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Subject: FW: Fwd: Skating Club Concerns EZT proposal
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To: Phil Schaefer <pschaefer@ezt.ca>

Subject: Re: Fwd: Skating Club Concerns EZT proposal

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The Skating Club consists of 3 programs:

1. CanSkate - our learn to skate program
2. StarSkate - our star levels skaters, more advanced skaters testing at different levels and some skaters compete individually
3. Synchro - 9 teams in total, 4 youth and 5 adult

In total we have roughly 180 synchro skaters and 146 CanSkate/StarSkate skaters for the 2024-2025 season. Roughly 50 of those youth synchro skaters are also our club skaters. Pretty amazing to have that many skaters in one small town club!

The synchro teams starts practicing the Tuesday after civic holiday weekend. Our August schedule is:

- Tuesdays and Thursdays 4-10pm, weeks 1,2,4
- Synchro Camp is the 3rd week. We have ice Monday to Thursday starting each day at 9am, 2 nights we are done at 4pm, the other 2 days done at 8pm
- 6 synchro teams skate out of Tavistock starting in August, the other 3 are out of Burlington simply because Tavistock does not have the ice availability and our synchro coach lives in Burlington. All synchro skaters represent the Tavistock club under our Team Unity name.

Our Tavistock based synchro teams go to other centres to practice while the fair is on and then they are back to normal practices as soon as we are able to get back on the ice. As well our regular club skating starts as soon as we can get on the ice after the fair. We skate all the way through until May long weekend.

Throughout the season, 2 of our competitive synchro teams practice 1-2x/week in other centres - primarily Stratford, but when Stratford ice is not available, they go to KW region, Woodstock. There simply not enough ice availability for the skating club. Every

year we ask for more ice in Tavistock, and we seem to gain half an hour to an hour some years.

Thanks for reaching out. Let me know if you have any further questions.

Teresa

On Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 8:17 AM, Phil Schaefer <pschaefer@ezt.ca> wrote:

When in August do you normally start your usage?

Phil

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Ok Thanks

Phil

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Good morning Phil,

I have shared with yourself, Brad, and Ward 1 councillors - Scott and Steven. Other exec members were going to share with Ward 2 and 3 councillors.

Thanks,
Teresa

On Tuesday, February 4, 2025, 7:50 AM, Phil Schaefer <pschaefer@ezt.ca> wrote:

Thank you Teresa

Have you shared this with all members of council?

Phil

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Subject: Skating Club Concerns EZT proposal

Hi Phil,

Please see attached letter from the Tavistock & District Skating Club regarding EZT proposal to remove August ice and early September ice. It has also been brought to our attention that the ice may be removed in April vs May. All of these changes create many challenges for our growing club.

Please see the attached letter with our concerns and thoughts. Please reach out to Teresa Weicker via phone 519-521-6150 or email tavistockskatingclub@yahoo.ca if you further wish to discuss prior to the meeting February 5th.

Teresa Weicker and Alicia Rujescu, Co-Chairs

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