



Hayes Township **Parks and Recreation Plan**

2019-2024

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Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Hayes Township
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Charlevoix, MI 49720

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1.0 COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

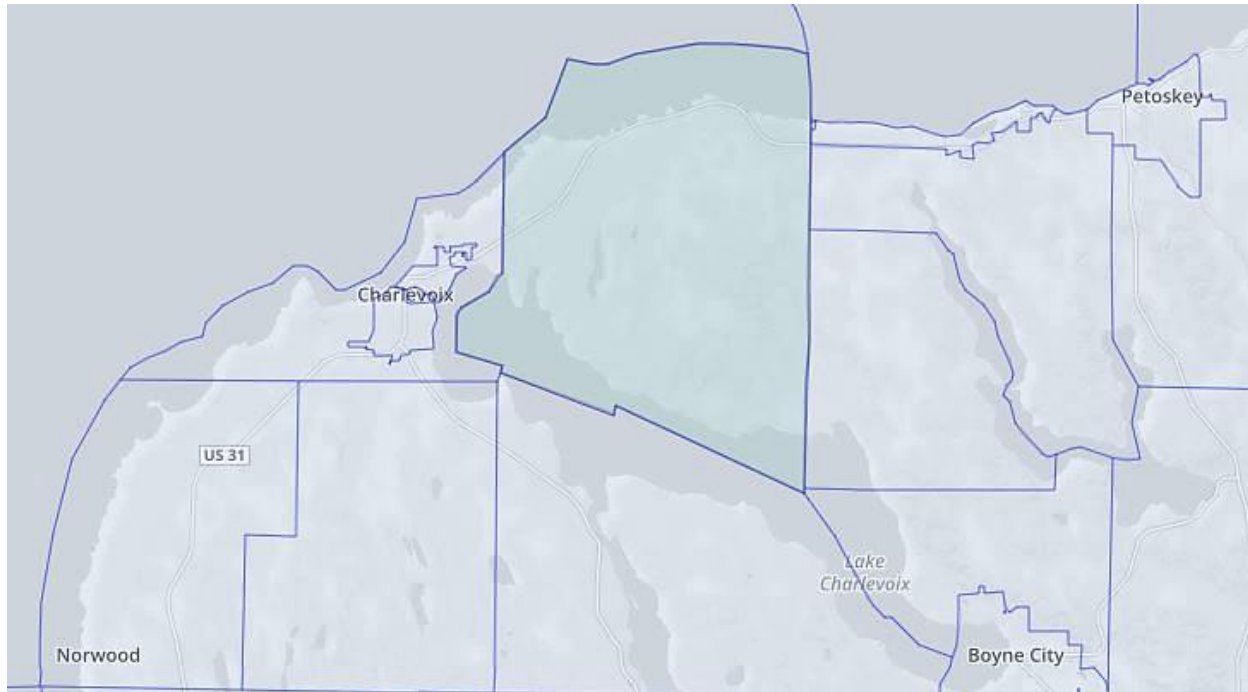
Introduction and Regional Setting

Hayes Township is positioned between the Cities of Charlevoix, Boyne City and Petoskey. It is bordered on the north by Lake Michigan, on the south by Lake Charlevoix, on the west by Charlevoix Township, and on the east by Bay and Resort Townships. Lake Michigan, Lake Charlevoix, Susan Lake, several streams, and many wetlands add to Hayes Township's unique character.

In the Township's interior, large parcels of agricultural and forest land are mixed with smaller residential parcels. At the Township's northern border, the area known as Bay Shore developed around several commercial establishments, many of which are still operating. Hayes Township with its abundance of natural resources is enjoyed for its many recreational opportunities.



Hayes Township is located along the shore of Lake Michigan between Charlevoix City, Petoskey City and Boyne City. The township extends to Lake Charlevoix on its southern border. According to the United States Census Bureau, the township has a total area of 43.2 square miles, of which 30.1 square miles is land and 13.1 square miles, or 30.29%, is water.



Hayes Township boundaries, Charlevoix County Michigan. Source/OpenStreetMap



Hayes Township Hall, Old US-31 Photo/Omar Feliciano

Hayes Township Hall is located at 9195 Old US 31 Hwy N, Charlevoix, MI 49720



1.1 Population Information

According to the U.S. Census data: American Community Survey 2016 5-year unless noted, the population for Hayes Township in 2016 was 1861 persons (959 male – 902 female), averaging approximately 61.8 persons per square mile for the Township's 30.1 square miles of land area.

This population density can be compared to approximately 62.9 persons per square mile for Charlevoix County and 176.1 person per square mile for the State of Michigan. Source images: Census Data.

Charts and statistics for margins of error is at least 10 percent of the total value.

Charts & Statistics on Age

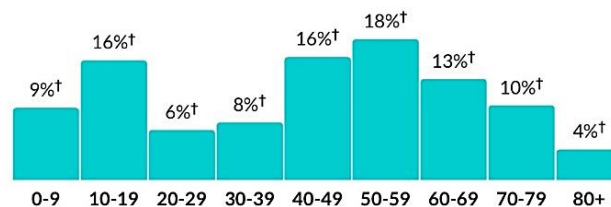
46.5

Median age

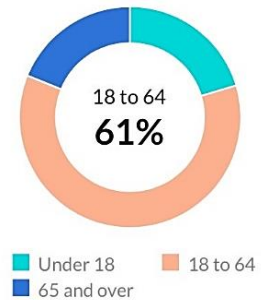
about the same as the figure in
Charlevoix County: 47.3

about 20 percent higher than
the figure in Michigan: 39.5

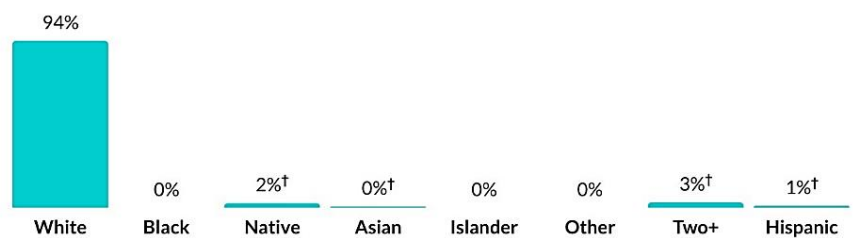
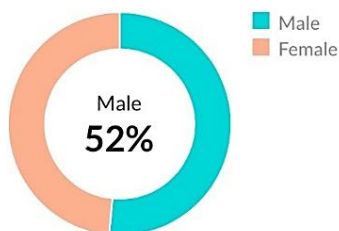
Population by age range



Population by age category



Charts & Statistics on Male / Female, Race & Ethnicity



* Hispanic includes respondents of any race. Other categories are non-Hispanic.



Charts & Statistics on Income

\$34,299

Per capita income

about 20 percent higher than
the amount in Charlevoix
County: \$29,581

about 25 percent higher than
the amount in Michigan:
\$27,549

\$56,685

Median household
income

about 20 percent higher than
the amount in Charlevoix
County: \$48,603

about 10 percent higher than
the amount in Michigan:
\$50,803

Household income



Charts & Statistics on Poverty

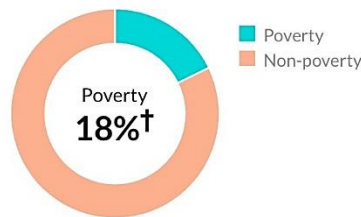
7.5%

Persons below poverty line

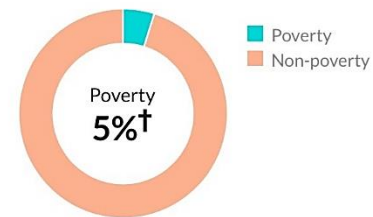
about three-fifths of the rate in
Charlevoix County: 12.5%†

about half the rate in Michigan: 16.3%

Children (Under 18)



Seniors (65 and over)



Charts & Statistics on Geographical Mobility

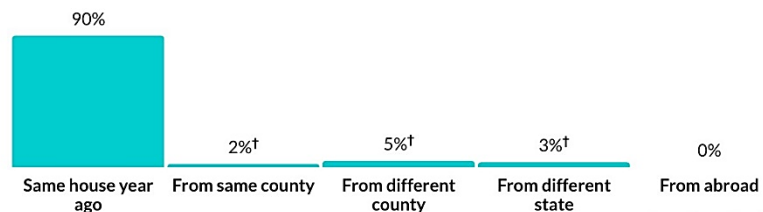
9.8%

Moved since previous year

about 80 percent of the rate in
Charlevoix County: 12.4%†

about two-thirds of the rate in Michigan:
14.7%

Population migration since previous year





Charts & Statistics on Transportation to Work

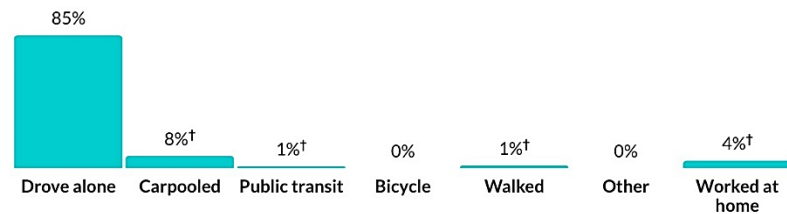
23.4 minutes

Mean travel time to work

about 20 percent higher than the figure in Charlevoix County: 20.2

a little less than the figure in Michigan: 24.3

Means of transportation to work



* Universe: Workers 16 years and over

Charts & Statistics on Value of Owner Occupied Housing Units

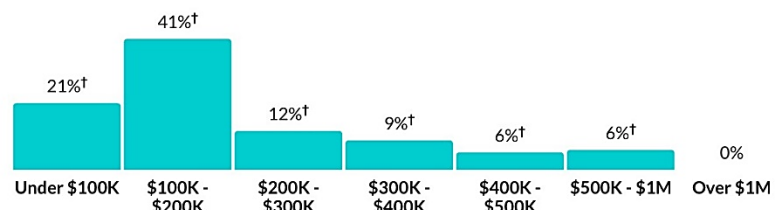
\$171,000

Median value of owner-occupied housing units

about 10 percent higher than the amount in Charlevoix County: \$155,100

about 1.3 times the amount in Michigan: \$127,800

Value of owner-occupied housing units



Charts & Statistics on Units & Occupancy and Types of Structure

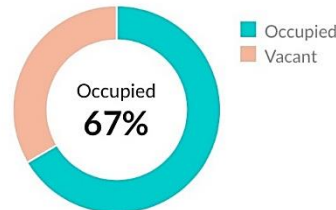
1,129

Number of housing units

Charlevoix County: 17,414

Michigan: 4,544,920

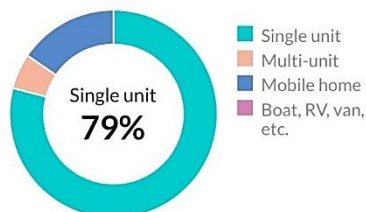
Occupied vs. Vacant



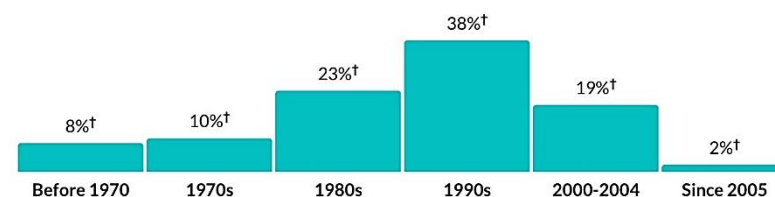
Ownership of occupied units



Types of structure



Year moved in, by percentage of population





1.2 Recreation

The recreation opportunities in the Township currently consist primarily of water-related activities, boating, fishing, swimming, seasonal game hunting and non-motorized trails for walking, hiking, skiing, bicycling, as well as some trails for snowmobiling. There are public access sites on Lake Michigan, Lake Charlevoix and Susan Lake within the Township that are well utilized both in the summer and winter seasons. A network of trails in the Township utilize both public and semi-public lands, such as the State land MDOT (right of way), Charlevoix community and the Little Traverse Conservancy properties.



Overlooking Lake Michigan on US31, Hayes Township. Photo/Omar Feliciano

The Camp SeaGull property enhances the public recreation opportunities for Hayes Township residents and visitors. There are two small lakes and three creeks found in the township. Horton Creek flows from the higher elevations in Bay and Hayes Township. The creek traverses the township to a point where it runs through Bay Township and empties into Horton Bay on Lake Charlevoix.



1.3 Susan Lake

Mud Creek flows from Mud Lake to Susan Lake. Susan Creek flows from Susan Lake into Lake Michigan just north of Big Rock Point. Preservation of Susan Lake is a priority of the Little Traverse Conservancy, which owns and manages 21.5 acres of shoreline property.



Susan Lake viewed from Boyne City Road, Hayes Township. Source/Google Earth

Each creek is bordered by wetlands that encompass significant acreage. Horton Creek provides habitat for salmon and trout. Susan Lake is a shallow, extremely sensitive body of water well along in the growth of plants and algae.



