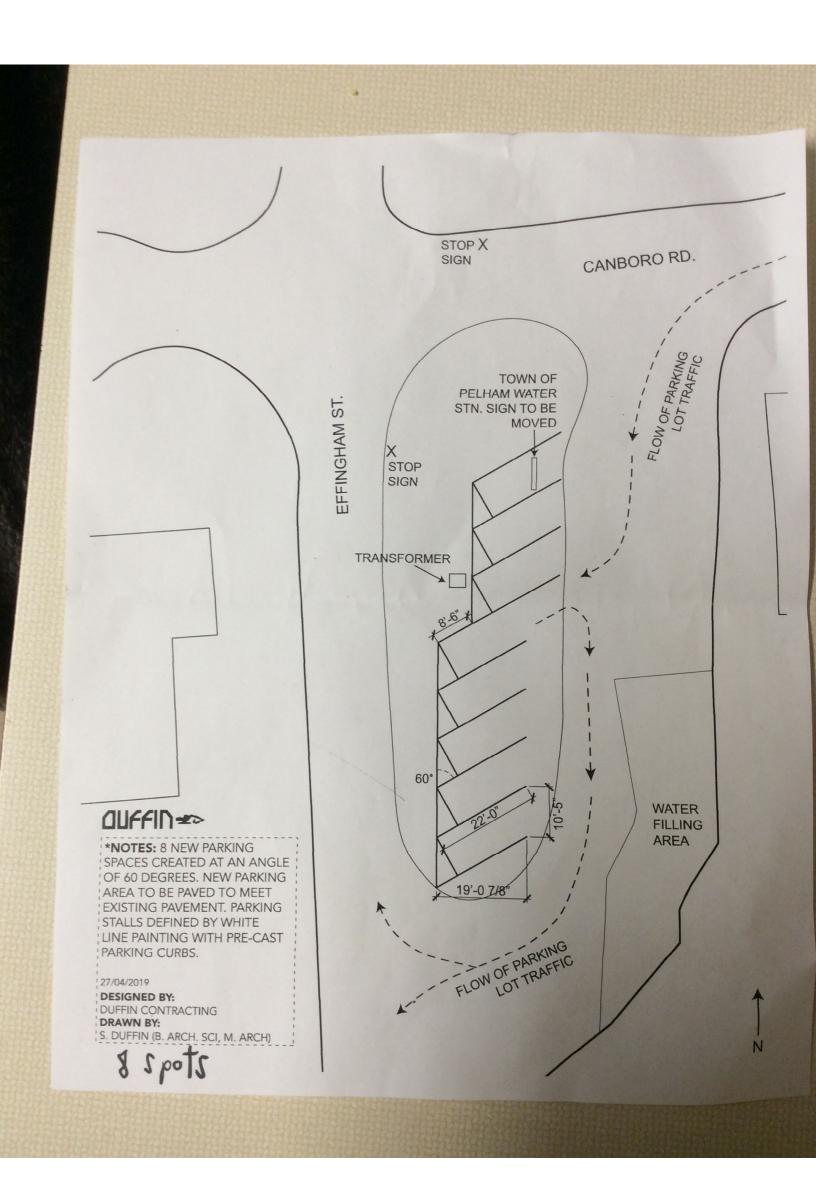


Committee of the Whole Meeting Addendum

SCOW-01/2020 - Zoom Meeting - Budget Open House Committee of the Whole Wednesday, September 23, 2020
Town of Pelham Municipal Office - Council Chambers
20 Pelham Town Square, Fonthill

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THE FUTURE OF TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL IN PELHAM

Presented to Pelham Council by Peter Bedard Sept 23, 2020



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Purpose:

A proposal to optimize the current footprint of the Tennis and Pickleball courts at Centennial Park in Fenwick in order to double the capacity for community recreation in prime-time hours.



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Context (in 2018):

- Over 6.5 million Canadians played tennis at least 4 times
- 3 million Canadians played weekly in the outdoor season
- #5 overall sport in the World in terms of participation
- #1 individual sport in the World



- Pickleball is one of the fastest growing sports in Canada; particularly among seniors
- There are 75 thousand active pickleball players in Canada
- There are several hundred in Niagara

Why is tennis so Popular?

