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**Sent:** Friday, May 23, 2025 3:06 PM **To:** clerks <clerks@oshawa.ca>

Subject: Fw: Bocce

To Whom It May Concern:

I am contacting you today as a committee member of the Oshawa Italian Recreation Club and coordinator for the newly revived Oshawa Italian Bocce Club.

The Oshawa Italian Bocce Club is excited to offer Bocce, once again, to all community members. This traditional activity provides an opportunity for members, mostly seniors of diverse communities (not only our Italian community) to enjoy social time while playing our traditional sport and reunite with the community.

We appreciate the park has been dormant for 6 years and would like to have it utilized again for all to enjoy. Bocce has not been played at the park since 2019 and we felt it is time to offer Bocce again. As a newly created Club, we are starting from scratch. We do have interest, however, the fees required to provide a safe, welcoming and enjoyable experience are greater than expected.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank Stacey Gray-McQuat, Director, Recreation Services for the City of Oshawa. Her guidance has been instrumental in the revival of our Bocce Club. As directed by Stacey, we have submitted the required Community Use permit and Certificate of Insurance (\$5 Million liability insurance) for approval. Our season is expected to start on Friday, May 30 and end on Sunday, September 14, 2025 (tentative end date). At this time, we have proposed to play three nights per week. Stacey has provided the details regarding costs involved and Lee Allin will advise the total fees for the season.

As mentioned, we are starting from scratch and are requesting financial assistance to do so. We humbly request council to waive the fees associated with the Oshawa Italian Bocce Club.

We appreciate your time and consideration.

Lina Goldsmith

The Oshawa Italian Bocce Club