Plainfield Township Recreation Master Plan

2016-2020









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Introduction

Recreation Plans are important for communities to be able to plan for current and future recreation needs effectively and efficiently. Incorporating open space and recreation planning with other forms of planning, helps to create understanding and cohesion throughout a community.

The 2016 – 2020 Plainfield Township Recreation Plan was prepared by the Plainfield Township Parks and Recreation Board to serve as a guide and decision making document for the future recreation facilities and programs within the township.

Plainfield Township has many recreational amenities including several parks, multiple lakes, and large portions of the Huron National Forest. The residents view recreation and open space as important features of the community. Local officials have put forth an effort to develop a Parks and Recreation Plan aimed at improving and developing upon the community's existing recreational assets. The Plainfield Township Recreation Plan has been developed to provide a guide for achieving these goals.

In accordance with the State recommended fiveyear cycle for recreation planning, this updated plan covers the five-year period 2016 – 2020. The content and process follow requirements of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) for a Community Recreation Plan.

This document is intended to serve as a guide in the planning of future park and recreation opportunities, services, and implementation. Many of the recommendations, such as maintenance issues, aesthetic and landscape enhancements, and pedestrian safety improvements can be implemented fairly easily and at a relatively low cost. Other recommendations such as land acquisition, facility expansions and construction, and the design and improvement of a neighborhood parks, will require additional study or involvement of residents in order to address the site-specific details. This plan lays the foundation upon which these activities can build.

Implementation strategies are identified over the next five years, at which time the plan will again require updating. The delineation of these improvements will aid Plainfield Township in grant solicitation from the DNR and long-range capital improvement budgeting. Additionally, it is important for the community to reference the plan and make appropriate priority adjustments as conditions change and funding opportunities arise.



Plainfield Township Recreation Plan



Plainfield Township is located in northwestern losco County on the east side of Michigan's lower peninsula. It is a northern Michigan community with vast open spaces, large woodlands, pristine rivers, and dozens of lakes. It is centered around the unincorporated community of Hale. Plainfield Township is a very large ell-shaped township that is comprised of three typical 36 square mile townships. It is bordered by Alcona County to the north, Oscoda County to the northwest and Ogemaw County to the west.

According to the 2000 U.S. Census, the population in Plainfield Township was 4,292. The 2010 U.S. Census reports the population decreased by 11.5% to 3,799. Within Plainfield Township there are 2,019 seasonal housing units and only 1,797 permanent housing units. Therefore the weekend and summer population is much higher than 3,799 residents. If the average household size of 2.11 persons per household, of the owneroccupied units, is applied to the seasonal units, there is a potential increase of 4,260 residents in the Township. Creating a total population of 8,059. These seasonal residents are vital to the community in terms of recreation planning because they usually use their seasonal homes to participate in recreational activities. In other words, they may be heavier users of recreational facilities than the permanent residents.

This recreation plan was developed by the Plainfield Township Parks and Recreation Commission. It focuses on all aspects of recreation for Plainfield Township.







Plainfield Township is governed by a Board of for parks operation and maintenance. Trustees whose members are as follows:

> Fred Lewis, Supervisor Elaine Bielby, Clerk Roma J. Bassi, Treasurer Dianne M. Allen, Trustee Patrick Ready, Trustee

The Supervisor serves as the Chairperson of All members are elected officials. the Board. The Supervisor carries out functions and duties prescribed by the Board necessary for the governing of the Township. The organizational chart below shows the hierarchy of the Township.

The Plainfield Township Parks and Recreation Board was formed in 1994, pursuant to the Township Park Act 157 of 1905. The Board consists of up to 6 members who are appointed including, one Township Board Representative. The Parks and Recreation Board meets monthly from April - December to make policy decisions regarding parks and recreation in Plainfield Township.

The Department of Public Works staff is responsible

Currently Plainfield Township has an active beautification program that is funded by the Parks and Recreation Department budget and maintained by the Yale Garden Club. Recently, crumbling brick planters were replaced with new fieldstone planters. New banners and Christmas decorations have been purchased for the downtown.

The Township also has an active senior citizens group that uses the Hale Area Senior Citizen Center. They offer a variety of activities such as crafts, dancing, bingo and health and wellness programs.

Funding and Budgets

The Township Parks are funded from the general operating fund. In the 2015 budget cycle, approximately \$14,000 is allocated for operation and maintenance and \$11,000 is allocated for capital outlay.





Recreation

Plainfield Township contains ample natural amenities such as lakes, rivers, and woodlands. The Parks and Recreation Commission wishes to preserve the natural features available to the community, while utilizing them for recreation and relaxation. Residents and visitors can take advantage of these assets through the seven parks located within the township.

Plainfield Township's recreational facilities and programming are centered around the Plainfield Township Park. The Township has taken advantage of the many natural assets located within its boundary and provides lake access at six other township parks. Many include swimming beaches, picnicking areas, and parking. While small in size, all of the waterfront access parks, except Long Lake Park, are classified as neighborhood parks because they draw from a further distance than a mini-park. Long Lake Park is slightly larger and draws from the entire community. Therefore, it is classified as a community park.

Most of the parks that have parking actually draw residents from the entire Township and beyond. The lakes are an asset to Plainfield Township, so much so, that people outside of the Township notice and take advantage of them. They are a great place for people who are looking for lake recreation and waterfront access.

The Parks and Recreation Department is actively making improvements to the community. Recently, a coach pitch baseball diamond was added to the Plainfield Township Park and there is work being done to expand on the existing playground area and add a section for 2 – 5 year old children. The Township is currently in the process of acquiring 110 acres to develop a trail for Loon Lake Nature Park. When completed, it will connect Kokosing Road to M-65 at Loon Lake Nature Park. This trail is anticipated to be completed within the next five years.

The inventory on the following pages, was completed by the Township and Spicer Group. The location of each of the parks is represented on the following page.





Plainfield Township Recreation Plan

Location of Parks



Plainfield Township Park

Type: Community Size: 8 acres Service Area: Plainfield Township Accessibility: 3

Description:

Plainfield Township Park is in the center of the Township. It is an all-purpose park that meets the community's recreational needs. The park is adjacent to recreational land owned by the school district and the county fairgrounds.

Recreational Facilities:

- Senior Citizens Retirees Center
- Playground (soon to be expanded)
- 1 Tennis Court
- 1 Baseball Diamond
- Portable Skate Park (removed in winter)
- Pavilion
- Picnic Tables

Support Facilities:

- Restrooms
- Paved/gravel parking

Londo Lake West Park

Type: Neighborhood Park Size: 1.64 acres Service Area: Plainfield Township Accessibility: 1

Description:

Londo Lake West Park is located on the west side of Londo Lake in the southwest corner of Plainfield Township. It is a small park with lakefront access.

