#### MARION TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 10, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Scott Lloyd, Greg Durbin, Bob Hanvey, Tammy Beal, Les Andersen,

Dan Lowe, and Sandy Donovan

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** 

None

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Bob Hanvey called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The meeting is also available to attend online.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

The board members introduced themselves.

#### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

No response.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Items #11—Catholic Charities and #12—Howell Township Complaint Policy were added to the agenda. Tammy Beal motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Les Andersen seconded. **Motion carried**.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Les Andersen motioned to approve the consent agenda. Scott Lloyd seconded. Motion carried.

#### **BALDWIN SHOW CAUSE HEARING**

The property owner was not present for this show cause hearing. Les Andersen motioned to send this to the attorney for action. Greg Durbin seconded. **Motion carried**.

#### SET DATE FOR RURIK/IRENE/OLYMPIA/ADRIA DRIVE SNOW REMOVAL SAD

Tammy Beal motioned to adopt a resolution to schedule a public hearing for the Rurik/Irene/ Olympia/ Adria Drive Snow Removal SAD on Thursday, October 24, 2024 at 7:30 pm. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Andersen, Donovan, Beal, Durbin, Lloyd, Hanvey, Lowe—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0**.

#### MARION TOWNSHIP ROADS

Les Andersen motioned to request the LCRC do a traffic speed study at Sexton & County Farm, not to exceed \$1,500. Dan Lowe seconded. Discussion: Dan Lowe suggested hidden driveway signs might help. Scott Lloyd said the solar speed limit devices that display your speed could be helpful. Roll call vote: Durbin, Donovan, Hanvey, Lloyd, Beal, Andersen, Lowe—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0**.

Scott Lloyd motioned to wait until April 1 for a decision on gravel roads. Les Andersen seconded. **Motion** carried.

Winterwood double chip seal was done this week. Sandy Donovan motioned to waive interest on the chip seal for the SAD until next winter. Tammy Beal seconded. **Motion carried**.

#### **CRYSTAL WOOD TREES**

Sandy Donovan reported that she met with Cathy Hulett and a neighbor at Mayhew's; they selected the seven trees and planting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 16.

Quotes for the 20 trees are included in the packet. Dan Lowe said there are two lots that are too wet for the trees. Sandy Donovan said she will contact Peterson to come take a look.

Les Andersen motioned to have Dan Lowe, Sandy Donovan and a representative from Peterson Tree Farm meet on the site to determine best location for the trees; the homeowner is responsible for fixing the drainage problem. Scott Lloyd seconded. Roll call vote: Beal, Andersen, Donovan, Durbin, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0**.

#### **BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

Tammy Beal motioned to adopt a resolution to approve the budget amendment for the Parks fund, as presented. Les Andersen seconded. Roll call vote: Hanvey, Lowe, Durbin, Beal, Lloyd, Donovan, Andersen—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0**.

Sandy Donovan motioned to adopt a resolution to amend the General Fund budget for the transfer of \$30,000 to the Recreation Fund, as presented. Roll call vote: Donovan, Beal, Andersen, Lowe, Hanvey, Lloyd, Durbin—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0**.

Les Andersen motioned to adopt a resolution to approve the budget amendment for the Sewer fund, for a balance of \$70,000, as presented. Roll call vote: Lowe, Durbin, Lloyd, Donovan, Andersen, Beal, Hanvey—all yes. **Resolution passed 7-0**.

#### CCS QUOTE FOR BOARDROOM CAMERAS

A proposal from CCS is included in the packet. Tammy Beal said she feel's we don't need this camera.

Andy Herald, 1881 Cedar Lake Road, said the main problem in the audio, not the video.

Tammy Beal motioned to decline the proposal from CCS for a boardroom camera. Greg Durbin seconded. **Motion carried**.

#### **BUCK POLE UPDATE**

Miss Dig has been contacted and the location for the buck pole has been staked.

#### TOWNSHIP MAINTENANCE UPDATE

Les Andersen motioned to accept the estimate from Signature Signs to install signage for the township office entrance and assembly hall entrance, with black lettering, with final approval given by the Building Committee, for \$3,136, as presented. Scott Lloyd seconded. Roll call vote: Andersen, Donovan, Beal, Durbin, Lloyd, Hanvey, Lowe—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0**.

#### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES**

Tammy Beal motioned to approve the request from Livingston County Catholic Charities to place storage trailers outside the lower level, with no parking on the walking path. Scott Lloyd seconded. **Motion** carried.

#### **HOWELL TOWNSHIP COMPLAINT POLICY**

Les Andersen suggested the board members review how Howell Township handles complaints. Les Andersen motioned to include monthly progress reports on complaints. Scott Lloyd seconded. **Motion carried 6-1** (Donovan—no.)

#### **CORRESPONDENCE & UPDATES**

An invitation to the Fowlerville EMS Substation ribbon cutting & open house on October 24, 2024 at 4:30 pm is included in the packet.

A confidential handout from the attorney on CREO's was passed out to the board members.

#### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Jim Witkowski, 3111 Pinckney Road, said time is of the essence on CREO's as the deadline is 11/29/24.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Les Andersen	motioned to	adjourn	2+ 8:30	nm Tamm	v Roal	habronas	Motion	carried
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Submitted by: S. Longstreet			
Tammy L. Beal, Township Clerk	Date	Robert W. Hanvey, Township Supervisor [	Date



Howell Area Parks & Recreation Authority
Regular Meeting
Oceola Community Center
Tuesday, October 15, 2024, 6:30 p.m.

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance (all stand)

Call to the Public (for any items not on the agenda)

#### Approval- Consent Agenda

- 1. Regular Board Meeting Minutes dated Tuesday, August 27, 2024
- 2. Check Register Report Ending August 31, 2024
- 3. Bank Statements Ending August 31, 2024
- 4. Financial Reports Ending August 31, 2024
- 5. Check Register Report Ending September 30, 2024
- 6. Bank Statements Ending September 30, 2024
- 7. Financial Reports Ending September 30, 2024

#### Approval- Regular Agenda

- 1. Review- DRAFT Recreation Master Plan
- 2. Discussion/Approval- Schedule Public Hearing of the Recreation Master Plan for November 19
- 3. Discussion- New Michigan Minimum Wage/ Sick Time Law
- 4. Events & programs Reports
  - a. Events & programs
    - i. Legend of Sleepy Howell/ Headless Horseman
  - b. Sponsorship & marketing updates
- 5. Preventive Maintenance Report
- 6. Directors Report
  - a. Millage Update
- 7. Board Member Reports
  - i. City of Howell Board Rep:
  - ii. Oceola Township Board Rep:
  - iii. Marion Township Board Rep:
  - iv. Genoa Township Board Rep:
  - v. Howell Township Board Rep:
- 8. Old Business
- 9. New Business
- 10. Next Meeting: Regular Meeting November 19 ,2024 Oceola Community Center @6:30pm
- 11. Adjournment



#### **Howell Area Parks & Recreation Authority**

Oceola Community Center

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

August 27, 2024

#### Call to Order

Chair Diana Lowe called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

#### **Attendance**

**Board Members:** Chair Diana Lowe, Vice Chair Terry Philibeck, Secretary Nikolas Hertrich, Treasurer Tammy Beal, Trustee Sue Daus

HAPRA Staff: Director Tim Church, Jen Savage, Kyle Tokan, and Nikki Wattles

**Public:** None Present

#### Call to the Public

None

#### **Approval of Consent Agenda**

Vice Chair Terry Philibeck made a motion to approve the consent agenda, supported by Treasurer Tammy Beal. **Motion carried 5 – 0.** 

#### **Approval of Regular Agenda**

Secretary Nikolas Hertrich made a motion to approve the regular agenda, supported by Vice Chair Terry Philibeck. **Motion carried 5 – 0.** 

#### Discussion/Approval – Resolution 24-4 HAPRA FOIA Policy

Director Church provided a brief overview of the proposed HAPRA FOIA Policy. HAPRA does not currently have a FOIA policy and had previously followed the City of Howell's. With a millage on the August and November Ballots it was determined that now would be a good time develop a policy for the Authority. Attorney Gormley drafted Resolution 24-4 based on Marion Township, Genoa Township, and the City of Howell's policies. A

HAPRA Regular Meeting August 27, 2024 motion to approve Resolution 24-4 HAPRA FOIA Policy was made by Vice Chair Terry Philibeck and supported by Treasurer Tammy Beal. Roll Call Vote: Treasurer: Tammy Beal – Yes, Trustee: Sue Daus, Vice Chair: Terry Philibeck – Yes, Chair: Diana Lowe – Yes, Secretary: Nikolas Hertrich – Yes. Motion carried 5 – 0.

#### Discussion - November Millage

Director Church shared with the Board an update on the upcoming millage. Approach to support the passing of the proposed millage will be similar to that implemented in August. Discussions will be blunt and transparent with facts while trying to remain positive, there will be a focus on impacts on the community if the millage does not pass. Although the August effort passed in four of the five communities the message will still be shared in all five participating townships/city. There is the potential that the failed August attempt has provided a better understanding of the consequences of the millage not passing in November.

#### **Staff Reports**

- a. Upcoming Events & Programs:
  - i. Fall soccer has started, first games were played on Saturday August 24<sup>th</sup> with just less than 700 players registered. Girls' basketball will begin at the end of September and beginning of October.
  - ii. Jen Savage provided a brief update on the Melon Fest. The numbers have not been finalized however staff is pleasantly surprised with attendance and participation given the less than ideal weather. The melon run had ~720 participants which is slightly less than last year and there was only one unhappy food vendor. It was noted that the festival tent was busy both Friday and Saturday nights. Final numbers are expected to be available for the September Board meeting.

#### b. Maintenance:

Kyle Tokan informed the Board that floor maintenance and parking lot crack sealing and striping has been completed. The company that was contracted for the sealing and striping was responsive and good to work with. Repairs to the drinking fountains have been made.

#### **Old Business**

Chair Diana Lowe informed the Board that quotes to repair the soccer field drainage issues at the Genoa Township Hall came it at \$59,000. Because of the high cost this issue has been tabled until after the November election.

Bill Bamber recently passed and the service was held at Chemung Hills last week.

Oceola Township Supervisor Sean Dunleavy's son is doing better following a recent accident.

#### **New Business**

None

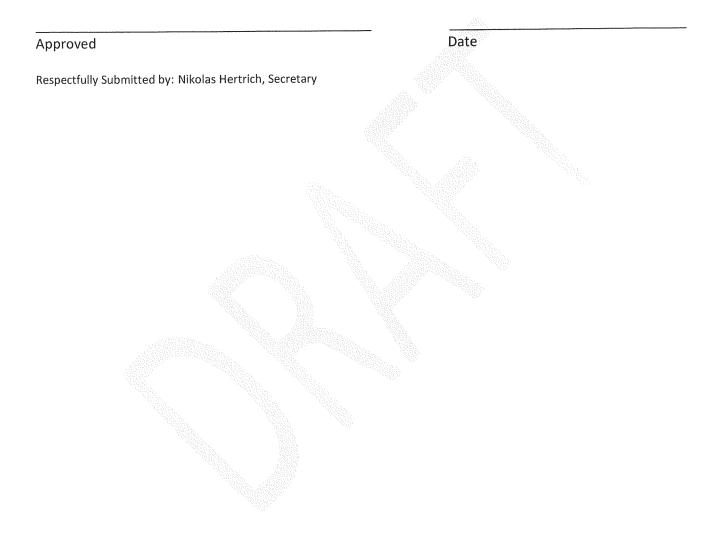
HAPRA Regular Meeting August 27, 2024

#### **Next Meeting**

Regularly Scheduled HAPRA Meeting - Tuesday, September 17, 2024, at 6:30 pm at Oceola Community Center.

#### Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Treasurer Tammy Beal and supported by Vice Chair Terry Philibeck at 6:55 pm. **Motion carried 5-0** 



#### **AGENDA**



## MHOG Sewer and Water Authority Regular Meeting October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 5:00 PM

- 1. Call to Order\*
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Approval of Minutes of September 18th, 2024 Meeting
- 4. Call to the Public\*
- 5. System Improvement, Operation, and Maintenance Report
  - Capital Improvement Transmission Mains
    - o Attachment 5a Bid Tabulation from Bids Received on October 8, 2024
    - Attachment 5b Funds available for Project Construction
      - Attachment 5bi Agreement for Subaward of Strategic Site Readiness
         Program Agreement #2 The Marion, Howell, Oceola, and Genoa Sewer and Water Authority

#### Request Approval of Subaward Grant Agreement

- Attachment 5c Tetra Tech Award Recommendation Letter (*To Be Distributed at Meeting*)
- Attachment 5d Notice of Award (To Be Distributed at Meeting)

#### Request Approval of Notice of Award

 Attachment 5e – Approval of Easement Agreement and Compensation for Easement with Michigan DNR to Construct and Maintain Water Line in the amount of \$43,904.

#### Request Approval of Grant Agreement and Remittance of \$43,904 in Funds to Michigan DNR

- New Development
  - Attachment 5f- New Development Summary for October 2024
- Hydrant Flushing
  - o Attachment 5g Hydrant Flushing Completion
- Marion 2 Painting
  - Attachment 5h Bid Tabulation for Interior Painting Marion 2
  - Attachment 5i Letter for Recommendation Prepared by Nelson Tank, Engineering, Consulting
  - o Attachment 5j Notice of Award to Fedawa, Inc.

#### Request Approval of Notice of Award to Fedawa, Inc. for \$67,599 for Painting of Marion 2

- o Equipment Handling Needs
  - o Attachment 5K Picture of Takeuchi Demonstration
  - Attachment 5L Bobcat with Required Options Without MHOG Qualifying for Sourcewell Contract
  - Attachment 5M Bobcat Quote with Sourcewell Pricing and Required Options

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#### **AGENDA**

#### MHOG Sewer and Water Authority Regular Meeting October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024 5:00 PM

 Attachment 5N- Final Bobcat Quote with Required Options and Dealer Provided Back-Up Camera

Request Approval of Bobcat Track Loader for \$87,712.24 from Bobcat of Lansing

#### 6. Deputy Director Report

- o Attachment 6a MHOG Water Treatment Plant Monthly Production
- Attachment 6b MHOG Fall / Winter Daily Production
- Attachment 6c MHOG Monthly Production by Pressure District
- o Attachment 6di Submitted CDSMI Summary Form to Michigan EGLE
- o Attachment 6dii Online Inventory Example Page
- Attachment 6e EGLE NPDES Compliance Evaluation Inspection
- o Attachment 6fi MHOG WTP 2024 Lead and Copper Report
- Attachment 6fii MHOG WTP 2024 Lead and Copper Certification Form and Example Letter
- Attachment 6g Monthly Miss Dig Log
- Attachment 6h August 2024 Non-Metered Water Loss
- 7. CPA Report \*
- 8. Treasurer's Report (Distributed at Meeting) \*
  - Checks for Disbursement
- 9. Correspondence \*
- 10. New Business \*
- 11. Old Business
  - o Appointment of Officers
- 12. Board Member Updates\*
- 13. Adjournment

\*= Nothing Included in Board Packet



#### Minutes of the Regular Meeting September 18, 2024

The M.H.O.G. Sewer and Water Authority met at 5 pm in the Oceola Township Hall. Members present were Hanvey, Lowe, Coddington, Counts, Dunleavy, Henshaw, Rogers and Hunt. Also present were Greg Tatara, Alex Chimpouras, and Shelby Byrne.

<u>Dunleavy moved to approve the revised agenda.</u> Second by Counts, motion passes.

Counts moved to approve the minutes from August 21, 2024 as presented. Second by Rogers, motion passes.

Rogers moved to approve the sub award of Strategic Site Readiness

Program Michigan Strategic Fund (MSF) Agreement #2 with the deletion of the site location. Second by Dunleavy, motion passes.

Dunleavy moved to approve an amount not to exceed \$85,000 for purchase of a track loader capable of operating a forestry mulcher to be paid out of the Capital Improvement Reserve Fund. Second by Coddington, motion passes.

Counts moved to approve MHOG Operating checks PR970 through 10046 totaling \$222,854.15. Second by Dunleavy, motion passes.

<u>Dunleavy moved to approve MHOG Connection Fees check 1036 for</u> \$12,357.50. Second by Coddington, motion passes.

Rogers moved to cease efforts to purchase property in Marion Township as discussed in the August 21, 2024 closed session. Second by Dunleavy, motion passes.

Rogers moved to adjourn. Second by Coddington, motion passes.

## HOWELL AREA FIRE AUTHORITY AGENDA

OCTOBER 16, 2024 - 6 PM

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Mike Coddington, Howell Twp., Chairman Sean Dunleavy, Oceola Twp., Vice Chairman Mark Fosdick, Cohoctah Twp., Secretary Robert Hanvey, Marion Twp., Treasurer Bob Ellis, City of Howell, Member Ron Hicks, Fire Chief Barbara Souchick, Admin Asst Kevin Gentry, Attorney

#### WELCOME!

Visitors are invited to attend all meetings of the Howell Area Fire Authority Board. If you wish to address the Board, you will be recognized by the Chairman.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 18, 2024

Call to the public (items not on agenda)

#### Chief's Comments:

- Fire Department Open House
- Engine 21 & Engine 24
- Station 22 Update
- Annual Fire Department Audit

Approve the payment of bills and payroll in the amount of \$247,929.10 for period ending October 4, 2024.

**New Business** 

Old Business

Adjourn

#### HOWELL AREA FIRE AUTHORITY

September 18, 2024 - 6:00 pm Oceola Township Hall – 1577 N. Latson Rd, Howell, MI 48843

<b>Board Members Present</b> : Chairman Mike Coddington, Vice Chairman Sean Dunleavy, Treasurer Bob Hanvey, Member Bob Ellis, Fire Chief Ron Hicks, Admin. Asst Barbara Souchick, Attorney Kevin Gentry
Absent: Secretary Mark Fosdick
Chairman Coddington called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
Approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 21, 2024: MOTION by Mr. Ellis, SUPPORT by Mr. Dunleavy to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 21, 2024. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
Call to Public: No Response
Chief Comments: Howell Fire Department Annual Open House will be held at all the stations this year on October 13, 2024, from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm. The main Station on W. Grand River, Station 22 in Oceola Township Station 23 in Marion Township and Station 24 in Cohoctah Township will be staffed with fire personnel and oper to the public.
<b>Approve Payment of Bills and Payroll:</b> MOTION by Mr. Hanvey SUPPORT by Mr. Dunleavy to approve payment of bills and payroll in the amount of \$202,203.96 for period ending September 7, 2024. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
<b>Adjourn:</b> MOTION by Mr. Ellis, SUPPORT by Mr. Dunleavy to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 pm. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
Respectfully Submitted:  Barbara Souchick, Admin. Assistant
Approved By:
Mark Fosdick, Secretary



### Howell Area Fire Department Fire Marshal Division

1211 W Grand River Ave, Howell, MI 48843 office: 517-546-0560 fax: 517-546-6011 firemarshal@howellfire.net

DATE:

October 9, 2024

TO:

Chief Ron Hicks

Fire Authority Board

FROM:

Jamil Czubenko, Deputy Chief/Fire Marshal

REF:

3rd Quarter 2024

The months of July, August and September 2024 were busy in the Fire Marshal Division (FMD).

The FMD participated in emergency responses and department training throughout the quarter.

The 64<sup>th</sup> Melon Festival was in full swing for the month of August and the FMD conducted all of the food and craft vendor inspections. There were no issues during inspections. The Sunday Farmers Market was also visited during the festival. Wrap up meetings are scheduled and planning for next year can begin.

The 2024 Fire Department Open House is scheduled for October 13, from 1pm to 4pm at all of our Fire Stations. This year's campaign, "Smoke alarms: Make them work for you!" strives to educate everyone about the importance of having working smoke alarms in the home.

Planning and meetings have continued for the 2024 Sleepy Howell/Headless Horseman 5k and the 2024 Fantasy of Lights Parade. The HAFD will be active throughout these events for many of the activities going on.

The FD continues to share our safety messages and keeping our customers informed. Our Facebook page has 5,735 current followers. Our Instagram currently has 989 followers where similar messages and images are shared to promote our department.

The FMD has been involved with buyers and sellers of property for vacant property and existing buildings throughout our jurisdiction. A few proposals for projects have been submitted for review and comment.

Our Smoke Detector Program has been busy, where we have evaluated and/or installed new equipment. There were also 27 child safety seat inspections completed by our technician.

4th Quarter 2024 brings us more planning for future projects and various fire prevention events.

#### MONTHLY UPDATE TO THE BOARD

TO: HOWELL AREA FIRE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: RON HICKS, FIRE CHIEF

SUBJECT: MONTHLY HAFD REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

**DATE:** OCTOBER 16, 2024

During the month of September, the HAFD responded to a total of 145 calls for service. There were 164 calls in September of 2023. The total year-to-date runs for 2024 are 1373. Last year's total at the end of September was 1516.

Some of the more significant events for the month included:

On September 15th, Howell Firefighters were dispatched for a reported structure fire in the 400 block of Argentine Rd. in Oceola Township. Upon arrival crews reported a fire in the garage near the freezer and the deck railing. The fire was extinguished, and the power was turned off to the freezer.

On September 17<sup>th</sup>, Howell Firefighters were dispatched AMA to Brighton Fire for a reported structure fire in the 6000 block of Biscayne BLVD. in Genoa Township. Upon arrival crews reported a fully involved vehicle fire with extension into the home. Crews assisted with fire ground operations.

On September 18th, Howell Firefighters were dispatched for a reported gas leak inside the home in the 300 block of N. National St. in the City of Howell. Upon investigation crews found an old, abandoned gas valve leaking and shut the valve off to stop the leak. The homeowner was advised he needed to get the gas line capped.

