February 28, 2024

ATT: Ms. Corrina Giles, Town Clerk

To: Mayor Matrosovs and members of Council

Re: Youth Pickleball Camps 2024

Dear Council

Once again, we are requesting Council support for the waiving of Pickleball court fees for our Youth Pickleball programs this coming summer. In addition to the 6 hours of play requested weekly through the month of July, we also request a "Special Events" permit for all four courts on July 31st from 10 am to 3pm. for our second annual Community Challenge Event. This year will involve 5 different communities, up from 3 last year.

As an aside from the above, Rosemarie and I will extend our involvement with "Pickleball Ontario" this coming year in launching their "Plant the Seeds Initiative". As part of our ongoing commitment to the growth and development of our sport across the province, we are excited to support this initiative aimed at fostering the next generation of players and expanding the reach of our sport.

It is our hope that we can convince governing bodies that this sport is definitely not a "fad" and is here to stay. So much to gain for everyone with vision, and a positive attitude.

It is our hope that Council and Town staff continue to realize the many benefits of these FREE volunteer programs for our youth.

Thank you for your understanding, and your continued support for our Pickleball Youth Camps.

Harry Stevens Rosemarie Wickens Blue Mountain Pickleball Youth Program