Recreational Facilities:

- Swimming beach
- Picnic area with grills

Support Facilities:

Parking







Jose Lake Beach

Type: Mini Park Size: 0.5 acres Service Area: Plainfield Township Accessibility: 1

Description:

Jose Lake Beach Park is a small neighborhood park with a beach and waterfront access to Jose Lake.

Recreation Facilities:

Swimming beach

Chain Lake Beach

Type: Neighborhood Park Size: 0.5 acres Service Area: Plainfield Township Accessibility: 1

Description:

Chain Lake Beach is a small park located in the northern portion of the township on Chain Lakes.

Recreation Facilities:

- Swimming beach
- Limited parking



Loon Lake Park

Type: Neighborhood Park Size: 1.19 acres Service Area: Plainfield Township Accessibility: 1

Description:

Loon Lake Park is the smaller of the two parks along the shore of Loon Lake. It provides the community with a swimming beach and waterfront access.

Recreational Facilities:

- Swimming beach
- Picnic area

Support Facilities:

- Parking
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Long Lake Park

Type: Community Park Size: 10 + acres (leased from DNR) Service Area: Plainfield Township Accessibility: 1

Description:

Long Lake Park is located near the western border of the Township. It is a large park that attracts people from the entire community. It provides access to the lake by a boat launch and swimming beach.

Recreational Facilities:

- Swimming beach
- Picnic area with grills
- Boat launch

Support Facilities:

- Restrooms
- Parking



Loon Lake Nature Park

Type: Neighborhood Park Size: 12 acres (soon 122 acres) Service Area: Plainfield Township Accessibility: 5

Description:

Loon Lake Nature Park is a large park near the center of the Township. Currently, Plainfield Township is acquiring 110 acres for a nonmotorized trail connecting Loon Lake Nature Park to Kokosing road on the edge of the Township. It is expected to be completed within five years.

Recreational Facilities:

- Nature park
- Swimming beach
- Boat launch and dock
- Overlook
- Picnic Area
- Pathways
- Pavilion
- Fishing

Support Facility:

- Restrooms
- Parking

Grants Received:

- 2006, TF-06-046, Development of nature trails, boardwalk, boat launch, fishing platforms, picnic area, pavilion, restroom and parking, \$332,000
- 2009, TF-09-026, Acquisition of 110.4 acres of land, \$428,400.



Other Facilities

Plainfield Township offers several other public recreational facilities other than the park system. These facilities are owned and maintained by other agencies.

These include:

- Round Lake Campground and Boat Launch
 U.S. Forest Service
- Londo Lake East Park Boat Launch
 - American Legion Park 2 Baseball Fields 2 Soccer Fields
 - South Branch Trail Camp U.S. Forest Service
- Corsair Trail- U.S. Forest Service
- Rollways Park- U.S. Forest Service
- Hale School District Playgrounds, football field, softball field, baseball field
- Iosco County Fairgrounds
 Located adjacent to the Township Park. Has a race track, exhibition buildings and barns.
- Riding and hiking trail on the west side of the Au Sable River.

Lastly, it should be noted that the Huron National Forest covers approximately 75% of the southeast part of the township (Town 24 N, Range 5 E) and 50% of the northern part of the township (Town 23 N, Range 6 E). Within the National Forest there are many miles of snowmobile and ORV trails, which are maintained by losco County.



Comparison to Standards

The Recommended Classification System for Local and Regional Open Space from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources defines 5 types of parks that may be applicable to Plainfield Township.

> These include: Mini-Park Neighborhood Park School Park Community Park Large Urban Park

A **mini-park** is less than 1 acre in size and is less than 1/4 mile from a residential setting. It is used to address limited, isolated or unique recreational needs. **Neighborhood Parks** are generally 5 to 10 acres in size and they serve as the recreational and social focus of the neighborhood. Their service area is generally 1/4 to 1/2 mile. School Parks can combine parks with school sites to help meet the recreational space needs for the community. Community Parks serve a broader purpose than Neighborhood Parks. They have more amenities and usually serve two or more neighborhoods within 1/2 to 3 miles and are generally 30 - 50 acres in size. Finally, Large Urban Parks are generally 50 acres or more in size and they serve a broader purpose than a community parks. They focus on meeting community based recreational needs, as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces.

The Plainfield Township Park can be classified as a Community Park even though it is only 8 acres in size because it serves the entire community and because it combines with the adjacent school land and County Fairgrounds to become a larger park.





Level of Service

Plainfield Township has approximately 34 acres of Township park land for its 3,799 permanent residents. General industry standards suggest 5 -10 acres of regional park land per 1,000 citizens, or approximately 20 - 40 acres of regional park land for Plainfield Township. This would mean Plainfield Township has adequate regional parkland for it's full- time residents. But as the majority of the housing in Plainfield Township is seasonal, applying the standard mentioned earlier of average household size, indicating that population would more than double, Plainfield Township has inadequate parkland for both the permanent and seasonal residents. The Township has no single large park with broad based amenities and open space however, the U.S. Forest Service facilities

increase the amount of park space accessible by the community. In addition to this, the Township received a Trust Fund grant in 2009 for acquisition of 110 acres of land for a non-motorized trail for Loon Lake Nature Park. Once the additional 110 acres of park land is acquired, the Township will have ample recreational amenities to serve the community's needs.

Additionally, park guidelines indicate that one must consider the Level of Service desired by the community. If the residents indicate that their needs are sufficiently met by the 34 acres within in township, then the amount is sufficient. This is why the community input portion is so important to a recreation plan. The Parks and Recreation Board needs to understand the wishes of the community it serves.



Sports and Fitness Industry Association Data

As a supplement to the recreation plan, data from the Sports and Fitness Industry Association (SFIA) is another way to help understand recreation trends. It is important to be aware of national recreation to be able to anticipate activities which will incorporate a large number of participants and which activities show the greatest growth in popularity. The SFIA conducts annual surveys that analyze the size of sports product markets in order to determine sports participation trends.

Detailed reports can be found on the SFIA website, in the research section. For Plainfield Township the data has been summarized and this report describes the overall findings from the research and participation figures. Data can be found in Appendix B

Comparison to Standards

Accessibility

A review of accessibility was completed for each park and its features.

Creating a park system that is safe, accessible and usable to all individuals within the community, including those with disabilities, is essential. A grading system has been developed by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to easily identify the accessibility of each park and facility, based on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) guidelines. The accessibility grading system uses a five point system. An Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance assessment of Plainfield Township Parks was conducted during the winter of 2011. The assessment consisted of a visual inspection of each park in regards to access, and circulation in relation to the park facilities.

As noted in the inventory listing, Plainfield Township Parks do not meet all criteria for handicap accessibility. The Parks and Recreation Commission is aware of this deficiency and will continue to make efforts to improve accessibility as it continues to develop its parks. This would include accessible parking, pathways, restrooms, activity areas, amenities, and signage.