On September 19<sup>th</sup>, Howell Firefighters were dispatched at the request of Brighton Fire to a reported vehicle crash in the 2000 block of E. Grand River. in Genoa Township. Upon arrival crews provided care to the drivers of both vehicles until LCEMS arrived.

On September 23rd, A 38yr old female walked into station 24 in Cohoctah Township and advised the crews she was walking and was hit by a car. Crews treated the patient and requested LCEMS & Police.

Training for the month of September consisted of hose line & appliances review, SOG review, structure fire response and community risk reduction.

Next meeting of the Howell Area Fire Authority Board is scheduled for Wednesday October 16th, 2024, at 6:00 pm.

# Incidents by Response Zone-copy

Howell Area Fire Department Address: 1211 W Grand River Rd, Howell, MI, 48843

MARION TWP.	MARION TWP.	MARION TWP.	MARION TWP.	MARION TWP.	СОНОСТАН ТWP.	СОНОСТАН ТWP.	СОНОСТАН ТWP.	СОНОСТАН ТWP.	СОНОСТАН ТWP.	HOWELL TWP.	HOWELL TWP.	HOWELL TWP.	RESPONSE ZONE
2024-09-08 18:11:45	2024-09-08 12:54:24	2024-09-05 06:28:26	2024-09-04 17:17:30	2024-09-04 08:50:14	2024-09-23 14:12:13	2024-09-21 22:07:17	2024-09-10 18:04:01	2024-09-10 08:33:38	2024-09-03 11:20:48	2024-09-28 15:37:06	2024-09-26 19:51:34	2024-09-26 17:58:51	PSAP CALL DATE/TIME
HAFD-24-1267	HAFD-24-1264	HAFD-24-1246	HAFD-24-1245	HAFD-24-1241	HAFD-24-1347	HAFD-24-1341	HAFD-24-1280	HAFD-24-1274	HAFD-24-1238	HAFD-24-1369	HAFD-24-1362	HAFD-24-1361	INCIDENT NUMBER
2744 NORTON RD	3038 COUNTY FARM RD	177 PENOBSCOT DR	4577 LAKESHIRE DR	5616 VINES RD	7304 OAK GROVE RD	6209 RADDATZ DR	7995 SCHREPFER RD	7197 ONEILL DR	6599 OAK GROVE RD	2499 W GRAND RIVER	5400 FLEMING RD	5400 FLEMING RD	ADDRESS
600 - Good intent call, other	551 - Assist police or other governmental agency	744 - Detector activation, no fire - unintentional	311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	611 - Dispatched & canceled en route	321 - EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	551 - Assist police or other governmental agency	746 - Carbon monoxide detector activation, no CO	311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	324 - Motor vehicle accident with no injuries.	600 - Good intent call. other	611 - Dispatched & canceled en route	631 - Authorized controlled burning	ACTUAL INCIDENT TYPE FOUND
GASOUT-GAS LEAK OR OUTSIDE	SICK-SICK PERSON	- ALARMF-ALARM CALLS	CHSTPN-CHEST PAIN	TRAUMA-TRAUMATIC INJURY SPECIFIC	PIA-PERSONAL INJURY ACCIDENT	FALL-FALL	CO-CO ALARM/ OR INVESTIGATION	SEIZUR- CONVULSIONS/SEIZURES	ENVIR-ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP	OIOUT-ODOR INV OUTSIDE NO SMOKE/FIRE	OUTFIR-OUTDOOR FIRE	OUTFIR-OUTDOOR FIRE	DISPATCHED INCIDENT TYPE

# Incidents by Response Zone-copy



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2024-09-29 14:10:13	2024-09-26 15:32:45	2024-09-25 16:29:01	2024-09-22 18:06:57	2024-09-22	2024-09-21 21:11:29	2024-09-21 02:23:39	2024-09-18 12:23:47	2024-09-17 15:17:17	2024-09-15 16:37:15	2024-09-12 23:03:31	2024-09-11 15:46:34	2024-09-10 10:36:13	PSAP CALL DATE/TIME
HAFD-24-1371	HAFD-24-1359	HAFD-24-1355	HAFD-24-1345	HAFD-24-1344	HAFD-24-1340	HAFD-24-1332	HAFD-24-1320	HAFD-24-1312	HAFD-24-1302	HAFD-24-1294	HAFD-24-1285	HAFD-24-1276	INCIDENT NUMBER
1 E Schafer Rd	1005 TRIANGLE LAKE RD	1284 PINCKNEY RD	761 DEWARS ST	4210 W SCHAFER RD	3289 PINCKNEY RD	3876 BERRY MANOR DR	3788 CEDAR POINT RD	1811 PINCKNEY RD	1321 PINCKNEY RD	55 W COON LAKE RD	4749 NORTON RD	3669 BLACK EAGLE DR	ADDRESS
322 - Motor vehicle accident with injuries	311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	130 - Mobile property (vehicle) fire, other	311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	551 - Assist police or other governmental agency	622 - No incident found on arrival at dispatch address	440 - Electrical wiring/equipment problem, other	311 - Medical assist, assist EMS crew	551 - Assist police or other governmental agency	611 - Dispatched & canceled en route	551 - Assist police or other governmental agency	611 - Dispatched & canceled en route	6111	ACTUAL INCIDENT TYPE FOUND
PIA-PERSONAL INJURY ACCIDENT	FULARR- CARDIAC/RESPIRATORY ARREST	VEHF-VEHIOLE FIRE	CHSTPN-CHEST PAIN	FALL-FALL	I GASOUT-GAS LEAK OR OUTSIDE	ELHAZ-ELECTRICAL HAZARD	DIFBRE-BREATHING PROBLEM	SEIZUR- CONVULSIONS/SEIZURES	UNKMED-UNKNOWN MEDICAL PROBLEM	DIFBRE-BREATHING PROBLEM	UNKMED-UNKNOWN MEDICAL PROBLEM	TREEF-TREE DOWN FIRE	DISPATCHED INCIDENT TYPE

#### \*\*\* INVOICE \*\*\*

#### LIVINGSTON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION 3535 Grand Oaks Drive Howell, MI 48843-0000

Phone: 517-546-4250

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MARION TOWNSHIP ATTN:CLERK 2877 W. COON LAKE RD HOWELL, MI 48843

Invoice Number

7389 10/15/2024

Invoice Date

Work Order Number

5162BV

201 GENERAL FUND

E. DAVIS RD D19 TO FISK

LIMITED DRAINAGE AND BERM REMOVAL

489.12.5162BV EAST DAVIS

\$49,785.78

\$49,785.78

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Total Due



#### MARION TOWNSHIP

www.mariontownship.com

### RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ROLL FOR TRIANGLE LAKE AQUATIC WEED MANAGEMENT AND GOOSE CONTROL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the township board of the Township of Marion, Livingston County, Michigan, after due and legal notice, has conducted a public hearing on October 24, 2024 upon a proposed assessment roll prepared by the supervisor for the purpose of defraying the costs of providing aquatic weed management and goose control for Triangle Lake;

AND WHEREAS, such public hearing was preceded by proper notice in the Fowlerville News and Views, a newspaper of general circulation in the township, and by first-class mail notice to each property owner of record within said district and upon said assessment roll;

AND WHEREAS, comments were received from those present at such public hearing concerning said assessment roll and all present were given the opportunity to be heard and file written protests on the matter;

AND WHEREAS, no written objections were received to said roll and levy;

or

AND WHEREAS, a record of those present to protest, and of written protests submitted at or before the public hearing was made a part of the minutes of the hearing;

AND WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the township board that no further time should be granted for consideration of the matter;

AND WHEREAS, the township board has duly inspected the proposed assessment roll and considered all comments and proposed amendments thereto and has found the proposed assessment roll to be correct, just and reasonable.

#### NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The assessment roll submitted by the supervisor shall hereafter be designated as the Triangle Lake Aquatic Weed Management and Goose Control Special Assessment District and shall hereby be confirmed as the assessment roll for the Triangle Lake Aquatic Weed Management and Goose Control Special Assessment District. The assessment assigned to each parcel shall remain in force for the duration of the five years. If any parcels are sold, divided, or

combined, the assessment shall remain on the property as assigned in this roll.

- 2. The assessments in said Triangle Lake Aquatic Weed Management and Goose Control Special Assessment District shall be determined annually based on actual cost, not to exceed \$30,000.00 per year, without further notice and payable on December 1, 2025 and the following installments to be payable on the first day of the same month of each and every year thereafter for four additional years. All unpaid installments prior to their transfer to the tax roll as provided by Michigan Public Act 188 of 1954, as amended, shall bear interest payable annually at the rate of five percent (5%) per year from the time each invoice is paid until November 30 of each year.
- 3. If any installment of a special assessment is not paid when due, then the installment shall be considered to be delinquent and there shall be collected, in addition to the interest as provided by this section, a penalty at the rate of one percent (1%) for each month, or fraction of a month, that the installment remains unpaid before being reported to the township board for reassessment upon the township tax roll, also in accordance with said PA 188.
- 4. The assessments made in said special assessment roll are hereby ordered and directed to be collected by the township treasurer, and the township clerk shall deliver said special assessment roll to said treasurer with her warrant attached, commanding the treasurer to collect such assessments in accordance with the direction of the township board and said PA 188.
- 5. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Upon roll call vote on the adoption of the resolution

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The following voted "Aye":
The following voted "Nay":
The following abstained:
The supervisor declared the resolution duly adopted on October 24, 2024.

Tammy Beal \_ Township Clerk



#### **MARION TOWNSHIP**

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## RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PERMIT FOR TRIANGLE LAKE GEESE MANAGEMENT FUNDED BY THE EXISTING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

At a meeting of the Township Board (the "Township Board") of the Township of Marion (the "Township") held at the Township Hall on October 24, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. local time, there were:

PRESENT:	
ABSENT:	
The following preamble and resolution were offered byand seconded by	
WHEREAS, the township board of the Township of Marion, Livingston Michigan, pursuant to a request by the Triangle Lake Property Owners Association Board of Directors, has reviewed the requirements for a S Michigan Geese Round Up permit;	S
AND WHEREAS, the Township Board is aware of the possibility that the geese rounded up may be killed and/or processed for use as charitable donations;	
AND WHEREAS, residents have tried alternate methods of control;	
AND WHEREAS, a geese roundup permit requires participation in nest destruction;	t

NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Marion Township Board approves the application for a Canadian Geese Round Up permit for Triangle Lake.

- 2. The Marion Township Board approves the application for a Canadian Geese nest destruction permit for Triangle Lake.
- 3. The permit fee will be funded by Marion Township and reimbursed to the township by the Special Assessment District already created.
- 4. This resolution shall be in effect for the same time period as the Special Assessment District that ends with the expenses for 2029.

Upon roll call vote on the adoption of the resolution,

The following voted "Aye":

The following voted "Nay":

The following abstained:

THE SUPERVISOR DECLARED THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED. STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting clerk for the Township of Marion, Livingston County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Board of Trustees at a meeting held on the 24th day of October, 2024 and further certify that the above Resolution was adopted at said meeting.

Tammy L. Beal, Marion Township Clerk

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4710-27-101-007	1.00	306.12	0.181	0.475702% BANDY RYAN MATTHEW	1717 TRIANGLE LAKE RD	HOWELL	≦	48843	1717 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-301-002	1.00	306.12	1.311	ГНА	2797 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843-8959	2797 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-301-012	1.00	306.12	0.346	0.909354% BENEDETTI MARK J & BARBARA R	2859 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	M	48843-8959	2859 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-011	1.00	306.12	0.449	1.180057% BIELANIEC ANGELA & GARRETT	26726 SYRACUSE	WARREN	≦	48091	2509 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-401-015	1.00	306.12	0.171	0.449420% BIELANIEC CAROLYN	3090 MASON RD	HOWELL	≦	48843	1473 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-301-033	1.00	306.12	0.495	1.300954% BLACKNEY BRIAN M & DEBERA A	2979 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	<u></u>	48843-8959	2979 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-014	1.00	306.12	0.380	0.998712% BOCKHAUSEN DIANE	2533 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2533 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-401-009	1.00	306.12	0.072	0.189230% BREMER ROBERT	9259 BECKER	ALLEN PARK	≦	48101	1555 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-401-034	1.00	306.12	0.115	0.302242% CAIN ALAN D & JILL M	1550 TRIANGLE LAKE RD	HOWELL	≦	48843	1550 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-101-027	1.00	306.12	0.427	1.122237% CAUDY CHRISTOPHER & DAWN	2629 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2629 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-012	1.00	306.12	0.352	0.925123% CAVADAS MELANIE	2517 RUBBINS RD	HOWELL	≦	48843	2517 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-401-010	1.00	306.12	0.076	0.199742% CETLINSKI JEFFERY A & KATHLEEN	440 SADDLE LN	GROSSE POINTE WMI	≦	48236	1539 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-401-018	1.00	306.12	0.142	0.373203% CHAKLOSH YOLANDE K	1455 TRIANGLE LAKE RD	HOWELL	≧	48843	1455 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-401-032	1.00	306.12	0.115	0.302242% CHOUINARD MARY	1520 TRIANGLE LAKE RD	HOWELL	≧	48843-8958	1520 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-301-011	1.00	306.12	0.364	0.956661% DAY DAVID W REV TRUST	2961 RUBBINS RD	HOWELL	≦	48843	2853 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-022	1.00	306.12	0.368	0.967174% DECKER JOSEPH E & CATHY J	2589 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843-8959	2589 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-023	1.00	306.12	0.377	0.990828% DEMARTINIS ANTHONY F & CATHLEEN A	2597 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2597 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-301-017	1.00	306.12	0.421	1.106468% DICKS FAMILY LLC	2066 SHIRE CT	COMMERCE TWP	3	48382	2889 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-301-022	1.00	306.12	0.388	1.019738% DOLNEY MARILYN D	2915 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≤	48843	2915 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-030	1.00	306.12	0.406	1.067045% DUCHARME KIM D	2653 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2653 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-009	1.00	306.12	0.246	0.646535% EICHEN ROGER	1733 TRIANGLE LAKE RD	HOWELL	≧	48843	1733 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-101-005	1.00	306.12	0.064	0.168204% ENGELHUBER LAURA A & TIMOTHY L	674 ADELAIDE	SALINE	≧	48176	1697 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-101-006	1.00	306,12	0.081	0.212883% ENGELHUBER VIOLET LIVING TRUST	10418 HOMESTEAD LN	PLYMOUTH	≝	48170	1709 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-401-026	0.50	153.06	0.110	0.289101% GEHRINGER LEWIS F & CAROL	3810 CHERYL DR	COMMERCE TOWN MI	≝	48382	1456 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-401-027	0.50	153.06	0.115	0.302242% GEHRINGER LEWIS F & CAROL	3810 CHERYL DR	COMMERCE TOWN MI	≦	48382	0 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-301-029	1.00	306.12	0.375	0.985571% GERDEL LINDA K REVOCABLE TRUST	2955 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843-8959	2955 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-301-005	1.00	306.12	0.254	0.667560% GORDON MICHAEL & BOHLEN LISA	2817 RUBBINS RD	HOWELL	≝	48843	2817 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-401-001	1.00	306.12	0.164	0.431023% GRIFKA JEFFRY A & CHRISTINE A	2474 SUNDANCE RIDGE	HOWELL	≦	48843	0 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-301-027	1.00	306.12	0.350	0.919866% GRIMA EDWARD R & RITA M	2943 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2943 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-301-004	1.00	306.12	0.252	0.662304% GRIMA JOSEPH F & KAREN M	17687 GOLFVIEW DR.	LIVONIA	≦	48152	2811 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-301-006	1.00	306.12	0.279	0.733265% GRIMA MICHAEL T & SANDRA R	47624 GLENGARRY	CANTON	≦	48188	2823 RUBBINS DR

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CHARLENE K 1446 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
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1.721464% JEWELL DOUGLAS & BROOKE 4910 YAX POINTE
2905 RUBBINS DR
HODGE MICHAEL P & ROBIN MARIE 2501 RUBBINS DR
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4710-27-301-003	1.00	306.12	0.287	0.754291% PILAT	0.754291% PILAT JOHN R & LINDA	2805 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2805 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-031	1.00	306.12	0.808	2.123577% PRES	2.123577% PRESTON WAYNE & KIM TRUST	1310 TRACILEE DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2661 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-001	1.00	306.12	0.042	0.110384% PYBUS CAROLYN E	IS CAROLYN E	2279 SUNDANCE RIDGE	HOWELL	₹	48843	0 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-101-015	1.00	306.12	0.412	1.082814% ROGRITA LLC	RITA LLC	2541 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2541 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-401-006	0.50	153.06	0.083	0.218140% ROSOL S J	)L S J	5860 OAKMAN	DETROIT	₹	48204	1607 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-401-007	0.50	153.06	0.067	0.176089% ROSOL STANLEY J	ANLEY J	5860 OAKMAN	DETROIT	≦	48204	0 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-101-028	1.00	306.12	0.445	1.169545% SALN	1.169545% SALMON JON & HARAKAS MICHELLE	2637 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	<u>×</u>	48843-8959	2637 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-301-034	1.00	306.12	0.617	1.621593% SAMN	1.621593% SAMMONS JAMES C & LINDA C	2985 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≊	48843	2985 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-401-036	1.00	306.12	0.232	0.609740% SANO SCOTT	SCOTT	10053 VIRGIL	REDFORD	≦	48239	1570 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-301-009	1.00	306.12	0.382	1.003969% SCHE	1.003969% SCHEIDLER BENJAMIN A & CHERYL	2841 RUBBINS	HOWELL	≧	48843	2841 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-018	1.00	306.12	0.544	1.429735% SILVERS CARL	ERS CARL	22200 GILL RD	FARMINGTON	<u> </u>	48335-4649	2557 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-016	1.00	306.12	0.432	1.135378% SILVE	1.135378% SILVERS CARL & MARY ANN	22200 GILL RD	FARMINGTON HILL: MI		48335-4649	2549 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-301-024	1.00	306.12	0.358	0.940892% SKOC	0.940892% SKOCZYLAS PAUL & REBECCA	2925 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	3	48843-8959	2925 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-401-038	1.00	306.12	0.251	0.659676% SMELEWSKI RYAN	EWSKI RYAN	1615 TRIANGLE LAKE RD	HOWELL	<u> </u>	48843	1615 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-301-030	1.00	306.12	0.479	1.258903% SMIT	1.258903% SMITH ROBERT JEROME & MARY FRANCE 2961 RU	2961 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2961 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-301-028	1.00	306.12	0.369	0.969802% SMIT	0.969802% SMITH ROBERT L & KIMBERLY S	2949 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≧	48843	2949 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-024	1.00	306.12	0.389	1.022366% SOV/	1.022366% SOVA MARK & LAURIE	2605 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2605 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-029	1.00	306.12	0.462	1.214224% SPRI	SPRINGER PAUL & SANDRA	2645 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	<u>≤</u>	48843	2645 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-401-022	1.00	306.12	0.115	0.302242% STILS	STILSON CARL F & BETTY J	1441 TRIANGLE LAKE RD	HOWELL	≦ .	48843-8958	1441 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-101-034	1.00	306.12	0.711	1.868643% STRI	1.868643% STRICKER KIM A TRUST	2581 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	M	48843	2581 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-301-015	1.00	306.12	0.360	0.946148% THOMAS MARK S	MAS MARK S	2877 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2877 RUBBINS DR
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4710-27-101-013	1.00	306.12	0.360	0.946148% TUMI	0.946148% TUMBARELLA MARY & ERIC	2525 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	<u>s</u>	48843	2525 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-101-025	1.00	306,12	0.390	1.024994% VAGI	1.024994% VAGNETTI DOMINIC	2613 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2613 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-401-011	1.00	306.12	0.204	0.536151% WALKER DAWN B	KER DAWN B	1525 TRIANGLE LAKE RD	HOWELL	₹	48843	1525 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-401-030	1.00	306.12	0.230	0.604484% WEN	0.604484% WEN RAYMOND E & SHU WANG	1500 TRIANGLE LAKE RD	HOWELL	≊	48843	1500 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-101-026	1.00	306.12	0.408	1.072302% WILC	1.072302% WILCOX KEITH W & DEBORAH K	2621 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843	2621 RUBBINS DR
4710-27-403-021	1.00	306.12	1.607	4.223501% YAX	4.223501% YAX BETTY LOU TRUST UAD	830 ESTERO BLVD	FORT MYERS BEACFL	끄	33931	4858 YAX POINTE DR
4710-27-403-010	1.00	306.12	0.698	1.834477% YAX JUSTIN	JUSTIN	1776 WOOSTER	ROCKY RIVER	오	44116	4892 YAX POINTE DR
4710-27-403-022	1.00	306.12	1.199	3.151200% YAX JUSTIN A	JUSTIN A	1776 WOOSTER	ROCKY RIVER	오	44116	0 YAX POINTE DR
4710-27-101-008	1.00	306.12	0.168	0.441536% ZAMI	0.441536% ZAMBARE VIDHUSHEKHAR & SUCHITRA	16880 YELLOWSTONE DR NORTHVILLE	NORTHVILLE	≦	48168	1725 TRIANGLE LAKE RD
4710-27-301-031	1.00	306.12	0.453	1.190570% ZON	1.190570% ZONCA THADDEUS A & HELEN T	2967 RUBBINS DR	HOWELL	≦	48843-7925	2967 RUBBINS DR
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Max Annual Amount	\$30,000.00									

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#### MARION TOWNSHIP

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#### RESOLUTION ON RURIK, IRENE, OLYMPIA, ADRIA DRIVES SNOW REMOVAL SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the township board of Marion Township acting in the interest the residents of Rurik, Irene, Olympia, and Adria Drives and of the proposed special assessment district described hereinafter, determined to proceed under the provisions of PA 188 of 1954, as amended, to provide snow removal and salting service, together with a proposed special assessment district for assessing the costs of the proposed service, and to schedule a public hearing upon the Assessment Roll, and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost and proposed special assessment district were filed with the Township Clerk for public examination and notice of the hearing upon same was published and mailed in accordance with the law and statute provided as shown by affidavits pertaining thereto on file with the Township Clerk, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the aforesaid notices, a hearing was held on October 24, 2024 commencing at 7:30 PM and all persons given the opportunity to be heard in the matter, and

WHEREAS, the following written objections were received and filed:

Parcel Number

Frontage

% Frontage

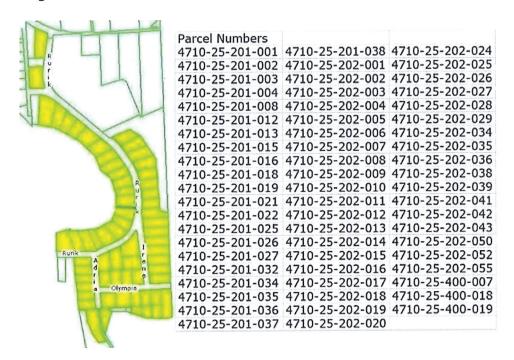
Owner Name

WHEREAS, the written objections constitute less than twenty percent of the frontage,

WHEREAS, as a result of the foregoing, the township board believes the project to be in the best interests of the township and of the district proposed to be established therefore;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED as follows:

- 1. That this township board does hereby approve the provision of snow removal and salting service and total cost estimate not to exceed \$6,000.00 per year.
- 2. That this township board does hereby create, determine and define as a special assessment district to be known as Rurik, Irene, Olympia, and Adria Drives Special Assessment District within which the costs of such improvements shall be assessed according to the benefits, the following described area within said township:



- 3. That on the basis of the foregoing, this township board does hereby direct the Supervisor and Assessing Officer to make a special assessment roll in which shall be entered all the parcels of land to be assessed together with the names of the respective owners thereof, and an estimated total amount to be assessed against each parcel of land which amount shall be the relative proportion of the whole sum levied against the parcels of land in the special assessment district as the benefit to the parcel of land bears to the total benefit to all the parcels of land in the special assessment district. When the same has been completed, the Supervisor shall affix thereto his certificate stating that it was made pursuant to this resolution and that in making such assessment roll he has, according to his best judgment, conformed in all respects to the directions contained in this resolution and the applicable state statutes.
- 4. That the actual amount of the assessment will be annually redetermined based on actual costs and assessed without further notice.