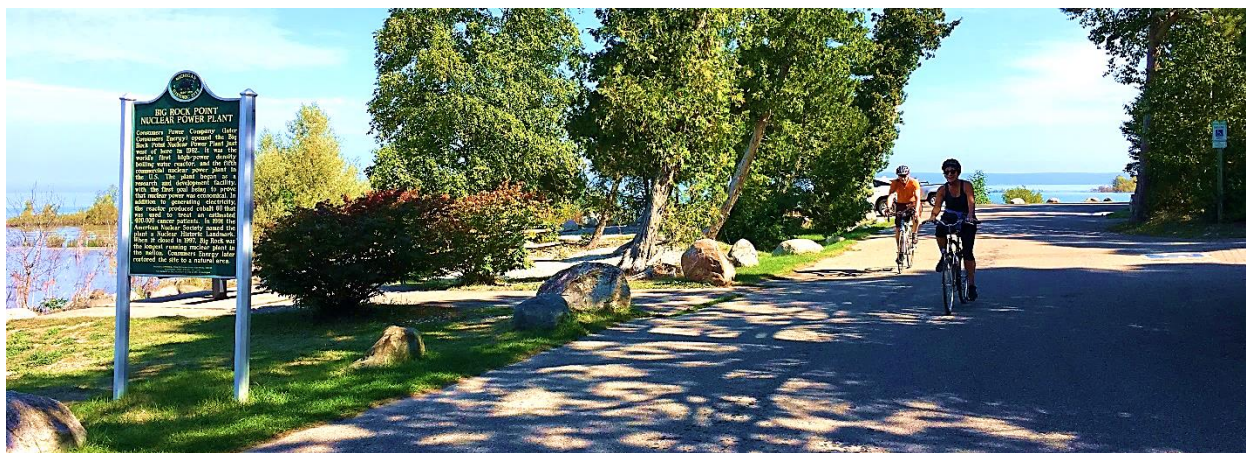
Susan Lake, Hayes Township. Source/Google Earth



1.4 Little Traverse Wheelway (LTW)

The Little Traverse Wheelway is a 26-mile, non-motorized paved trail that extends from Charlevoix to Harbor Springs. It was officially dedicated to the people of the State of Michigan on October 24, 2002.

Little Traverse Wheelway provides cyclists, inline skaters, walkers, runners, skiers, electrical bicycle and joggers with a smooth path, incredible scenery and a non-motorized link between three of the most popular resort towns in northern Michigan; Charlevoix, Petoskey and Harbor Springs. The Little Traverse Wheelway Non-Motorized Trail passes through Hayes Township along US-31. **Snowmobiles and horses are NOT permitted anywhere on the trail.**



Little Traverse Wheelway, US-31 MDOT, Hayes Township. Photo/Omar Feliciano

The Little Traverse Wheelway Map in Hayes Township

Map 1.1 shows The Hayes Township segment of this trail is approximately 7.3 miles long and runs along the north side of US-31 from Charlevoix Township to the Charlevoix, Emmet County line at Bay Shore.



Map 1.1 Little Traverse Wheelway Non-Motorize Trail along US-31 in Hayes township partially along Lake Michigan. Source/Charlevoix County



In Hayes Township this trail offers a unique boardwalk bridging over a wetland area rich with wildlife, and direct water access at points along the Lake Michigan shoreline with two roadside parks for picnic & scenic resting spot with one having restrooms and two other roadside areas with small boat launches.



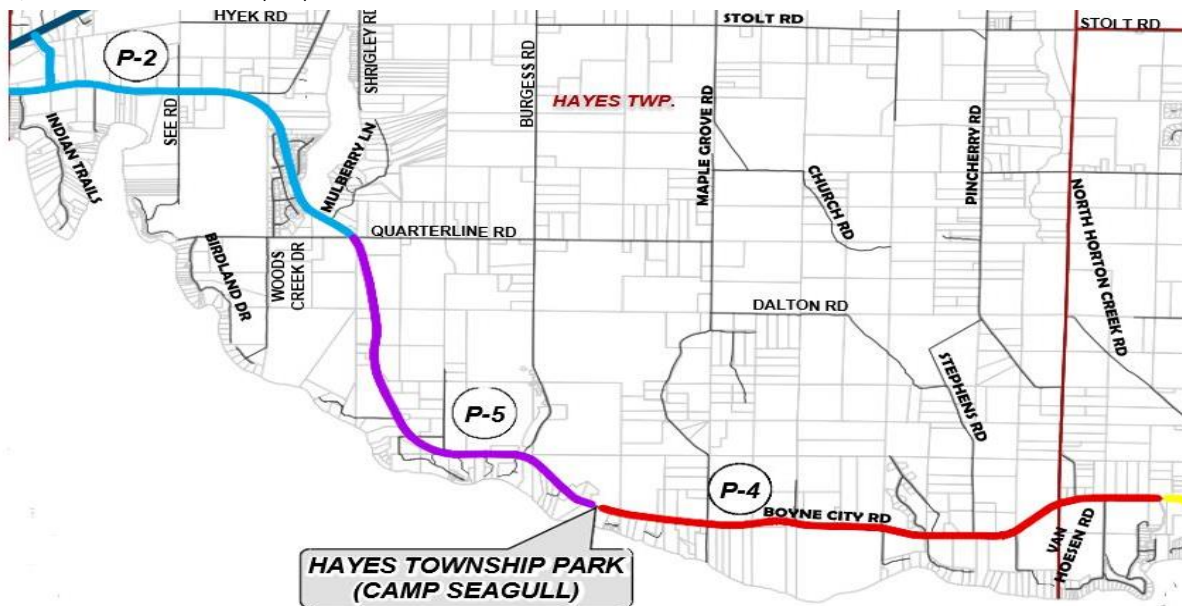
Little Traverse Wheelway Non-Motorized Trail on US-31 provides a boardwalk bridging over wetlands in Hayes Township. Source/Google Earth

1.5 Boyne to Charlevoix Non-Motorized Trail

Most of the Boyne to Charlevoix Non-Motorized Trail runs through Hayes Township covering 8 miles. The total trail path is a paved 10-foot wide, approximately 14-mile long trail, mostly detached from Boyne City Road. The trail will be constructed in five (5) phases. Phases 2, (completed) 4 and 5 runs through Hayes township. Phase 1, completed, is in Boyne City. Phase 3 will run through Bay Shores

Boyne to Charlevoix Non-Motorized Trail Map in Hayes Township

Map 1.2 shows the Non-Motorize Trail, that runs only through Hayes Township, Trails are colored. P2 in blue, P4 in red and P5 in purple.



Map 1.2 Boyne City to Charlevoix Non-Motorize Trail in Hayes Township. Source/Charlevoix County



This trail is intended for non-motorized recreational activities and non-motorized transportation between Boyne City and Charlevoix. Trail users may walk, bike, skate or ski (pick your favorite sport for any season) on the trail. **Snowmobiles and horses are NOT permitted anywhere on the trail.**

Phase 2 begins at the Little Traverse Wheelway in Hayes Township, east of Waller Road, crosses US-31 and follows a series of easements across private property to Boyne City Road east of the Argonne Supper Club, and then runs parallel to, but separate from Boyne City Road within the road right-of-way on the north (Susan Lake) side of the road to Quarterline Road, southeast of Susan Lake, for a distance of 2.97 miles.



Boyne to Charlevoix Non-Motorized Trail from US-31 to Boyne City Rd, Hayes Township. Photo/Omar Feliciano

At the point where the trail meets Boyne City Road, a trail spur runs west within the right-of-way on the north side of the road to Eastern Avenue to create an access point for Pine Point Subdivision. Trail users can follow Eastern Avenue to Lake Charlevoix where there is a public access with a picnic area and swimming beach. The trail continues the north side of Boyne City Rd through Hayes Township towards Boyne City.



Boyne to Charlevoix Non-Motorized Trail, on Boyne City Rd, Hayes Township. Photo/Omar Feliciano



1.6 Golf Courses

The semi-public recreation lands in Hayes Township has two golf courses Dunmaglas Golf Course and Charlevoix Country Club and Fitness. Each provide scenic beauty, natural landscape, adjacent to nearby Lake Michigan and Lake Charlevoix.

Dunmaglas Golf Course

An 18-hole Golf course mixed Residential / Recreational facility open to the public.



Dunmaglas Golf Club on Boyne City Rd, Hayes Township. Image/Google Earth

Charlevoix Country Golf Club and Fitness

An 18-hole Golf course mixed residential / Recreational facility opened to the public



Charlevoix Country Golf Club on US 31, Hayes Township. Image/Google Earth



2.0 ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE

Administrative Structure and Funding in Hayes Township

Hayes Township has established a separate Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee. This committee will oversee the general operation of the township parks and recreation programs. Prior to updating the park plan, the Township Board first established a task force of representatives from the Township Board, Planning commission and Parks and Recreation Committee for the purpose of preparing an updated Recreation Plan. Once the plan is updated, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee will provide recommendations regarding park policies and projects to the Township Board.

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee will serve as a community sounding board on recreation matters and bring these concerns to the Township Board for consideration. Routine park maintenance will be handled by the Township staff, contractors and volunteers operating under the direct authority of the Township Board. The final financial decision-making authority and responsibility for all park related projects resides with the Township Board.



Volunteers

Volunteers are an integral part of recreation projects in Hayes Township. Volunteers are solicited on a project by project basis to provide some of the labor for the Township “in-kind” match on projects as appropriate. For lake related projects, the Lake Charlevoix Association and Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council are active partners.

Relationships

This recreation plan covers Hayes Township, which includes portions of three school districts. Most township children attend Charlevoix Public Schools. The eastern portion of the township is within the Boyne City Public School District. The Bay Shore area is within the Petoskey Public School District.

Additionally, some students from the township attend area private schools or public charter schools in Charlevoix, Boyne City and Petoskey.

Hayes Township works cooperatively with the Top of Michigan Trails Council and Charlevoix County to continue to pursue the development of non-motorized trails along the Boyne City–Charlevoix Road and bike lanes and / or other roads in order to effectively develop local routes that connect with larger trail system in northern Michigan. Phases 1 and 2 of the non-motorized trails along Boyne City-Charlevoix Road are now completed. The Master Plan for Hayes Township Park Camp SeaGull envisions the park as a major trailhead along this trail. It is about mid-way between Charlevoix and Boyne City and has the space for parking, toilets, sheltered picnic areas and bike racks.

Charlevoix County has a currently adopted recreation plan. However, for Hayes Township to pursue Township recreation goals on an accelerated time frame, the Township has decided to maintain a separate Township level recreation plan.





2.1 Camp SeaGull Park Budget and Expenditures



Camp SeaGull Park Conceptual Plans, Boyne City Rd near Burgess Rd and Lake Charlevoix, Source/Hayes Township

Hayes Township Park Camp SeaGull \$3,375,000

Hayes Township was awarded a grant to acquire Hayes Township Park Camp SeaGull. The land is centrally located between Boyne City and the City of Charlevoix.

The grant number #TF12-036 for the acquisition of the park was awarded to the township for \$3,375,000. The township has also received grants for the construction of an access road, fishing pier and boat launch.



Hayes Township Park Camp Seagull Entrance Sign, Hayes Township Photo/Omar Feliciano

This "phase 1" of park development was significantly completed in November 2018. The completion of this phase will occur in early 2019, as soon as weather permits. Phase 1 included a paved access road from the entrance to the shoreline, a boat launch with parking, significant construction within the lake itself to provide protection for boats as they are launched and retrieved and a fishing pier.



Table 2.a Acquisition and Current Phase 1 Development Costs

<i>Park acquisition</i>	Phase 1 Grants	Awarded	Phase 2 Grants	Awarded
<i>Michigan Natural Trust Fund (MNTF) grant PA 9 of 2013 for \$3,375,000</i>	Great Lakes Energy People Fund	\$10,000		
	Grand Traverse Band (GTB) of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians	\$5,000		
	Grand Traverse Band (GTB) of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians	\$15,000		
	Great Lakes Fishery Trust (GLFT) #1593	\$23,040		
	Great Lakes Fishery Trust (GLFT) #1673	\$234,000		
	Great Lakes Fisheries grant	\$35,100		
	Charlevoix County TF-14-0232	\$300,000		
	Charlevoix Community Foundation	\$10,000		
	Charlevoix County Millage Appropriation	\$13,488		
	Charlevoix Community Foundation	\$28,250		
Cumulative Requested awarded Amount		\$673,878		



Hayes Township Camp SeaGull Park Boundaries, Boyne City Rd near Burgess Rd and Lake Charlevoix. Source/Hayes Township.