MDNR Accessibility Grading System for Parks and Recreational 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			





Plainfield Township Recreation Plan

Natural Resource Inventory

A resource inventory can be used to identify open space areas that may be desirable for protection and/or public access through acquisition or other means. Plainfield Township is rich in natural resources such as lakes, rivers, and woodlands. The map below, shows existing land use in Plainfield Township. The vast majority of land in Plainfield Township is woodlands. The woodlands that are part of the Huron National Forest and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources are shown on page 17. The wetland inventory of the township is shown on page 18. Other significant natural resources are the numerous lakes, creeks and rivers throughout the Township. There are over 10 lakes ranging in size. Long Lake is the largest at 493 acres followed by Loon Lake which is 417 acres. The most significant river is the Au Sable River in the northern portion of the township. It is Michigan's longest river and is a haven for fish and wildlife.



State Land



Wetlands



Source: National Wetlands Inventory

Public Input Process

Plainfield Township gathered public input regarding parks and recreational facilities and programming on two different occasions during the preparation of this Recreation Plan. The first was a community input survey which was distributed in May of 2015. The second public input opportunity took place at the required public hearing on May 11, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Plainfield Township Hall. The Parks and Recreation Plan was officially adopted May 18, 2016. Prior to that time a draft of the recreation plan was available for review in the Township Hall and on the Plainfield Township website, the public was notified of the review period and the hearing, in the local newspaper. The notices, minutes, and resolution can be found in Appendix D at the end of this document.

Plainfield Township has hired Spicer Group as a consultant to update both, this Recreation Plan and the 2015 Master Plan. To be as efficient and effective as possible the public input portion of this plan, was created in conjunction with the public input process for the updated Master Plan. Within the Master Plan survey, there was a section of recreation questions intended to be a guide for the development of the goals and objectives for this plan. The results of this survey can be found in the Appendix A.

To comply with the DNR's Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation Open Space, and Greenway Plans, Plainfield Township offered one public input opportunity, along with the required 30-day period for review and comment on the draft plan. All attendees at the open house were given an opportunity to provide input and ideas regarding the parks and recreation within the Township.



Goals & Objectives

The goals and objectives listed on the following pages were developed by Plainfield Township after considering the public input, demographic factors, other related plans, and determination of need by Township staff and officials. The goals are broad and address general needs, and establish the basis for expanding its programs, and facility objectives. The objectives carry out the purpose of the goal, and are measurable results that the community works toward accomplishing.

Goal 1: Continue to provide and improve recreational and support facilities that inspire community pride.

Objective: Make these public facilities visible to the public.

Objective: Continue to provide a high level of cleanliness and upkeep/maintenance of the existing facilities.

Objective: Improve or rehabilitate existing facilities that need improvements or become outdated.

Goal 2: Continue to preserve, protect, and enhance the variety of water and natural forest resources in Plainfield Township and recreational opportunities that they provide.

Objective: Continue to improve the facilities at the existing waterfront parks to provide beach access, fishing opportunities, boating, parking, and other related amenities.

Objective: Acquire additional waterfront property so as to provide more public access

Objective: Develop strategies for controlling invasive species in the parks

Objective: Work with state and federal agencies to maintain and improve water and shoreline quality.

Objective: Work with other public recreation providers to coordinate and collaborate opportunities and avoid duplication of effort.

Goal 3: Promote and provide diverse recreational opportunities that function for a variety of uses and are able to satisfy all age groups and levels of ability.

Objective: Provide recreational opportunities for people with disabilities. Remove existing barriers to recreation facilities.

Objective: Add new amenities to Plainfield Township park facilities based upon community input and need.

Objective: Examine opportunities for increased recreational programming in Plainfield Township. Work with local municipalities, organizations, schools, private property owners, and service clubs where possible.

Objective: Create new programs to enhance physical fitness and health.

Objective: Create programs that provide inter-generational interaction between seniors and youth/preschoolers.

Objective: Enhance kayaking opportunities throughout the Township.



Goal 4: Create community awareness of Plainfield Township recreational opportunities and promote them to citizens and visitors.

Objective: Work on website and develop other online opportunities to communicate with the public about Plainfield Township park facilities and events. **Objective:** Consider other opportunities for advertising and promotion.

Goal 5: Focus on developing pathway and trail opportunities.

Objective: Utilize the 2008 Non-motorized Pathway Plan and plan for projects outlined therein. **Objective:** Work with losco County to examine methods for improving and expanding off road vehicle (ORV) and snowmobile trails within Plainfield Township. **Objective:** Identify preferred route for Iron Belle Pathway and link preferred route to town. **Objective:** Investigate and identify future lakes to town path route

Goal 6: Create mechanisms to maintain positive public relations.

Objective: Provide regular opportunities for public input. **Objective:** Continue working with and developing partnerships with organizations involved in recreational opportunities.









Action Plan

This chapter of the plan is the culmination of a comprehensive planning effort that began with the thorough analysis of the needs and desires of the community. With goals and objectives in place, Plainfield Township was able to develop a 5-Year Action Program to work toward accomplishing the goals and objectives. The community wishes to take over the five years in order to maintain and improve the quality and diversity of area park and recreation opportunities.

Potential projects were assigned a priority of 1 through 5, 1 being the most important and 5 being the least important. Each action item related to one or more of the numbered foals from the previous section. Potential capital improvements described in the Plan have been established not only, to provide a framework for decision makers, but also to apply for grant funding for these proposed projects.

The project list is not a fixed element and it is neither all-inclusive nor exclusive. Future circumstances, especially availability of funding, may change priorities or require reprioritization of items.

The Action Plan for Plainfield Township is illustrated in the chart on the following page.

Financing Potential Improvements

Funding for parks and recreation capital improvements can come from a myriad of local, state, and federal programs. Grant funding is available for parks and recreation projects. However, applicants need to target potential agencies and programs very carefully so as to meet the specific criteria required. Appendix B contains a current listing of programs and agencies that can provide funding for parks and recreation projects.



Plainfield Township Recreation Plan

Action Plan

Plainfield Township Recreation Plan Action Plan		
Project	Relates to Goals	Priority
TOWNSHIP HALL PARK		
Develop tennis courts and possibily an ice skating rink	1, 3	2
Add public restrooms	1, 3	1
Develop a new playground space in the park	1, 3	3
Connect park to new town hall with walking path	1, 3, 5	2
LOON LAKE PARK NATURE PARK		
Investigate campground opportunities	1, 3	1
Develop newly acquired property per the conceptual master plan	1, 2, 3, 6	1
Develop and accessible fishing pier	1, 2, 3	2
LONG LAKE PARK		
Construct an accessible fishing pier between the boat launch and the swimming beach	1, 2, 3	1
LOON LAKE PARK		
Improve beach area	1, 2, 3	3
CHAIN LAKE PARK		
Improve boat launch	1, 2, 3	3
Improve the beach area	1, 2, 3	1
JOSE LAKE PARK		
Improve the beach area	1, 2, 3	3
UNSPECIFIED		
Add accessible playgrounds at parks	1, 3	2
Develop non-motorised paths in each park for connection throughout the community	1, 3, 5	3
Connect to regional paths when opportunities arise	1, 3, 5	3
Develop snowmobile trails to connect with Forest Service	1, 3, 5	1
Enhance kayaking opportunities throughout the Township	1, 2, 3	2

Summary & Adoption

In its continuing effort to provide quality recreational opportunities for it citizens, Plainfield Township has developed a Parks and Recreation Master Plan as a tool to guide the development of community park and recreational facilities and locations over the next five years. It is an update of the Recreation Plan that was last complete in 2012.