- 5. That all resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as the conflict with the provisions of the within resolutions be and the same are hereby rescinded.
- 6. That the Township Clerk shall schedule a hearing on the Assessment Roll for November 14, 2024 at 7:30 P.M., and provide notice as required by PA 188 of 1954.

Upon roll call vote, the following voted "Aye":

The following voted "Nay"

The Supervisor declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

Tammy Beal \_\_\_\_\_\_
Township Clerk

Dated October 24, 2024

#### **Bob Hanvey**

From:

Mike Goryl <mgoryl@livingstonroads.org>

Sent:

Wednesday, October 16, 2024 3:52 PM

To:

Bob Hanvey

Cc:

Sandy Donovan; Tammy Beal

Subject:

RE: Sexton & County Farm traffic study

Hi Bob,

I will set out some radar units on both County Farm and Sexton over the next few weeks to record speed data. There will be no cost to the Township for the data collection.

Although I will set one up on Sexton between the curves, I doubt MSP will consider the data on that segment for speed limit consideration as the curves will likely influence the speeds. When determining speed limits, they want data collected where speeds are generally highest and free flowing, since the speed limits are maximum limits. But once we get all the data collected, I will let you know the results and forward to MSP for their review/opinion.

We don't use hidden driveway signs as they are not approved for use on public roads. We also don't have any speed-display radar signs, nor have any plans to use them. But various police agencies, including LCSD, do have them and move them around based on requests.

Mike

From: Bob Hanvey <supervisor@mariontownship.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 16, 2024 2:16 PM **To:** Mike Goryl <mgoryl@livingstonroads.org>

Cc: Sandy Donovan <treasurer@mariontownship.com>; Tammy Beal <tammybeal@mariontownship.com>

Subject: Sexton & County Farm traffic study

Hi Mike:

This is from the last Township Board meeting:

#### MARION TOWNSHIP ROADS

Les Andersen motioned to request the LCRC do a traffic speed study at Sexton & County Farm, not to exceed \$1,500. Dan Lowe seconded. Discussion: Dan Lowe suggested hidden driveway signs might help. Scott Lloyd said the solar speed limit devices that display your speed could be helpful. Roll call vote: Durbin, Donovan, Hanvey, Lloyd, Beal, Andersen, Lowe—all yes. **Motion carried 7-0**.

Do we need to do anything else to get this started?

**Thanks** 





#### Small Group Renewal Package

for

#### **MARION TOWNSHIP**

Customer ID: 247041

For Renewal Period Beginning: January, 2025

Publication Date: 09/14/2024

#### Rate Renewal Change

#### MARION TOWNSHIP

CID:

247041

Rate Effective:

1/1/2025

Agent:

JOHN P SCHMITZ

Agency:

BURNHAM & FLOWER AGENCY

BCBSM Rate Renewal Change	Current Premium <sup>1</sup>	Renewal Premium <sup>1</sup>
Total Billable Members <sup>2</sup>	20	20
Total Medical & Pharmacy Premium <sup>3</sup>	\$17,689.33	\$19,872.83
Total Dental Premium	\$18.08	\$18.63
Total Vision Premium	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Monthly Premium	\$17,707.41	\$19,891.46
Total Annual Premium	\$212,488.92	\$238,697.52
Projected Change in Monthly Premium		12.33%

#### **BCBSM Components of Rate Change**

Components	Medical <sup>3</sup> & Pharmacy	Dental	Vision
Index to Current rate	12.57%	0.99%	0.00%
Aggregate Product Differences	-0.23%	1.06%	0.00%
Area	-1.09%	0.00%	0.00%
Age	1.13%	0.96%	0.00%
Age Factor Change	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Dependent Cap	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Total Rate Change	12.34%	3.04%	0.00%

- 1. Premiums are based on enrollment at the time of renewal development.
- 2. Count based on snapshot as of 9/14/2024.
- 3. Medical includes Pediatric Vision.
- 4. The figures reflect commercial plans only.
- 5. Percent changes due to members aging out of pediatric dental, members aging into adult vision plans, and/or changes in Taxes & Fees are accounted for in the Aggregate Product Differences

#### Benefit Summary Description

#### MARION TOWNSHIP

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_	Current Benefits	Renewal Compliant Benefit Conversion  2025 Simply Blue HSA PPO Gold Option 3		
Medical	2024 Simply Blue HSA PPO Gold Option			
Deductible (individual) <sup>1</sup>	\$3200	\$3300.		
Coinsurance <sup>1</sup>	0%	0%		
Office Visit Copay <sup>1</sup>	Deductible Copay	Deductible Copay		
Emergency Room Copay <sup>1</sup>	Deductible Copay	Deductible Copay		
Out-of-Pocket Maximum <sup>1</sup>	\$3200	\$3300		
Drug	Deductible	Deductible		
Metal Level <sup>1</sup>	Gold	Gold		
Dental	Blue Dental PPO Plus 80/50/50 Pediatric SG	Blue Dental PPO Plus 80/50/50 Pediatric SG		
Annual Max <sup>1</sup>	None	None		
Contribution Type	Not Applicable	Not Applicable		
Vision	Pediatric Vision SG \$0/\$0	Pediatric Vision SG \$0/\$0		
Contribution Type	Not Applicable	Not Applicable		
Total Monthly Premium	\$17,707.41 \$19,891.46			

For a more detailed description of benefits, please refer to the Agent Portal.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1.</sup> BCBSM plans will display values to represent "in-Network"

<sup>2.</sup> BAAGs and SBCs can be found on the Agent Portal.

#### Marion Township Approved Banking Institutions

Chelsea State Bank 1010 S Main St Chelsea, MI 48118 (734) 475-1355

Huntington Bank Public Funds Attn: Aaron Kominars 611 E. Grand River Howell, MI 48843

Key Bank
Erin Cooper – Sr. Business Service Officer
Public Sector
66 South Pearl Street-7<sup>th</sup> Floor
Albany, NY 12207
518-257-8419 (phone)
518-694-3019 (fax)

CIBC Bank Attn: Toni Koss 34901 Woodward Ave Suite 200 Birmingham, MI 48009

Tel: 248-566-4797 | Cell: 248-909-8917

Fax: 248-644-8486 |

email: toni.koss@CIBC.com

Flagstar Bank Attn: Yvonne Jordan 5151 Corporate Dr. Troy, MI 48098

Office: (248) 312-6340 Mobile: (248) 931-1112

Horizon Bank Attn John McQuiggin 200 E Big Beaver Rd #102 Troy MI 48083

Mobile: (248) 781-2586

imcquiggin@horizonbank.com

The State Bank Attn: Carrie L. Mika 175 N. Leroy St. Fenton, MI 48430 p: (810) 714-3927 f: (810) 714-3927 c: (248) 705-4618

Old National Bank 205 W. Grand River Suite 102 Brighton, MI 48116 Attn: Carolyn Smith Carolyn.Smith@oldnational.com (810) 522-1405

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MSUFCU P o Box 1208 East Lansing MI 48826-1208 Attn Business Services – Lara 517 333-2424 (phone) 517 664-4865 (fax)

Mercantile Bank 310 Leonard St NW Grand Rapids MI 49504 616 726-1609 (phone) 616 233-2356 (fax) bormstad&MercBank.com



#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

This Memorandum of Understanding (the "MOU") is entered into on Oct 24, 2024, between Marion Township, hereinafter referred to as the "Client," and HAPRA, hereinafter referred to as the "Service Provider."

- 1. Purpose: The purpose of this MOU is to establish the terms and conditions under which the Service Provider will maintain the Client's grounds and property as defined below.
- 2. Scope of Work: The Service Provider agrees to provide regularly scheduled weekly visual inspection and clean-up up of the Client's grounds and property. This includes trash removal, clearing pavilion, playground and fields of debris and routine checks of the walking path. Exhibit A displays a routine task list. Additional work orders outside the routine work can be summitted. Exhibit B shows map of properties where routine and scheduled work will be completed on Client's property.
- 3. Billing Rate: The Client agrees to compensate the Service Provider at a rate of \$750 per month for the services provided under this MOU (Exhibit A). The billing rate may be subject to adjustment with mutual agreement in writing. The billing rate includes Service Provider staff hours and vehicle usage. Any additional equipment, services or projects request by the Client will be quoted and billed separately from this agreement. Exhibit C breaks down billing for additional work orders. Marion Township will provide or reimburse trash bags and related items to complete routine tasks.
- **4. Invoicing:** An Invoice will be submitted by the Service Provider to the Client monthly. The services unit will be tracked by the Service Provider and the Client will be updated monthly with a service report. Any additional service requests from Client will be quoted by the service provider. Once the client has approved the quote for the extra services, the Service Provider will complete the service and invoice client.
- 5. Payment Terms: Payment is due within 30 days of the invoice date.
- **6. Term of Agreement:** This MOU shall commence on the date the agreement is signed and will continue until April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025, unless terminated earlier by mutual agreement. This agreement can be extended if both parties agree to the services and compensation for future needs of both parties.
- **7. Termination**: Either party may terminate this MOU with written notice to the other party in the event of a material breach. Upon termination, the Client agrees to pay for all services provided up to the termination date.

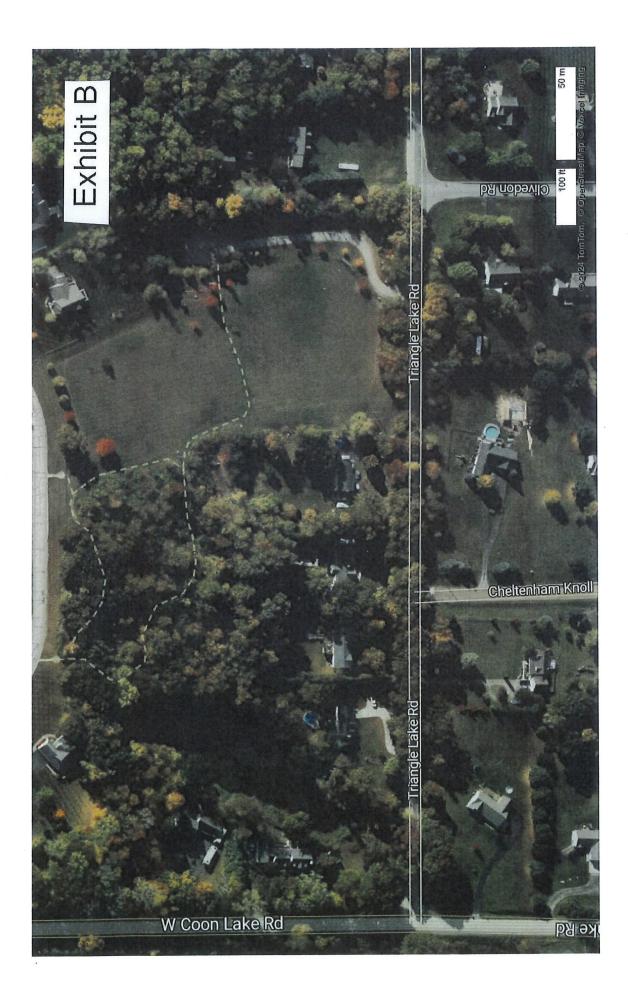
Marion Township Supervisor	Howell Recreation Executive Director

Marion Property Maintenance List - Nov 2024	Week of 11/1	Week of 11/8	Week of 11/15	Week of 11/22	Week of 11/29
Disc Golf Course					
Check/Empty trash cans(9), tee boxes(18)					
Check tee box/hole signs					
Check bench on Hole #5					
Check for down branches					
Check empty dog stations(5)					
Pavilion at Marion					
Check trash					
Blow out pavilion					
Check tables					
Check porta John					
Playground at Marion					
Check/empty trash					
Check/Rake mulch					
Observation of playground					
Playground at Triangle Lake					
Check trash					
Check baseball field					
Check/rake mulch					
Check entrance area					
Monthly					
Spray weeds around township hall/parking lot					
Check horse shoe pits					
Cut/Spray maintain rock pile outback					
Check around cell tower for trach and branches					
Walk path at Triangle Lake property					
Reports					
Cell tower					
Supplies needed					
Problems					
Other observations					
Work orders completed					

#### Exhibit A







# Marion Township - Howell Parks and Recreation

# **Property Maintenance Agreement**

### **Exhibit C – Additional Work Orders**

Additional work order can be submitted via email to HAPRA Operations Manager

Billing Break down as following:

Hourly rate for specific job/tasks (minimum of town hours)

- \$45/Hour for single body
- \$80/Hour for two bodies
- Operations Manager rate of \$40/Hour. Planning, administrative duties, meeting with contractors if needed
- Includes tools and truck use that would be consider normal
- Rented equipment or purchase of materials to complete projects would be billed out. Example, paint and brushes to paint a sign

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# HOWELLAREA PARKS & RECREATION AUTHORITY

PARKS & RECREATION MASTER PLAN 2025 - 2029

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# **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

A public hearing was held on DATE for the 2025 - 2029 Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority Recreation Master Plan. The joint Recreation Master Plan was adopted by FILL IN ONCE ADOPTED.

### **HOWELL AREA PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY**

Tim Church - Executive Director
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Renee Baumgart - Health and Wellness Manager
Nikki Wattles - Sports Manager

Chris Techentin - Marketing Coordinator Jordan Hilbrecht - Festivals and Events Manager Kyle Tokan - Operations Manager Kevin Troshak - Yotuh abnd Teens Manager

### HOWELL AREA PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Diana Lowe - Chair (Genoa Township)
Terry Philibeck - Vice Chair (Oceola Township)
Tammy Beal - Treasurer (Marion Township)
Nikolas Hertrich - Secretary (City of Howell)
Sue Daus - Trustee (Howell Township)

### PARTICIPATING ENTITIES

Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority City of Howell Howell Township Genoa Township Oceola Township Marion Township

> PREPARED BY: Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority City of Howell, MI 48843 howellrecreation.org

WITH ASSISTANCE FROM: Spicer Group, Inc Saginaw, MI 48607 www.spicergroup.com Project #: 135879SG2024



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# INTRODUCTION

# INTRODUCTION

A JOINT RECREATION PLAN FOR THE CITY OF HOWELL, OCEOLA TOWNSHIP, MARION TOWNSHIP, GENOA TOWNSHIP, HOWELL TOWNSHIP, AND THE HOWELL AREA PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY.

The Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority (HAPRA) is a recreation authority that was formed by the City of Howell, Howell Township, Genoa Township, Marion Township, and Oceola Township to construct, operate, maintain and/or improve recreational facilities and to provide for recreational services for these jurisdictions within the Howell Public School District. While many communities engaged with HAPRA maintain their own parks systems, HAPRA facilitates programming and community events throughout the area and operates several recreational facilities.

HAPRA has developed this Parks and Recreation Master Plan to serve as a guide for future decision-making regarding recreation facility improvements and the development of new recreational opportunities within the area. The development of this plan was guided by input of citizens from the City of Howell, Oceola Township, Marion Township, Genoa Township, Howell Township, as well as input from HAPRA, City, and Township staff or officials.

Parks and Recreation facilities offer a variety of essential services to communities. According to the National Park and Recreation Association, there are three core values that Parks and Recreation bring to a community:

- Economic Value
- Health and Environmental Benefits
- Social Importance

These facilities are essential for enjoyment and quality of life. If individuals have access to parks and recreation, they have access to a larger sense of community and they have opportunities to form relationships inside that community. They also have a place to seek out physical recreation thereby improving both their mental and physical well-being. In addition to the benefits to residents, parks themselves increase the quality of life in a community, are a source of economic development, and protect valuable natural spaces.

### **ABOUT THE PLAN**

HAPRA has spearheaded the development of a Multi-Jurisdictional Recreation Plan to serve as a guide for improving recreation facilities and developing new recreational opportunities in the region. To that end, this document forms the basis to guide policy for the implementation of improvements and new initiatives that will meet the recreational goals and interests of the greater Howell area. The Plan was developed by the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority, and the following five communities, with their respective Boards and Commissions:

- The City of Howell
- Oceola Township
- Marion Township
- Genoa Township
- Howell Township

In the past, these communities have either had a separate Parks and Recreation Master Plan for their own facilities or not had a Parks and Recreation Master Plan at all. This Plan seeks to bring together communities that are already joined together in a recreational partnership with HAPRA to engage their individual communities and coordinate in a unified planning process. This Plan is the first formal multi-jurisdictional recreation planning effort amongst these communities.



There are many benefits to participating in a multi-jurisdictional planning effort. They range from improving coordination and communication among the participating local governments, avoiding duplication of effort during the planning process and when constructing new facilities, creating a larger understanding of the region to provide a high level of service for the entire population, and reducing costs and sharing resources for the local communities who choose to participate. Recognizing the importance of regional recreation and cooperative planning efforts, community officials from across the greater Howell area have joined together in an effort to develop a Parks and Recreation Master Plan aimed at improving and developing recreational resources.

The Plan will cover all community aspects from the community description to administrative structure, recreation inventory, community input, goals and objectives, and an action plan for each participating jurisdiction.

### PLAN PROCESS

Before any recreation plan is created or adopted, it is critical to understand what the needs of the residents are, what recreational opportunities exist within the area, what programs are available for residents based on items like age and ability, and what recreation opportunities are available in neighboring areas. This plan was based upon the input and suggestions provided by area residents, officials, and community stakeholders. Together Howell area communities have collaborated to create a recreation master plan to enhance quality of life of the residents and visitors of the area.

The foundation for the development of the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Master Plan was based on the following goals:

- Involve the community in a process to develop a five-year Recreation Master Plan;
- Inventory of the existing Howell Area recreational facilities;
- Build common ground among Howell Area stakeholders in addressing the future recreational needs and priorities of the communities;
- Enable the City of Howell, Oceola Township, Marion Township, Genoa Township, Howell Township, and the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority (HAPRA) to be eligible for financial assistance based upon the Recreation Master Plan:
- Facilitate interagency collaboration in establishing recreational goals, objectives, and actions;
- Continue to support and implement improvements for barrier-free, universal access to Howell Area parks;
- Consistency with and expansion upon goals and objectives set forth in existing planning documents that deal partially or wholly with recreation. These documents include:
  - Crosstown Trail Howell Area Non-Motorized Trail Study (2003)
  - City of Howell Recreation Master Plan (2023-2027)
  - Howell Township Recreation Master Plan (2024-2028)
  - Oceola Township Master Plan (October 2022)
  - Genoa Township Recreation Plan (2021-2025)

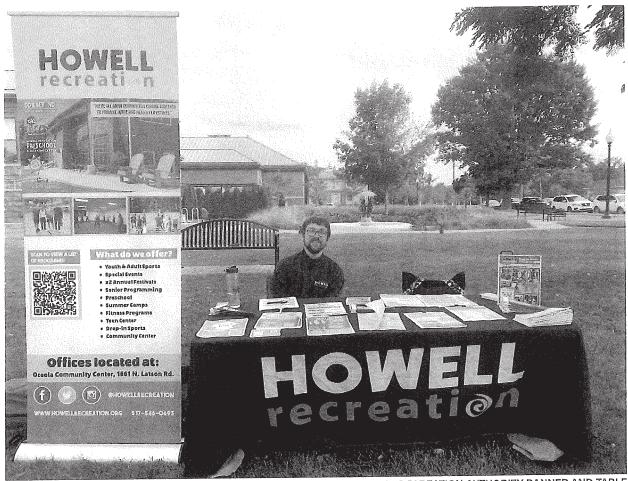
This Plan was developed in accordance with the State's recommended five-year cycle for recreation planning, this updated Plan covers the five-year period 2025 - 2029. This Plan was developed in accordance with the guidelines for Parks and Recreation Plans published by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). A five-year, MDNR-approved Recreation Plan is necessary for any community to pursue MDNR-administered grants and this Plan ensures eligibility for all of the participating jurisdictions.

