**ATTACHMENT:**

Minor Sports Correspondence  
Darcy McLean Email

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