

**THIS AGREEMENT** made on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 (“the Agreement”).

**B E T W E E N:**

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PELHAM

(“the Town”)

- and -

PELHAM MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

(“the Licensee”)

**WHEREAS** the Town owns the Meridian Community Centre located at 100 Meridian Way in the Town of Pelham (“the Facility”); and

**WHEREAS** the Licensee is a minor hockey association that desires to use the Facility for its operations and to obtain a licence from the Town for that purpose; and

**WHEREAS** the Town has agreed to grant a licence to the Licensee on the terms and conditions set out in this Agreement; and

**WHEREAS** the Licensee is a corporation incorporated pursuant to the laws of Ontario and has properly authorized entering into this Agreement; and

**WHEREAS** By-law No. [XX-2023] was passed by the Council of the Town on [DATE], authorizing the Town to enter into this Agreement;

**NOW THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION** of the mutual covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, the Town and the Licensee (each “a party” and collectively “the parties”) agree as follows:

## **1. TERM**

- 1.1. The Term of this Agreement shall be from September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2028 unless terminated earlier in accordance with the provisions herein.
- 1.2. This Agreement may be renewed or extended, on the same or different terms as contained herein, and subject to approval by Council of the Town.

## **2. GRANT OF LICENCE**

- 2.1. The Town hereby grants to the Licensee a licence to enter and use the Facility during the Term for the purposes of hockey practices, games, tournaments, clinics and meetings as set out in this Agreement and in accordance with all terms and conditions contained herein.
- 2.2. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed, construed or interpreted to grant any easement, title, right or interest in the Facility to the Licensee or to create any partnership, agency or joint venture relationship between the parties.

## **3. PELHAM MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION PREMISES**

- 3.1. Subject to subsections 3.4 and 3.5, during the Term the Licensee shall have an exclusive licence to use one (1) office and two (2) storage rooms within the Facility and shall further have an exclusive licence to use designated areas of the Facility to hang banners and display trophies ("the Premises").
- 3.2. Subject to subsection 3.5, during the Term the Licensee shall further have an exclusive licence to use areas of the Facility known as the Accipter Arena and/or the Duliban Arena, together with appurtenant dressing rooms, and/or one (1) or more meeting rooms at the Facility, while rented by the Licensee pursuant to section 4 of this Agreement but shall otherwise have no licence in relation to those areas.
- 3.3. During the Term the Licensee shall have a non-exclusive licence to use other areas of the Facility for the purposes described subsection 2.1, subject to the Town's approval of any events or activities not otherwise provided for herein.
- 3.4. Notwithstanding subsection 3.1, the Town shall have the right to enter the Premises for any purpose whatsoever upon providing twenty-four (24) hours' notice to the Licensee. The Licensee shall not be entitled to any compensation for any inconvenience, nuisance or discomfort occasioned thereby.
- 3.5. Notwithstanding subsections 3.1 and 3.2, in the event of an emergency the Town shall have the right to enter all areas of the Facility without notice and the Licensee shall not be entitled to any compensation for any inconvenience, nuisance or discomfort occasioned thereby.
- 3.6. The Licensee shall be responsible for the installation, maintenance and repair of improvements within the Premises but shall not undertake any such work without first obtaining the prior written consent of the Town.
- 3.7. The Licensee shall be responsible for routine cleaning and maintenance of the Premises and shall keep the Premises in a condition satisfactory to the Town. The Town shall conduct periodic inspections of the Premises upon providing notice to the Licensee as required by subsection 3.4.

- 3.8. In the event that the Licensee fails to maintain the Premises in a condition satisfactory to the Town, the Town may arrange for cleaning of the Premises at the expense of the Licensee.

#### **4. ARENA AND MEETING ROOM PREMISES**

- 4.1. The parties acknowledge and agree that in each year of the Term, the Licensee shall be entitled to rent the Accipiter Arena, the Duliban Arena and one (1) or more meeting rooms as set out in subsections 4.2 to 4.14.
- 4.2. From the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day of September to the thirty-first (31<sup>st</sup>) day of March, the Licensee shall be entitled to rent up to sixty-seven and a half (67.5) ice hours per week, including but not limited to prime time ice hours, with prime time being from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Monday to Friday and 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The preferred hours of the Licensee are from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Monday to Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday and from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Sunday. The Town shall make efforts to accommodate this preference but the Licensee acknowledges and agrees that the Town shall be under no obligation to do so.
- 4.3. From the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day of April to the fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) day of May, the Licensee shall be entitled to rent up to fifty-five (55) prime time ice hours per week for hockey tryouts.
- 4.4. On or before the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of rental in each year of the Term, the Licensee and the Town shall agree in writing to a schedule of the rental hours to which the Licensee is entitled under subsections 4.2 to 4.3.
- 4.5. In addition to the foregoing, the Licensee shall be entitled to rent the entirety of the Accipiter Arena, the Duliban Arena and the Kinsmen Room for the purposes of hosting the Annual Silverstick Hockey Tournament, which shall take place in or around November on dates to be set by the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) day of June in the year in which the tournament is held.
- 4.6. The Licensee shall further be entitled to rent the entirety of the Accipiter Arena, the Duliban Arena and the Kinsmen Room for the purposes of hosting the Annual International Silverstick Hockey Tournament, which shall take place in January on dates to be set by the thirty-first (31<sup>st</sup>) day of July in the preceding year.
- 4.7. From the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Friday in February to the end of the hockey playoff season, the Licensee shall be entitled to rent one (1) arena at the Facility from Friday to Sunday each week for the purposes of the Ontario Minor Hockey Association Representative Playdown games.
- 4.8. Notwithstanding subsections 4.5 to 4.7, the Town shall have the right to rent to other users any areas of the Accipiter Arena, the Duliban Arena and/or the Kinsmen Room not rented by the Licensee on the specified dates.