This document is intended to serve as a guide for future park and recreation opportunities, services, and implementation. Over the last couple of years, attitudes have changed towards leisure activities, and recreational desires, putting additional pressures on the communities' recreation system, thus increasing the need for both short and long-range planning.

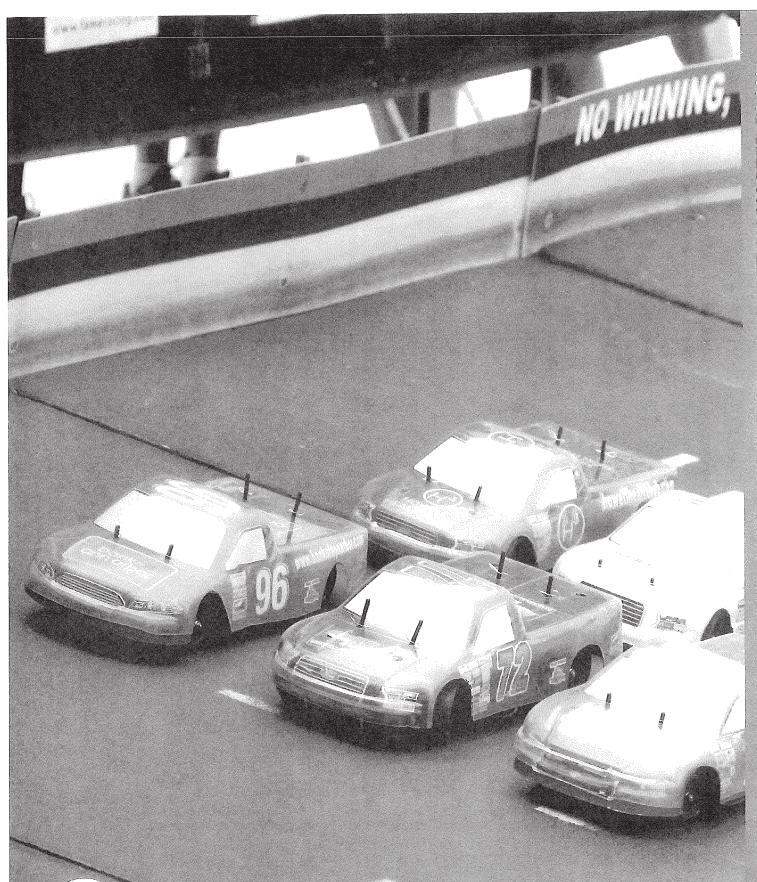
Recommendations such as land acquisition, facility expansions and construction, and even the design of a neighborhood park improvement, require involvement from residents in order to address site-specific details. This Plan lays the foundation upon which these activities can be built.



Implementation strategies are identified throughout this Plan and cover the next five years, at which time the Plan will be updated. The delineation of these improvements will aid HAPRA and the other participating communities in grant solicitation from the DNR and other state agencies, and with long-range capital improvement budgeting. During the next five years, it will be important for HAPRA and the participating communities to reference this Plan and make appropriate priority adjustments as conditions change and funding opportunities arise.



HOWELL AREA PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY BANNER AND TABLE



COMMUNITY PROFILE

RECREATION AUTHORITY RECREATION MASTER PLAN 2025 - 2029 HOWELL AREA PARKS AND

# COMMUNITY PROFILE

### ABOUT THE HOWELL AREA

The City of Howell, Oceola Township, Marion Township, and Genoa Township are all communities located in central Livingston County. Livingston County is located between three (3) large Michigan Cities, Lansing to the west, Detroit to the east, and Ann Arbor to the south. This makes the area a prime location for location for workers wanting to live outside denser urban areas of Michigan opting for a more suburban setting. The City of Howell is the Livingston County seat located centrally in the County and is surrounded by the Townships of Howell and Oceola to the north, and Marion and Genoa to the south.

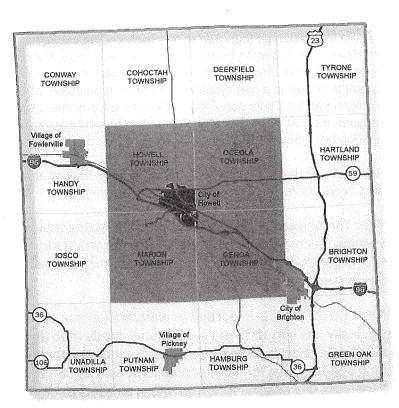
Livingston County, as a whole, contains substantial recreation land with over 75 inland lakes comparing 3.4% of the total land area being water features. Three (3) major rivers flow through the County including the Huron, Shiawassee, and Red Cedar rivers which have attracted residents and visitors alike for vacation and recreation opportunities. Additionally, over 20,000 acres of park and recreation areas are within the county that include: 7 State Parks, 2 Huron Clinton Metropolitan Authority "Metroparks", and multiple county, city, village and township parks.

Two major expressways run through Livingston County. I-96 carries traffic from east to west across the county passing through the City of Howell, Howell Township, Marion Township, and Genoa Township. US-23 carries traffic north to south in the eastern portion of the County. It travels through Tyrone, Hartland, Brighton, and Green Oak Townships. There is also a county run airport located in Howell Township that can provide transportation opportunities to the County.

Michigan experienced a sluggish economy and a decrease in population from 2000-2010 due to the 2007-2009 housing-based economic recession. The Howell area communities throughout this time did not lose population, but population grew at a much slower rate than in the early 2000's. Today, the nation is still impacted by the recession. However, the State economy's recent improvements, including nine straight years of job growth and an accelerating recovery of the housing sector, show positive signs for reinvestment and stabilization in the Howell area, County, and the State as a whole.

FIGURE 1 - LOCATION OF HOWELL AREA







### DEMOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS

Background information from the U.S. Census Bureau was used to analyze current demographic conditions within HAPRA communities. The demographics section examines Census-based data on overall population trends, education, housing characteristics, and economic information in each of the participating communities to present an overall demographic condition analysis.

The information that is presented in this chapter uses the most recent Census Data from 2010 and 2022, and 2022 American Community Survey (ACS) data which is based on 5-year estimates. The HAPRA communities are compared to Livingston County and the State of Michigan in the Table 1.

Understanding the characteristics of the population is helpful when evaluating parks and recreation facilities and needs. Table 1 provides a comparison of key demographic data for HAPRA communities.

According to the 2022 ACS, the populations for the communities within HAPRA are as follows from largest to smallest: Genoa Township (19,821), Oceola Township (11,936), Marion Township (11,366), The City of Howell (10,067), and Howell Township (7,996). Livingston County as a whole had a population of 194,302 in 2022. The areas with the largest percentage of population change between the years 2010 and 2022 were Oceola Township (22.0%), Howell Township (19.3%), and Marion Township (13.7%). These three were above Livingston County's 7.4% of population growth. The median age of the Howell area is 41.0 years old. This age is slightly lower than that of Livingston County (43.6) but slightly higher than the median age of the State of Michigan (39.9).

Education is another important demographic factor to review. For the Howell area, the percentage of the population with a bachelor's degree of higher was found. Oceola Township and Genoa Township had the highest percentages of people with a bachelor's degree or higher at 44.7% and 42.1% respectively. This was followed by Marion Township (37.8%), the City of Howell (29.3%), and Howell Township (28.1%). Livingston County has a percentage of its population with a bachelor's degree or higher at 38.1% which is higher than the State of Michigan (31.1%). Howell area communities fall in a range with come having higher percentages of those with higher education and some with lower percentages than the County and State.

The median household income within Livingston County is \$96,135. This is far higher than that of the state of Michigan which has a median household income of \$68,505. The Howell area communities all have median household incomes high than that of the State and on par with that of the County except for the City of Howell. The City of Howell has a median household income lower than that of the State at \$53,953. Per capita incomes for the Howell area, County, and State follows a similar pattern to that of median household income. Last income factor important to review in a demographic analysis is the percent of the population below the poverty line. The State of Michigan has 13.1% its population below the poverty line. Livingston County has a percentage far below the State percentage at 4.9%. The Howell area has percentages similar to that of the County making the percent of the population living below the poverty line in the area much lower than the overall State.

Based on the analysis of social characteristics in the Howell area, there are three population groups who have distinct needs for recreational facilities and programming.

YOUTH: The percent of the population 18 and younger averages about 20% between the City and the four Townships. Recreational opportunities are important for youth populations because they provide opportunities for organized activities, exercise, and learning in a safe environment. These opportunities also allow for socializing and friendship.

SENIOR CITIZENS: It is important to plan recreational opportunities for older adults. This population of people typically has very different recreational needs than that of younger populations. This population usually prefers more passive recreational opportunities like that of walking paths. It is important to plan recreational opportunities for older populations, so they can continue to be healthy and active while they age. Between the City and the four Townships, an average of just under 18% of the population is 65 and older.



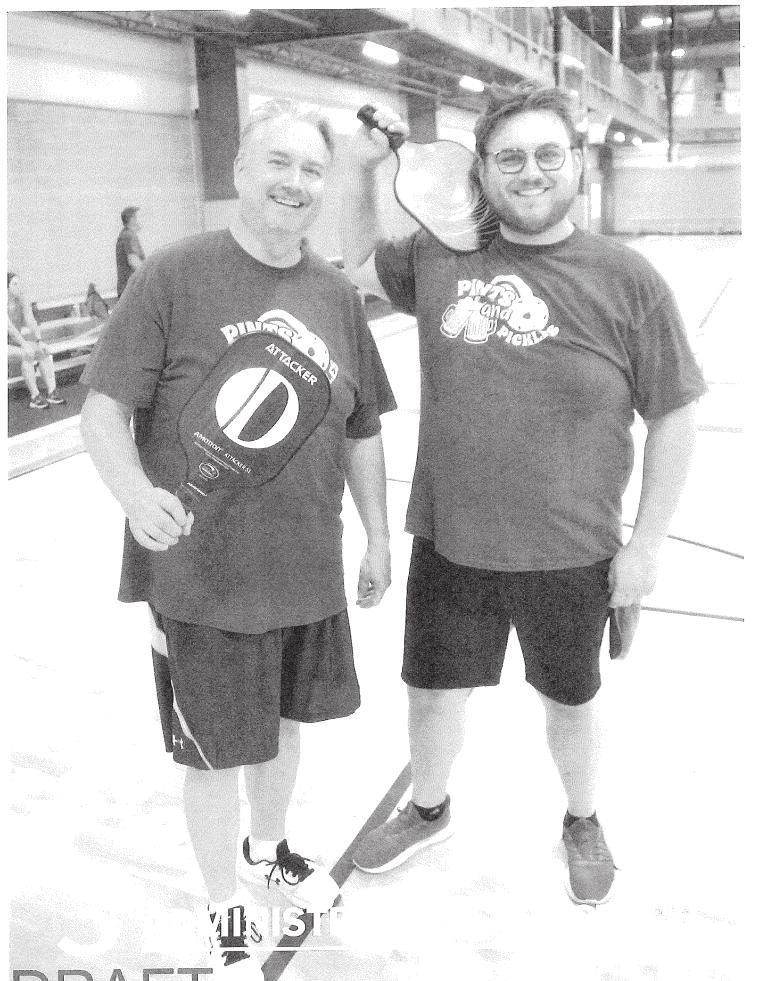
RENTERS (MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING AND APARTMENTS): Renters or people living in higher density multi-family housing typically have a greater dependence on recreational opportunities and green space because they often do not have large yards or green spaces of their own. This will be especially important for the City of Howell which has 51.9% of its housing being rented. This is well above the state of Michigan at 27.5%.

TABLE 1 - SELECT CENSUS DATA FOR THE HOWELL AREA, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, AND MICHIGAN

	The City of Howell	Oceola Township	Marion Township	Genoa Township	Howell Township	Livingston County	Michigan
POPULATION	**************************************						
2010 Population	9,489	11,936	9,996	19,821	6,702	180,967	9,883,706
2022 Population	10,067	14,556	11,366	20,701	7,996	194,302	10,057,921
% of Population Change	6.1%	22.0%	13.7%	4.4%	19.3%	7.4%	1.8%
% of Population 65 and Older	17.4%	14.8%	15.9%	22.8%	17.5%	18.3%	17.8%
% of Population Under 18	17.4%	23.2%	21.3%	19.6%	22.4%	20.6%	21.4%
Median Age	37.4	40.0	43.8	45.0	38.9	43.6	39.9
EDUCATION	EDUCATION						
% with a Bachelor's Degree or Higher	29.3%	44.7%	37.8%	42.1%	28.1%	38.1%	31.1%
INCOME							
Median Household Income	\$53,953	\$113,454	\$121,859	\$93,318	\$83,941	\$96,135	\$68,505
Per Capita Income	\$37,300	\$44,224	\$45,394	\$53,001	\$36,951	\$47,253	\$37,929
% of Population Below the Poverty Line	5.5%	1.6%	3.1%	5.9%	4.9%	4.9%	13.1%
HOUSING							
Average Household Size	1.98	2.91	2.96	2.5	2.68	2.58	2.45
Median Housing Value	\$234,900	\$327,000	\$337,400	\$338,700	\$256,300	\$311,800	\$201,100
Renter-Occupied Housing as % of Total Occupied Units	51.9%	10.2%	5.4%	16.2%	9.7%	14.1%	27.5%

<sup>\*</sup>Data from the 2022 ACS and 2010 Decennial Census





# ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

## HOW PARKS AND RECREATION WORKS IN THE HOWELL AREA

Within the parks system are many important roles. The City of Howell, Howell Township, Genoa Township, Oceola Township, Marion Township, and the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority each have their own structures for parks and recreation functions while also working together in many areas to provide recreation opportunities. The specifics of each are detailed in their individual sections within this chapter.

### HOWELL AREA PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY

### **ABOUT**

The Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority is a regional recreation authority for the Howell Area that was formed by the City of Howell and the Townships of Marion, Howell, Genoa, and Oceola in June of 2017 under Michigan Public Act 321 of 2000. Each of the mentioned jurisdictions pay a fee to HAPRA to be a participating jurisdiction within the authority. Under the Articles of Incorporation, the purpose of HAPRA is to construct, operate, maintain and/or improve recreational facilities, including, but not limited to, parks, swimming pools, recreation centers, auditoriums and any other facilities authorized by Act 321. Also to acquire land for recreational purposes and to provide recreational services as authorized by Act 321.

### ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

HAPRA is directed and governed by a Board of Trustees, known as the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority Board (HAPRA Board). The HAPRA Board is comprised of one (1) member selected by the governing body of each participating municipality, each of which are an elected official of the municipality. The HAPRA Board and the governing body of each participating municipality can appoint an alternate member who can also attend meetings, vote, and otherwise act at meeting in case of the absence of the appointed member. The Board holds monthly public meetings on the third Tuesday of each Month at 6:30 pm at the Oceola Community Center.

Beneath the Board is the Executive Director of the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority. The Executive Director is the chief administrative employee of HAPRA that administers the activities conducted and services provided by HAPRA on a daily basis. The director manages a number of people such as the patron support supervisor, operations manager, business manager, marketing coordinator, sports manager, special events manager, youth services manager and the health and wellness manager. Figure 2 displays the administrative structure of HAPRA. HAPRA has 9 full-time staff, 18 part-time, and 14 seasonal employees, as well as volunteers for various events. HAPRA is responsible for operating and maintaining 3 parks and 2 facilities, making day-to-day decisions regarding financial expenditures of these facilities, managing recreation programming, and implementing development plans.

### BUDGET

Funding for HAPRA comes from a variety of sources throughout the year. HAPRA receives \$124,500 per year from the City of Howell and Townships of Howell, Marion, Genoa, and Oceola. This money comes from each of the participating jurisdictions general fund. Additional funding comes in a number of ways. Program fees for sports leagues, races, and activities provided through the Authority help generate revenue. Additionally, membership fees and rental fees provide additional revenue to the Authority. Sponsorships are available in the form of banners, community wall spots in the Senior Center, or sponsoring community events such as Legend of Sleepy Howell Event. Sponsorship of the Legend of Sleepy Howell Event includes reserving a spot as a candy booth vendor and handing out candy and promotional materials to members of the community at the event. This in conjunction with donations help to raise more funding for HAPRA.



### **PROGRAMMING**

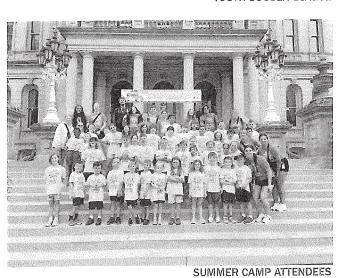
The Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority provides an extensive list of leagues, events, and programs to the residents of the City of Howell, and the Townships of Genoa, Oceola, Marion, and Howell and the surrounding areas. These programs are available at a range of prices with those living within the participating jurisdictions having a discounted resident rate. Registration is available online, in person, and over the phone to provide convenience to guests. Below is an inventory of current programming provided by HAPRA.

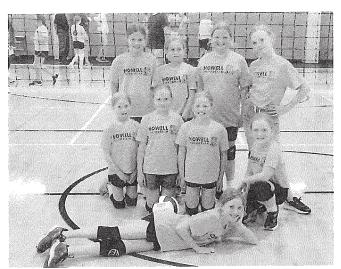
### Youth and Teen

HAPRA provides a variety of youth and teen programming to ensure everyone, no matter their interests, can find a way to be actively involved in recreation. Sports leagues for youth and teens include basketball, soccer, baseball, tennis, volleyball, and softball. In addition to leagues, sports clinics such as lacrosse, pickleball, and tennis are offered to help players work on specific skills and become more well-rounded players. Karate is offered as a program as well for youth and teens. The Hive Youth and Teen Center offers programs such as teen finance 101, babysitting 101, teen cooking 101, character sketch workshops, dodge ball, escape for a break activity, kids' night out, teen late night events, nerf nights, and much more throughout the year. Enrichment programs are provided for youth and teens that include caricature workshops, safe kids classes, foundations of investing, ornitherapy – the science of birdwatching, summer day camps, and more.



YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE





YOUTH VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE PARTICIPANTS



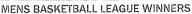
EATING ICE CREAM AT THE PARK



### Adult

Adult programs are offered to keep the whole family active throughout the year. Adult sports leagues include pickleball, volleyball, corn hole, softball, and basketball. Sports clinics such as pickleball and tennis are offered for those who are looking for extra instruction to improve their skills within a sport. HAPRA hosts adult enrichment programs that include toast and twist with gratitude yoga classes and yuletide yoga classes for example. HAPRA also provides a variety of fitness classes for guests to attend. Examples include rise and grind, hatha yoga, asana yoga, total body express, strength and cardio, kick fit, and more.







ADULT PICKLEBALL LEAGUE PARTICIPANTS

### 50 and older

To ensure everyone can stay active in recreation no matter their age, Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority provides programming for those 50 and older. These include participation in the adult sports leagues as well as senior enrichment programs. Examples of senior enrichment programs that are provided by HAPRA include physical therapy workshops, crafts, lunch and learn events, cooking, walking club, tai chi, knitting club, senior fitness classes, bingo, games, book club, and more.



SENIOR GROUPS MAKING HUMMING BIRD FEEDERS

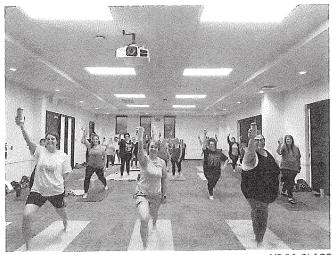


SENIOR ENRICHMENT PROGRAM



### Other programs

HAPRA provides a variety of other programs for guests to enjoy. Preschool is available to those ages three to five. HAPRA provides a number of different travel programs for guests to participate in throughout the year. A recent example of a current travel program is the fall color cruise. In addition, art classes are held throughout the year for those all ages to attend.







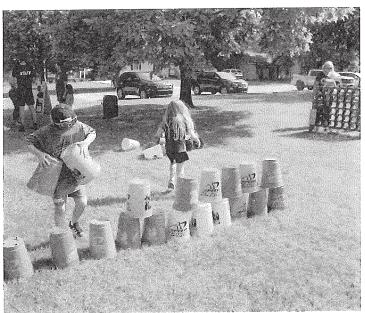
ART CLASS PARTICIPANTS AND THEIR WORK

### Rec on the go

Rec on the Go is free pop-up recreation programming that HAPRA puts on. Rec on the Go runs from June to August bringing games such as giant connect 4, spike ball, Kan jam, corn hole, ladder ball, and more to the area in the Authority's mobile recreation van. When not being used for a HAPRA event, the van can be rented out for personal events and gatherings.