This plan is the latest effort by Plainfield Township to establish recreational goals and objectives for the community. The plan will also provide the Township eligibility for grants from the Michigan Department Of Natural Resources and Environment (DNR) to assist the community in reaching its recreational goals.

Plainfield Township contracted with Spicer Group of Saginaw, Michigan to assist them with completion of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The consultant met with the Township Supervisor and Parks and Recreation Board Chairman during the development of the plan. Most of the data was utilized from the past plans with updates made to the appropriate areas. Other data was collected about the participating community including maps, demographics, park information, and any other changes to the existing facilities. This data was collected from a number of resources such as: township staff and board members, the existing Plainfield Township Recreation Plan, various websites, and through field observations.

Community input was collected via a community input survey distributed in May of 2015. Based on the existing information and the community input, the Township developed goals and objectives for parks and recreation in Plainfield Township. Then, the Township developed and prioritized an action program to accomplish the goals and objectives of the plan.

The consultant completed the Draft Park and Recreation Master Plan document and it was made available for review at the Plainfield Township Hall and online for at least one month beginning April 6, 2016 and ended on May 11, 2016. This reviewing opportunity was advertised in the losco County New Herald and the News Press. The final opportunity for community input occurred at the Plainfield Township Hall on May 11, 2016, held prior to adoption of the plan.

After the public meeting, the Township Board adopted the Recreation Plan by resolution on May 18, 2016. Copies of the advertisements, meeting minutes, and the resolution are included in Appendix D.





Public Input Documentation

In coordination of the update of the Plainfield Township Master Plan, a community input survey was created by the consultant and then distributed between May 25 and August 17, 2015. The purpose of this survey was to gain insight into the thoughts and wishes of the residents for Plainfield Township. Included in the survey was a section of questions on recreation which was for both, the update of the Master Plan and update of the Parks and Recreation Plan. The Zoning Administer also received extra copies of the survey to ensure the Parks and Recreation stakeholders were able to contribute. There was a total of 575 responses. For the purpose of this plan, only the recreation questions are displayed below.



All Residents Plainfield Township 176 50.7% Park Loon Lake Park 137 39.5% Long Lake Park 137 39.5% Londo Lake Park 61 17.6% Chain Lake Mini Park 63 18.2% Jose Lake Park 65 18.7% Loon Lake Park Beach 68 19.6% Total 347

Question 1: Which of the following parks did you visit in the past year? (Check all the apply)



Question 2: What additional facilities/amenities would you like to see added to the Township's parks? (check all that apply)



All Residents				
Walking/Biking Paths	254	60.6%		
Pavilions and Picnic Areas	159	37.9%		
Playground Equipment	105	25.1%		
Fishing Piers	157	37.5%		
Basketball Courts	37	8.8%		
Restrooms	246	58.7%		
Canoe/Kayak Launches	127	30.3%		
Tennis Courts	51	12.2%		
Rustic Campgrounds	96	22.9%		
Other	23	5.5%		
Total	419			

#	Response
1.	Better maintenance of current facilities
2.	Sledding Hill
3.	Add nothing. Make all parks rustic.
4.	Frisbee Golf Course and Climbing Walls
5.	More access to National Forests
6.	Boat launch at Chain Lake Mini Park
7.	Public Beaches
8.	boat and ORV rental
9.	Beach Volleyball Courts
10.	Supervised areas
11.	RV Park
12.	Adult Book Store
13.	Full service campgrounds
14.	anything always makes it nice
15.	any improvements are good
16.	Firing Range
17.	Better boat launch at Jose Lake
18.	Exercise Area other than walking
19.	None
20.	More open space at the beach
21.	Maintain what you have
22.	Use outdoor gazebo or pavillion for wedding venue and hall for receptions.
23.	Ballfield

Question 3: During the past several months, a group of interested people have been developing plans for the losco County Exploration trail which is planned to go from Oscoda to Hale. This trail will provide recreation and a transportation alternative to residents and visitors to losco County. Which one of the following best describes your feelings about this project?

There were three responses respondents could have choose from they included:

- 1. I support the development of the trail, but I do not feel that any Plainfield Township general tax fund dollars should be used for the project
- 2. I support the development of this trail and I support using some Plainfield Township general fund tax dollars as leverage for large grants for the project



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I do not support the development of the trail.

All Residents		
I support, without funding	201	38.4%
I support, with funding	245	46.8%
I do not support	78	14.9%
Total	524	

Question 4: Plainfield Township needs ORV (off-road vehicle) access to Hale.



All Residents		
Agree	221	41.4%
Neutral	214	40.1%
Disagree	99	18.5%
Total	534	

3.