**Table 2.b Hayes Township Boat Launch Budget**

<i>Sources of Funds Available</i>	Total Application	Grant	Local Match	
<i>Land & Water Conservation Fund (LAWCON)</i>	\$300,000	\$150,000		\$150,000 of Waterways local match used toward local match
<i>Great Lakes Fisheries Trust</i>	\$339,000	\$234,000		\$105,000 of Waterways local match used toward local match
<i>Waterways</i>	\$966,800	\$483,400	\$483,400	
<i>Charlevoix County Recreation</i>	\$30,000	\$30,000		
<i>Great lakes Lakes Energy Fund (GLF)</i>	\$10,000	\$20,000		
<i>Grand Traverse Band 2%</i>	\$ 20,000	\$10,000		
Total Source of Funds Available	\$1,665,800	\$927,400	\$483,400	Waterways local match was also used as local match for LAWCON and Fisheries Grant



Camp SeaGull Park Conceptual Boat Launch Plans, Boyne City Rd near Burgess Rd and Lake Charlevoix. Source/Hayes Township



Great Lakes Energy People Fund Grant \$10,000

Hayes Township was awarded a grant from the Directors of the Great Lakes Energy People Fund for \$10,000. The grant money has been used to construct rain gardens at Hayes Township Park Camp SeaGull on the north shore of Lake Charlevoix. The purpose of the rain gardens is to protect the water quality of Lake Charlevoix.

The Tip of the Mitt Watershed Council defines a rain garden as a “planted depression that receives and absorbs rain and snowmelt runoff, also known as stormwater, from impervious surfaces like roofs, driveways, walkways, parking lots, and compacted lawn areas. Rain gardens help filter out pollutants such as lawn fertilizers and pesticides, oil and other fluids from cars and machinery, and debris and litter. Rain gardens are a very effective and low-cost way to protect water quality.”



Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Grant \$5,000

Hayes Township was awarded grant funds from Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. The grant of \$5,000 was used to construct pedestrian walkways leading to the fishing pier at Hayes Township Park Camp SeaGull on the north shore of Lake Charlevoix.

Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Grant \$15,000

Hayes Township has been awarded a grant from Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians in the amount of \$15,000 for the construction of a boat launch and fishing pier on Lake Charlevoix.

Great Lakes Fishery Trust Grant \$23,040

Hayes Township was awarded a planning grant #1593 from Great Lakes Fishery Trust for \$23,040. The planning grant was to assess the potential for ice damage to a proposed fishing pier on Lake Charlevoix. The township was able to quantify the potential for ice damage to the structure and develop a design to mitigate risk through structural resistance to ice forces developed in Lake Charlevoix. The results of this planning grant will be incorporated into the design for the structure.

Great Lakes Fishery Trust Grant \$34,000

Hayes Township was awarded a grant #1673 from Great Lakes Fishery Trust for \$234,000. The grant is to construct a 170' public fishing pier in order to create shoreline fishing access to Lake Charlevoix. The pier will be in the Hayes Township Park Camp SeaGull which is situated on the north shore of Lake Charlevoix.

Department of Natural Resources Waterways Grant \$483,400

Hayes Township was awarded grant from Department of Natural Resources Waterways for \$483,400. The grant is for the new road access and boat launch.

2.2 Charlevoix County Parks Millage Fund

At the end of 2018, tax dollars have been appropriated to fund over 40 projects throughout the County. This has resulted in new or improved recreational opportunities for residents and visitors alike.

The parks millage renewal request is for 0.15 mills for four years from 2018-2021 “for the purpose of providing funds for the operation and capital improvements of the County’s parks and for funding the county program to improve other parks within the County.” For millages, 1 mill equals \$1 in annual property tax for every \$1,000 of a property’s taxable value.

Funds will be awarded once annually, with announcement of recipients being made no later than June 1st of each year. Applications must be received no later than February 1st (if the 1st falls on a weekend, the next business day will be accepted as the deadline).

Hayes Township a Recipient of Charlevoix County Funds

2018 Pedestrian Walkways, Portable Pavilion Shelter

Pedestrian walkways near the boat launch in Camp Seagull Park.

Portable pavilion shelter that can be placed in various location in Camp Seagull Park.

2017 Stall Vaults

Installation of two stall vault restrooms in Camp Seagull Park.

2016 LED Lighting

LED lighting for the boat launch area in Camp Seagull Park.

2015 ADA Picnic Tables

ADA accessible picnic tables in Camp Seagull Park.



Stall Vault Restroom



Boat Launch and Fishig Pier



ADA Picnic Tables

Photos/Omar Feliciano



Dunmaglas Golf Course, Hayes Township. Photo/Omar Feliciano

3.0 RECREATION INVENTORY

Inventory of Existing Parks, Natural Areas and Recreation Facilities

An inventory of existing recreation facilities located in Hayes Township are provided on the following pages as maps and tables. Sites are grouped according to jurisdictional ownership. Township owned facilities are listed first, then other public sites, and finally privately-owned recreation sites.

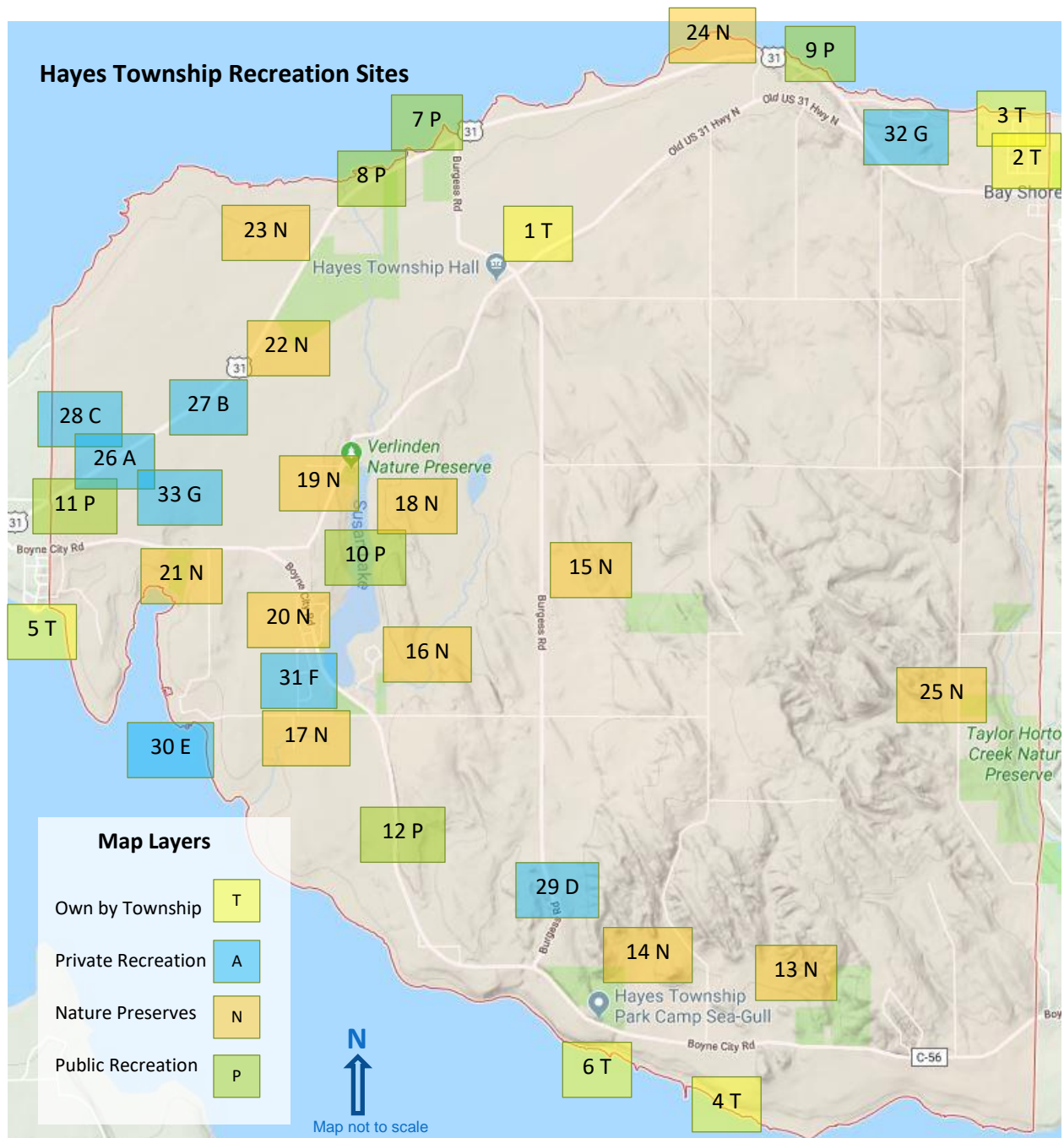


Hayes Township Hall Park. Image/Google Earth



3.1 Hayes Township Recreation Map







Each listing is followed by a brief description of that location. Map 3-1 illustrates the various locations of the township owned facilities.





3.2 Facilities Owned and/or Operated

Table 3-a Facilities Owned and / or Operated in Hayes Township

Name	Map Key	Size	Facilities and Amenities	Activities	ADA Compliant
Hayes Township Hall & Park	1 T	30 acres	Picnic Tables, and Firepits basketball, hall rentals		YES
Townline Road Park	2 T	2.5 acres	Swimming		NO Steep topography limited parcel width
Bayside Park Lake Access (Spring St, Bayshore)	3 T	1.5 acres	Beach Access		NO Steep topography
Maple Grove Lake Access	4 T	66ft wide	Water Access, pet friendly Hand Launching of boats such as kayaks, paddle boards, canoes and row boats. Launching of boats from trailers is prohibited.		NO
Eastern Avenue Beach Park	5 T	1.5 acres	Road end access Swimming beach Road end and adjacent parcel swimming beach; hand-carried small boat launch.		NO
Camp SeaGull Park	6 T	23 acres	1,400 feet of Lake Charlevoix frontage, seasonal buildings. New stall vault restrooms New entrance and park access road. New boat launch area. New fishing pier.		YES

Activities and Amenities



Play Ground



Mini Cabin



Boat Launch



Beach



Swimming



Cabins and
Lodges



Pet Friendly



Fishing



Picnic



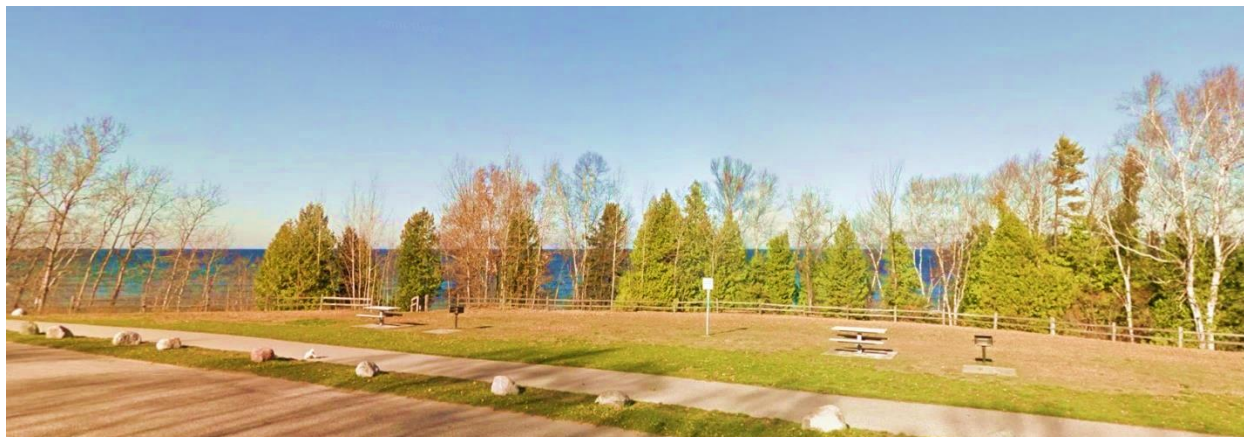
Picnic Shelter



Paddle Sports









Fishing Pier



Lake Michigan in the background, Elzinga Roadside Park on US-31, Hayes Township. Image/Google Earth

3.3 Public Recreation Facilities

Table 3-b Public Recreation Facilities in Hayes Township

Name	Map Key	Activities	Facilities
Kennedy Park, US-31 owned & operated by the State of Michigan	7 P		Primitive boat launch
MDOT Lake Michigan Shores Roadside Park, US-31	8 P		Restroom, picnic area and scenic view area
Elzinga Roadside Park, US-31 owned & operated by the State of Michigan	9 P		Picnic area and scenic Lake view area
Susan Lake DNR access site	10 P		Lake access with boat launch
Little Traverse Wheelway Non- Motorized Trail (LTW) US-31	11 P		Total trail 26 miles (7.6 miles within Hayes Township) Non-motorized paved trail from Charlevoix to Harbor Springs, including 2 MDOT roadside parks. Snowmobiles and horses are NOT permitted anywhere on the trail.
Boyne to Charlevoix Non-motorized trail Boyne City Rd.	12 P		The trail path is a paved 10-foot wide, approximately 14-mile long trail, mostly detached from Boyne City Road. Snowmobiles and horses are NOT permitted anywhere on the trail.