REC ON THE GO VAN



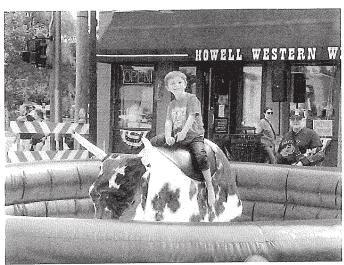
REC ON THE GO GAMES

### SPECIAL EVENTS

HAPRA hosts a number of special events within the area. These include daddy/daughter dances, mother/son dances, egg hunts, holiday events, kids' night out programs, and more. HAPRA also hosts the Howell Melon Festival each year. This is a three-day festival held in August in downtown Howell that celebrates Howell's agricultural roots. This festival includes the Melon Run, live music, vendors, and more. The Legend of Sleepy Howell is hosted by HAPRA. This event is the largest outdoor trick-or-treating event in Livingston County. Not only does this event have outdoor trick-or-treating in Downtown Howell, but there is also the Headless Horseman 5K, activities, games, crafts, food, and more. Throughout the year HAPRA hosts three 5K runs. The first two, Howell Melon Run and Headless Horseman 5K, mentioned above are held in conjunction with the Howell Melon Festival and the Legend of Sleepy Howell event. The third is the 9/11 Never Forget Trail Run/Walk that is held in honor of first responders and military veterans following 9/11.







HOWELL MELON FESTIVAL



CAR SHOW AT HOWELL MELON FESTIVAL



**HEADLESS HORSEMAN 5K RACE** 

### **VOLUNTEERS**

HAPRA works extensively with volunteers when providing recreation opportunities to the area. Individuals can volunteer generally and, in this instance, get contacted when volunteer opportunities become available. Volunteers are also used when hosting HAPRA special events such as the Legend of Sleepy Howell, Howell Melon Festival, and the 5K runs. At these events volunteers can sign up to host/run games, activities, or be race course attendants. HAPRA youth sports leagues rely on parent volunteers to coach the teams. Volunteers help the leagues operate but also help make the league a fun and inviting place for those of all skills and abilities to learn and have fun. HAPRA works with 400+ volunteers throughout the year totaling approximately 4,500 volunteer hours.

### **PARTNERSHIPS**

HAPRA works with a number of groups to provide high quality recreation opportunities to residents of the area. As previously mentioned, HAPRA works with the five jurisdictions that comprise it to provide recreational programming and special events to the area. The Authority also works with the Howell Public School District for use of their aquatic center to provide additional water-based programming options to residents. HAPRA has a number of other community partners shown below.

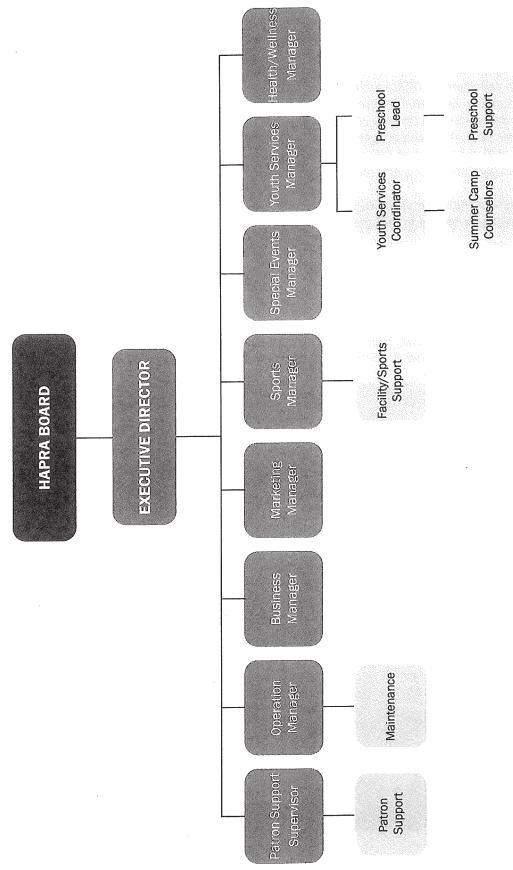
### Community Partners:

- Bank of Ann Arbor
- Bob Maxey Ford
- Chem Trend
- Citizens Insurance
- United Way

TABLE 2 - HOWELL AREA PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY BUDGET

	2023 Amended Budget	2024 Approved Budget
PROGRAMMING		
Youth Sports	\$200,746.37	\$224,358.89
Festivals	\$181,000.00	\$188,572.99
Senior Center	\$107,686.05	\$129,210.67
Preschool	\$62,445.60	\$68,063.80
Summer Day Camp	\$81,500.00	\$93,500.00
Teen Center	\$92,338.00	\$95,779.80
Total	\$725,715.37	\$799,486.15
OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE		
Total	\$833,200.00	\$888,800.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS		
Capital Outlay Equipment (Youth Services)	\$8,053.63	\$22,141.11
Capital Outlay Equipment (Preschool)	\$1,274.40	\$3,196.20
Capital Outlay Equipment (Senior Center)	\$2,413.95	\$28,689.33
Capital Outlay Equipment (Teen Center)	\$2,162.00	\$4,970.20
Capital Outlay Equipment (Dog Park)	\$250.00	-
Total	\$14,153.98	\$58,996.84

# FIGURE 2 - HOWELL AREA PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY STRUCTURE



### CITY OF HOWELL

### ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

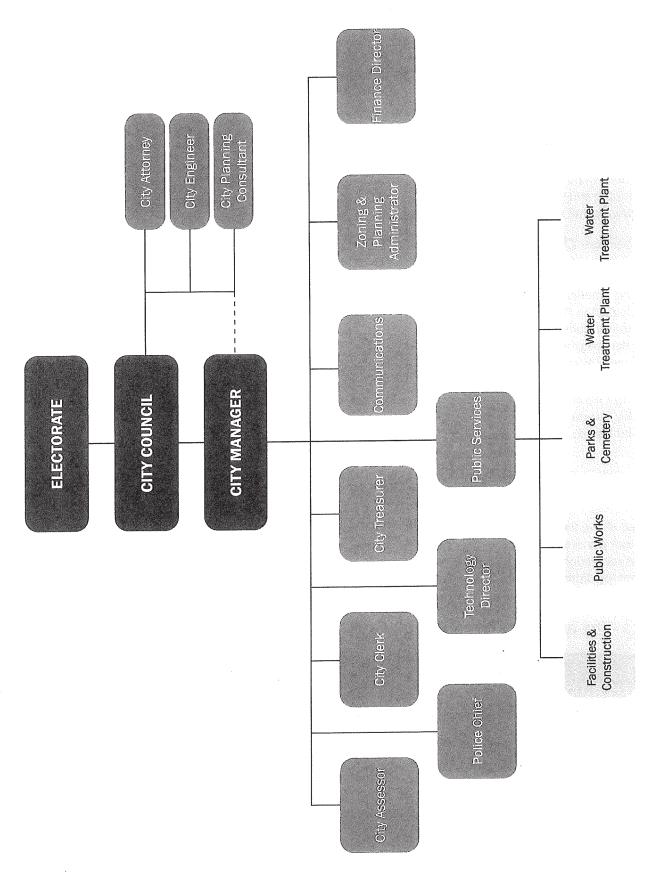
In 1955, the Howell Home Rule City Charter was adopted. It was then amended by the City voters in 1966 and again in 1988. The City of Howell has operated under a council-manager form government since. The City Manager is appointed by a seven-person city council. The City Manager is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the City and manages all departments. There are eleven department heads reporting to the City Manager. The City' administrative structure can be seen in Figure 3. One of the departments reporting to the City Manager, Parks and Cemetery, is located under the Director of Public Services. Of the City's Parks and Recreation programs, the City Manager oversees staff, proposes budgets, and is responsible for day-to-day operations. Also under the City Manager's control is maintenance of all City-owned buildings and grounds. The Public Services Department provides the direct oversight to park operations and reports directly back to the Manager on this issue.

The Howell Department of Public Services (DPS) is comprised of a handful of departments that oversee services to the City. The DPS provides oversight to facilities and construction, public works, parks and cemetery, and the water treatment plant.

The City of Howell is a member of HAPRA. The City of Howell has one member that sits on HAPRA's board. HAPRA provides programming, management of some parks and recreation facilities, and special events within the City such as Howell Melon Festival, the Legend of Sleepy Hollow Event, and two 5K runs. Previously HAPRA had managed Scofield Park and City Boat Launch however recently the City has taken back over control of these two facilities because of ongoing maintenance costs. HAPRA does run and operate the Hive Youth and Teen Center located on Grand River Avenue in downtown Howell. For more information on this visit the recreation inventory in Chapter 4.







### BUDGET

When it comes to parks and recreation within the City the majority of the funding comes from the City's General Fund. Some funding does come from other sources as well. Year passes for Scofield Park and City Boat Launch provide the City with additional funding. Pavilion rental fees and some donations also assist in providing funding to recreation in the City of Howell. The City pays \$124,500 per year to HAPRA for participation in the Authority and for management of the Bennett Recreation Center, Countryside Veterinary Dog Park, and recreation programming within the City.

### **VOLUNTEERS**

The City of Howell is always welcome to volunteers to assist with parks and recreation. Volunteers create the inviting atmosphere within parks and recreation within the City. The City relies on these volunteers to led recreational programming and activities in the City. The groups below are philanthropic organizations, sporting groups, and other organizations that volunteer to make recreation within the City successful.

### Local Service Clubs:

- Michigan Kiwanis Club
- Rotary Club of Howell
- The American Legion
- Livingston County 4-H
- Howell Lions Club
- Elks Lodge #2168
- Howell Mason Lodge

### Scouting Groups

- Boy Scouts
- Girl Scouts

### Recreation Use Groups

- Howell Underground Running Team (H.U.R.T.)
- Michigan Mountain Biking Association
- Howell Area Junior Baseball Association
- Howell Area Junior Football League
- Howell Area Soccer Association

### Land Conservancies:

- Legacy Land Conservancy
- Southeast Michigan Land Conservancy

### Other Organizations:

Howell Area Chamber of Commerce

### **PARTNERSHIPS**

As stated above the City of Howell is a member of the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority. The way the agreement works is that the City pays the authority and has a member sit on the Board and in return the Authority provides recreation programming in City parks, at the Oceola Community Center, and at Bennett Recreation Center, and other locations throughout the Howell area. HAPRA and the City coordinate efforts with the school district to allow the use of fields, gyms, and the aquatic center belonging to the school district for recreation programming.

TABLE 3 - CITY OF HOWELL BUDGET

	2022 - 2023 Amended Budget	2023 - 2024 Recommended Budget
HAPRA Contributions (Programming)	\$3,400.00	\$126,500.00
Operations and Maintenance	\$208,100	\$183,054
Capital Improvements	\$138,500	\$1,666,500.00



### **DNR GRANT HISTORY**

The City of Howell has previously received three DNR Land and Water Conservation Grants for parks and recreation. The details of those grants are in Table 4.

TABLE 4 - CITY OF HOWELL DNR GRANT HISTORY

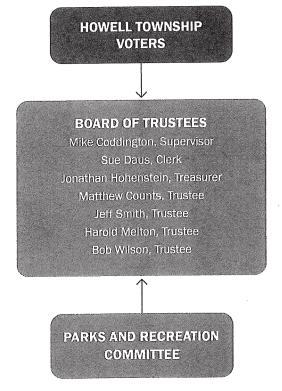
Project Title	Project Number	Project Year	Grant Amount	Status	Description
Howell Tennis Courts	26-00889	1977	\$19,651.09	Completed	Currently Bennett Recreation Center. Courts are at the end of their life and are planned to be redeveloped as part of a larger property redevelopment.
FY78 Consolidated Statewide Grant	26-01023 3	1977	\$27,700.75	Completed	Development of softball fields at Lucky Road Park. Park has been decommissioned due to chemical contamination and public safety concerns.
FY 1980 Consolidated Statewide Grant	26-01104 Y	1980	\$25,031.90	Completed	Development of Lucky Road Park. Park has been decommissioned due to chemical contamination and public safety concerns.

### **HOWELL TOWNSHIP**

### ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

Howell Township is a General Law Township with a Board of Trustees made up of the Supervisor, Clerk, Treasurer, and four Trustees. The Township Board of Trustees administers parks and recreation in Howell Township. This structure is allowed under the Michigan Enabling Act 157 of 1905, Township Parks and Places of Recreation. Since the adoption of the Township's latest recreation plan in YEAR, the Township has created a Parks and Recreation Committee that reports to the Township Board. This committee is responsible for overseeing the recreation development and activities in the Township. See Howell Township's structure in Figure 4.

FIGURE 4 - HOWELL TOWNSHIP STRUCTURE





### **VOLUNTEERS AND PARTNERSHIPS**

Howell Township is a member of HAPRA. The township pays a yearly fee of \$124,500 to be a member of the Authority. The Township has one representative that sits on the HAPRA Board. HAPRA provides reaction programming and activities to Township residents. The Township does not currently mantain its own volunteer or other partnership base outside of HAPRA. Developing these could help with maintenance, organizing events, and raising funds to help with recreation in the Township

### BUDGET

The funding for recreation and general maintenance comes from the Township's General Fund.

TABLE 5 - HOWELL TOWNSHIP BUDGET

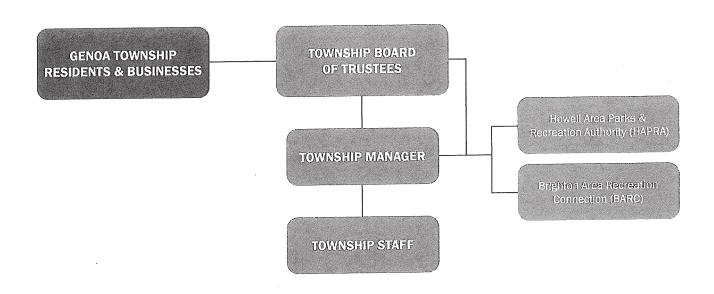
	2023 - 2024 Amended Budget	2024 - 2025 Adopted Budget
HAPRA Contributions (Programming, Operations/ Maintance, Capital Improvements)	\$140,000.00	\$130,000.00

### **GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP**

### ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

The Genoa Township Board consists of seven members. These include a supervisor, clerk, treasurer, and four trustees. The Township Board works with the Township Manager. The Township Manager is the chief appointed executive and carry out a number of responsibilities such as capital projects preparation and administration, public services, implementing policies, procedures, and ordinances approved by the Board, and oversees Township staff. The Township Board and Township Manager work together with HAPRA and BARC to provide recreational opportunities to residents of the Township. One member of the Township Board sits on HAPRA's board to be the Townships representative in decisions made in regard to recreation within HAPRA.

FIGURE 5 - GENOA CHARTER TOWNSHIP STRUCTURE





### **VOLUNTEERS AND PARTNERSHIPS**

Genoa Township partners with two regional recreation authorities to help provide recreational facilities and programs to its residents. The first recreational recreation authority is HAPRA. In Genoa Township, HAPRA administers the programming of amenities at Genoa Park. These benefit the residents of the Township as well as the larger regional area. These amenities include lighted athletic fields and special events like Easter egg hunts. To be stay a member of HAPRA the Township pays \$124,500 annually.

The other recreational authority is the Brighton Area Recreation Connection (BARC). Brighton Area Schools administers BARC. BARC includes portions of the City of Brighton, Brighton Township, Hamburg Township, Green Oak Township, and Genoa Township. The programs include that of soccer, basketball, softball, self-defense, and yoga for youths and adults. BARC also coordinates activities hosted at Genoa Park with HAPRA. Additionally, the Township works in cooperation with Livingston County Parks.

### BUDGET

Genoa Township supports parks and recreation through the Township general fund. Also, resources for installation and maintenance of all recreation facilities in the Township is provided through an enterprise fund (#270 Parks and Recreation). The full budget for parks and recreation in Genoa Township can be found below in Table 6.

### TABLE 6 - GENOA TOWNSHIP BUDGET

	2023 - 2024 Amended Budget	2024 - 2025 Recommended Budget
HAPRA Contributions (Programming)	\$120,000.00	\$124,500.00
Operations and Maintenance	\$130,000.00	\$175,000.00
Capital Improvements	\$247,200.00	\$855,200.00

### DNR GRANT HISTORY

Genoa Township has previously received one DNR grant for parks and recreation. See Table 7 for additional details regarding that grant.

### TABLE 7 - CITY OF HOWELL DNR GRANT HISTORY

Project Title	Project Number	Project Year	Grant Amount	Status	Description
Genoa Township Park Expansion	TF21-0040	2021	\$300,000	Completed	Acquisition of land to expand Genoa Township Park.

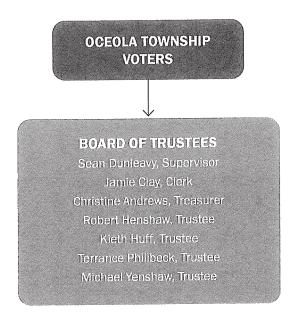


### **OCEOLA TOWNSHIP**

### ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

Oceola Township is comprised of a seven (7) member Township Board made up of a supervisor, clerk, treasurer, and additional four (4) trustees. The Township Board oversees all Township employees, programs, and services. Included in the Township Board's responsibilities is adopting an annual budget that will determine the scope of the Townships services for the year. One member of the Township Board sits on HAPRA's board to be the Townships representative in decisions made in regard to recreation within HAPRA.

### FIGURE 6 - OCEOLA TOWNSHIP STRUCTURE



### **VOLUNTEERS AND PARTNERSHIPS**

Oceola Township partners with HAPRA to provide recreation facilities and programming to the Township. The Township pays \$124,500 per year to be a member within HAPRA. HAPRA runs and operates the Oceola Community Center on Latson Road. This building is home to HAPRA and in the recreation inventory in Chapter 4 the inventory of amenities and programs offered at this location is provided. HAPRA also runs and operates the Oceola Soccer Complex which is located near the Oceola Community Center.

### BUDGET

The full budget for parks and recreation in Oceola Township can be found in Table 8.

### TABLE 8 - OCEOLA TOWNSHIP BUDGET

	2022 - 2023 Amended Budget	2023 - 2024 Approved Budget
HAPRA (Programming and Maintenance)	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00
Capital Improvements	\$106,400.00	-



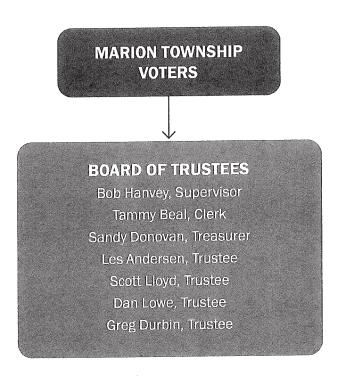
### **MARION TOWNSHIP**

### ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

Marion Township is comprised of a seven (7) member Township Board made up of a supervisor, clerk, treasurer, and additional four (4) trustees. Within the Township decisions on parks and recreation is made in one of two ways. Minor decisions, typically those less than \$3,000, are made by the Township Clerk, Township Treasurer, and/or the Township Supervisor. All major decisions, those more than \$3,000 or those related to policy, are made by the Township Board during a public meeting. The Township has a Parks Committee, however the committee has been inactive for several years. The Township has one board member that sits on the HAPRA board to be the Township representative in HAPRA's decisions.

Park maintenance is done by multiple people. The Township has contracted a landscaping company for upkeep of the parks such as lawn mowing. The Township provides a portable restroom in the parks from spring through fall and provides some trash collection that is not done by HAPRA staff.

### FIGURE 7 - MARION TOWNSHIP STRUCTURE



### **VOLUNTEERS AND PARTNERSHIPS**

Marion Township utilizes volunteer contributions to help with parks and recreation activities within the Township. A volunteer mows the disc golf course for the Township and volunteers also facilitate the Buck Pole Event hosted the Township. Marion Township partners with HAPRA to provide recreation facilities and programming to the Township. The Township pays \$124,500 per year to be a member within HAPRA. HAPRA in turn provides recreation programming and facilities to residents of the area.

The Township partners with a few other groups for recreation opportunities in the Township. The Howell Gun Club uses the lower level of the Township Hall to host archery classes. A group of seniors also utilize the Township Hall twice a week to host card games. Throughout December, the Livingston County Catholic Church Charities utilize the lower level of the Township Hall for senior food distribution.



### BUDGET

The Parks are funded by transfer from the Township's General Fund. There are occasional minor donations that help as well. The Townships full budget for parks and recreation is shown below in Table 9.

TABLE 9 - MARION TOWNSHIP BUDGET

	Current Year 2024	Next Year 2025
Operations and Maintenance	\$5,725.00	\$16,000.00
HAPRA (Programming)	\$124,500.00	\$124,000
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (HAPRA FUNDS)		
Walking Path		\$470,000.00
Playground	-	\$120,000.00



DISC GOLF COURSE AT JACK LOWE MEMORIAL PARK



2025 - 2029 HOWEL



# RECREATION INVENTORY

### INTRODUCTION

In order to strategically plan for parks and recreation in the future, a community needs to examine the type of parks and recreation facilities that are available within the area. Other factors to consider include accessibility, park classifications, and amenities for each park and recreation space as well as programs and events that are hosted and provided in the community. All these factors in conjunction with community input give Officials a better understanding of what their goals and actions should be in regard to their parks and recreation for the future. The inventory presented in this chapter was put together by consultants in the summer of 2024 and verified by HAPRA staff. This chapter provides discussion on park classifications, accessibility, and amenities for each park and recreation facility within HAPRA. This chapter also provides an inventory of the programs and events provided by HAPRA.

### PARK CLASSIFICATION

A recreation inventory helps provide a foundation in understanding the recreational needs, deficiencies, and future plans for the Howell Area. An inventory provides an understanding of all the facilities within the area along with details about the types of activities and features available within the space. The following classification is adapted from the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA) guide. It recognizes types of parks based on size, service area, facilities, and use groups. Each park within the area is classified as a mini park, neighborhood park, community park, regional park, natural resource area, or special use facility. The NRPA classifies other types of parks, but they are not applicable to the Howell area.

### MINI PARKS:

Mini parks address limited, isolated, or unique recreational needs. These parks are usually 2,500 square feet or one acre in size.

