



MEDIA RELEASE

Hallville, Ontario – On Tuesday, October 15th the Township of North Dundas held a groundbreaking ceremony for the Hallville Community Park. Mayor Tony Fraser was joined by Councillor Matthew Uhrig, Councillor Gary Annable, Councillor John Lennox, representing the Honourable MPP Nolan Quinn Minister of Colleges and Universities, Michael Lazaris and Parliamentary Assistant to Ontario’s Minister of Infrastructure, Amarjot Sandhu to celebrate this huge step forward in such an important project for North Dundas.



Pictured above (left to right): Councillor Matthew Uhrig; Councillor John Lennox; Director of Recreation & Culture, Meaghan Meerburg; representing the Honourable MPP Nolan Quinn Minister of Colleges and Universities, Michael Lazaris; Parliamentary Assistant to Ontario’s Minister of Infrastructure, Amarjot Sandhu; Mayor Tony Fraser; local resident, Mary Cook; local resident, Heather Erwin; from Cornwall Gravel, Jamie Leger; from Cornwall Gravel, Brian Villeneuve; from Novatech Engineering, Scott Covell; local resident, Gary Rife; and Councillor Gary Annable.

In January of 2021, the Township was approved for funding under the “Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) – Community, Culture and Recreation Infrastructure funding stream.” The program funds go towards helping communities reduce pollution and increase resilience to climate change, building dynamic and inclusive communities, and ensuring access to modern and reliable services that improve quality of life.

Through ICIP, the Government of Canada is contributing \$1,091,477, the Government of Ontario is contributing \$909,473 and the Township of North Dundas will contribute \$727, 742 for a total project funding of \$2,728,692.

During the Regular Meeting of Council on September 5, 2024, Council awarded Tender No. RC-2024-04 for construction of the Hallville Community Park to Cornwall Gravel Company Ltd. The



tender is for Phases 1 and 2, which includes parking lots and pathways, an outdoor rink, playgrounds, pavilion, parking lot lights and underground electrical conduits for future pathway lighting. The project is tentatively scheduled to be complete on September 30, 2025.

“We are proud to partner with North Dundas and the government of Ontario to build the Hallville Community Park. Once complete, it will give the community a place to come together, play, and have fun for decades to come” said the Honourable Sean Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada.

“Our government is proud to support investments in local community and recreational infrastructure, fostering stronger and more engaging communities across Ontario,” said Amarjot Sandhu, Parliamentary Assistant to Ontario’s Minister of Infrastructure. “Once complete, the Hallville Community Park will bring residents of North Dundas and surrounding communities closer together through fun and accessible outdoor activities. It will also provide residents with more opportunities to lead inclusive, healthy and active lifestyles for years to come.”



Pictured Above (left to right): Mayor Tony Fraser; Parliamentary Assistant to Ontario's Minister of Infrastructure, Amarjot Sandhu; and representing the Honourable MPP Nolan Quinn Minister of Colleges and Universities, Michael Lazaris.

"This project exemplifies our government's commitment to enhancing community spaces and improving the quality of life for residents in North Dundas," said MPP Nolan Quinn. "By upgrading recreational areas, we are not only enhancing residents' quality of life but also fostering a sense of belonging and inclusion for all. I look forward to seeing the community enjoy Hallville Community Park and the positive impacts it will bring."

“We are incredibly thankful to the Provincial and Federal governments for their financial support in this project, without them North Dundas would not be able to move forward with this park, which once complete, will serve many members of our community. I thank PA Sandhu for attending this momentous occasion, along with MPP Quinn, and thank

staff for their hard work throughout this process. Today, we celebrate the groundbreaking of what will be a beautiful community park here in Hallville,” said Mayor Tony Fraser.