Responses
CLEAN REST ROOMS
Keep clean, mow and rake weeds. Keep kids/teens out after dark to deter vandalism.
Install bike paths
Make them welcoming for families to bring more people here. We got to Tawas for movies, restaurants, the pier,
etc
Punkin Chunkin Competition, more SUP canoe & kayak launches. Kayaking is very strong and growing in
popularity as is paddle boarding. DISC GOLF COURSE.
Group activities and events at parks.
Keep it clean! We need to improve on this in our current parks!
The restrooms need to be cleaned more often than they are cleaned now. Maybe every three days, but
DEFINITELY on Friday mornings. Friday's at the park are always busy and the bathrooms are always in disgusting
conditions.
Make sure there are picnic tables, grills, playgrounds for children, and that the parks are kept clean.
Keep them clean and have restrooms. Easements (beach and swimming areas) need to kept up.
Find a way to keep the farmer "Mahn-Go-Ta-See" property on Loon Lake as a nature preserve.
Stop vandalism!
Be sure to have obvious and frequent signs helping visitors find recreational areas, patrol the parks for
trash/vandalism repairs frequently.
I didn't realize the township had 7 parks. I knew of only Loon Lake Nature Park. I'll now visit the other six.
Address blight and eyesores getting to and from existing parks.
Do NOT start charging for parking or entrance.
Bike/ORV trails
Advertise specifically.
Have more options available!
Better information about above parks, #21. Maps and photos for example.
I'd like to see more well-maintained hiking trails.
Make sure they are well maintained.
Dock and boat ramp at Chain Lake. Treat the roads before summer starts, so people with breathing problems can
use their property.
Keep as natural as can be.
May need rustic camping in big parks.
We need a city street map that shows where all parks are located. I didn't know of many that were listed on
question #21.
ORV trails need easy access to food and fuel. Open park in Hale area with access to trail.
Clean out houses!
Improve boat launch at Loon Lake.
Spray for mosquitoes!
Picnic tables, pavilions, restrooms
Keep well-maintained and promote them!
There are no parks in the Bass Lake, Big Island Lake area. Why is that?
Advertise locations for parks. I had never heard of any locations listed above.
Low or no access fees
Leave well enough alone.
Parking.
Our family does not use them, although we need them for families.
Keep them up to facilitate visitation and exercise/family events/gatherings music, sporting events
Do not allow boats on small lakes only lake property owners should be on the lakes.
Add a golf course
Build a snowmobile/ORV trail from the Long Lake Bar to the Liberty Rd. trailhead and the South Branch Trailhead.
The sides of the roads never have enough snow.
Leave more snow on road shoulders for snowmobiles. (Right of way not always available)
A beautification project (Oscoda, for example, has local kids that work on making the parks look nice)
Security and more lighting
ORV and snowmobile access points in town. This will bring more tourists to town, it will also be more appealing for
people to purchase property. Have a swimming beach with sand at Londo Lake Park, kids need places to swim and cost would be relatively
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cheap, all you need is sand, right?

Responses

have to go to the bathroom.	room. We try going to the park, but we don't stay because my kids alway
More rental cabins or a campground.	
Support bike paths and wide road sho	oulders.
Make sure our scenic overlooks are p	lowed to enjoy the view in the winter.
Purchase school property around tow	nship property and have school develop property around the school.
Township should purchase and devel	op property around the community property.
Add more play items for the children.	
More trails/ walking paths	
I would concentrate on the quality of t	he lakes. The canal we are on should be dredged and cleaned out, please.
Make a plan and involve active people	e to pursue the plan. Doers, not talkers.
Inform residents of the park and the a	menities they offer.
Keep parks and rec in the Parks and	Recreation Area.
Keep clean/ and mowed	
Keep them maintained	
Keep them clean, sharp, and beautifu	d de la construcción de la constru
Keeping rules and standards in parks	to keep out those who destroy or ruin areas of beauty because they are not
held responsible so in essence may	be like park rangers.
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Let people know what is available.	
Let the snowmobiler have right of way	on roadsides and stop ticketing them. They pay for gas with attached road
tax and registration fees.	
Keep clean, mowed, general upkeep!	Then maybe add new facilities
Park central location next to water- I	arge enough for family reunions- inside Hale- lots parking-etc.
Offer better public access points to to	urists and campgrounds/scenery options to people visiting the area.
Need trash cans.	
Purchase a yearly pass.	
Charge a small fee, annual pass, or d	laily use to help with maintenance and discourage abuse.
Better lighting, BBQ's	
Stop putting chemicals in Loon Lake f	ior at least 2 years.
Easy access ORV- snowmobile trail to	o Hale with ability to get gas and food. Should be #1 priority. Has been talked
about for too long.	
Publicizing location and amenities	
Make our parks user friendly (picnic ta	ables, grills)
Have areas fenced in and locked at n	ight time hours
"Safe" trail around Long Lake	
Need volunteers to keep parks up. To	wnship has more than the employees can maintain.
Get rid of that stupid "mud jam". It is c	only advantageous to the local businesses and has no value to residents
other than noise and putting up with a	ı lot of low life druggies.
I think on weekends there should be a	a charge to use the boat launch.
Get high school kids to have a summe	er music concert at the pavilion to show off their talent and pass the donation
cup, as in Tawas.	
Take better care of what we have.	
	oo small for much development and no one knows where the Jose Lake Park
is. The Loon Lake Nature Park has be	een sitting for years while money is spent on the community center.
Keeping beaches on the lake parks cl	ean
	nportant, however costly to maintain, if the site warrants it tables and fire pits.
Keep Long Lake road graded	
	acks. Even a place with vending machines, but they have to be watched
•	areas to preserve the peace, tranquility, and wildlife in the area.
Organized recreation opportunities	
Landscaping improvement to create a	better atmosphere
	s more garbage, more invasive species, and more degradation of the natural
environment.	
Have more fishing opportunities, more	e public access to all the lakes
	ers on Long Lake should have to pay the whole bill to remove the Eurasian

I don't feel like all of the property owners on Long Lake should have to pay the whole bill to remove the Eurasian Milfoil, when the public bring in boats and uses it also.

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Advertise what we do have- I'm not aware of them. Offer monthly BBQ's at parks, lawn concerts, square dancing weddings, and bonfires.	g,
Expand them	
Make sure beaches are clean of trash	
Update the parks	
Very happy with our parks and proud to be a part of this community!	
Tennis	
The fairground seem to provide entertainment	
Decent baseball diamond	
make people responsible for picking up their trash, garbage. Provide litter receptacles? Fines neighborhood wa	atch
Set up a plan to do it	
Keep them clean and well maintained. Loon Lake Park beach always dirty. Update what you have before you s	start
any new projects; sand, tables, restrooms, signage with rules at beach regarding dogs not being on leashes, g	lass
containers and alcohol. Supervision of parks.	
I miss the tennis courts, putt putt course would be a nice addition for families, kayak/paddleboard rental	
Develop the area around the old high school and the basketball, baseball, soccer, running, walking tracks or pa	art
of the fairgrounds area	
Get Pure Michigan to put tag fish in our area as they do in Ogenaw	
Keep ORV from kicking up dust in residential areas	
More information- I had no idea all the parked listed in 21 existed	
New tennis courts	
Indoor pool for school, seniors, and swim lessons	
Bike paths	
Clean up	
Clean up beach areas etc	
Maintaining trash barrels. Maps didn't realize there were so many parks	
Support a tax for it	
More awareness of what is available	
Improve picnic areas, tables, benches, grills, improve beach areas	
Hire someone to empty the trash cans in town, sweep sand off sidewalks and street, water flowers- general	
upkeep to make if look inviting to come. Pull weeds around trees on street- or encourage businesses to do so it	in
front of their establishments.	
Exercise alternatives in the Eagle Point Plaza	
The outhouses at the township park at Loon Lake	

Appendix B

As a supplement to the recreation plan, data from the Sports and Fitness Industry Association (SFIA) is another way to help understand recreation trends. The SFIA conducts annual surveys that analyze the size of sports product markets in order to determine sports participation trends. Some the SFIA is summarized below.

Total Participation

Overall there has been an increase of participation in almost every category that SFIA breaks the various sports into, as seen in the chart below. It should be noted that the largest increase was in Conditioning Activities and the largest decrease was in Outdoor Sports. Besides Team Sports, which had a decrease of 1.62%, every other category had an increase.