### **NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS:**

Neighborhood parks are often considered the basic unit of a park system. They serve as recreational and social focus of the neighborhood. Their intended service area is  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile distance and are uninterrupted by non-residential roads and other physical barriers. They are generally 5 to 10 acres in size.

### **COMMUNITY PARKS:**

Community parks serve a broader purpose than neighborhood parks. Their focus is on meeting community-based recreational needs, as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces. These parks are usually between 30 to 50 acres and serve a radius of  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 3-mile distance.

### **REGIONAL PARKS:**

Regional parks are generally the largest in size and serve the greatest geographical area. These parks are typically 80 acres or larger in size. These parks focus on preserving unique landscapes and open space while also allowing for group activities and other recreational opportunities not typically found in a neighborhood or community park.

### SPECIAL USE FACILITY:

Special use facilities cover a broad range of parks and recreation facilities oriented toward a single-purpose use. There is no national standard for special-use facilities because each one caters to a different community need.



### **ACCESSIBILITY**

It is important that parks systems and facilities are safe, accessible, and usable for all individuals within a community no matter one's ability or age. The DNR has developed a grading system to identify parks and facilities accessibility levels, based on the American Disabilities Act (ADA) Guidelines. The grading system uses a five-point system ranging from 1 to 5. Table 10 below defines each rating a park or facility could receive. The accessibility rating of each recreation facility can be found in Table or within each park's written summary of spaces provided within this Chapter. An accessibility assessment of each park was conducted during the summer of 2024 by looking at aerial imagery of each park space and its amenities.

TABLE 10 - MDNR ACCESSIBLE GRADING SYSTEM FOR PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES

Accessibility Grade	Definition
1	None of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
2	Some of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
3	Most of the facilities/park areas meet accessibility guidelines
4	The entire park meets accessibility guidelines
5	The entire park was developed/renovated using the principles of universal design

# HOWELL AREA PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES INVENTORY

For this recreation plan an inventory of parks and recreation facilities within the Howell Area was conducted. Items such as amenities provided, accessibility, and classifications were assessed for each space. Table 11 in this chapter provides a summary of all the parks and recreational facilities within participating HAPRA jurisdictions.

It should be noted that HAPRA runs and operates two recreation facilities within the area: the Oceola Community Center and the Bennett Recreation Center/Hive Youth and Teen Center. The Recreation Authority also operates and maintains a number of athletic fields and parks spaces that are leased to the Recreation Authority. These include Page field, Oceola Township Soccer Complex fields, Genoa Township athletic fields, and Countryside Veterinary Dog Park. Not all park spaces found below are operated or maintained by the Recreation Authority. They are all included in the inventory becuase they represent all the parks and recreation spaces available within the participating HAPRA jurisdictions.



SCOFIELD PARK

### CITY OF HOWELL

Argyle Park

Location: 139 Argyle Street, Howell

Acres: .4

ADA Accessibility: 2 Classification: Mini Park

Argyle Park is a mini park located in the southern portion of the City of Howell. This park has an area for picnic that include two picnic tables and a grill. Also, within the park is play equipment for children and a swing set. Some open grassy space is available within this mini park as well as the park is connected to the surrounding neighborhood with sidewalks.

Bennett Recreation Center/Hive Youth and Teen

Location: 925 West Grand River Avenue, Howell

Acres: 3.51

ADA Accessibility: 3

Classification: Special Use Facility

The Bennett Recreation Center is home to the Hive Youth and Teen Center and the Howell Recreation Preschool and Learning Center. Amenities at the Bennett Recreation Center include a gymnasium, tennis courts, game room, picnic tables, play equipment, pavilion, and lounging spaces. The Hive Youth and Teen Center provides a place where middle and high school students can gather with friends, work on skills, collaborate, and overall socialize with others their age. The Center is open from 2:30 - 6:00 pm Monday through Friday during the school year. A monthly membership can be purchased, or guests can pay daily with a drop-in fee. The Hive Youth and Teen Center also provides programming. Teen late night events are hosted such as arcade trips, workshops, holiday parties. Also available is drop-in dodge ball and Nerf nights. The Hive Youth and Teen Center also focuses on provides teens with skills and hosts classes such as teen financing, babysitting 101, and a safe kids class. The Howell Recreation Preschool and Learning Center has three-year-old and four-year-old classes that use concepts from Creative Curriculum to allow children to investigate using hands on activities.



BENNETT RECREATION CENTER



Baldwin Park

Location: 710 Spring Street, Howell

Acres: .8

ADA Accessibility: 2 Classification: Mini Park

Baldwin Park is a mini park located within the center of the City of Howell. This park includes amenities such as a play structure and play equipment, a swing set, tennis court, and a picnic area that contains picnic tables and a pavilion. The park has sidewalks that connect to the pavilion, play equipment, and angled parking for visitors to park. These sidewalks also connect into the sidewalks of the neighborhood.

Highlander Aquatic and Fitness Center Location: 1224 West Grand River Avenue, Howell

Acres: 148.5 ADA Accessibility: 3

Classification: Special Use Facility

Highlander Aquatic and Fitness Center is a part of Howell Public Schools and located on the same property as Howell High School and located next to Howell Skate Park and Highlander Way Middle School. The Highlander Aquatics and Fitness Center provides many recreational opportunities for members of the area. The Aquatics Center offers youth swim lessons and private/semiprivate swim lessons for ages ranging from 6 months to 13 years old. The Aquatics Center also provides open swim periods and lap swim periods for those looking to exercise and play. Other water programming provided is deep water aerobics, water aerobics, splash aerobics, and arthritis aerobics. Outside of water classes, the aquatics center also provides cycling classes and yoga classes. Classes vary in price and can be purchased as drop-in sessions or as a bundle. Lap swim is available as for quests as a drop-in fee or a monthly membership to be purchased. The Aquatics Center also hosts special events such as the annual open houses and guests are able to rent portions of the Aquatics Center to host birthday parties.

John S. Page Field

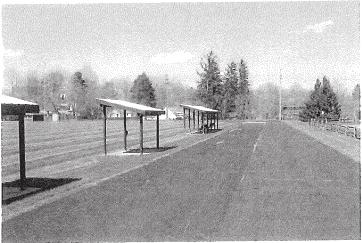
Location: 415 N. Barnard Street, Howell

Acres: 10.1

ADA Accessibility: 2

Classification: Community Park

John S. Page Field is a community park located near Thompson Lake within the City of Howell. This park has sidewalks that surround the outside and connect to the parks angled parking area as well as the surrounding neighborhood. The main focal point is a full soccer field that is surrounded with a track and grandstands. Also, within the park is an open muti-use field, play equipment, and basketball hoops.



JOHN S. PAGE FIELD



Scofield Park (formerly Howell City Park) Location: 1100 South Michigan Avenue, Howell

Acres: 21.6 ADA Accessibility: 2

Classification: Community Park

Scofield Park is a community park located on the western side of Thompson Lake. This is the largest park within the City of Howell Park system. The park is a mix of developed park space and forested green space. The north end of the park contains a parking area and beach. The beach is the main attraction for guests of the park and has recently had a kayak launch installed to provide paddling access to Thompson Lake. Also in the north side of the park are two pavilions, picnic tables, and restrooms for guests to use. The pavilions can be rented out for gathering and parties. In the middle of the park there is a large pavilion, parking, restrooms, play structure, scenic overlook, and a large open softball field. The southern part of the park includes a pavilion, plays structure, and a sidewalk/pathway that connects out onto Thompson Street and Lakeview Cemetery. Benches are located throughout the park to relax and view the surroundings. Park passes are needed for entry to the park from Memorial Day through Labor Day. City of Howell residents get two free annual passes. Oceola Township residents can get one park pass for a discounted rate and all other Township residents may purchase an annual pass for forty dollars. The City of Howell is working on major upgrades to accessibility and amenities for Scofield Park currently.

Paul Bennett Field

Location: 600 South Walnut Street, Howell

Acres: 1.85

ADA Accessibility: 1

Classification: Community Park

Paul Bennett Field is a community park located centrally within the City of Howell. This park provides baseball facilities to the City with a lighted baseball field. The park has been home to the Howell Area Junior Baseball Association (HAJBA) since 1957. A renovation project is in the works for the park that would include improvements such as increasing accessibility, expanding dugouts, renovating concessions, adding restrooms, improving parking lot, and upgrading lighting on site.

Scofield Park/City Boat Launch

Location: Lake Street and Roosevelt Street, Howell

Acres: 2.1

ADA Accessibility: 1

Classification: Special Use Facility

Scofield Park Boat Launch is a special use facility that provides lake access to Thompson Lake in the City of Howell. This site allows guests to launch their boats and provides parking for trucks and trailers. This space also provides picnic tables along the water and open green space for visitors to relax and take in the sites. The lake provides access for fishing, kayaking, canoeing, and boating for the City. Passes are needed to use the boat launch from Memorial Day through Labor Day. City of Howell residents get two free annual passes and Oceola Township residents get one free annual pass. Residents of other Townships must purchase an annual pass to access the boat launch.



McPherson Park

Location: Between State Street and Michigan Avenue south of Higgins Street, Howell

Acres: :2

ADA Accessibility: 2 Classification: Mini Park

McPherson Park is a mini park located near the center of the City of Howell. This mini park provides open, shaded recreation space for the surrounding neighborhood. The park is surround by sidewalks for easy walking access and has a small walkway that runs through the middle of the space. Amenities provided include picnic tables and a drinking fountain.

Doc Lewis "Pat" May Park

Location: Park Street and Clinton Street, Howell

Acres: .2

ADA Accessibility: 1 Classification: Mini Park

Doc Lewis "Pat" May Park is a mini park located on the eastern side of the City of Howell. The southern section of the park has a sidewalk that connects the park out to the surrounding neighborhood. Amenities within the park includes play equipment such as swings, a climbing dome, and a slide. Within the northern section of the park is a small area of green open space, a picnic table, bench, and grill.

West Street Park

Location: 500 - 624 Factory Street, Howell

Acres: 2.9

ADA Accessibility: 3

Classification: Neighborhood Park

West Street Park is a neighborhood park located in the northern portion of the City of Howell. The park offers a variety of amenities that include a basketball court, multi-use field, sand volleyball court, play equipment, and swings. Other park amenities include two pavilions, one small and one large as well as benches spread throughout. Parking is available on the north side of the park and a quarter mile walking track circles the perimeter of the park.

Don Miller Park

Location: 626 - 898 Maple Street, Howell

Acres: .2

ADA Accessibility: 2 Classification: Mini Park

Don Miller Park is a mini park located in the southern portion of the City of Howell. The park has sidewalks on two of the parks four sides providing convenient pedestrian access to the surrounding neighborhood. The park contains play equipment, picnic tables, and benches. This was recently updated in 2023.



Countryside Veterinary Dog Park Location: 405 S. Highlander Way, Howell

Acres: 2.5

ADA Accessibility: 1

Classification: Special Use Facility

Countryside Veterinary Dog Park is located in the western portion of the City of Howell next to the Livingston County Animal Control building. To use the dog park guests must register their dog through the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority, have a dog license, and be up to date on vaccines. A membership must be purchased for the park which costs \$70 per year and a key fob will be given to members for park entry. The dog park is split into two areas. One being an area for small dogs and a second larger area for big dogs.

Howell Skate Park

Location: 626 - 898 Maple Street, Howell

Acres: .2

ADA Accessibility: 1

Classification: Special Use Facility

Howell Skate Park is a special use facility located between Highlander Way Middle School, Howell High School, and Highlander Aquatic and Fitness Center. This skate park is made of a concrete and steel semi-sunk obstacle course. The park is open from April 1st to October 31st based on the weather and conditions.

Rolling Oaks Park

Location: Wooded Valley Lane and Still Drive, Howell

Acres: 8.2

ADA Accessibility: 2

Classification: Neighborhood Park

Rolling Oaks Park is a small park located behind homes in the Rolling Oaks subdivision. Amenities of the park include a play structure, benches, picnic table, and a rustic walking trail. The northern portion of the park also contains a large multi-use field, and the southern portion of the park consists of wooded undeveloped land. The property to the west of the park is owned by the City of Howell and is currently undeveloped.

Lakeside Park

Location: Lakeside Drive and Park Avenue, Howell

Acres: .3

ADA Accessibility: 1
Classification: Mini Park

Lakeside Park is a mini park located on the north side of Thompson Lake. The park is on a steep hill toward the lake and access is only provided by a flight of stairs. The park provides lake access and benches to view the water. Also, within the park is play equipment for children to use.



#### OCEOLA TOWNSHIP

Oceola Soccer Complex

Location: 1661 N. Latson Road, Howell

Acres: 10.0

ADA Accessibility: 3

Classification: Community Park

The Oceola Soccer Complex located on the property containing Oceola Township Hall. The main amenities at the Oceola Soccer Complex is 11v11, 6v6, and 3v3 soccer fields. Also available within the park is a large play structure that features slides, monkey bars, swings, and climbing obstacles. A large pavilion is available with picnic tables and a free little library. A paved walking path is located within the park. The path is about a mile long and includes a story walk. Upcoming additions to the Soccer Complex include permanent outdoor bathrooms and a water bottle filling station. HAPRA soccer leagues are hosted at the Oceola Soccer Complex.

Oceola Community Center

Location: 1661 N. Latson Road, Howell

Acres: 10.0

ADA Accessibility: 3

Classification: Special Use Facility

The Oceola Community Center is 43,000 square feet community center that is the home of the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority. The facility is open Monday through Friday for anyone and is open Saturday through Sunday for members only. Hours of operation vary by day and can be found on the HAPRA website. Memberships must be purchased in person and can be monthly or annually. If one does not wish to purchase a membership a drop-in rate can be paid per visit. Residents of the participating jurisdictions can purchase memberships for a discounted resident rate. Within the Community Center is a gymnasium with three courts that are lined for basketball, volleyball, and pickleball. Also within the gymnasium is a walking track. Other amenities include three multi-purpose rooms, kitchen, fitness room, and equipment room. A variety of fitness classes and activities are held at the Oceola Community Center. These include chair volleyball, lunch and learns, parties, youth basketball leagues, pickleball clinics, tot time, and enrichment programs. Rooms and courts are available for the public to rent hourly for a fee.







OCEOLA COMMUNITY CENTER GYMNASIUM



#### **GENOA TOWNSHIP**

Filmore County Park

Location: 7075 McClements Road, Brighton

Acres: 198.0 ADA Accessibility: 1

Classification: Regional Park

Filmore County Park is a regional park located between the City of Howell and the City of Brighton. This land was given to Livingston County and then opened as a county park in 2019. Currently the park includes 3.5 miles of trails, picnic tables, and restrooms. The land remains mostly undeveloped providing lots of open green space for visitors of the park to enjoy as providing great opportunities to view wildlife.

Genoa Township Park

Location: 2911 Dorr Road, Brighton

Acres: 46.0

ADA Accessibility: 4

Classification: Community Park

Genoa Township Park is located next to Genoa Township Hall. This park includes a .66-mile paved walking trail that circles around the Township Hall and Park. This trail also connects the park with the neighboring Brighton Area Fire Department. Also within the park are three play structures that are designed for ages ranging from two though twelve. These play structures include slides, swings, climbing structures, and a water misting features. Near the play structures is a heated pavilion with picnic tables and restrooms that can be used year-round. Also, near the pavilion and play structures is a water fountain that includes a pet drinking fountain. Two lighted, regulation size soccer fields are available to use for sports. These can be rented through HAPRA. A sledding hill is located near the entrance of the park that provides fun recreation options for families in the winter. The sledding hill runs for 200 feet with a 20% grade equaling to a 40-foot drop.



GENOA TOWNSHIP PARK PLAY STRUCTURES



#### MARION TOWNSHIP

Marion Township Park

Location: 2406 Clivedon Road, Howell

Acres: 9.3

ADA Accessibility: 1

Classification: Community Park

Jack Lowe Memorial Park is a community park located on the Marion Township Hall property. This park contains a gazebo and picnic tables to relax and enjoy the space. Township residents can rent out the gazebo to host events or gatherings. Next to the gazebo is play equipment for children to enjoy. The park also includes an 18-hole disc golf course. Surrounding these amenities is open green space.

Jack Lowe Memorial Park (including Disc Golf Course)

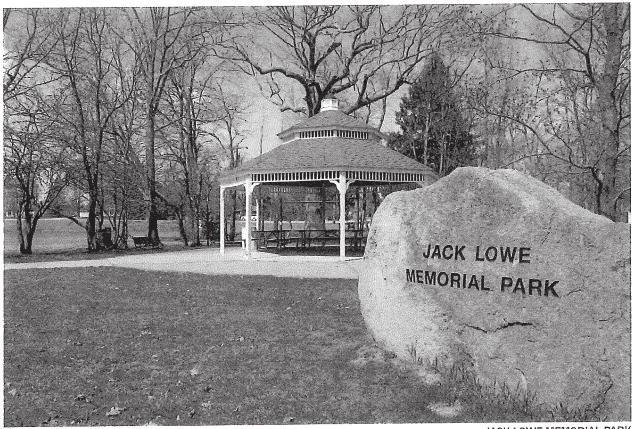
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Acres: 28.9

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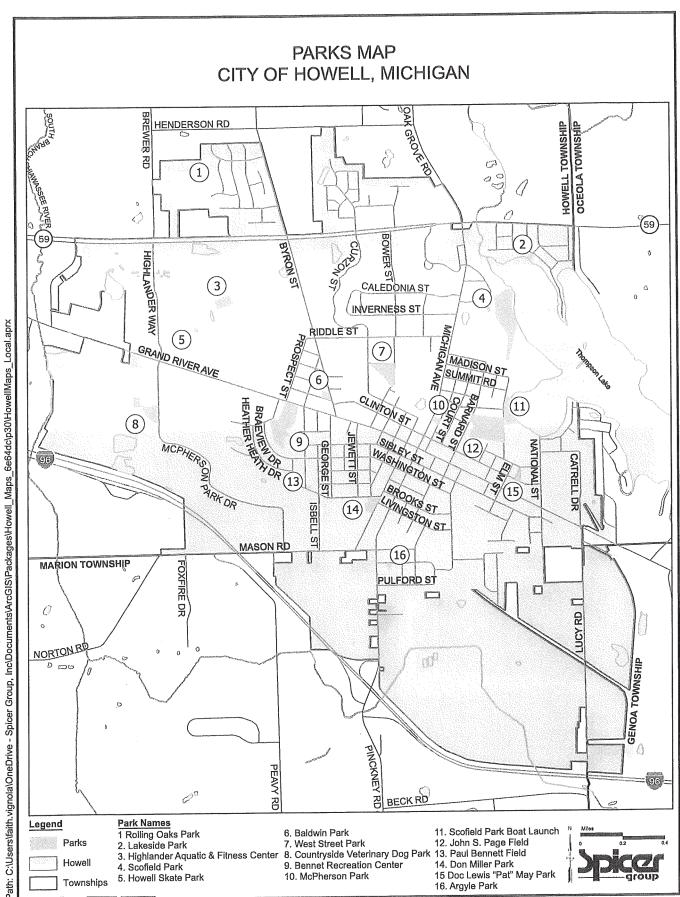
Classification: Community Park

Marion Township Park is a community park located on Triangle Lake Road south of Coon Lake Road. The park includes amenities such as a baseball diamond, picnic tables, and open green space. The park also includes new play equipment for children and a new walking path that is just under one mile in length that follows along the perimeter of the property. The north portion of the property remains wooded.

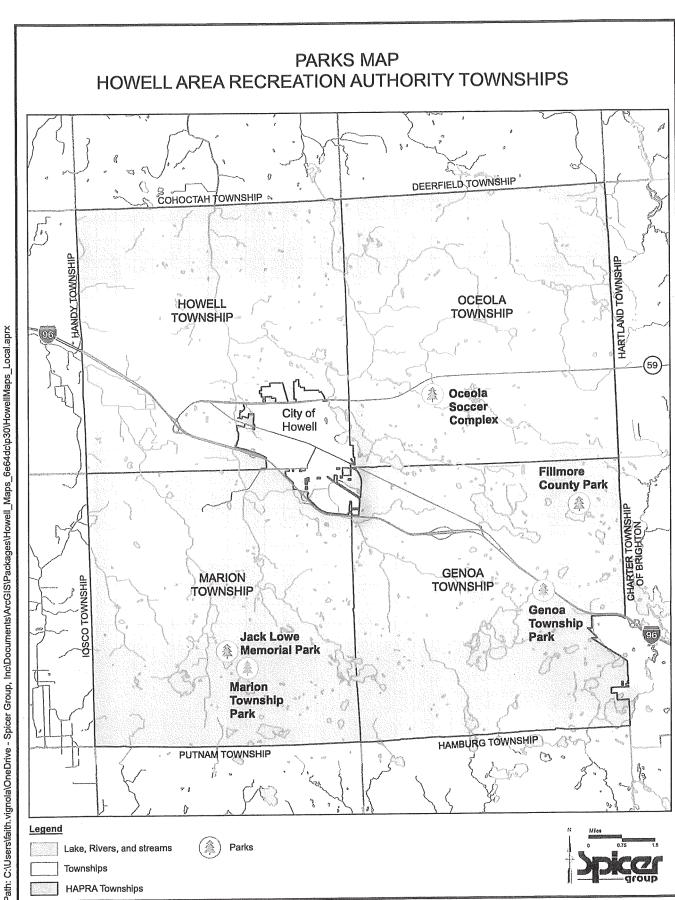


JACK LOWE MEMORIAL PARK





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#### **COMPARISON TO STANDARDS**

The National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) annually gathers data from parks and recreation agencies nationwide to provide an overview of parks and recreation agencies' performance. With this data the NRPA publishes an NRPA Agency Performance Review that provides jurisdictions and agencies with reports, tables, graphs, and other data visuals that provide an idea of a "typical" agency within a given population. The purpose of this performance review is to provide agencies with a tool to compare their own performance with that of other US agencies and identify areas where the agency is performing with excellence and look for areas where improvement could be made. The 2024 NRPA Agency Performance Review presents data from approximately 1,000 park and recreation agencies across the Country.

