



**TOWN OF PALMER LAKE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES - MEMO SUMMARY**

<b>DATE:</b> 10/27/2022	<b>ITEM NO.</b>	<b>SUBJECT:</b>
<b>Presented by:</b> Julia Stambaugh, Deputy Town Clerk		2 <sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL PALMER LAKE OUTDOOR HOCKEY CLASSIC

**Recommended Action**

To approve the event to take place at the Palmer Lake Recreational Area as presented and endorsed by staff.

**Background**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Palmer Lake Outdoor Hockey Classic is seeking the Board's approval to allow this event to take place on the lake at the Palmer Lake Recreational Area. The event is tentatively scheduled for January 6 & 7, 2023, from 6pm to 9:30pm. The hockey event is being hosted by District 38 – Lewis Palmer Hockey team CHSAA (Colorado High School Activities Association) to include the Tri-Lakes area; District 38, Pine Creek, Chaparral and Cheyenne Mountain High School hockey programs. This event will be a community outreach featuring the CHSAA4-School Foundation Game and possibly public skating time. Due to the popularity of last year's event, the event will now take place over two days to include a Youth Mini Tournament on the second day.

The day of the event the hardness of the ice will be checked. There should be at least 3 days of below zero degrees to ensure they can play safely on the ice. Two hockey rinks will be set up at the south end of the lake. The Fire Dept will spray water on the lake's ice the day before the event. This will help smooth its surface for skating. If it snows, the event volunteers will do snow removal. The event is being held in the evening to ensure the ice will have time to harden. Small floodlights, powered by generators, will be set up to light up the rink for play. Only student players will be on the ice at the time of the game. They anticipate about 40-50 players. In order to preserve the ice until the games, Public Works approved the event's request to place caution tape temporarily around the south end of the lake with a sign stating, "No Ice Fishing".

The event anticipates approximately 800 spectators, parents and students, who will watch from the shoreline on portable bleachers. There will be district volunteers and teachers trained in EMS monitoring the area. The Police Department will meet with District 38 before the event to coordinate a safety plan. PD will also have four officers patrolling the area. The Fire Department will be on call. The Fire Chief has given approval to use enclosed fire barrels (55 gal drums) to be set up around the area, in accordance with the fire pit ordinance.

The Public Works Supervisor has approved the parking plan. The event does not anticipate parking issues and will direct vehicles to park in the south end parking lot and will guide the crowds up to the pedestrian bridge where an entrance to the game will be set up to purchase tickets. Due the larger crowd, there will be additional portable restrooms staged around the area.

Food truck vendors have also been invited. They will donate a portion of their proceeds from the night to the LP Hockey Team fundraiser. Food Trucks will be inspected prior to the event.

\*\* They would also request the application fee of \$100 be waived.