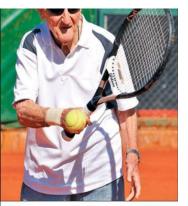






Affordable, Accessible, Inclusive and Gender Balanced





Artin Elmayan practises with a tennis ball in Buenos Aires on Sunday, Elmayan, 95, is the world's oldest-ranked player. He began playing the game when he was 39 and has been playing regularly since then.

Sport of a lifetime!

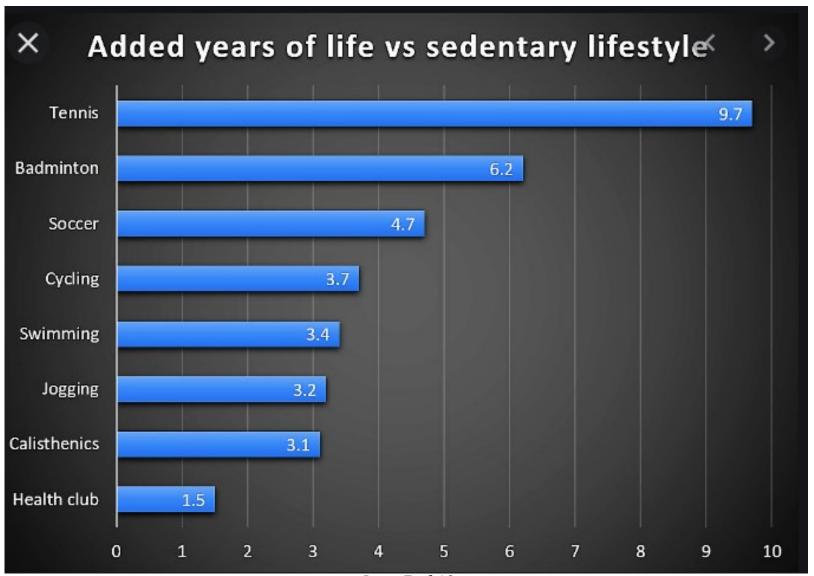
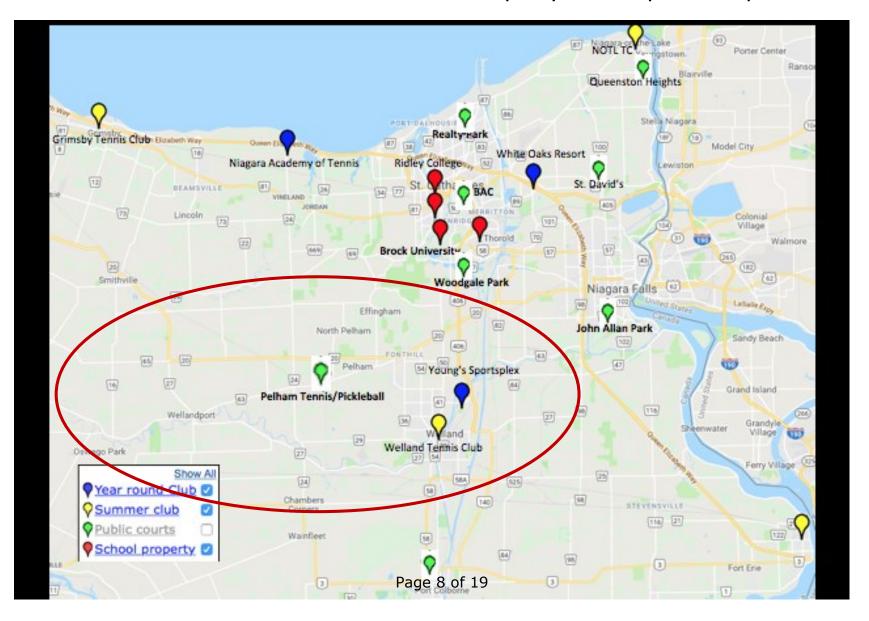


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Over 60% of tennis in Canada is played in public parks



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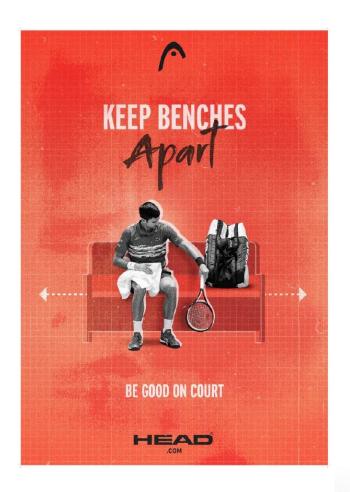




Recent Growth

- 2018: 75 members in total, 55 tennis and 20 pickleball players and an extra 30 kids in junior programs.
- 2019: membership 150 total
- 2019: added "The Shack"
- 2020: we were preparing for our launch of the new season...