For comparison purposes, being that this is a joint recreation plan the populations of all five jurisdictions were added for the population size. In addition, when discussing facilities offered all will be mentioned whether they are managed by the individual jurisdiction or HAPRA. Based on the 2024 NRPA Agency Performance Review a typical agency that serves a population size of 50,000 to 99,999 has 3,344 residents per park. The Howell area has 2,940 residents per park. This is lower than the median number for this population size but not quite to the lower quartile number of 2,173 residents per park. This means that the Howell Area is providing above the average number of parks and recreation spaces for the residents they are serving.

The 2024 NRPA Agency Performance Review also provides an abundance of information of parks and recreation facilities and amenities based on population. The most common type of facility provided by 93% of agencies are playgrounds or play structures. The Howell Area provides an abundance of this facility some of which have been designed to be inclusive for those of all abilities. 85% of agencies have diamond fields, 84% have basketball courts, and 83% have rectangular fields rounding out the most common parks and recreation facilities offered by agencies. The Howell area provides all of these top facilities. The Howell area also provides a number of facilities to its residents that are less common such as a disc gold course which only 20% of agencies provide and walking/running loops or tracks which only 19% of agencies provide.

When it comes to indoor recreation facilities that most common facilities provided were recreation center (62%) and community center (59%). The Howell Area has these facilities available to residents. More unique indoor parks and recreation facilities that are less common include amphitheaters (40%), aquatics centers (30%), and teen centers (12%). The Howell Area has an aquatics center and a teen center available to residents. Both of which are accomplishments being only 30% and 12% of comparable agencies provide these facilities. The Howell area does not however maintain an amphitheater, and this could be an area where growth could be made.

HAPRA provides a plethora of programming to residents of the Howell area. The top three parks and recreation programming offered by agencies are themed special events (89%), social recreation events (88%), and team sports (86%). HAPRA provides all of these options to residents of the area. The top targeted programs provided by agencies include summer camps (83%), specific senior programs (78%), and specific teen programs (67%). HAPRA has all of these targeted programs available to residents of the area. A less common targeted program that HAPRA is providing to residents is preschool options. Only 34% of agencies provide this program to its residents.

It is critical to remember however that there is no one size fits all when it comes to solutions for maintaining and improving a parks and recreation agency. The 2024 NRPA Agency Performance Review does not provide standards for parks and recreation agencies to strive for but instead serves to inform as a guideline based on evidence from other agencies. In order to be successful, an agency should customize its offerings based on the needs and wants of its community members and their unique characteristics such as age, interests, backgrounds, and economic means.



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TABLE 11 - PARK INVENTORY TABLE

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### REGIONAL PARK AND RECREATION FACILITIES

Just beyond the Howell area and but still located close by in Livingston County is a large variety of other recreational opportunities for residents of the area to explore. These opportunities are discussed in the following pages, maps for non-motorized trails and water trails are provided in Appendix XXX.

#### NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS

Trails and pathways provide recreational opportunities for individuals no matter their age or ability. They provide a variety of use options that include walking, running, biking, and more. Trails and pathways provide an easy way for people to get outside and enjoy recreation. Within the Howell area there are a wide variety of trails and paths to use. There are larger regional trails systems, smaller trails, and trails just located within park spaces. Sidewalk systems can be used to supplement and connect trails together. This not only provides added connectivity through communities but also connections of trails making access easier. Much of the trail and pathway systems currently within the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority Area is focused within the City of Howell. Other paths of trails within the County are focused outside of the recreation authority area.

In 2020 Livingston County created a Trails Plan that inventoried current hiking trails, mountain bike trails, equestrian trails, shared use paths, bike lanes/paved shoulders, and planned or desired trail connections throughout the County. Within these future connections were prioritized into near term trail connections and long-term trail connections. Much of the near-term linkages include connecting the Cities and Townships within the County and connecting into the bigger regional trails such as the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail and Route #1 of the Great Lake-to-Lake Trail system.

#### Crosstown Trail

The Crosstown Trail runs along Highland Road/M-59 in the City of Howell. Currently the trail runs along the southern side of Highland Road/M-59 from Oak Grove/Michigan Ave to Grand River Avenue. During the community input survey, respondents discussed the idea of continuing to extend this trail farther to the east toward Latson Road. In 2003, a Crosstown Trail Study was completed that presented potential future routes of this trail and phasing options for completion.

#### Mike Levine Lakelands Trails

The Mike Levine Lakelands Trail is one of two larger regional trails that run through Livingston County. The Mike Levine Lakelands Trail is 33 miles long and runs between Hamburg Township in Livingston County and Blackman Township in Jackson County. This trail is open for walking, running, biking, and equestrian use.

#### Great Lake-to-Lake Trail

The other larger regional trail system is the Great Lake-to-Lake Trail. The Great Lake-to-Lake Trail system consists of five routes across the state of Michigan that connect the Great Lakes. Route 1 is 270 miles and connects South Haven and Lake Michigan to Port Huron and Lake Huron. A portion of this Route runs through Livingston County. Other Routes consist of Muskegon to Bay City; Charlevoix to Alpena; Manistique to Marquette; and Escanaba to the Porcupine Mountains. The Great Lake-to-Lake connects into the larger Iron Belle Trail system. The Iron Bell Trail System connects Belle Isle in Detroit to Ironwood in the Upper Peninsula. Two separate routes are available for hiking and biking through a mix of paved and unpaved trails and pathways. The Mike Levine Lakelands Trail is a small part of the larger Great Lake-to-Lake Trail.

#### WATER TRAILS

Another type of trail important to inventory are water trails. These are trails through lakes, rivers, canals, and bays designed for people to canoe or kayak through. The National Water Trails Program is a subset from the National Recreation Trails Program provided through the National Park Service. One National Water Trail System runs through Livingston County, the Huron River Water Trail.



#### Huron River Water Trail

One National Water Trail System runs through Livingston County, the Huron River Water Trail. The Huron River Water Trail is 104 miles long and starts at Proud Lake in Commerce Charter Township and end when the river empties into Lake Erie south of Detroit. The Water Trail runs through Brighton Township, Green Oak Township, and Hamburg Township, within the Livingston County. The trail offers a variety of paddling experiences from flat, still water all the way to some rapids. The water trail can be used by everyone because of a few universally accessible kayak launches that are available along the route.

#### LIVINGSTON COUNTY PARKS

Livingston County owns and maintains two parks within the County, Lutz County Park and Filmore County Park.

#### Lutz County Park

Lutz County Park is a 100-acre public recreation area located within top left corner of Deerfield Township. The park contains a 1.3-mile trail system that lets users view natural areas and wildlife. Also, within the park picnic tables, benches, nature interpretive signs, trail head displays, restrooms, and a parking area. Lutz County Park is located adjacent to the Oak Grove State Game Area which helps aid in the preservation of the natural features and wildlife habitat of the area. The Park also hosts a number of dark sky and stargazing events. The park is in the process of seeking an International Dark Sky Places (IDSP) status from the International Dark Sky Association (IDA).

#### Filmore County Park

The second park operated by Livingston County is Filmore County Park. Filmore County Park is located in Genoa Township and is 198 acres in size. Reference Parks and Recreation Facilities in the HAPRA Area for additional information about location and amenities.

#### HURON CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY

The Huron Clinton Metroparks is a regional park system that covers Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw, and Wayne counties. The park system includes 13 parks spanning nearly 25,000 acres of park land. While none of the Metroparks are within the HAPRA area however two of the parks are located within Livingston County. These parks include a variety of passive and active recreation options and nearly 400 miles of trails.

#### Kensington Metropark

Kensington Metropark: Kensington Metropark is 4,481 acres surrounding Kent Lake. This Metropark is located in both Livingston County and Oakland County. The park consists of wooded and hilly terrain that is home to an abundance of wildlife. This park features a variety of trails; paved and unpaved, mountain biking, water trails, 4 equestrian trails, and 4 nature trails. It also includes a beach, boat launch, camping area, golf course, disc golf course, splash pad, water slide, volleyball courts, baseball diamonds, and many picnic areas. The park also offers a large variety of winter activities to ensure participation year-round.

#### Huron Meadows Metropark

Huron Meadows Metropark: The Huron Meadows Metropark is 1,576 acres located along the Huron River in Green Oak Township. This Metropark includes a variety of recreation opportunities all year long. During the warmer months visitors can enjoy canoeing/kayaking, fishing, hiking, picnicking, golfing, softball, and playing on a playground. During the winter, there are amble cross country skiing trails, snowshoeing trails, and ice fishing.



#### STATE PARKS

Three (3) state park areas, and four (4) State Games Areas are located within or near the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority jurisdiction within Livingston County. These locations provide opportunities for fishing, hunting, camping, and other types of recreation to the Howell Area.

#### Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park

Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park is one of five linear state parks within the Michigan State Park system. This linear park is 34 miles long and a part of the Great Lake-to-Lake Trail. This trail provides opportunities to walk, hike, bike, cross country ski, and horseback ride and connects to the Pinckney Recreation Area. The trail starts at Hall Road in Livingston County and continues to Hawkins Road in Henrietta Township in Jackson County. Parts of the trail are paved, and other parts consist of compacted limestone and crushed slag.

#### Island Lake Recreation Area

Island Lake Recreation Area is approximately 4,000 acres that remains most undeveloped to provide a natural feel with a mix of open brush, mature hardwood forests, and open meadows. The recreation area consists of four inland lakes and is located along the Huron River making the part a prime location to water recreation opportunities like that of fishing, swimming, and canoeing/kayaking. The area offers four trails ranging from four miles in length to almost ten miles one of which connects to the Kensington Metropark Bike Trail and the area provides water trail opportunities. The area also provides a few camping opportunities.

#### Brighton Recreation Area

Brighton Recreation Area is 4,947 acres featuring open spaces, grassy fens and shrub marshes, an oak forest, and a range of hills for passive and active recreation activities to occur. The recreation area includes nine lakes, a designated swimming beach, boating access sites, fishing, and boating and paddling amenities. The area also features five campgrounds to fit everyone's needs including an equestrian only campground, staging area, and stables. The area has 7 trails that equal 35 miles of hiking, biking, and riding opportunities.

#### Pickney State Recreation Area

Pinckney State Recreation Area is approximately 11,000 acres located between Washtenaw and Livingston Counties. This park offers passive and active recreation opportunities for anyone to enjoy. The area is known for a chain of excellent fishing lakes as well as its extensive trail system. The area offers six trails that equal over 40 miles of hiking, biking, and riding trails. The area also offers a variety of camping options from campsites, rustic cabins, and more remote hike-in sites.

#### State Game Areas

Four State Game Areas are available within Livingston County. Hillcrest is 257 acres located within Marion Township, Gregory is 2,687 acres located in Unadilla and Putnam Townships, Oak Grove is 2,048 acres located in Deerfield Township, and Unadilla is 1,106 acres located in both Livingston and Washtenaw Counties.

#### OTHER RECREATIONAL AREAS

Other forms of recreation are available within the Howell area and Livingston County. There are many golf courses available throughout the area, both public and private courses. For recreation during the winter season, Mount Brighton Ski Resort is located in Genoa Township. The resort has 25 trails and five lifts spanning 130 acres.



#### **NATURAL FEATURES**

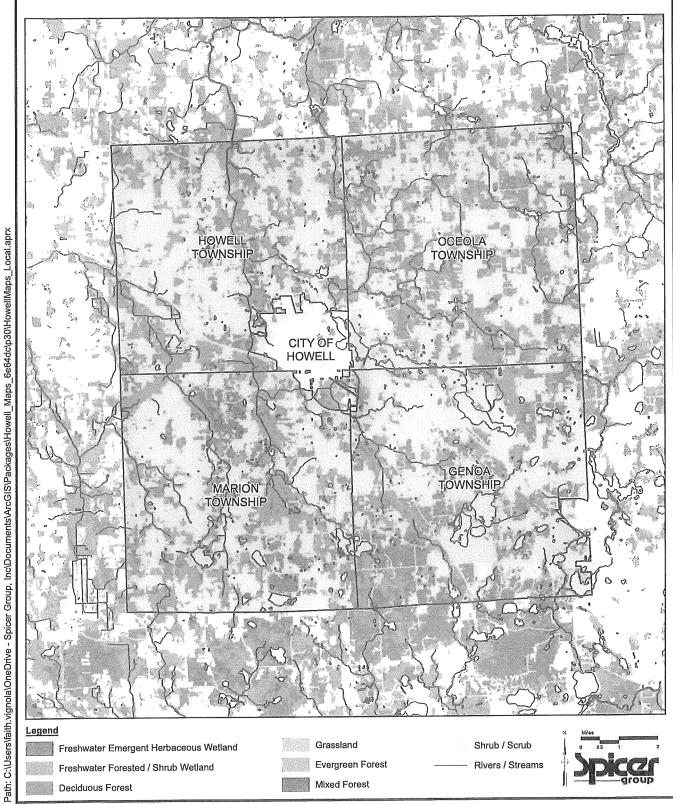
A natural features inventory is useful to recreation planning because it highlights existing resources, showing where gaps may be located. Furthermore, the natural features map, on the following page, can be used as a guide for any future park acquisitions or park and trail development. Natural features include things such as wetlands, water bodies, and wooded land. The jurisdictions that make up HAPRA contain an abundance of natural features. The natural features are spread throughout the Townships, and they consist of wetlands, evergreen forests, deciduous forests, and shrub/scrub/grasslands. It should be noted that the City of Howell has very few natural features, a few wetlands in the southern portion of the City and a few other scattered in the northern portion, but is minimal when compared to that of the four townships and surrounding area. This is because of the more developed nature of land use within the side. Map 3 displays the natural features present in the Howell Area.



THOMPSON LAKE



# NATURAL FEATURES MAP HOWELL AREA RECREATION AUTHORITY JURISDICTIONS



Deciduous Forest

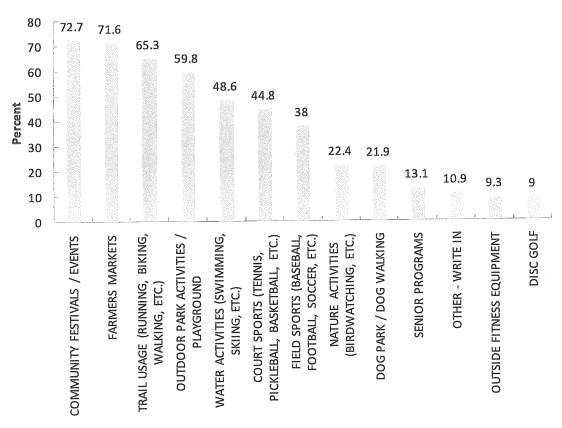


2025 - 2029 HOWELL AREA PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY RECREATION MASTER PLAN

#### **CURRENT PARTICIPATION**

To get a better understanding of how parks in the Howell Area are currently used, participants were asked about what type of recreation activities they currently participate in. The top two (2) responses were community festivals and events (72.7%) and farmers markets (71.6%).

FIGURE 8 - RECREATION ACTIVITIES HOWELL AREA RESIDENTS CURRENTLY PARTICIPATE IN



Participants were also asked how frequently they visit each park within the participating jurisdictions. The results for this question were mixed but the top visited parks include Genoa Township Park, Oceola Township Park, Scofield Park, and the Oceola Community Center.

#### PARKS IN THE FUTURE

An important part of planning for parks and recreation in the future is understanding what residents would like to see added to the spaces. One of the survey questions asked what new activities or amenities you would like to see. The top two (2) responses were almost equal and included a splash pad (55.4%) and outdoor amphitheater (54.4%). Other responses included a farmers market, non-motorized tail connections, and causal outdoor activities. Of the responses, 28.7% chose to write-in an answer. Of the write-in responses, the most popular response was additional indoor pickleball courts and the addition of outdoor pickleball courts. This was mentioned 41 times. Other popular responses included an outdoor pool and trails.



## **COMMUNITY INPUT**

#### INTRODUCTION

Feedback from community members is an important step in the creation of a Recreation Plan. Community input provides a detailed review of the current state or parks and recreation in an area and what they would like to see moving forward. An area wide survey was created by the HAPRA, the City of Howell, and the Townships of Howell, Marion, Genoa, and Oceola. The survey was designed to help guide the development of this Recreation Plans goals and objectives. The full survey results can be viewed in Appendix XXX.

Overall, the survey had 16 questions and had received a total of 367 responses.

Within the survey there were questions that covered current use of recreational facilities and amenities in the area, trails and trail systems, and improvements and additional features residents would like to see added to the parks and recreation spaces throughout the Howell Area. The survey was assigned to the web domain www.hapra2025.com, and was available on the HAPRA website, Facebook, and flyers placed around the Howell Area. The online survey was available from June 7th, 2024 to July 12th, 2024.

A second way to provide community input on the plan was during the public review period. The draft plan was available for review at PLACE and on the HAPRA website from DATE to DATE. The last opportunity for input from the community was at the public hearing on DATE at the Oceola Community Center.

#### **SURVEY RESULTS**

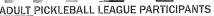
The following analysis is a review of the most relevant survey results. These questions were considered to be the most important to determining the future of recreation in the Howell Area. To view a complete report of the survey results, please reference Appendix XXX.

#### ABOUT THE RESPONDENTS

Of the 367 responses, 108 (29.4%) are residents of Oceola Township, 80 (21.8%) are residents of the City of Howell, 54 (14.7%) live in Genoa Township, 50 (13.6%) reside in Marion Township, 56 (9.8%) live in Howell Township.

The survey included a range of participants from all walks of life. The largest percent of respondents were between the ages of 30 - 39 (28.7%). It was then followed by 40 - 49 (23.0%), 60 - 69 (16.1%), 50 - 59 (15.0%), 70 - 79 (12.6%). The groups with the lowest participation were 18 - 29 age range and those 80 and older.

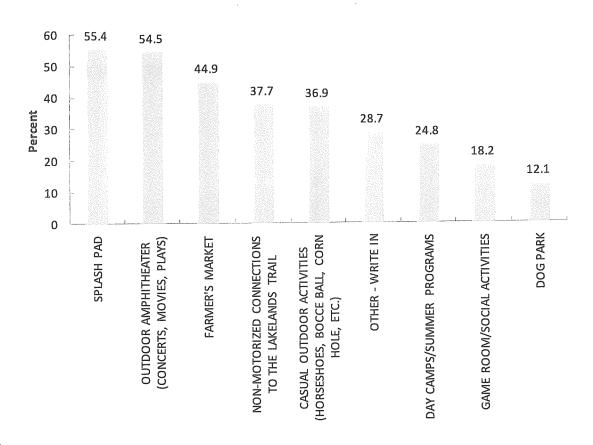






YOGA CLASS PARTICIPANTS

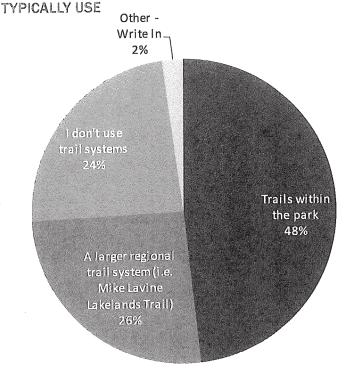
FIGURE 9 - NEW AMENITIES AND ACTIVITIES RESIDENTS WITHIN THE HOWELL AREA WOULD LIKE TO SEE PROVIDED BY HAPRA



#### **TRAILS**

A section of the survey aimed at learning what participants thought about the trails throughout the area. The first question aimed at learning what the most frequented type of trails within the area are. Almost half said that they typically use trails within the parks they visit, 25.9% said they use a larger regional trail system, and 23.7% said that they do not use trail systems. When asked if they would like to see a trail system developed throughout the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority area, 82.3% of respondents said yes. Lastly, the survey asked what types of routes they would like to see developed. This question allowed respondents to write in there answer. From the list of answers three (3) themes can be taken away: (1) a trail from Latson Road to M-59, (2) more trails connecting all the parks between the townships and city, (3) keeping trails and paths away from busy roads when possible, for safety reasons.

FIGURE 10 - TYPES OF TRAILS HOWELL RESIDENTS





#### **ACCESSIBILITY**

An important aspect of parks and recreation is to ensure that everyone no matter age or ability can utilize park facilities. Of the respondents, 14% are or have someone in their household with a disability. Respondents were also asked which existing facilities should be updated or improved in regard to accessibility. The top answers included accessible restrooms (59.4%) and paved trails (55.8%). Other answers included accessible playgrounds, accessible parking, flatter/easier grades, and accessible waterfront access.

#### COMPARISON TO OTHER PAST RECREATION INPUT OPPORTUNITIES

For a region with a population exceeding 60,000 people, it is generally expected to acheive a higher response rate than what was observed in this survey. It should be understood that within the past four (4) years three (3) of five (5) jurisdictions have updated their Parks and Recreation Plans. Recent adopted Plans include:

- City of Howell Recreation Master Plan 2023 2027
- Howell Township Recreation Master Plan 2024 2028
- Genoa Township Recreation Master Plan 2021 2025

Each of these plans conducted community input as part of the planning process. The survey conducted by the City of Howell for their Parks and Recreation Master Plan received 662 responses. Of these 45% of City residents and 48% of non-city residents said that they would like to see more recreational opportunities. Top complaints about parks and recreation within this survey included issues of maintenance, restrooms, and general lack of knowledge about the parks and facilities provided. The most requested park amenities included items related to walking and biking like that of multi-use paths, rustic walking paths, and fitness/exercise trails. The survey also discussed programing, Respondents indicated that they would like to see more concerts and shows, adult programs, and more programming for older adults (50+) and when asked what how important certain programs are 84% responded important or very important to special events and festivals.