Road side sign; Kieren Memorial Nature Preserve. This preserve includes Mallard Creek and Boyne City Road frontage. Photo/Omar Feliciano

3.4 Nature Preserves

Table 3-c Nature Preserves and Facilities in the Township

Name	Map Key	Features/Facilities
Undine Preserve	13 N	28.5 acres, 2004 Gift from Mike and Rhea Dow. Located along Boyne City-Charlevoix Road.
Nathan Barry Driggers Memorial Preserve on Boyne City-Charlevoix Road	14 N	75 acres preserve with scenic views of Lake Charlevoix and winter trails for cross country skiing and snowshoeing
Ransom Nature Conservancy on Maple Grove Road	15 N	1.5 miles of trail on 80 acres preserve: Scenic lake view, hiking trails, biking, and horseback riding.
Haggerty Preserve	16 N	10 acres, acquired 1990 Donated by Daniel and Margaret Haggerty in memory of their ancestor, Jeremiah (1870-1888)
Mulberry Farm Preserve	17 N	13 acres, 1990 Donated by Rik Lobenherz. Consists of two parcels with 240 feet of Susan Lake.
Susan Lake (Siebert) Preserve	18 N	0.5 acres, 1991 with 250' of frontage on Susan Lake. Designated wetland, DNR access site to the north.
Jack & Helen Verlinden Preserve	19 N	8 acres, 2008 with 555 feet on Susan Lake. A significant bargain sale from Susan Verlinden and named after her parents.
Kieren & Slosar Family Addition	20 N	2 acres, 1993 Partial donations by Mrs. Katie Kieren and Slosar family, this preserve includes Mallard Creek and Boyne City Road frontage.
Oyster Bay Preserve	21 N	23 acres, 1982 Donated by C.T. and Francis Martin. Located on Lake Charlevoix's Oyster Bay.
Susan Creek Nature Preserve	22 N	1.5 mile of trail on 223 acres including frontage on Susan Creek: Biking, hiking, cross country skiing, snowshoeing and hunting.
Taimi Hoag Natural Area	23 N	Approximately 50 acres preserve with scenic views of Lake Michigan
Loeb Preserve	24 N	1.5 acres, 1980 Donated by Thomas and Kaye Loeb, this preserve lies along US-31 and includes 500 feet of Lake Michigan shore.
Taylor/Horton Creek/Schultz/Nick Adams	25 N	207 acres, three miles of trail through mature hardwood forest,



Nathan "Barry Driggers Nature Preserve Map

Map 3.3, Nature area size 75 Acres

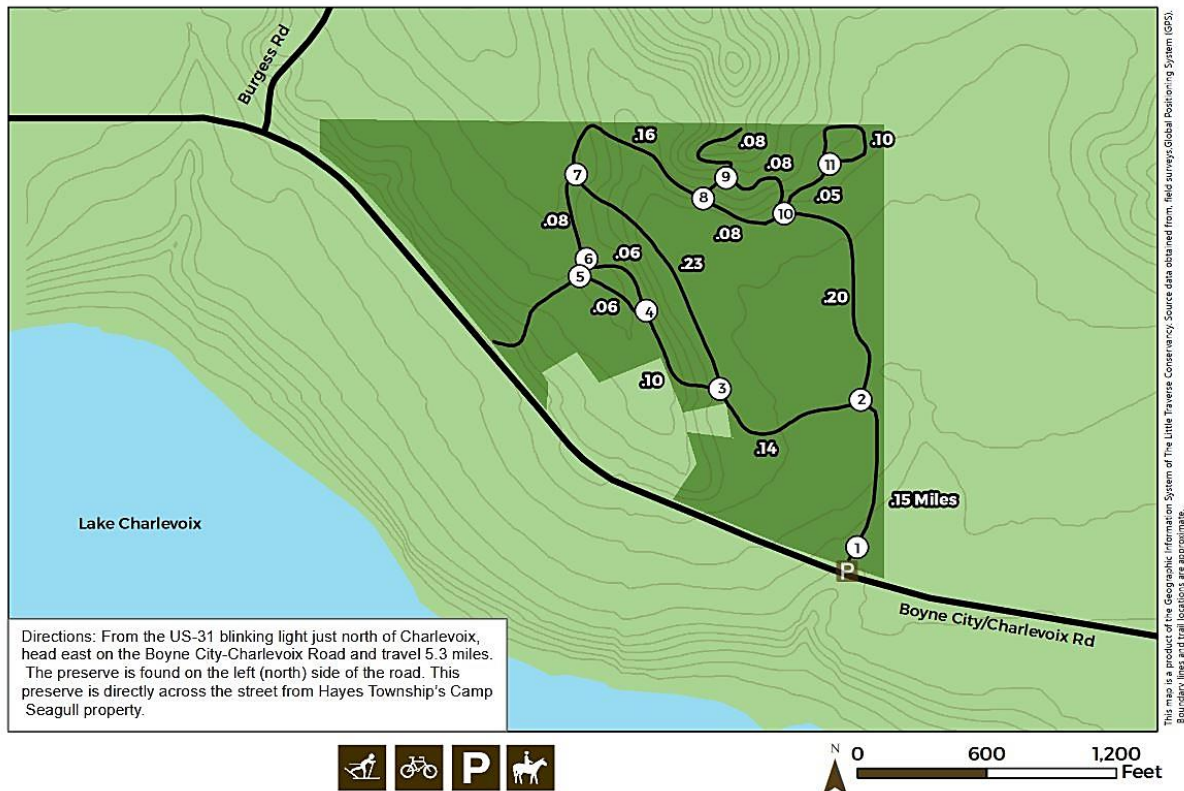


Nathan "Barry" Driggers Nature Preserve

A property of Little Traverse Conservancy

Powell Rd Harbor Springs, Michigan

231.347.0991 ltc@landtrust.org www.landtrust.org



Map of Nathan Barry Driggers Nature Preserve on Boyne City Rd., Hayes Township. Map/Little Traverse Conservancy

Land Description on map 3.3: Once a farm, the property includes a pine plantation, wetland/pond, open fields, and a high, forested ridge. Trails: A 1½ mile trail system meanders through the preserve, providing views of Lake Charlevoix. Cross-country ski trails are often groomed by a volunteer in the winter.

History: When the possibility of a 20-home development was raised for this property, grassroots fundraising by a neighborhood group resulted in the creation of this preserve. The preserve was named in honor of Barry Driggers who had a long conservation history throughout the country and whose family has summered in the Horton Bay region for decades. Directions: From the intersection of US-31 just north of Charlevoix, head east on the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road and travel 5.3 miles. The preserve is found on the left (north) side of the road, directly across the street from Hayes Township's Camp SeaGull property.



3.5 Private Recreation Facilities

Table 3-d Private Recreation Facilities in Hayes Township

Name	Map Key	Facilities
Charlevoix Swimming Pool	26 A	Indoor pool opened to the public – owned and operated by non-profit group Friends of the Pool.
Charlevoix Rod and Gun Club	27 B	106 acres, firearms range open to the public , all purpose room & kitchen.
Charlevoix Country Club and Fitness	28 C	Golf, fitness, pub, wedding and events.
Dunmaglas Golf Course	29 D	Golf, wedding and events, lodging.
Oyster Point Club House	30 E	Tennis courts, marina and horse stables.
Susan Shores Subdivision Park	31 F	Open to members and their guests with picnic and playground facilities, swimming.
Michigan Shores Subdivision	32 G	Private lot for property owners only with picnic, swimming.
AmericInn Lodge & Suites	33 H	Laundry Facilities, Non-Smoking Hotel, Pet Friendly, Pool – Indoor opened to the public , RV Parking, 24-Hour Reception Desk, Breakfast Available, Bus/Truck Parking, Business Center.



Charlevoix Country Club and Fitness on US31, Hayes Township. Image/Google Earth



Public Indoor Pools

Hayes Township has two pool recreation facilities that's opened to the public. Charlevoix Community Pool and AmericInn Lodge & Suites are both located on Us-31 across from each other.



Charlevoix Community Area Pool on US-31, Hayes Township. Website Photo/Permission Granted.



AmericInn Lodge & Suites, US-31 Hayes Township. Image/Google Earth.



3.6 Hayes Township Facility Inventory

The following table lists all the Recreational facilities in Hayes Township

Table 3-e Total Recreation Facilities in Hayes Township

#	Facility Name	Ownership	Open to Public	Approx. Size	Facilities Available
1	Hayes Township Camp SeaGull	Hayes Township	Yes	20 Acres	Swimming, Hiking, Fishing, Ice Fishing, 1400' of frontage on Lake Charlevoix, Cabin Rentals, Boat Launch
2	Hayes Township Hall & Park	Hayes Township	Yes	30 Acres	Basketball, Picnic Tables, Fire Pits, Meeting Room Rental
3	Bayside Park (Lake Michigan Access)	Hayes Township	Yes	1.5 Acres	Beach Access
4	Townline Road Access (Lake Michigan)	Hayes Township / Road Commission	Yes	66 Feet	Beach access
5	Easter Avenue Beach Park	Hayes Township / Road Commission	Yes	1.5 Acres	Beach access Swimming, Picnic area, Fire Pits, Paddle Boards
6	Maple Grove Road Access (Lake Michigan)	Hayes Township / Road Commission	Yes	66 Feet	Water Access
7	DNR access on Susan Lake (seibert)	State of Michigan	Yes	0.5 Acres	Boat Launch
8	Elzinga-Roadside Park on U.S. 31	State of Michigan	Yes	14.6 Acres	Scenic Viewing, Picnic Area
9	MDOT Roadside Park on U.S. 31	State of Michigan	Yes		Scenic Viewing, Picnic Area, Vault Restroom
10	Kennedy Park (Burgess Rd access – Lake Michigan)	State of Michigan	Yes	4.4 Acres	Boat Launch, Vault Restroom
11	Charlevoix Rod & Gun Club	Non-Profit	Yes	106.2 Acres	Firearms Range, All purpose room, Kitchen. Public Use
12	Charlevoix Community Pool	Non-Profit Group – Friends of the pool	Yes	5 Acres	Swimming Pool Public Use
13	Little Traverse Wheelway	Charlevoix County	Yes	26 Miles 7.5 miles in Hayes Township	Non-Motorized Recreational Trail
14	Michigan Shores Subdivision	Private	No	Less than 0.5 Acres	Property Owners only, Picnic and Swimming
15	Charlevoix Country Golf Club	Private	Yes	700+ Acres	Golf, Tennis courts, Swimming Pool. Public Use
16	Dunmaglas Gulf	Private	Yes	900+ Acres	18 Hole Golf Course, Wedding, Events, Lodging. Public Use
17	Oyster Point Club	Private	Members		Tennis Courts, Marina Horse Stable