- 4.9. The Licensee shall rent additional ice time as needed and as available for games, tournaments or clinics operated by the Licensee. In the event that ice time becomes available due to cancellations by other users, the Town shall offer the ice time rental to the Licensee. Should the Licensee fail to respond within two (2) hours, the Town may offer the ice time rental to other users.
- 4.10. For all hockey games of the Licensee held at the Facility, where the Licensee reasonably anticipates that four hundred (400) or more patrons will be in attendance, the Licensee shall hire one (1) or more licensed security guards for every four hundred (400) patrons attending the game and shall hire additional security guards as directed by the Town where the Town, acting reasonably, determines that this is required for the safety of patrons at the game.
- 4.11. The Licensee shall be entitled to rent one (1) meeting room for one (1) day per month for the purposes of holding its monthly Executive Meeting.
- 4.12. The Licensee shall be entitled to rent one (1) meeting room for one (1) day each year for the purposes of holding its Annual General Meeting.
- 4.13. The Licensee shall provide the Town with the dates and times of the meetings set out in subsections 4.11 and 4.12 as soon as they are set by the Licensee.
- 4.14. The Licensee shall sign a standard facility rental agreement with the Town for each rental described herein.

## **5. FEES PAYABLE BY LICENSEE**

- 5.1. The Licensee shall pay an annual licence fee in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100) for the licences granted under section 3 of this Agreement.
- 5.2. All annual licence fees are payable in advance and in full on or before the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of September in each year of the Term.
- 5.3. In addition to annual licence fees, the Licensee shall pay rental fees for use of the Facility under section 4 of this Agreement, which shall be the standard youth rental rates set by the Town each year.
- 5.4. The Licensee shall pay ice rental fees within thirty (30) days after the ice time to which they relate and room rental fees within thirty (30) days after the event to which they relate, failing which the licence granted to the Licensee under subsection 3.2 shall be suspended and the Licensee shall forfeit all scheduled ice time and room rentals until all outstanding rental fees are paid in full.

## **6. INSURANCE AND INDEMNITY**

- 6.1. During the Term, the Licensee shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect one or more policies of commercial general liability insurance with aggregate limits of not less than five million dollars (\$5,000,000) per occurrence. The policy or policies shall include coverage for bodily injury, death and property damage and shall contain cross-liability and severability of interest clauses.

- 6.2. The Licensee's policy or policies of commercial general liability insurance shall name the Town as an additional insured with respect to this Agreement and shall contain an undertaking by the insurer(s) to give thirty (30) days written notice to the Town of any material change to the coverages and/or the expiry or cancellation of the said policy or policies.
- 6.3. The Licensee shall provide the Town with proof of insurance on or before the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of September in each year of the Term.
- 6.4. Any failure by the Licensee to obtain or provide proof of insurance as required by this Agreement constitutes a default by the Licensee that entitles the Town to terminate this Agreement immediately and without further notice or liability.
- 6.5. The Licensee and the Town shall each indemnify and save harmless the other and its officers, employees, volunteers and agents from and against all losses, claims, actions, demands and liabilities for personal injury or property damage arising as a direct or indirect result of this Agreement, where such claims are caused wholly or in part by the negligence of the Licensee or the Town, as the case may be, or by anyone for whom it is in law responsible.
- 6.6. Notwithstanding subsection 6.5, the Licensee shall use the Facility at its sole risk and the Town shall not be liable for any loss or damage sustained by the Licensee or persons using the Facility pursuant to the licences granted herein, except to the extent that such loss or damage is caused by the negligence of the Town or anyone for whom it is in law responsible.
- 6.7. The Licensee shall give immediate written notice to the Town of any incident, injury or harm to any person using the Facility pursuant to the licences granted herein and shall further give immediate written notice to the Town of any loss, damage or defect at any part of the Facility that comes to the attention of the Licensee.