Top 20 Sports by Participation

The SFIA researched over 100 different sports in 8 different categories including aerobic activities, conditioning activities, strength activities, individual sports, racquet sports, team sports, outdoor sports and water sports. The top 20 most popular sports and recreational activities in the United States for 2015, as measured by people who participate at least once a year in any given activity are found in the following chart to the right.

Type of Exercise	Overall Participation 2013	Overall Participation 2014	% change from 2013
Aerobics Activities	373,834	407,231	8.20%
Conditioning Activities	103,573	127,305	18.64%
Strength Activities	137,281	144,141	4.78%
Individual Sports	135,803	138,941	2.26%
Racquet Sports	48,684	50,734	4.04%
Team Sports	131,641	129,537	-1.62%
Outdoor Sports	297,560	241,190	-23.37%
Water Sports	65,253	66,299	1.58%

Sport	Participants
Walking	112,583
Free Weights (Dumbbells)	72,437
Running/Jogging	51,127
Treadmill	50,241
Bowling	46,642
Stationary Cycling	44,142
Bicycling	39,725
Freshwater Fishing	37,821
Target Shooting	35,937
Hiking	36,222
Weight/Resistance	35,841
Machine	
Stretching	35,624
Camping (1/4 mile away from home or vehicle)	28,660
Elliptical Motion Trainer	28,025
Free Weights (Barbells)	25,641
Hunting	25,471
Swimming for fitness	25,304
Yoga	25,269
Golf	24,720
Basketball	23,669

Appendix B

10 Most Popular Sports per Age Group

The SFIA Report also included the top ten most popular sports per age group. These charts are located below, and could be helpful to Plainfield Township because the breakdown can be considered when township officials are looking to add recreation opportunities within the community. The majority of the population is older, therefore the Township can consider the sports listed in the breakdown for 55- 64 and 65+ when considering recreation for the residents. Something to note, within these categories birdwatching/ wildlife viewing became increasing popular, as well as, swimming for fitness because it is easiest on the body.

Ages 6-12	Ages 13-17	Ages 18-24	Ages 25-34
Swimming For Fitness	Camping	Camping	Swimming For Fitness
Camping	Swimming For Fitness	Swimming For Fitness	Bicycling
Bicycling	Bicycling	Bicycling	Camping
Running/Jogging	Working Out With Weights	Hiking	Hiking
Basketball	Working Out Using Machines	Working Out With Weights	Working Out With Weights
Fishing	Hiking	Running/Jogging	Running/Jogging
Hiking	Running/Jogging	Backpacking	Working Out With Weights
Soccer	Shooting	Working Out Using Machines	Backpacking
Swimming on a team	Trail Running	Climbing	Canoeing
Working Out With Weights	Fishing	Trail Running	Trail Running

Ages 35-44	Ages 45-54	Ages 55-64	Ages 65+
Hiking	Swimming For Fitness	Bicycling	Swimming For Fitness
Swimming For Fitness	Camping	Swimming For Fitness	Birdwatching/Wildlif e Viewing
Camping	Bicycling	Camping	Working Out Using Machines
Bicycling	Hiking	Hiking	Hiking
Working Out With Weights	Working Out Using Machines	Working Out With Weights	Fishing
Working Out Using Machines	Birdwatching/Wildlif e Viewing	Fishing	Bicycling
Running/Jogging	Working Out With Weights	Working Out Using Machines	Working Out With Weights
Canoeing	Canoeing	Birdwatching/Wildlif e Viewing	Fitness classes
Backpacking	Fishing	Canoeing	Camping
Rafting	Backpacking	Fitness classes	Golf

Appendix C

Potential Funding Sources for Parks and Recreation Projects

Sources of Recreation Grant Funding In Michigan

Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF)

- Administered by the DNR Grants Management
- Match requirement- minimum of 25%
- Development Grants
 - Minimum Grant Request \$15,000
 - Maximum Grant Request \$500,000
- Acquisition Grants
 - No minimum or maximum
- Goals of MNRTF Board
 - Resource Protection- very important
 - Water Access
 - Community Recreation
 - Urban Recreation
 - Economic Development
- Due annually on April 1st (secondary applications for acquisition only in August)
- www.michigan.gov/dnr-grants

Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF)

- Administered by DNR Grants Management
- 50% match required
- Minimum grant request \$30,000 (60,000 project total)
- Maximum grant request \$100,000 (\$200,000 project total)
- Funds a wide variety of outdoor recreation projects
- Application due annually on April 1st
- www.michigan.gov/dnr-grants

Michigan Natural Resources Recreation Passport

- Administered by DNR Grants Management
- Match requirement- minimum of 25%
- Development Grants
 - Minimum Grant Request \$7,500 (\$10,000 minimum total project cost)
 - Maximum Grant Request \$45,000 (\$56,250 maximum total project cost)
- Funds a wide variety of outdoor recreation projects
- Due annually on April 1st
- www.michigan.gov/dnr-grants

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Aquatic Habitat Grant Program

- Administered by DNR Grants Management- Game and Fish Protection Fund
- Match requirement- minimum of 10%
- Application packet due September 30, 2015
- Improve fish and other aquatic organism populations by protecting intact and rehabilitating degraded aquatic habitat.
- www.michigan.gov/dnr-grants

Michigan Invasive Species Grants Program (MISGP)

- Administered by DNR, Environmental Quality Department, and Agricultural and Rural Development Department.
- Partnered to address strategic issues of prevention, detections, eradications, and control for both, terrestrial and aquatic invasive species.
- Application packet due October 30, 2015
- Match Requirement- a minimum of 10%
- Minimum Grant Request- \$25,000
- Maximum Grant Request- \$400,000
- www.michigan.gov/dnr-grants

Michigan Department of Transportation-Transportation Enhancement Funds

- For non-motorized transportation (paths) and rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures, or facilities (bridges, railroad depot, etc.)
- 20% minimum match required, 40% recommended
- Eligible applicants include county road commissions, cities and villages, other organizations may sponsor applications (i.e. County Road Commission or local MDOT office sponsors a township application)
- Rolling on-line application process
- www.michigan.gov/mdot, go to "Projects and Programs"

Great Lakes Fisheries Trust (GLFT)

- Objective- improve or create shore-based Great Lakes recreational access.
- Must be located on the Great Lakes or lower portions of the major tributaries
- Matching funds not required, but projects with local funding will be favored
- Relatively simple application form and requirements
- Due in early September
- www.glft.org



Michigan Coastal Zone Management (CZM)