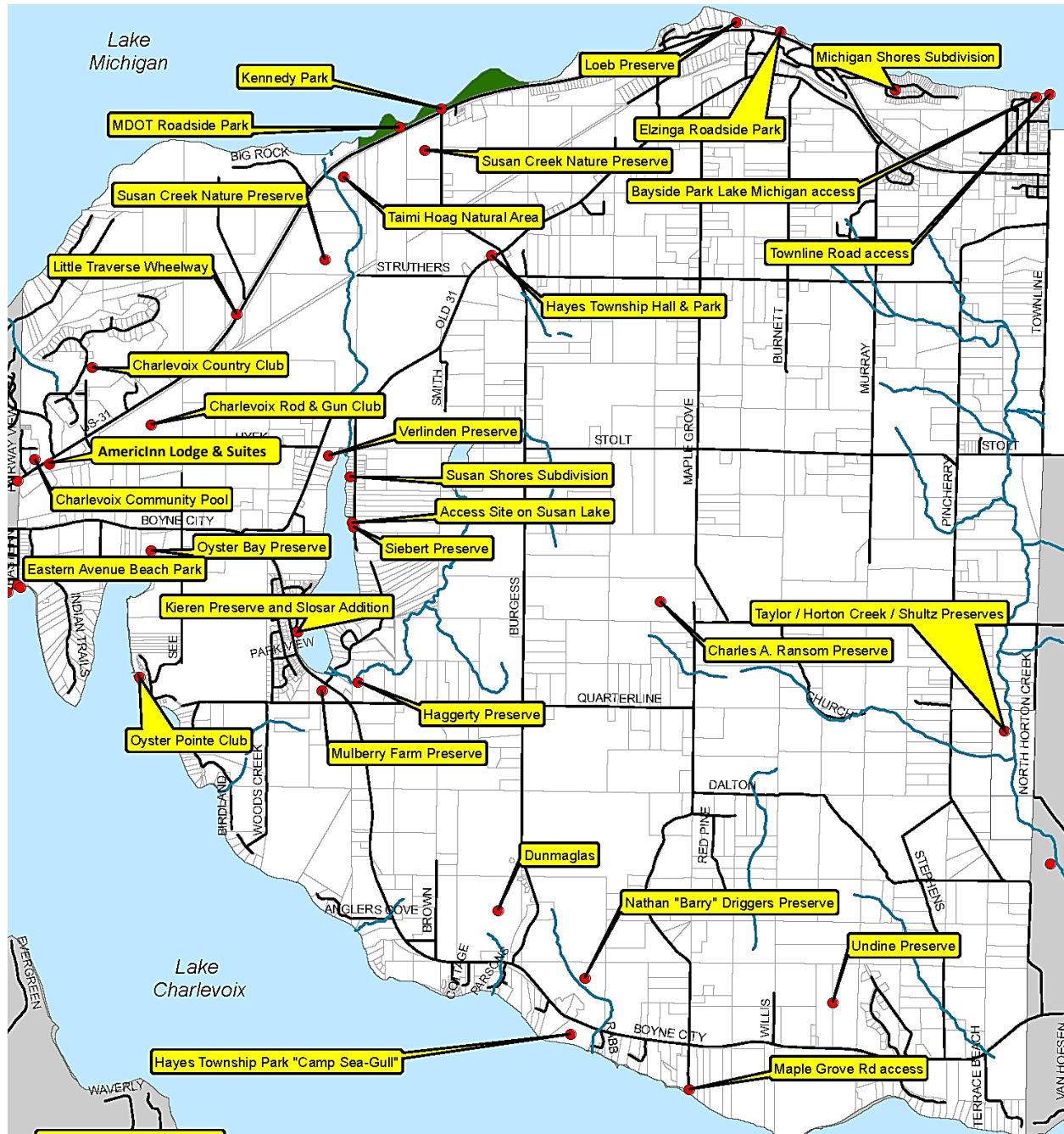


18	Susan Shores Subdivision	Private	Members/ Guests	0.5 Acres Each	Children's Play Equipment, Swimming
19	Taimi Hoag Natural Area	Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians	Yes	Approx. 50 Acres	Nature Preserve, Scenic Views of Lake Michigan
20	Charles A Ransom Preserve	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	82.3	Trails for hiking, Biking, Horseback Riding, Cross Country Skiing
21	Susan Creek Nature Preserve	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	223 Acres	Hiking, Biking, Cross country Skiing, Snowshoeing Hunting, Parking Area
22	Undine Preserve	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	28.5 Acres	Nature Preserve
23	Nathan "Berry" Driggers Preserve	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	72.4 Acres	Nature Preserve, Scenic viewing, Hiking, Biking, Horseback Riding, Cross-country Skiing, Snowshoeing
24	Haggerty Preserve	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	10 Acres	Nature Preserve
25	Mulberry Farm Preserve	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	13 Acres	Nature Preserve; 240' Frontage on Susan Lake
26	Siebert Preserve	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	0.5 Acres	Nature Preserve; 254' Frontage on Susan Lake
27	Verlinden Preserve	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	8 Acres	Nature Preserve; 555' Frontage on Susan Lake
28	Kieren Preserve and Slosar Addition	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	2 Acres	Mallard Creek
29	Oyster Bay Preserve	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	23 Acres	Nature Preserve
30	LOEB Preserve	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	1.5 Acres	Nature Preserve
31	Taylor / Horton Creek / Schulz Preserves	Little Traverse Conservancy	Yes	182.3Acres	Nature Preserves; Hiking, Scenic viewing, Seasonal Hunting
32	Boyne City to Charlevoix Non-motorized Trail	Little Traverse Wheelway / Charlevoix County	Yes	14-mile long trail 8-miles in Hayes Township	Trail is a paved 10-foot wide, approximately 14-mile long trail, mostly detached from Boyne City Road, but within the road right-of-way. The trail will be constructed in five (5) phases. Phases 2,4 and 5 are in Hayes Township.
33	AmericInn Lodge & Suites	Private	Yes		Indoor pool opened to the Public.



3.7 Hayes Township Facility Inventory Map

Map 3-2 Hayes Township Recreation Facilities



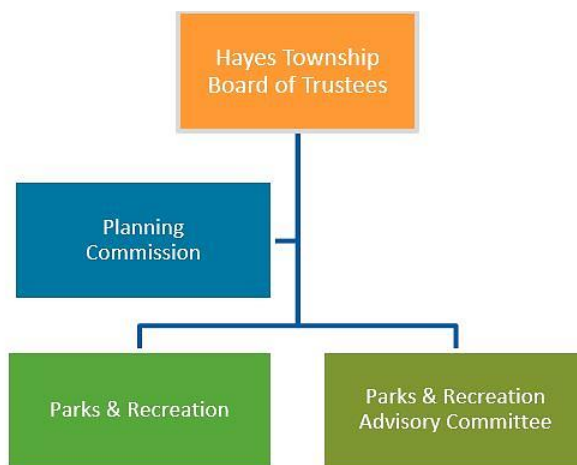
Hayes Township, Map Source/Charlevoix County. Overlay/Omar Feliciano



4.0 PLANNING AND PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS

Planning Process 2008 - 2018

The awareness of the benefits of a township level recreation plan grew out of the master plan update process. Following the adoption of the Hayes Township Master Plan Update in 2007/2008, work began on an initial Township Recreation Plan in late -2008. This plan is an update of the initial recreation plan adopted in 2009. Since the plan adoption, Hayes Township pursued and was awarded a grant to facilitate the purchase of the Camp Seagull property. During the grant application process in 2011 and 2012, much public input was gathered. As a part of updating both the Township Master Plan and this Township Recreation Plan, Hayes Township conducted a survey of property owners in part to gather input on the recreational desires of the Township residents and property owners. A postcard announcing the survey was sent to 1209 distinct property owners, and 321 surveys were completed for a response rate of 26.6%. Based on input from the survey and the public forum, the Planning Commission updated the Recreation Plan, and considered draft portions of the recreation plan at public meetings. A preliminary draft of the updated plan was posted on the Township website and made available at the public hearing. Following the public hearing, the additional public input was considered and incorporated into the plan. A public hearing was held on the revised proposed recreation plan on November 19, 2013. Public comments were considered, and the plan refined. The refined plan was adopted and recommended by the Hayes Township Planning Commission and adopted by the Hayes Township Board of Trustees.



Hayes Township Chart /Omar Feliciano

The previous 2013 input was reviewed again and considered in the development of this 2019-2024 updated Recreation Plan.

This updated plan is also consistent with both the Township and Hayes Township Park Camp SeaGull master plans. The Hayes Township Parks and Recreation Master plan will include a strategic plan with a timetable for review on a quarterly basis to ensure we are continually meeting our goals. (The Strategic planning group may be made up of a professional strategic planner, 2 representatives from the Parks and Recreation

committee, 2 representatives from the Planning Commission, and 2 representatives from the general public.)

On September 10, 2018 the Hayes Township Board of Trustees approved a Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee to be formed to assist Parks and Recreation in updating the park plan with one member from the Board of Trustees, two members of the Planning Commission and two from Parks and Recreation.



Parks and Recreation Plan Timeline 2018

To meet new Michigan Department of Natural Resources requirements and deadlines, the following were set in motion.

- October and November 2018, New Advisory board met and prepared the 2019-2024 Parks and Recreation Plan.
- December 3rd, 2018, a 30-day public notice of review and input of the 2019-2024 Parks and Recreation Plan were published to local news outlets, posted on the Township Website and a hard copy at the Township Hall.
- January 3rd, 2019 Township Planning Commission holds a public hearing comments for the 2019-2024 Parks and Recreation Plan along with minutes taken.
- January 14, 2019 the Township Board of Trustees adopts the 2019-2024 Parks and Recreation Plan.
- The Hayes Township 2019-2024 Parks and Recreation Plan along with supporting documents are submitted to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Website.

5.0 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The Hayes Township Parks and Recreation Master plan will include a strategic plan with a timetable for review on a quarterly basis to ensure we are continually meeting our goals. (The Strategic planning group may be made up of a professional strategic planner, 2 representatives from the Parks and Recreation committee, 2 representatives from the Planning Commission, and 2 representatives from the general public.)

The goals and objectives for recreational use are presented as a result of the Planning Commission master planning process, the public input received during that process, and the further refinement and expansion during the subsequent recreation plan development.

Recreational Goals

- To maintain and improve the Townships recreation lands wetlands and facilities consistent with the community needs and ability to finance the improvements for the enjoyment of the residents and visitors.

Recreational Objectives

- To continue the site development of Camp SeaGull as a Township Park, to provide enhanced recreational facilities.
- To provide for the recreational development of public, non-motorized trails for hiking, bicycling, cross-country skiing and horseback riding.
- To increase public awareness of the parks, recreational opportunities, facilities and nature preserves, wetlands areas in Hayes Township, through the development of maps, signage and information posted on the Township website and kiosks in the parks.
- To continue the boat launch access to Lake Charlevoix be completed. Some work remains to be done and will be undertaken as soon as construction resume in the spring of 2019. Continue access for non-motorized boats, swimmers, picnickers and land-based recreational users.
- To seek grant funding for recreation improvements.
- To work cooperatively with neighboring associations, adjacent Townships and the Counties to meet recreational needs of the region, including the development of water trails with support facilities on Lake Charlevoix, Lake Michigan and Little Traverse Bay.
- To work cooperatively with local conservation groups to explore the conversion of the Big Rock Property.



6.0 ACTION PROGRAM

The action program is presented below in a table that describes improvements to existing facilities and the development of new facilities. Anticipated funding sources will be in the form of cash from the Township general fund, in-kind labor, and Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) grants. Some of the sources of the grants are: Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF), Recreation Passport Program, Coastal Management Program (CMP) and other appropriate grant programs.

Table 6.a Capital Improvements Schedule for Properties/Facilities Improvements

Facilities	Year	Activity/ Development	Cost and Anticipated Funding Source
Camp SeaGull Park Development	2019	Restroom facilities with showers, small boat launch, swimming area, fishing pier, boat cleaning station, and cabin restoration for public use, buoyed swim area and designated area for launching non-motorized boats All improvements to be ADA compliant and apply universal design standards.	\$ [under investigation] MNRTF, CMP, Great Lakes Fisheries Trust, Michigan Waterways, local conservancy, local tribal governments, Township and private donations
	2020 / 2021	Picnic Area, including covered pavilion for group use campfire area, rustic camping area and facilities to support winter activities. All improvements to be ADA compliant and apply universal design standards. Paved Tennis / Pickle Ball Courts	\$ [under investigation] MNRTF, CMP, local conservancy, local tribal governments, Township and private donations
	2022 / 2023	Trail head facilities for non-motorized trail. All improvements to be ADA compliant and apply universal design standards.	\$ [under investigation] MNRTF, CMP, local conservancy, local tribal governments, Township and private donations
Eastern Avenue Beach Park	2019	ADA Restroom Facility and universal access design Beach & Lake Access	\$ [under investigation] MNRTF, CMP, local conservancy, local tribal governments, Township and private and public donations
Non-motorized route	2019-21	Boyne City -Charlevoix Rd Non-motorized route (being provided at county level)	\$ [under investigation] Charlevoix County Road Commission, MDOT, Top of Michigan Trails Council
	2019	Hiking, x-country ski, and snowshoe trails including connections to other trails.	\$ [under investigation] Foundations, MDNR, private donation and Township.
Other trails	2019-2021	Explore need for additional trails including water trails with possible camping access and snowmobile routes	To be determined, based on the types, lengths and location of where additional trails/routes are desired or needed. MNRTF, CMP
Recreation Signage, maps and information materials.	2019	Develop and install consistent Township Recreation Site signs and recreational facilities directory signs. Post maps of facilities on Township website and make brochures available at key locations.	\$ [under investigation] MNRTF, local conservancy, local tribal governments, Township and private donations



6.1 Rationale for Facilities

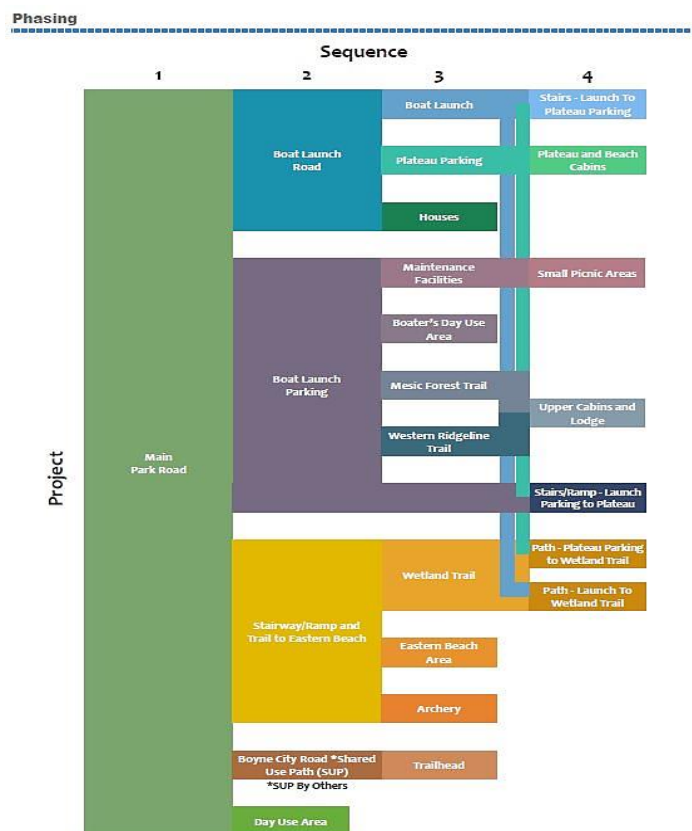
Rationale for Hayes Township Park Camp SeaGull Development

Hayes Township will continue to develop a lakefront park for local use on Lake Charlevoix. The Hayes Township Park Camp SeaGull property was acquired with the assistance of a Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund grant. The first phase of development of the property, which includes a relocated entrance, an access road, a boat launch, a fishing pier and toilet facilities, has been significantly completed with some finishing work to be done when construction can resume in the spring of 2019. Ultimately the development of the property may include, but not be limited to, some specific conditions / limitations such as:

- Parking area isolated from waterfront
- Established park hours
- Park management and maintenance staff
- Buffering of adjacent properties—possibly with fence and trees

Limited Site Development—clearly defined and supported by the survey findings such as:

- Child Playground
- Ball Field
- Restroom facilities and showers
- Restoration of Cabins, for public use
- Swimming Area
- Small boat launch
- Fishing Opportunities
- Picnic Area
- Covered Pavilion for group use
- Group Campfire area
- Winter activities
- Designated group and rustic camping area
- Designated beach area for launching non-motorized watercraft
- Boardwalk and interpretive signage in wetland area as permitted
- Trail head for non-motorized trail
- Tennis Court resurfacing for pickleball, basketball & volleyball



Hayes Township Camp SeaGull Master Plan pg.38



Rationale for Eastern Avenue Beach Park Access Facilities

This Lake access swimming site is well used but lacks an on-site restroom facility due to past restrictions which were placed originally on the property as a condition of the Township acquiring the property. Due to recent changes in the circumstances, a restroom facility is now feasible and is a high priority for Hayes Township. Such a restroom facility is supported by 62% of the respondents in the 2013 Hayes Township Survey.