## **7. DEFAULT AND TERMINATION**

- 7.1. This Agreement is conditional on the Licensee obtaining all necessary permits and approvals to construct any improvements at the Premises and to operate at the Facility. A failure by the Licensee to obtain any necessary permits or approvals constitutes a default by the Licensee that entitles the Town to terminate this Agreement immediately and without further notice or liability.
- 7.2. Failure to comply with any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be just cause for its termination. If either of the Licensee or the Town defaults in the performance of any of its obligations under this Agreement, the non-defaulting party shall give written notice of the default and shall provide thirty (30) days to remedy it, failing which the non-defaulting party may terminate this Agreement by written notice.
- 7.3. The Town and the Licensee shall have the option to terminate this Agreement at any time upon giving ninety (90) days' written notice to the other party.

- 7.4. This Agreement may be amended or terminated at any time during the Term by mutual agreement of the parties. Any such agreement shall be made in writing, signed by the parties and appended to this Agreement.
- 7.5. Upon termination of this Agreement by expiry or otherwise, the Licensee shall promptly remove any fixtures, equipment, goods or chattels it has installed or placed at the Premises or the Facility and shall repair any damage resulting from such removal to the satisfaction of the Town. The Licensee shall further peaceably surrender to the Town vacant possession of the Premises.

## **8. DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

- 8.1. In the event that a dispute arises as to the interpretation, application or execution of this Agreement, including but not limited to a party's rights or responsibilities or an allegation of default, the party that disputes the other party's position or conduct shall immediately provide written notice of the dispute to the other party.
- 8.2. Where a notice of dispute is received in accordance with subsection 8.1, the parties shall attempt to resolve the dispute through negotiation for a period of thirty (30) days from the date on which the notice is delivered. The parties may extend the negotiation period if they agree that a reasonable extension is likely to resolve the dispute.
- 8.3. If a dispute cannot be resolved by the parties through negotiation, it shall be arbitrated in accordance with the *Arbitration Act, 1991, S.O. 1991, c. 17*. The decision of the arbitrator shall be final and binding on the parties.
- 8.4. The Licensee and the Town shall each bear their own costs associated with the determination of disputes arising under this Agreement, including but not limited to legal and arbitration costs.

## **9. GENERAL**

- 9.1. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties relating to matters set out herein. There are no representations, promises, covenants or other terms relating to the subject matter of this Agreement and this Agreement supersedes any prior discussions, understandings or agreements between the parties in relation to its subject matter.
- 9.2. The rights and obligations specified in any provision of this Agreement which by their nature would reasonably be interpreted as intended by the parties to survive the termination of this Agreement shall survive such termination.
- 9.3. The invalidity or unenforceability of any particular term of this Agreement shall not limit the validity or enforceability of the remaining terms, each of which is distinct and severable from all other terms of this Agreement.

- 9.4. Waiver by a party of any provision of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver in any other instance and any such waiver must be made in writing. Any delay or failure on the part of either party to enforce any right, power or remedy conferred by this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver and shall not operate as a bar to that party exercising or enforcing such right, power or remedy at any subsequent time.
- 9.5. This Agreement shall be binding upon and enure to the benefit of the parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns.
- 9.6. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of the Province of Ontario and laws of Canada applicable therein.
- 9.7. All communications required under or contemplated by this Agreement shall be considered to have been sufficiently given if delivered by hand, sent by registered mail or sent by email to the party to which such notice is directed as set forth below:

If to the Licensee: Pelham Minor Hockey Association  
100 Meridian Way  
Fonthill ON L0S 1E6  
Attention: Paul De Divitiis, President  
[president@pelhamminorhockey.com](mailto:president@pelhamminorhockey.com)

If to the Town: The Corporation of the Town of Pelham  
P.O. Box 400  
20 Pelham Town Square  
Fonthill ON L0S 1E0  
Attention: Jennifer Stirton, Town Solicitor  
[jstirton@pelham.ca](mailto:jstirton@pelham.ca)

or such other address of which either party has notified the other, in writing, and any such notice mailed or delivered shall be deemed sufficient under the terms of this Agreement.

- 9.8. Notices delivered or sent by registered mail are deemed to be effective on the date of receipt. Notices sent by email are deemed to be effective on the day the email is sent or, if sent after 4:00 p.m., on the following day.
- 9.9. This Agreement may be signed in counterpart, each of which is an original and all of which together constitute a single document. Counterparts may be executed in original or electronic form and may be exchanged by way of mail or PDF file delivered by email or facsimile transmission.

**[signature page follows]**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the parties have executed this Agreement by their authorized representatives and agree to be bound thereby as of the first day of the Term.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PELHAM**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

I/We have authority to bind the Corporation.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PELHAM MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

Title:

I/We have authority to bind the Corporation.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_