- Objectives
 - Protect, manage, and restore coastal communities and habitats
 - Restore historic structures
 - Revitalize urban waterfronts
 - Increase recreational opportunities along Michigan's Great Lakes Coast
- Applicant must be a coastal unit of government
- Maximum grant request- \$50,000
- Match requirement- 50% (some flexibility in match for non-construction projects that result in changes to local master plans or zoning ordinances, regional greenways, or include conservation planning)
- Eligible Projects
 - Studies, designs, and land use plans- must have a direct connection to coastal planning and/or resource protection.
 - Construction- boardwalks, trails, lighthouse preservation, habitat restoration, scenic overlook, etc.)
- Due early October
- www.michigan.gov/coastalmanagement

Other grant programs to consider:

Coastal Program- Great Lakes- US Fish and Wildlife Service

- Grants to conserve fish and wildlife and the habitats and to support healthy coastal ecosystems
- Rolling Application Process
- www.fws.gov/midwest/greatlakes/apply.htm

Specific sports and sport foundations

- United States Tennis Association (USTA)
 - Funding for tennis courts and programs
 - www.usta.com
- Major League Baseball
 - Baseball tomorrow fund
 - www.baseballtomorrow.com
- United States Soccer
 - www.ussiccerfoundation.org



Safe Routes to Schools

- For projects near elementary and middle schools"
 - Sidewalks
 - Traffic calming and speed reduction
 - Pedestrian and bicycle crossing improvements
 - On-Street pedestrian facilities
 - Traffic diversion improvements on the vicinity of schools
- Need to complete the safe routes planning process to apply
- www.saferoutesmichigan.org

Trust For Public Land

- Conservation Transactions
- TPL helps structure, negotiate, and complete land transactions that create parks, playgrounds, and protected natural areas. TPL serves as an independent agent, buying land from willing landowners and the transferring it to public agencies, land trusts, or other groups for protection. In some instances, TPL will protect land through conservation easements, which restrict development but permit traditional uses such as farming and ranching.
- www.tpl.org

Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEG) Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants

- Must be part of a watershed management plan
- Projects aimed at reducing nonpoint source pollution (stream break and shoreline stabilization, rain gardens, erosion control, conservation easements)
- www.michigan.gov/deq go to "Surface Water" and then to "Non-point source pollution" Community Foundations and/or Private Foundations and Endowments

Keep in mind-

- Match requirements can usually be in-kind services, donation, or cash
- Most grants are provided on a reimbursable basis
- Barrier free accessibility is usually required for improvement projects
- Multiple partners, multiple jurisdictions can be viewed favorably- think regional projects
- Grant applications can be complicated, detailed, and competitive. Make sure your grant writer
 is familiar with the grant and funding source. Learn as much as possible ahead of time to know if
 your project has potential for funding.

Appendix D

Notice of Review

News Press, Wednesday, April 6, 2016 - 15A

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NY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN /ILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. LEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT HE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN

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CTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may e rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. htat event, your damages, if any, shall
 limited solely to the return of the bid
 mount tendered at sale, plus interest.
 MORTGAGE SALE - Default has

een made in the conditions of a mort-gage made by Charles D. Wooton Jr., and oan A. Wooton, husband and wife, origial mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgagee, lated December 5, 2008, and recorded on December 22, 2008 in Liber 965 on Page 22, and assigned by mesne assignments to Federal National Mortgage Association ("Fannie Mae"), a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Iosco county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Five and 30/100 Dollars (\$129,335.30).

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within losco County, at 10:00 AM, on May 4, 2016.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grant, Iosco County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1:

Lots 32 and 35 of Quiet Acres, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 6 of Plats, Page(s) 25, losco County Records Parcel 2:

The South 70 feet of Lot 34 of Quiet Acres, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 6 of Plats, Page(s) 25, Iosco County Records

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the re-demption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Ju-dicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL

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FC X (248) 593-1302 Trott Law, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Hwy Ste. 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-5422 File #461452F01 (04-06)(04-27)

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PLACE OF HEARING: Eagle Pointe Plaza,

415 E. Main Street, Hale, MI, 48739

DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, May 11, 2016, 6:00 p.m.

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Public Notice REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Tawas Area School is soliciting sealed bid proposals for a Contractor to perform parking lot reshaping and paving and adding of amenities at the Clara Bolen campus along Plank Road in Tawas City, MI. The contract will include excavation and base and subbase preparation, hot mixed asphalt (10,000+/- SY), concrete curbs and sidewalks, as well as installation of a modest new storm sewage drainage system with structures and piping, creation of swale/ditchline, lighting, and landscaping. The plans and specifications cover all of the work. Bid bonds are required. Payment and performance bonds will be required. Engineered drawings and specifications have been prepared by Russo Engineering, Inc. Davis-Bacon wage rates will not apply. There will be no organized site visit. Bids will be accepted until 3:00 PM, Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at the office of the school superinten-dent, at 245 M-55, Tawas City, MI 48763, after which time they will be publicly opened and read. Deliberation will take place at the next school board meeting after due diligence has been per-formed on the low bidder(s). Bids are to be submitted in a sealed envelope marked as, "Clara Bolen Parking Lot Bid". Bid docu-ments will be available for a non-refundable \$45 per project set. The Bid Form will be required to be used in the bid process, and it contains specifics regarding insurance, bonding, etc. Documents will be available beginning March 24, 2016 from Russo Engineer-ing, Inc., 225 Sixth Ave., Tawas City, MI 48763, phone (989) 362-7735. The Tawas Area School reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids if there is a sound, documented reason; however it is intended to make award of a firm, fixed-price contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder based upon the rules outlined in the Bid Form. Construction is intended to commence mid-June, 2016, following the end of the school year.



Notice of Public Hearing



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LEGAL AND PUBLIC NOTICES

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2575 East Lansing, Michigan 48826-2575 Telephone: (517) 484-8000 Email: micholson@thrunlaw.com DEFAULT REOUEST. AFFIDAVIT AND ENTRY AND NOTICE OF HEARING Parties in Defaults-William Marheine and his heirs Feit Macheine and his in dividual heir Feit Macheine and his in dividual heir

Earl Marheine and his individual heirs

Earl Marheine and his individual heirs as follows: Gertrude Hoffer and her heirs Charles Hancock and his heirs William Wrobel and his heirs Anna Johnston dher heirs Leak Smith and his heirs <u>Request and Affidavit</u> 1. I request the clerk to enter the default of the parties named above for failure to plead or otherwise defend as provided by law. 2. The defaulted parties are not an infant or incompetent person.

incompetent person. 3. It is unknown whether the defaulted par-4. This affidavit is made on my personal knowledge and, if sworn as a witness, I can testify competently to the facts in this af-

fidavit

ndavit. /S/ Ryan J. Nicholson (P75532) Subscribed and sworn before me on April 19, 2016, Ingham County, Michigan. My commission expires August 7,

2021. /S/ Carrie L. Watts Notary Public, State of Michigan,

Notary Public, State of Michigan, County of Ingham <u>Default Entry</u> The default of the party named above for failure to pled or otherwise defend is entered. Date: April 20, 2016

/S/ Cheryl Bascomb Court Clerk

County of losco File: 16-003288-DE

Estate of Marylou L. Hummel. Date o birth: March 29, 1933 NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The dece dent, Marylou L. Hummel, died April 11

2016 o. Creditors of the decedent are notifie ill b that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Brend

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Meeting Minutes

PARKS N REC 5 YEAR PLAN PUBLIC HEARING MAY 11, 2016

Chair Jerry Spaw called meeting to order at 6:03 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Spaw, McDonell, Bassi Absent: Dillingham, Beauchesne Guest: 8

Public Comments:

Glad to see the work going on at the Parks making them more desirable to the public.