Completed Phase 2 of the Boyne to Charlevoix Non-Motorize Trail, on Boyne City Road to Quarterline Rd, Hayes Township. Charlevoix County

Rationale for New Non-motorized Routes

There is a need and interest in providing non-motorized pathways throughout the Township including along the Boyne City-Charlevoix Road to connect into a regional trail system. The trail along Boyne City-Charlevoix Road is a project of the Charlevoix County Planning Commission. The schedule calls for five separate phases of construction. The first two phases, segments at each end, have been completed. The portion of the trail which will connect directly with Hayes Township Park Camp SeaGull is phase Four. A completion date has not yet been established. Trails throughout northern Michigan are used extensively both by residents and tourists. Approximately 53% of the survey respondents considered the completion of the Boyne City to Charlevoix Trail through Hayes Township to be either very important or important.

The desire for other hiking trails, new EBike types and uses, x-country ski and snowshoeing trails is currently being explored and may be appropriate on future township properties.

Rationale for Other Trails: Water Trails and Snowmobile Connector Routes

Hayes Township is bounded by the Little Traverse Bay of Lake Michigan on the north, and Lake Charlevoix on the south, thus presenting incredible opportunities to partner with others to be part of a larger system of water trails, both in Little Traverse Bay and within Lake Charlevoix.

There are several snowmobile routes throughout northern Michigan, but these pathways generally do not extend into Hayes Township, except where snowmobiles can ride within county road rights-of-way. In order to improve safety and to better serve the residents and the region, the Township proposes to work with local groups to identify appropriate connector routes through the Township to provide access to a broader network of trails.

Electrical Bicycle (EBike) law on Non-Motorized Trails



In January 28, 2018 Michigan Public Acts 138, 139 and 140, authorize the use of “electric bicycles”

Only the Class 1 electric bicycle are allowed on the Little Traverse Wheelway and Boyne to Charlevoix City Non-Motorized Trails.

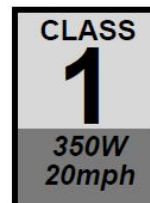
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EBike Classification & Labeling

(a) An “electric bicycle” is a bicycle equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of less than 750 watts.

(1) A “class 1 electric bicycle,” or “low-speed pedal-assisted electric bicycle,” is a bicycle equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling, and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of 20 miles per hour.

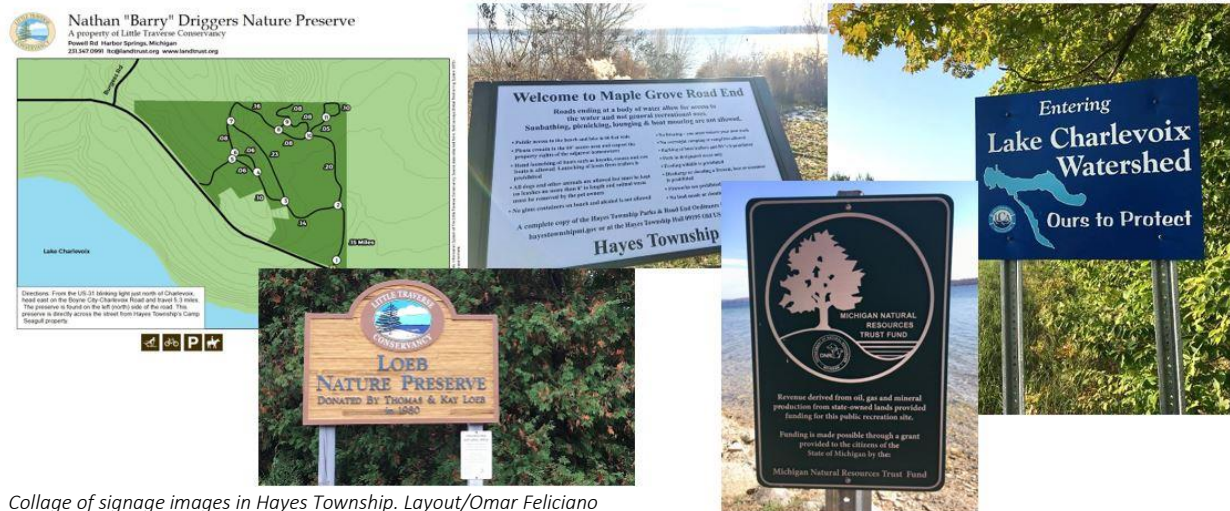
(c) On and after January 1, 2017, manufacturers and distributors of electric bicycles shall apply a label that is permanently affixed, in a prominent location, to each electric bicycle. The label shall contain the classification number, top assisted speed, and motor wattage of the electric bicycle, and shall be printed in Arial font in at least 9-point type.





Rationale for increased Recreational Site Signage, Maps and Information

Based on the survey findings and new comments, it was clear that many residents were not aware of all recreation sites in the Township. For this reason, Hayes Township intends to raise public awareness through a multi-prong strategy which will include; posting maps, rules and hours for usage of recreational sites on the Township website, brochures with information about each site, ordinances and develop and install a coordinated sign system for all public access sites.



Collage of signage images in Hayes Township. Layout/Omar Feliciano



Rolling hills on Burgess rd, Hayes Township. Photo/Omar Feliciano

Historical Markers

The Michigan Historical Marker Program was established by the legislature and governor in 1955, years before others. Since then, more than 1,700 have been placed across the state making Michigan's one of the premier marker programs in the nation. Each marker reflects an important story of a place, an event or a person. A marker dedication ceremony is an event of commemoration and even celebration that introduces a lasting resource for tourism, education and community heritage.

“Big Rock Point”

“Big Rock Point is named for a large boulder used as a landmark by Native Americans. At least as early as the mid-nineteenth century Odawa (Ottawa) Indians used Big Rock, which they called Kitcheossening, as a gathering place each spring. The Odawa summered at Waganaksing (the area between Harbor Springs and Cross Village) but dispersed into smaller groups and traveled during the winter. Each spring they returned to Big Rock, their canoes loaded with sugar, furs, deer skins, prepared venison, bear's oil, and bear meat prepared in oil, deer tallow, and sometimes a lot of honey. From there they returned to Waganaksing by crossing the bay in wiigwaasjiimaan (birch bark canoes). In 1999 elders and youth from the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians recreated the crossing”



Historical marker, US-31. Photo/Omar Feliciano

“Big Rock Point Nuclear Power Plant”

“Consumers Power Company (later Consumers Energy) opened the Big Rock Point Nuclear Power Plant just west of here in 1962. It was the world's first high- power density boiling water reactor, and the fifth commercial nuclear power plant in the U.S. The plant began as a research and development facility, with the first goal being to prove that nuclear power was economical. In addition to generating electricity, the reactor produced cobalt 60 that was used to treat an estimated 400,000 cancer patients. In 1991 the American Nuclear Society named the plant a Nuclear Historic Landmark. When it closed in 1997, Big Rock was the longest running nuclear plant in the U.S. Consumers Energy later restored the site to a natural area”



Historical marker, US-31 Photo/Omar Feliciano



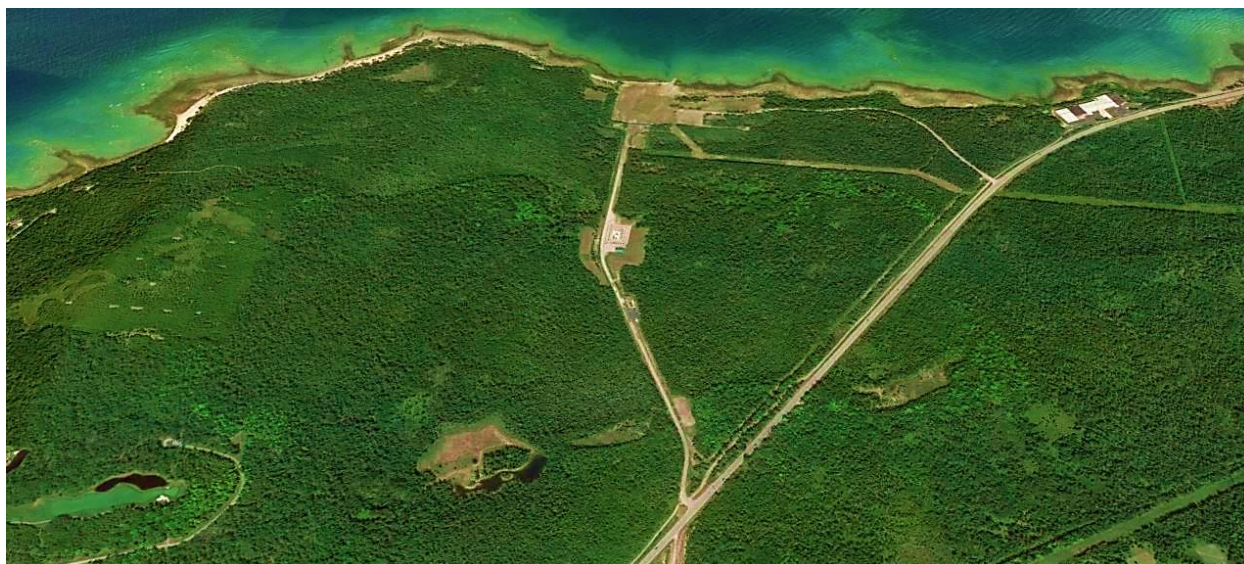
Big Rock Point History

Big Rock was Michigan's first nuclear power plant and the nation's fifth. Big Rock Point is in Hayes Township, Charlevoix County, Michigan, on the northern shore of Michigan's lower peninsula. Because of its contributions to the nuclear and medical industries, the American Nuclear Society named Big Rock Point a Nuclear Historic Landmark.

Big Rock Point, for many years easy to spot by its unique green sphere and red and white striped tower, was a nuclear power plant operated by Consumers Energy from 1962 to 1997. It was located between Charlevoix and Bay Shore along the Lake Michigan shoreline. The plant closed in 1997 at which time Consumers Energy began a decommissioning process (Big Rock Point Restoration Project) to dismantle the facilities and return the site to green space



Big Rock Point 1962, US-31 and Lake Michigan, Hayes Township. Photo/Hayes Township



Big Rock Property US-31, Lake Michigan, Hayes Township. Source/Google Earth

Support of Property Acquisition by Others

Big Rock Point Restoration Project

Big Rock Property-Due to the closure of the Consumer's Power facility, this property represents some tremendous opportunities for re-use due to its large size, approximately 500 acres and with its extensive Lake Michigan shoreline. While Hayes Township is open to seeing this property used for recreational purposes, it is not realistic for the Township to independently pursue such. The Township would willingly work with the local land conservancy or other entity to explore various possibilities for making this property (or a portion thereof) available for public use and enjoyment. In the 2013 Township survey Recreation was the most preferred option for redevelopment of this site, followed by Conservation/undeveloped.



Containment steel at entrance on US-31, Hayes Township. Photo/Omar Feliciano

The achievement landmark, dedicated specifically to the achievements of the Big Rock Point nuclear plant and its employees, incorporates pieces of the plant's containment steel and was designed to blend into the pristine northern Michigan environment.



Big Deal at Big Rock (News Article)

Charlevoix courier Date: Aug 2, 2018

CHARLEVOIX — The decommissioned Big Rock Point Nuclear Power Plant site north of Charlevoix is being sold. The sale is part of a larger deal between New Orleans-based Entergy Corp. — owner of the Big Rock site — and Holtec International. Entergy is planning to sell the subsidiaries that own the Palisades Power Plant in Covert, Michigan, and the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station in Plymouth, Massachusetts, after their shutdowns and reactor defueling's to Holtec for accelerated decommissioning.

