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Plans for a Brand New Recreation Facility Are Underway

Hay River, Northwest Territories, Canada – June 1st, 2016 - After an extensive evaluation of the proposals that were submitted to the Town pertaining to the Don Stewart Recreation Centre (DSRC), a decision of Council has been reached to enter into negotiations with Clark Builders for a new facility on the existing location. This decision was carefully discussed and measured based on numerous criteria including best value for the town.

The decision of council means that The Town of Hay River will have a newly constructed rec center along with the legacy of a new structure. Going with the newly constructed recreation center will eliminate possible unforeseen challenges with a renovation, and ensures that our Town will be getting the best value for the money spent.

In order for construction to begin, the existing facility including the arena, curling club, hockey slab, community hall, and meeting rooms will all be closed as of July 2, 2016 and will remain closed until October, 2017. The aquatics facility will remain open to the public throughout the entire building and construction process. The Town understands the closure of these facilities will have a major impact on our community and we appreciate your patience and cooperation as we work through this process.

We will be in contact with the user groups that may have any equipment being stored in the center, so they have an opportunity to have it removed prior to close. The Town is excited to see the future plans for the new recreation centre unfold.

The Town of Hay River is inviting the community to an Open House on Wednesday, June 8th, 2016 from 6:30-8:30pm in the Community Hall at the DSRC. Clark Builders, along with the Mayor and Town Council, will be present to discuss the new building and the advantages that it will bring to the community for the next 50 years.

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