Hope to see the addition of the Iron Belle Bike Trail connecting with our park and community.

Question of ownership of Action portion of 5 Year Plan and Master Plan was asked. Alan Bean of Spicer Group addressed this.

Accept 5 Year Plan: Motion by Bassi supported by McDonell to accept the 5 Year Plan and send it to the Plainfield Township Board for approval. Ayes: 3 Absent: 2 Nays: none Motion carried.

Motion by Spaw supported by McDonell to adjourn at 6:15 pm.

Submitted by: m

Roma J. Bassi Parks N Rec Secretary/Board Rep.



Resolution

PLAINFIELD TOWNSHIP RECREATION MASTER PLAN For Plainfield Township losco County

WHEREAS, the Plainfield Township Board has undertaken a planning process to determine the recreation and natural resource conservation needs and desires of its residents during a five-year period covering the years 2016 through 2020, and

WHEREAS, the Plainfield Township Board is made up of representatives from Plainfield Township. and

WHEREAS, the Plainfield Township Board began the process of developing a Recreation Master Plan in accordance with the most recent guidelines developed by the Department of Natural Resources and made available to local communities, and

WHEREAS, residents of Plainfield Township were provided with a well-advertised opportunity during the development of the draft plan to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the recreation and natural resource conservation plan, and

WHEREAS, the public was given a well-advertised opportunity and reasonable accommodations to review the Recreation Master Plan for a period of 35 days, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on May 11, 2016 at Eagle Pointe Plaza, 415 E Main Street, Hale, MI, 48739 to provide an opportunity for all residents of the planning area to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the Plainfield Township Recreation Master Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Plainfield Township Board has developed the plan as a guideline for improving recreation and enhancing natural resource conservation for Plainfield Township, and

WHEREAS, after the public hearing, the Plainfield Township Board voted to adopt said Plainfield Township Recreation Master Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Plainfield Township Board hereby adopts the Plainfield Township Recreation Master Plan.

Yeas: ALLEN, BIELBY Nays: MONE READY, BASSI, LEWIS

Absent: NONE

I, Elaine Bielby, Township Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and original copy of a resolution adopted by the Plainfield Township Board at a Regular/Special Meeting thereof held on the (18 day of May, 2016.)

<<Seal here, if a seal is available>>

(signature)

Elaine Bielly



Michigan Department of Natural Resources-Grants Management

COMMUNITY PARK, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, AND GREENWAY PLAN CERTIFICATION CHECKLIST

By Authority of Parts 19, 703 and 716 of Act 451, P.A. 1994, as amended, submission of this information is required for eligibility to apply for grants

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete, obtain certification signatures and submit this checklist with a locally adopted recreation plan.

All recreation plans are required to meet the content and local approval standards listed in this checklist and as outlined in the *Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Plans* provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Plans must be submitted to the DNR <u>with</u> a completed checklist that has been signed by an authorized official(s) of the local unit of government(s) submitting the plan. Plans may be submitted at any time of the year, but no later than March 1 of the year the local unit of government is applying for grants.

PLAN INFORMATION

Name of Plan:	Na	me	of	Pla	an	
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Plainfield Township Recreation Master Plan

List the community names (including school districts) that are covered under the plan and have passed a resolution adopting the plan.	County	Month and year plan adopted by the community's governing body
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PLAN CONTENT

INSTRUCTIONS: Please check each box to certify that the listed information is included in the final plan.

□ 1. COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

≥ 2. ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

- Roles of Commission(s) or Advisory Board(s)
- Department, Authority and/or Staff Description and Organizational Chart
- Annual and Projected Budgets for Operations, Maintenance, Capital Improvements and Recreation Programming
- Current Funding Sources
- Role of Volunteers
- Relationship(s) with School Districts, Other Public Agencies or Private Organizations

Regional Authorities or Trailway Commissions Only

- Description of the Relationship between the Authority or Commission and the Recreation Departments of Participating Communities
- Articles of Incorporation

⊠ 3. RECREATION INVENTORY

- Description of Methods Used to Conduct the Inventory
- Inventory of all Community Owned Parks and Recreation Facilities
- Location Maps (site development plans recommended but not required)
- Accessibility Assessment
- $oxed{intermation}$ Status Report for all Grant-Assisted Parks and Recreation Facilities
- ☑ 4. RESOURCE INVENTORY (OPTIONAL)
- **5. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLANNING PROCESS**

☑ 6. DESCRIPTION OF THE PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS
Description of the Method(s) Used to Solicit Public Input Before or During Preparation of the Plan, Including Copy of the Survey or Meeting Agenda and a Summary of the Responses Received
Copy of the Notice of the Availability of the Draft Plan for Public Review and Comment
Date of the Notice April 6, 2016
Type of Notice Newspaper
Plan Location Township Hall and online
Duration of Draft Plan Public Review Period (Must be at Least 30 Days) 35
 Copy of the Notice for the Public Meeting Held after the One Month Public Review Period and Before the Plan's Adoption by the Governing Body(ies) Date of Notice April 27, 2016 Name of Newspaper Date of Meeting Copy of the Minutes from the Public Meeting 7. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES
⊠ 8. ACTION PROGRAM
── ○ 9. POST-COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT(S)
PLAN ADOPTION DOCUMENTATION
APPROVAL DOCUMENTATION: For multi-jurisdictional plans, each local unit of government must pass a resolution adopting the plan. Prepare and attach a separate page for each unit of government included in the plan.
2. Official resolution of the <u>Plainfield Township</u> Commission or Board,
recommending adoption of the plan by the governing body, <u>dated</u> : <u>5/18/2016</u>
3. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to County Planning Agency dated: 5/19/2016
4. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to Regional Planning Agency dated: 5/19/2016
OVERALL CERTIFICATION
NOTE: For multi-jurisdictional plans, Overall Certification must include the signature of each local unit of government. Prepare and attach a separate signature page for each unit of government included in the plan.
I hereby certify that the recreation plan for
Plainfield Township includes the required content, as indicated to the content, as indicated to the content includes the required content, as indicated to the provide the provident of Government.
Authorized Official for the Local Unit of Government Date

This completed checklist must be uploaded in MiRecGrants.