The sales include the transfer of the licenses, spent fuel and Nuclear Decommissioning Trusts (NDTs), as well as the site of the decommissioned Big Rock Point Nuclear Power Plant near Charlevoix, where only the Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation (ISFSI) remains. "Once the transaction is complete and once we shut down, Holtec will assume the responsibility and liability of the spent fuel site at Big Rock," said Nick Culp, spokesperson for Entergy, in an interview with the Charlevoix Courier.

The companies did not disclose the Palisades plant's sale price. Covert Township is approximately 180 miles west of Detroit and about 40 miles west of Kalamazoo. "Transferring our Pilgrim and Palisades plants to Holtec, with its vast experience and innovative use of technology, will lead to their decommissioning faster than if they were to remain under Entergy's ownership," Entergy Chairman and CEO Leo Denault said in a statement. "Earlier decommissioning benefits the surrounding communities."

Big Rock Point Nuclear Power Plant operated from 1962 to 1997 and its decontamination and dismantlement was completed in 1999. Entergy acquired Big Rock Point from Jackson-based Consumers Energy in 2007 as part of the Palisades transaction. Palisades' original license was set to expire in 2011, but the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in 2007 granted the plant a 20-year extension that would have allowed it to continue operating until 2031.

Entergy plans to shut down the Palisades nuclear plant in the spring of 2022 and then Holtec will take ownership of the plant after it's closed, pending regulatory approval. "Holtec is expected to release a timeline for the decommissioning of Palisades closer to its shutdown," Culp said. The deal is subject to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's approval of a license transfer. The sale is part of Entergy's strategy to exit the wholesale energy market and moving more to becoming an electric utility company, according to the statement.

Entergy will receive nominal cash consideration for its transfer to Holtec, according to the news release. Each transaction is expected to result in a non-cash loss based on the difference between Entergy's net investment in each subsidiary and the sale price plus any agreed adjustments. As of June 30, 2018, the adjusted net investment in Entergy Nuclear Palisades LLC was \$131 million. The Palisades Power Plant, which employs about 600, started generating electricity in 1971. The plant produces more than 800 megawatts of electricity, which is enough to power about 800,000 homes.

2019 – 2024

Parks and Recreation Plan



Appendix A

Transmittal, Charlevoix County Planning Department
Transmittal, Northwest Michigan Council of Government
Planning Commission Meeting Notice / Agenda
Special Meeting Newspaper Notice
Planning Commission Public Hearing Agenda 1/3/19
Planning Commission Public Hearing Minutes 1/3/19
Board of Trustees Agenda 1/14/19
Board of Trustees Minutes 1/14/19
Recreation Master Plan Resolution

**Hayes Township**

09195 OLD US 31 N.,
Charlevoix, MI, 49720

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

TO: Charlevoix County Planning Department
(County Building: 2nd Floor)
301 State Street, Charlevoix, MI 49720

DATE: March 25, 2019

ATTN: Kiersten Stark, Planning Coordinator

RE: **Hayes Township Parks and Recreation Plan 2019-2024**

☒ Transmitted by Electronic Mail

☒ For your records

REMARKS: Enclosed please find a copy of the Hayes Township Parks and Recreation Plan 2019-2024. This 5-Year Recreation Plan has been prepared to meet the DNR guidelines per Michigan Department of Natural Resources www.michigan.gov/dnr, GUIDELINES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY PARK AND RECREATION PLANS. The local unit of government must submit the final adopted plan to both the County and Regional Planning Agency for their information.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

By: Omar Feliciano, Vice-Chair/Secretary
Hayes Township Planning Commission

cc: Warren Nugent, Hayes Township Clerk



Hayes Township

09195 OLD US 31 N.,
Charlevoix, MI, 49720

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

TO: Northwest Michigan Council of Government
Networks Northwest
PO Box 506 Traverse City, MI 49685

DATE: March 25, 2019

ATTN: Matt McCauley Chief Executive Officer
231.929.5000

RE: **Hayes Township Parks and Recreation Plan 2019-2024**

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HAYES TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

The Hayes Township Planning Commission will be holding a special meeting on Thursday January 3, 2019, 7:00 p.m. at the Hayes Township Hall, 09195 Old US 31 N., Charlevoix, MI.

The purpose of this hearing is to accept public comments on the draft Hayes Township Parks and Recreation Plan 2019-2024.

AGENDA

- o Call to Order
- o Pledge of Allegiance
- o Review Agenda
- o Declaration of Conflict of Interest (if any)
- o Open Public Hearing
- o Overview of significant updates to Park and Recreation Master Plan o Accept Public Comments
- o Close Public Hearing
- o Planning Commission Comments/Discussion
- o Adjournment

In order to accommodate everyone please clearly state your name and limit your comments to no more than 3 minutes. Thank you.

Warren Nugent
Hayes Township Clerk
clerk@hayestownshipmi.gov
231-547-6961



Hayes Township, Charlevoix Michigan
Newspaper Public Notice
2019-2024 Parks and Recreation Plan
30 Day Review Between Dec 3, 2018 through Jan 3, 2019

Public Notices

**NEW
TODAY**
Hayes Township

2019-2024 Recreation Plan

The Hayes Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on January 3, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hayes Township Hall located at 09195 Old US-31 North near Burgess Road, Charlevoix, Michigan. The purpose of this hearing is to accept comments on the Draft Hayes Township Recreation Plan 2019-2024. A copy of the Plan is available for review at the Hayes Township Hall as well as on the Hayes Township website at www.hayestownshipmi.gov. The purpose of this plan is to guide the efforts of Hayes Township in making investments in, and providing recreation facilities into the future with particular emphasis on the five year time period between 2019 and 2024. Comments may be submitted in writing by mail to the Hayes Township Planning Commission, 09195 Old US-31 North, Charlevoix, Michigan, by email to Zoning@hayestownshipmi.gov or fax to 231-237-0046 prior to the hearing or be presented at the public hearing. Verbal comments will be accepted at the hearing.

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**HAYES TOWNSHIP
PLANNING COMMISSION
Public Hearing
AGENDA
January 3, 2019
7:00p.m.
09195 Old US 31 N.
Charlevoix, Michigan 49720**

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Minutes of the Hayes Township Planning Commission
Public Hearing
January 3, 2019

Members attending: Ed Bajos, Cliff Biddick, Matt Cunningham, Omar Feliciano, Roy Griffiths, Doug Kuebler, Marilyn Morehead

Also Present: Michelle Rick-Biddick, Katy Hill, ~~R-J-J2~~, Bob Jess, Jim McMahon, Warren Nugent, John Royal, Larry Sullivan Zoning Administrator, Ron Van Zee, Paul ~~Zardis~~ Zardus, Don Zipp.

The public hearing scheduled for January 3, 2019 at the Hayes Township Hall was held by the Planning Commission (PC) for the purposes of accepting public comment on the draft Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mr. Griffiths, Chair, who invited everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Review of the Agenda

There were no changes to the agenda

Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

Open Public Hearing

The public hearing was opened at 7:03.

The hearing started with Mr. Griffiths thanking the members of the Parks and Rec subcommittee who worked very hard on preparing the updated plan. He then called upon members of the subcommittee to present an overview of the plan updates.

Ron Van Zee started the presentation by thanking the subcommittee members and discussing the make up of the subcommittee which included two members of the PC, Mr. Biddick and Mr. Feliciano, two members of the Parks ~~and REC~~ and Rec committee, Michelle Rick-Biddick and Tom Darnton and himself. He discussed how the focus of the plan had changed to reflect the strides made by the township since the creation of the prior plan ~~with~~ with the passed acquisition and development of the Hayes Township Park.



Mr. Van Zee further discussed the responsibilities of the PC in reviewing and considering the public comments and include into the plan draft as necessary. Upon completion of the feedback incorporation, the PC should approve the plan and make a motion to forward the plan to the Township Board of Trustees for the adoption of the plan.

Ms. Rick-Biddick then presented brief overview of the scope of the plan review work. The previous plan was reviewed in it's entirety and those sections which the subcommittee felt needed updating or modification were identified. Various sections were updated then the entire plan was reviewed by the subcommittee again prior to publication for comment from the public.

Ms. ~~Rick-Biddick~~ Rick-Biddick called attention to the the Action Program 6.0 which outlines a guideline and time frame for proposed plan objectives. It is not specific to individual items but rather general guideline of what types of projects might be attempted in the next plan period. The plan is an attempt to frame the discussion in terms of a strategic plan which gives direction to projects in the Parks and Rec arena. She called for feedback and for more help from the public in further efforts to improve the township.

Mr. Feliciano then gave a powerpoint presentation which highlighted the chapters of the plan and showed the key items in each area. He started with a brief description of the process by which the plan review and feedback mechanisms work, and the requirements of the State in creating a masterplan. Mr. Feliciano will make a copy of the presentation slides available through the township website. He also described in some detail the role and duties of the Parks and Rec committee., and the goals of the planning process. It ~~his~~ is not the intent of the plan to offer specific policies and procedures but rather to create the framework from which they can be developed.

At the conclusion of Mr. Feliciano's presentation, Mr. Griffiths thanked all three presenters and then reviewed the few rules for the public who wished to provide feedback. The ~~comments~~ **commenters** should start by stating their name, limit their comments to 3 minutes and not to expect answers to their questions during the public hearing.

Mr. Nugent started the session by offering his feedback on spelling and grammatical items, which he offered in written form. He then reiterated that it was a massive labor and that he appreciated the work done by the committee.



Mr. McMahon then asked if the PC had received a copy of his prior email submission. He reviewed the key points in it, especially the issue of pet friendly rules. He too complimented the committee efforts. He also commented on trying to keep the non-motorized trails non-motorized, and also whether we had asked the Little Traverse Conservancy for feedback.

Mr. Jess then offered his comments in written form to the subcommittee and complimented them on their work. He also raised the issue of the Park's nomenclature, suggesting that we standardize it in the plan. He also suggested that we look at the references to the Argonne and access to Eastern Ave. Beach. He suggested that perhaps it would be appropriate to recognize those who donated to the park fund as well as those grant sources.

Mr. Sullivan commented that his experience in Rec planning efforts has given him an appreciation of the work the committee has done. He suggested that the mention of the Charlevoix Rod and Gun Club be updated to reflect that it is open to the general public on certain days of the week. The Americ Inn should be listed as a Rec facility as the swimming pool is available to the public for a daily use fee. He also commented on the use of the ~~wheelway~~ **Little Traverse Wheelway** by horses as an allowed use.

Mr. ~~Zardie~~ **Zardus** commented that it was a great job on the plan document. He asked about including a site clean-up, beautification and restoration of the Hayes Township Park line item section in the capital expenditure section of the plan.

There being no other comments offered the public comments were closed at 7:38 pm.

Mr. Griffiths then asked the the PC to consider the public comments for inclusion in the plan. Ms. Morehead commented that there may be some overlap in the demographic data between the Parks and Rec master plan and the Township Master Plan, currently under review by the PC. Was the data needed in both plans or was the data sufficient if included in only ~~only~~ one plan. Mr. Feliciano stated that it was not necessary to have all data in the Rec Master Plan. Mr. Griffiths asked if it would be detrimental to leave it in as it had already been done. It was determined that the data would be included in both plans to demonstrate the continuity of the plans. Ms. Morehead also pointed out that the map 3.1 (p 26) has the township park in the wrong location. She too complimented the efforts of the subcommittee.

Mr. Feliciano stated that without the efforts of the subcommittee and Mr. Darnton as senior editor the document would not have been done in as timely or well organized fashion, and



thanked them all for their efforts. He also thanked all those who commented on the plan and will incorporate the feedback into the final draft as appropriate.

Mr. Griffiths commented on the type of feedback received, in particular the spelling, grammatical and technical feedback for incorporation and correction. He asked if there were any other issues that the PC wished to have addressed in the plan prior to submission to the **Board of Trustees** ~~BeT~~ for final approval. Hearing none he asked for a motion to do so.

Ms. Morehead moved the PC accept plan that was presented by the Parks and Rec subcommittee as corrected, and it be sent to the ~~BeT~~ **Board of Trustees** with recommendation that it be adopted at their next regular meeting. Mr. Biddick seconded the motion. Ms. Morehead requested a roll call vote.

Morehead- yes, Bajos - yes, Biddick -yes, Kuebler- yes, Cunningham- yes, Feliciano-yes, Griffiths -yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Biddick commented on how much effort Mr. Darnton and Mr. Feliciano exerted in preparing, editing and presenting the plan document and thanked them for their work.

There being no other PC discussion Mr. Bajos made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Biddick seconded. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Minutes compiled by: R Griffiths

Approved as corrected, January 22, 2019

Submitted by: O Feliciano



AGENDA

HAYES TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

January 14, 2019 7:00 p.m.

