

A Regional Success Story

Mariners Centre Expansion

Town of Yarmouth, Municipality of
Yarmouth, and Municipality of Argyle



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Argyle
Municipality



**MARINERS
CENTRE**

Play · Connect · Entertain




History of the Current Mariners Centre

- Opened in late 2000
- Originally owned by 2 municipalities
 - Town of Yarmouth and Municipality of Yarmouth
 - In 2023, Municipality of Argyle signed as owners.
- There have been 3 subsequent expansions in \$1-2M range
 - Anthony Pavillion, seating, and storage



Pillars of Success for our Expansion

- Regional Priority Planning and Alignment
 - Community Engagement
 - Recruited a Project Champion
 - Investment in Political and Construction Experts
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Regional Priority Planning and Alignment

- Municipalities of Yarmouth and Argyle, and the Town of Yarmouth established top priorities for the region.
- Priorities should consider federal and provincial funding avenues.
- Regional Projects take longer, plan accordingly.
- Set municipal portion of funding, and how that commitment is shared. (%)
- Easier to succeed when local commitment is locked in.



Community Engagement

- Regional Projects represent broader resident base.
- Community Engagement is a critical factor in supporting the importance of the project.
- Strong Community Engagement strengthens Federal/Provincial funding applications.
- Community can aid in selecting details of project.




Recruiting a Project Champion

- Municipalities must determine available resources for a project.
- No project is successful without a champion.
- Examples of skillsets include engineering, finance, strategic thinking.
- Work includes hiring consultants, initial cost estimates, research, etc...



Investment of Political and Construction Experts

- Take the risk, hire the experts!
- Experts required for:
 - Political support/advocacy
 - Class D costing of project
 - Funding application
- Benefit of regional collaboration is sharing the burden of costs.



What does the Expansion Entail?

- Aquatic Facility
 - 6 lane, 25 metre pool
 - Recreation/Leisure Pool
 - Therapy Pool
- Wellness Centre
 - Fitness Centre (weights and cardio)
 - Fitness Studio (for classes)
- Walking Track

MARINERS CENTRE





GARDINERS CENTRE





MCE PRESENTATION

3D IMAGE - GYM

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First Nation Collaboration

- Applications are strengthened when municipalities demonstrate early collaboration with First Nation Communities.
- Collaboration means support for the project, which may or may not be financial.
- Engage with First Nation communities to ensure their culture/history is woven into the project.

Questions?



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Pool Renders - Option 2
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