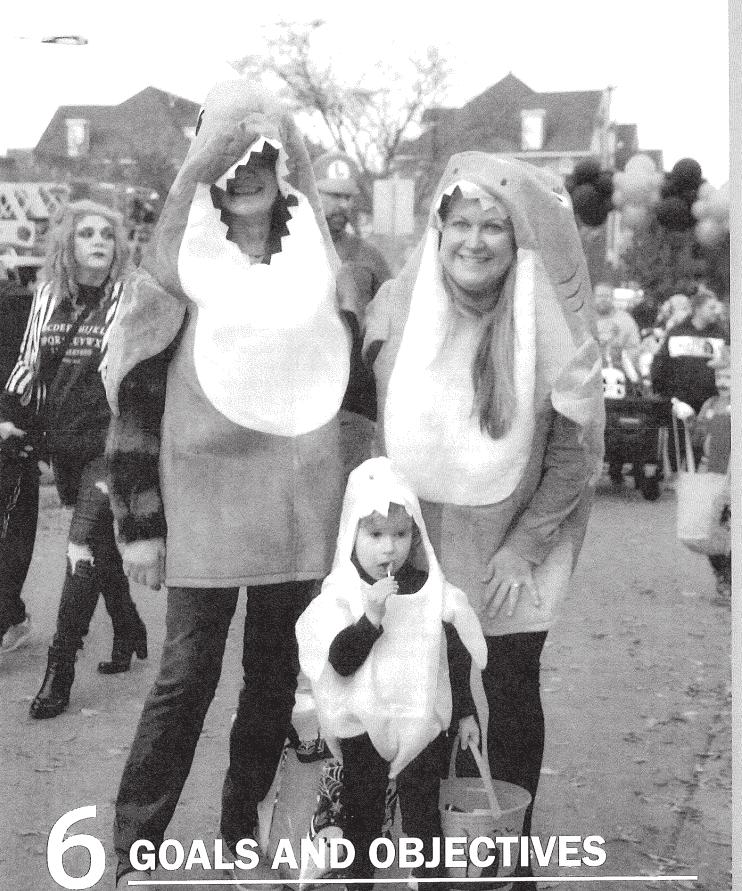
Howell Township conducted a public input survey for their Parks and Recreation Master Plan that received 76 responses. Within this survey respondents had indicated that protecting natural resources and trail/path development were priorities for them. Howell Township had recently acquired a new park at the time of the survey and asked respondents to share their opinions on what type of amenities they would like to see. Overall respondents wanted to keep the area fairly natural to preserve open space, but the majority would like to see the development of bathrooms, multi-use paths, playground structures, and picnic areas.

Genoa Township hosted a virtual open house and survey when updating their Parks and Recreation Plan. The Township had over 100 participants in this. From this it was determined that playgrounds and walking, hiking, and running were the most popular local recreation activities within the Township. Participants felt that more water or splash features were needed as well as trails for hiking and walking. Participants had the opportunity to respond to an open-ended question. From this more trails were suggested specifically ones that connect recreation areas together and more options for winter recreation activities such as ice skating.

Many of the responses from these other three (3) surveys directly corresponded with the feedback received from the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Master Plan survey. So, while the survey for this plan did not receive robust feedback, those responses received directly correlated with that of responses from the past three (3) surveys conducts for individual City and Township Parks and Recreation Plans. It is important to note that between all the surveys mentioned a splash pad or outdoor swimming pool was mentioned as a want from the respondents. The public input received in this survey helped formulate the goals and objectives presented in the next chapter.



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### **GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

#### INTRODUCTION

Critical to the parks and recreation planning process is developing achievable and effective goals and objectives. These goals and objectives provide the Recreation Authority with a framework for parks and recreation decisions and improvements over the next five years. These goals and objectives are based on input from the residents, HAPRA staff, and City and Township officials were developed as a joint effort together with all participants. Also taken into consideration when developing goals and objectives for the Recreation Authority are the goals and objectives in the adopted recreation plans from the City of Howell, Genoa Township, and Howell Township. Effective goals and objectives must coincide and complement those of other governing bodies.

The goals and objectives created help further HAPRA's mission of:

PLAY: We believe that play is for everyone and are proud to offer a variety of community programs for all ages.

GROW: We are about growing our community in Howell. Whether its growing as an individual by learning a new skill or growing together as a community, we're proud to bring opportunities for people to try new things and learn new skills.

BELONG: We believe community is important for living a happy and healthy life. That's why we strive to bring our community together by facilitating spaces for individuals of all ages and abilities to connect, feel healthy, and engage in recreation.

Goals, objectives, and action plans are helpful framework that allow the Recreation Authority to measure the progress and change made to parks and recreation over time. When broken down, goals are the long-term outcomes that the one would like to achieve in the future. Objectives are then more specific and measurable items that are used to help carry out that goal. Lastly, actions are the smallest and most specific unit within this framework. These are specific projects or programs that can be completed or implemented in the next five years to accomplish the goals and objectives that have been developed. Below are the goals and objectives developed for the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority.

### HOWELL AREA PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

GOAL A: CREATE COMMUNITY AWARENESS OF RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO RESIDENTS AND VISITORS OF THE HOWELL AREA

- 1. Provide location maps at certain locations so residents can see all the recreational opportunities within a certain area
- 2. Continue to promote the recreational facilities and opportunities available within the area to residents, businesses, and organizations
- 3. Provide frequent updates about new programs, activities, and amenities being provided so the community remains aware
- 4. Continue to encourage participation in recreation programs provided by HAPRA



# GOAL B: CONTINUE TO PROVIDE AND EXPAND NON-MOTORIZED TRAILS AND PATHWAYS FOR RECREATIONAL USE

- 1. Identify priority routes throughout Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority jurisdictions
- 2. Identify public and private partnership opportunities to provide funding
- 3. Expand non-motorized paths and trails throughout the Howell Area with a focus on connecting parks between the participating jurisdictions
- 4. Work with surrounding areas to connect trails and pathways to larger regional trail networks such as the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail

# GOAL C: CONTINUE ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT AND COLLABORATION WITH PARTICIPATING JURISDICTIONS TO ENSURE THE RECREATIONAL NEEDS OF RESIDENTS ARE MET

- 1. Continue to engage with participating jurisdictions to ensure their goals and priorities are actively being pursued by the Howell Area Recreation Authority
- 2. Keep an open line if communication for residents of the area to share their comments, concerns, and suggestions with the Authority
- 3. Work with jurisdictions on improving or updating park spaces to better meet the needs of residents

# GOAL D: CONTINUE TO PROVIDE AND EXPAND RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES

- 1. Adapt current programming or add additional programming that focus on people with special needs to ensure they receive high quality recreational experiences
- 2. Provide additional opportunities for older adults to actively participate in recreation and activities throughout the area
- 3. Continue to expand upon the special events and activities hosted in the are to provide additional opportunities for people to participate
- 4. Provide a mix of recreational opportunities both, indoor and outdoor to allow active participation in recreation year-round
- 5. Provide programming and activities that are dispersed throughout the entirety of the Howell area to ensure everyone can participate

# GOAL E: ACQUIRE AND UPDATE PARKS AND RECREATION SPACES TO BETTER FIT THE NEEDS AND WANTS OF RESIDENTS OF THE AREA

- 1. Create accessible parks spaces for people of all abilities
- 2. Provide additional amenities and activities that take advantage of the Howell area water resources
- 3. Acquire new land for parks and recreation spaces when able
- 4. Update parks and recreation spaces to be universally accessible to better serve the needs of residents



#### HOWELL AREA PARKS AND RECREATION AUTHORITY ACTION PLAN

With goals and objectives determined, HAPRA has developed a five-year Action Plan that will assist in carrying out specific projects for the Recreation Authority. Carrying out the actions set below will further the Authority's ability to accomplish the goals and objectives set over the course of the next five years.

The action plan is categorized by which goal the action items works towards achieving. Next to the action items are sections for time frame, responsible party, and a space to check off the action item when it is accomplished. These spaces are provided to be filled in and completed by HAPRA over the course of the next five years.

The action item list provided below is not a fixed list, nor is it exhaustive. The time frame and responsible party should be filled in by HAPRA and checked off when completed to make this a usable document for the recreation authority. This list reflects the input received from the online survey, HAPRA staff, and City and Township officials. Future circumstances, such as the availability of funding, may influence the way and order in which projects are to be completed.

#### TABLE 12 - GOAL A ACTION PLAN

Goal A: Action Items	Time Frame	Responsible Party	Accomplished
Install park maps through HAPRA area parks	Ongoing	All Municipalities, HAPRA Marketing Coordinator	
Provide flyer's at different recreational locations throughout the area and market the parks and Recreation Authority through social media to increase visibility with residents	Ongoing	HAPRA Marketing Coordinator	
Install wayfinding signage at park entrances to inform guests of amenities available	Fall 2025	All Municipalities, HAPRA Operations Manager, HAPRA Marketing Coordinator	

#### TABLE 13 - GOAL B ACTION PLAN

Goal B: Action Items	Time Frame	Responsible Party	Accomplished
Prioritize the development of non-motorized trails and pathways throughout the area	Spring 2026	All Municipalities	
Apply for grant funding opportunities when able	Ongoing	All Parties	
Identify areas where connectivity could be improved in the existing trail and path network	Fall 2025	All Parties	
Connect all park locations throughout the HAPRA area using non-motorized trail and path connections	Ongoing	All Parties	

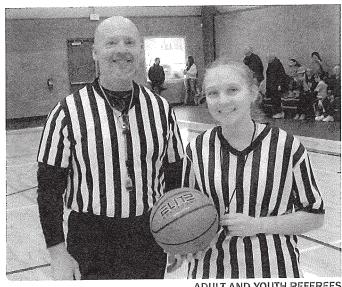


#### TABLE 14 - GOAL C ACTION PLAN

Goal C: Action Items	Time Frame	Responsible Party	Accomplished
Implement electronic suggestions where residents scan a QR code to provide their feedback	Spring 2025	HAPRA Marketing Coordinator, HAPRA Operations Manager, HAPRA Executive Director	
Send out a paper survey regularly for residents to fill out with their input on parks and recreation	Annually	HAPRA Marketing Coordinator, HAPRA Executive Director	
Review submitted suggestions on a regular basis (quarterly/annually)	Annually	HAPRA Executive Director	

#### TABLE 15 - GOAL D ACTION PLAN

Goal D: Action Items	Time Frame	Responsible Party	Accomplished
Add additional adult's sports leagues such as pickleball and tennis	Winter 2025	HAPRA Sports Manager	
Provide co-ed adult sports leagues for those who may not have the ability to participate in traditional leagues	Spring 2026	HAPRA Sports Manager	
Add inclusive sports leagues for those who may not have the ability to participate in traditional leagues	Fall 2025	HAPRA Sports Manager	
Provide classes and activities in a variety of locations throughout the Howell area	Spring 2025	All HAPRA Recreation Managers	
Host movie nights in the park	Annually Starting Summer 2025	HAPRA Events Manager	
Continue to expand programming efforts to ensure everyone in the area has the opportunity to participate in parks and recreation if they wish	Ongoing	All HAPRA Staff	





ADULT AND YOUTH REFEREES

ART CLASS

#### TABLE 16 - GOAL E ACTION PLAN

Goal E: Action Items	Time Frame	Responsible Party	Accomplished
Build or update restroom facilities to be accessible for all	Spring 2025	All Municipalities	
Update playgrounds to be accessible for people of all abilities	Annually	All Municipalities	
When new trails are built make sure they are universally accessible	Ongoing	Party Building Trail	
Provide additional kayak launches when ables (example locations include Lakeside Park or City Boat Launch	Spring 2026	City of Howell	
Provide kayak rentals for people without their own equipment to use	Spring 2026	City of Howell, HAPRA	
Host fishing contests with age brackets (children, teen, adult) at one of the lakes within the area	Summer 2025	HAPRA Event Manager	
Create another farmer's market outside the City of Howell for the residents of surrounding Townships to utilize	Spring 2027	Townships, HAPRA Events Manager	
Establish an outdoor amphitheater to host concerts, movies, and plays	Summer 2027	All Parties	
Develop an outdoor water feature	Spring 2028	All Municipalities	
Add outdoor pickleball courts (example locations include Genoa Township Park, Page Field, and Rolling Oaks Park)	Spring 2026	All Parties	

#### ADDITIONAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Potential funding sources from outside entities for parks, recreation, and non-motorized trails is evolving and changing on a regular basis. It is important to know what types of programs and funding are available for different projects. It is also important to monitor the application requirements and deadlines because they can vary year to year. Funding can come in all shapes and sizes. These can be grants from a range of local, state, and federal programs. Also available or more traditional methods such as millages and bonds. Detailed below are a few of the more traditional recreation grant funding options as references.

#### MICHIGAN RECREATION PASSPORT GRANT (RPG)

Recreation passport grants provide funding to local units for the development of public recreation facilities, including new facilities and renovation of old facilities. These grants have an emphasis on renovations to existing facilities that have outlived their useful life. Any local unit of government or authority that is legally established to provide public recreation such as regional recreation authorities are eligible to apply. The minimum grant request is \$7,500 and the maximum grant request is \$150,000. This grant is a reimbursement program means local units need to have funds available then are reimbursed the percentage of the grant agreement.



#### LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION GRANT (LWCF)

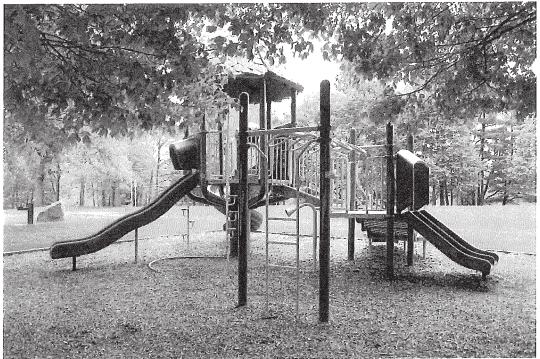
The Land and Water Conservation Fund is a federal appropriation to the National Park Service which distributes funds to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for the development of outdoor recreation facilities. The focus of the fund in recent years has been on community recreation needs such as playgrounds, picnic areas, skate parks, ball fields, soccer fields, and walking paths. Any local unit of government or authority that is legally established to provide public recreation such as regional recreation authorities are eligible to apply. Minimum grant requests are \$30,000 (\$60,000 total project cost) and maximum grant requests are \$500,000 (\$1,000,000 total project cost). There is no minimum or maximum on land acquisition grants. The match percentage must be 50% of the total project cost development grants. Applications are due annually on April 1st.

#### MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND (MNRTF)

The MNRTF provides funding or the purchase of land or specific rights in land for recreation or protection of land because of its environmental importance or scenic beauty, and the appropriate development of land for public outdoor recreation use. The goals of the program include:

- 1. To protect Michigan's natural resources, and provide for their access, public use, and enjoyment;
- 2. To provide public access to Michigan's water bodies, particularly the Great Lakes, and to facilitate their recreational use;
- 3. To meet regional, county, and community needs for outdoor recreation opportunities;
- 4. To improve the opportunity for outdoor recreation in Michigan's urban areas;
- 5. To stimulate Michigan's economy through recreation-related tourism and community revitalization.

Any unit of government or authority that is legally established to provide public recreation such as regional recreation authorities can submit a land acquisition or development proposal. All proposals for grants must include a local match of at least 25% of the total project cost. There is no minimum or maximum funding request for acquisition grants. Development grants must have a minimum funding request of \$15,000 and the maximum amount is \$400,000. Applications are due annually on April 1st each year.



SCOFIELD PARK PLAY STRUCTURE



#### TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM (TAP)

TAP is a competitive grant program for projects such as bike paths, pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements, and preservation of historic transportation facilities. Eligible applicants are cities, villages, county road commissions, state or federal natural resource or public land agencies, non-profits, and local tribal governments. Other organizations like that of townships or recreation authorities may partner with an eligible agency to apply. These projects enhance Michigan's inter-modal transportation system and provide alternative modes of transportation that are safe. The minimum constriction amount for a proposed TAP request is \$200,000 and a 20% match is required. Applications can be submitted online at any time and funding commitments are awarded several times per year.

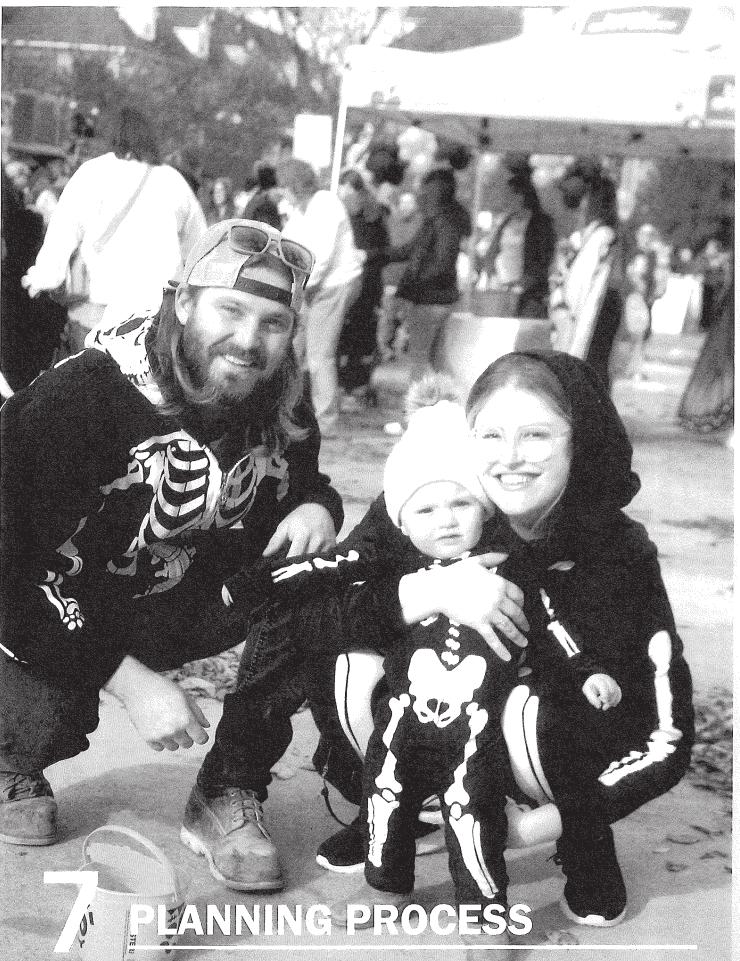
#### SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Safe Routes to School Program is an international movement and a federal program to make it safe, convenient, and fun for children to bicycle and walk to school. In Michigan, the program is supported by the Michigan Fitness Foundation. With the passage of the federal transportation legislation in 2005, Michigan's SR2S program made schools eligible for transportation enhancement funds, providing infrastructure improvements and education campaigns. The program offers two grant options, a major grant and a minor grant. Mini grants are a great way for a community to get into the Safe Routs to School process and build momentum in their communities. The mini grant allows a community to receive up to \$15,000 per school for non-infrastructure projects and programming that educates students on safe walking and biking to school and supports active transportation. The major grant requires a more extensive planning process before applying and allows communities to receive up to \$300,000 per school in infrastructure funding. Proposals for the 2024-2025 school year are due March 1st.



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### PLANNING PROCESS

To provide high quality recreational opportunities for area residents, the Howell Area Parks and Recreation Authority has developed a Parks and Recreation Master Plan in conjunction with the City of Howell, and Howell, Marion, Genoa, and Oceola Townships. This Parks and Recreation Master Plan will be used to guide the development and improvement or recreational spaces and programs over the course of the next five years. This Plan represents the commitment of the entire Howell area to establish recreational goals and objectives and utilize the action plan created to achieve high quality recreational opportunities for the community. From this Plan, HAPRA as well as the City and Township will be eligible for grants provided from the Department of Natural Resources to assist in reaching its recreational goals.

HAPRA contracted with Spicer Group of Saginaw to assist them, and officials from the participating jurisdictions with the development of the Plan. Spicer Group consultants met with HAPRA staff and City and Township Officials during 2024 while working on the Plan.

Data was collected about the Howell area, including demographics and an inventory of the parks and recreation facilities located within the area. This data was gathered from numerous resources including HAPRA staff, City and Township Officials, Recreation Plans from the City of Howell, Genoa Township, and Howell Township, and aerial images provided by the Livingston County GIS and Google Earth.

An opportunity for input and participation was provided during the development of the Plan. Those results were summarized earlier in Chapter 5 of the Plan. Based upon existing information and public input, HAPRA, the City, and the Townships developed goals and objectives for parks and recreation in the Howell area. Those goals ultimately guided the developed of the action plan that was created.

Spicer Group completed a draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan that was available for review at the HAPRA office, and on their respective websites. The review period from DATE to DATE, was publicized on HAPRA, City, and Township websites and Facebook pages. The final opportunity for community input occurred at the advertised public hearing held prior to the adoption of the Plan, at the HAPRA board meeting held on November 19th, 2024 at the Oceola Community Center. Following the public hearing of the HAPRA Board, the individual communities adopted the Plan between November 20th, 2024 and January 10th, 2025. The Plan was uploaded to the DNR for approval in MONTH, YEAR. Copies of the notification advertisements, the public hearing minutes, and the resolution are included in Appendix XXX.



MARION TOWNSHIP PARK PLAY STRUCTURE



**BALDWIN PARK PLAY STRUCTURE** 





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