When Covid hit, things changed...



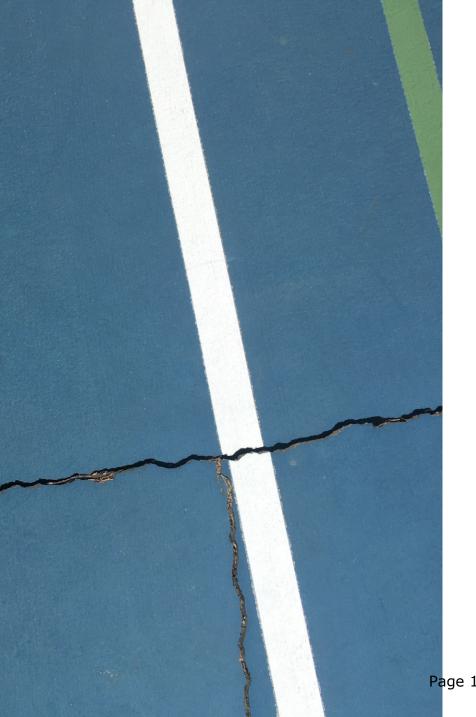


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Pelham Tennis and Pickleball in 2020

- There have been **30-40 regular pickleball players** play Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday mornings for 3 hours culminating with an inaugural tournament.
- We had more than 50 kids and youth participate in regular clinics with Marko Petkovic and Karen Wright.
- We had at least 150 individual and family members players play tennis regularly, in morning and evening prime-times.
- The future is looking very bright.



However, we have some looming issues:

- We have over 350 linear feet of cracks on the courts.
- We have a growing, organized, vocal pickleball contingent who like to play before it gets too hot.
- We have a large segment of retired tennis players who also like to play in morning and evening prime-times.

Vision and estimate for the courts

- Design and feasibility
- Fence removal and replacement
- New post
 placements for 4
 pickleball and 2
 tennis nets (with
 anchors)
- Leveling and resurfacing of all courts
- (Gu)estimate: \$250k





Considerations for operating in a new COVID friendly world:

- Memberships and fees
- Contact tracing
- Court monitoring
- Access (i.e. keys vs automatic gates)
- Balance of community vs "club" hours
- Programming
- Communication
- Safety protocols
- Etc.

Activation...



Leadership/Advocacy
Coaches
Volunteers
Parks
Schools
Community Centres
Community Clubs

...needs to be a coordinated approach



Thank you
Questions?



From: <u>Nancy Bozzato</u>

To: Holly Willford; Sarah Leach
Subject: Fwd: Budget Considerations

Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2020 3:09:33 PM

Attachments: <u>image001.jpg</u>

Please add as an addendum for tonight

Ty

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Our Budget <OurBudget@pelham.ca> Date: September 23, 2020 at 2:31:48 PM EDT To: Nancy Bozzato <NBozzato@pelham.ca> Subject: FW: Budget Considerations



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Sent: Tuesday, September 22, 2020 11:45 PM **To:** Our Budget <OurBudget@pelham.ca>

Subject: Budget Considerations

Hello,

I would like to see some consideration of the street lighting in the Spruceside area. Many of the lights are malfunctioning causing poor lighting conditions when walking at night. Some of the lights are going on and off, some appear to be out completely.

I'm hoping town will consider new technology for our street lighting. We are a 'walking' town

and good lighting on streets at night is needed for all of us out there at night to stay safe.

Also, there are many trees which could be trimmed to allow for lighting from streetlights to be more efficient.

I hope budget funds could be allocated for the above in order to improve the safety of our streets at night.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide my input to Town spending.

Kathie Timpano

Spruceside Cres

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