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AMHERSTBURG RECREATION COMPLEX ANNOUNCES \$1 MILLION RAISED TO DATE

AMHERSTBURG, ON — The Town of Amherstburg today announced that the Amherstburg Recreation Complex's **Our People. Our Passion** Fundraising Campaign has raised over \$1 million in support of the Town's dynamic, new all-inclusive sport, recreation and leisure facility.

At today's Council Meeting, The Athletic Club's Chief Financial Officer Dan Pompilli pledged \$100,000 for the naming of the Auxiliary Ice Pad at the new Amherstburg Recreation Complex. The Athletic Club has a long history of supporting local charities, non-profits and causes in the communities in which they operate.

In addition, representatives of CAW Locals 200 and 444 presented Council with a donation of \$20,000 towards the campaign. The Town of Amherstburg will recognize this generous gift by naming the score clock in the Main Ice Pad at the new facility.

"The generosity of CAW Locals 200 and 444 to our community is legendary, and tonight the Amherstburg Recreation Complex too benefits from their tremendous philanthropy," says Mayor Wayne Hurst. "The Town has utilized multiple platforms to reach donors, and the response of our community to health, wellness, leisure and recreation philanthropy has been tremendous," he added.

The **Our People. Our Passion** fundraising campaign directly supports sport, health, recreation and leisure excellence in Amherstburg, and offers a variety of other highly visible sponsorship and naming opportunities on dressing rooms, arenas, baseball fields, meeting rooms and more.

Slated for completion this fall, the new complex will be located at Larry Bauer Park and will house Canada's first Miracle League Baseball Diamond for persons with special needs; Ontario's first community artificial turf baseball diamond; the region's first regulation size FIFA soccer/CFL football field; twin pad arenas; a practice mini ice rink; an indoor soccer playing field; and a Seniors Centre.

The new complex will meet the recreational needs of the entire community, provide opportunities for sport tourism, and will be energy efficient to operate. The Town of Amherstburg received financial assistance for the building of the recreation complex from the governments of Canada and Ontario under the BCF-CC.

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