09195 OLD US 31 N., Charlevoix, Mi, 49720

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Review and Approval of Agenda
4. Public Comments
5. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2018
6. Township Audit Review (Auditors will review the results of the recently completed financial audit for fiscal year ending June 30th 2018)
7. Approval of Warrants: General Fund
8. Treasurer Report
9. Reports: County Commissioner, Zoning Administrator, Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, Parks and Recreation, Trustee's, and Supervisor Reports.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Park Committee Appointments (The board fill vacancies on the Park Committee)
2. Zoning Board of Appeals Appointments (The Board will review a ZBA appointment)
3. Board of Review Meeting Dates (The board will review the Board of Review Mtg dates)
4. Phase 4 & 5 of the Bike Trail (The board will review a letter of support for Phase 4 & 5)
5. Township Recreation Master Plan Update (Review and vote on The Recreation Master Plan)
6. Recording Secretary (The board will review the recording secretary candidate)
7. Annual Road Commission Meeting (schedule annual meeting to review road project needs)
8. County Parks Appropriation Addendum (Addendum to extend park appropriation to 6/30/19)
9. Charlevoix State Bank Loan Payment (The board will discuss paying back the \$250,000 loan)
10. Hayes Township Park Payment #6 (The board will review the contractors request for payment #6 for \$146,530.44 on work completed on phase 1 of the park project)
11. Hayes Township Park Payment #7 (The board will review the contractors request for payment #7 for \$57,023.51 on work completed on phase 1 of the park project)
12. Performance Engineering (The board will review a Performance Engineering bill for \$7,048.44.)
13. Hayes Township Park Change Order #8 (The board will review the request for phase 1 change order #8 from Performance Engineering to change the 410' cable powering the fishing pier/deicers from #8 cable to #10 cable. This change reduces the cost by \$102.50)

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14. Public Comments

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Fund Raising**
- 2. Policies**
- 3. Park Property Development**
- 4. Township Hall Property Split**
- 5. Memorial Garden Undine Cemetery**
- 6. Rezone New Township Property**

Adjourn Meeting

Welcome to Hayes Township Board of Trustees Meeting. We are glad you could join us as we discuss the future of our Township as well as attend to the day to day obligations.

1. The agenda is typically prepared in advance of the meeting so that the board and the public have an opportunity to prepare for our meeting. There may other issues that arise between when it is prepared and meeting time, we may make amendments or adopt as presented.
2. Public Comment is a time when the public may speak on any subject concerning the township. The Board typically will try to answer questions however there may be times that we do not have the answers. We will always try to get those answers for you. We ask that you are respectful of one another and understand we are in a public setting. Please keep your comments as brief as possible to allow all who would like to speak have that opportunity.
3. The first real order of business prior to beginning new business is to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. This allows the board to correct any errors and provide an accurate record of that meeting.
4. Approval of warrants: General and Capitol Project. The Board of Trustees is responsible as a whole to ensure that your tax dollars are spent wisely and that expenditures are accurate and properly accounted for. Each member of the board is equally responsible. The Clerk or Deputy Clerk prepare and sign checks for invoices submitted. The Treasurer reviews all invoices against the checks to again check for accuracy. After the warrants are approved by the board, the Treasurer signs and disburses the checks to each vendor.

The next few items on the agenda are the reports from different aspects of the Township and the County. By hearing those reports ahead of new business, it allows the board to have a better understanding of the township as a whole preparing them for better decisions.

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HAYES TOWNSHIP BOARD
MINUTES
January 14, 2019

The regular meeting of the Hayes Township Board was called to order by Supervisor Ron VanZee at 7:00 p.m. at the Hayes Township Hall, 09195 Old US 31 N., Charlevoix

Supervisor VanZee asked to be joined in the pledge of allegiance.

Board members present were Warren Nugent, Bob Jess, Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, and Ron VanZee. Audience members signed in were Shirlene Tripp, Roy Griffiths, Marilyn Morehead, John Royal, Grant Ohlson, Dee Janz, Doug Kuebler, Omar Feliciano, Warren & Cheri Bogan, Jerry Simpson, Paul Hoadley, Frank Shepherd, Michelle Rick-Biddick, Connie Foster, Jeffrey Willard, Neva Himebaugh, Katy Hill, Lisa Kuebler, Corey Bascom, Vel Kammerman.

REVIEWED AGENDA – Matt Cunningham made a motion, supported by Bob Jess to adopt the agenda as written.

Yays: Bob Jess, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Matt Cunningham, Warren Nugent

Nays: None Motion carried

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Public comments were taken with comments on the Upper Bayshore road construction project with the help of the tribe, and a question about Township Hall rental. The Township Hall was rented 7 times last year at a rate of \$100.00. Comments were made both in support of Hall rental and suggesting Hall rental space could be used for more offices.

TOWNSHIP REVIEW REPORT – Vel Kammerman reviewed the state required written township audit for fiscal year 7/1/2017-6/30/2018. The complete audit of the financial statements of all major accounts showed no issues that needed to be highlighted.

MINUTES – Bob Jess made a motion, supported by Matt Cunningham, to approve the December 10, 2018 regular meeting minutes as corrected.

Yays: Bob Jess, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Matt Cunningham, Warren Nugent

Nays: None Motion carried

INVOICES/WARRANTS – Matt Cunningham made a motion, supported by Julie Collard, to approve invoices totaling \$26,739.24 from the General Fund. A Roll Call Vote was taken.

Yays: Bob Jess, Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent

Nays: None Motion carried

TREASURERS REPORT – Julie Collard presented written report with an oral overview detailing all the current accounts held by the township.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPORT – No report.

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ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT – Larry Sullivan presented a written report with an oral overview. There was no Zoning Board of Appeals meeting last month.

PLANNING COMMISSION (PC) REPORT – Matt Cunningham reported the Planning Commission met on December 18th and reviewed possible survey questions with a plan to finalize at their January meeting. Roy Griffiths was elected to chair the committee and Omar Feliciano was elected Secretary/Vice Chair. The PC also held a Public Hearing January 3rd to hear comments on the Recreation Master Plan. The meeting went well and special thanks to Michelle Rick-Biddick, Omar Feliciano, Tom Darnton, Cliff Biddick, and Ron VanZee for updating the plan. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled for January 15th.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (ZBA) REPORT – No Report – No ZBA meeting held.

PARKS & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (P&R) REPORT – Michelle Rick-Biddick reported the committee had a water trails presentation and that neighboring communities are looking at a making Lake Charlevoix water trail. Water trails can help the local economy and the DNR supports them. The P & R Committee is working on getting the status update on the craft building removal as this could be a location for the tent. The next P & R meeting is scheduled for February 6th and they will elect officers and review the P & R bylaws.

TRUSTEE REPORTS – Bob Jess reported the he has received comments from residents on both sides of the marijuana issue and would like to see a committee form to look at this before we update our ordinance regarding this issue.

SUPERVISOR REPORT – Ron VanZee reported that Buday Sound Systems has worked on our Microphone system and it is working better. The amplifier may need repair and may be under warranty and we also need a recorder. This will be put on the February agenda. The Assessor is also planned to come and present a report at the February BOT meeting.

NEW BUSINESS – PARK COMMITTEE (P & R) APPOINTMENTS – The BOT reviewed applications for positions on the P & R Committee. Warren Nugent made a motion, supported by Bob Jess, to appoint Katy Hill to the P & R Committee.

Yays: Bob Jess, Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent

Nays: None Motion Carried

Julie Collard made a motion, supported by Warren Nugent, to appoint Leslie Cunningham to the P & R Committee.

Yays: Bob Jess, Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent

Nays: None Motion Carried

Warren Nugent made a motion, supported by Bob Jess, to appoint Lisa Kuebler to the P & R Committee.

Yays: Bob Jess, Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent

Nays: None Motion Carried

Matt Cunningham made a motion, supported by Julie Collard, to appoint Paul Zardus to the P & R Committee.

Yays: Bob Jess, Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent

Nays: None Motion Carried



93 **NEW BUSINESS – ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (ZBA) APPOINTMENTS** – Ron
94 VanZee indicated there were two people interested in serving on the ZBA as a fulltime member.
95 The BOT reviewed the candidates to fill a ZBA position. Bob Jess made a motion, supported by
96 Julie Collard, to appoint Frank Shepherd to the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).
97 Yays: Bob Jess, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent
98 Matt Cunningham recused himself from the vote and discussion
99 Nays: None Motion carried

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101 **NEW BUSINESS – BOARD OF REVIEW (BOR) MEETING DATES** – Ron VanZee
102 reviewed the planned dates for 2019 BOR. The BOR will hold an organizational meeting March
103 5th, 2019 at 6:00pm. Public meeting will be held March 11th, 9:00am – 12:00pm, & 1:30pm –
104 4:30pm as well as March 12th, 1:00pm – 4:00pm & 6:00pm-9:00pm. All meetings are held at the
105 Hayes Township Hall. Appointments can be made by calling Ron VanZee at 231-497-4701 or by
106 mail to his attention to the Hayes Township, 09195, Old US31 N., Charlevoix, Mi, 49720.

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108 **NEW BUSINESS – PHASE 4 & 5 BIKE TRAIL LETTER** – Bob Jess made a motion,
109 supported by Matt Cunningham, to authorize the Township Clerk Warren Nugent to send a letter
110 from the Township Board and the P&R Committee to support making bike trail phases 4 and 5 as
111 a Charlevoix County priority.
112 Yays: Bob Jess, Matt Cunningham, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent
113 Nays: None Motion Carried

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115 **NEW BUSINESS – TOWNSHIP RECREATION MASTER PLAN UPDATE** – Warren
116 Nugent made a motion, supported by Julie Collard, to adopt the Recreation Master Plan Update
117 Resolution as written.
118 Yays: Matt Cunningham, Bob Jess, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent, Julie Collard
119 Nays: None Motion carried.

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121 **RECREATION MASTER PLAN UPDATE RESOLUTION**

122 WHEREAS, Hayes Township, Charlevoix County has undertaken a Five-Year Parks
123 and Recreation Plan which describes the physical features, existing recreation facilities
124 and the desired actions to be taken to improve and maintain recreation facilities during
125 the period between 2019 and 2024, and

126 WHEREAS, a public hearing comment session was held by the Hayes Township
127 Planning Commission on January 3, 2019 at the Hayes Township Hall to provide an
128 opportunity for citizens to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of
129 the Recreation Plan, and

130 WHEREAS, Hayes Township, Charlevoix County has developed the plan for the
131 benefit of the entire community and to adopt the plan as a document to assist in
132 meeting the recreation needs of the community, and

133 WHEREAS, after consideration of comments from the public hearing held on
134 January 3, 2019, the Hayes Planning Commission voted at the special meeting
135 January 3, 2019 to adopt said Recreation Plan as amended, and recommend the
136 plan to the Hayes Township Board of Trustees for adoption.

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137 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Hayes Township Board hereby adopts
138 the Hayes Township Recreation Plan as a guideline for improving recreation for the
139 residents of the Hayes Township, Charlevoix County on this day January 14, 2019.

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141 **NEW BUSINESS – RECORDING SECRETARY** – Ron VanZee indicated we had one
142 application for the position of recording secretary. Warren Nugent made a motion, supported by
143 Julie Collard, to hire Geneva (Neva) Himebauch as the Township Recording Secretary at the salary
144 of \$150.00/meeting and \$15.00/hour for additional work.

145 Yays: Matt Cunningham, Bob Jess, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent, Julie Collard

146 Nays: None Motion carried

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148 **NEW BUSINESS – ANNUAL ROAD COMMISSION MEETING** – Ron VanZee indicated he
149 would attempt to schedule the annual meeting with the Charlevoix County Road Commission
150 either January 16th or the 17th at one of the available times of 5:00pm, 6:00pm, or 7:00pm. Matt
151 Cunningham indicated that later times were better for him. No other board members indicated a
152 time or date preference.

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154 **NEW BUSINESS – COUNTY PARKS APPROPRIATION ADDENDUM** – Warren Nugent
155 made a motion, supported by Matt Cunningham, to authorize Supervisor Ron VanZee to sign the
156 Charlevoix County Parks Addendum extending the phase 1 completion date.

157 Yays: Bob Jess, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent, Julie Collard, Matt Cunningham

158 Nays: None Motion carried

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160 **NEW BUSINESS – CHARLEVOIX STATE BANK LOAN PAYMENT** – Bob Jess made a
161 motion, supported by Julie Collard, to pay off the Charlevoix State Bank Loan obligation of
162 \$254,296.88 as of January 15th 2019. Roll Call Vote

163 Yays: Matt Cunningham, Bob Jess, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent

164 Nays: None Motion carried

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166 Board Discussion. Ron VanZee indicated paying off the loan now will save the township
167 \$19.10/day in added interest. Warren Nugent pointed out that we have the cash flow now to pay
168 the loan and our other financial obligations. The cash flow situation will not change before the
169 March 1st loan due date.

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171 **NEW BUSINESS – HAYES TOWNSHIP PARK PAYMENT #6 & #7** – Phase 1 contractor's
172 application for payment's #6 and #7 from MDC were combined by the BOT. Julie Collard made
173 a motion, supported by Warren Nugent, to combine and pay payments #6 & #7 for a total of
174 \$203,553.95 Roll Call Vote

175 Yays: Bob Jess, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent

176 Matt Cunningham recused himself from the discussion and the vote on the motion

177 Nays: None Motion carried

178

179 Board Discussion. Warren Nugent indicated the Township can cash flow these payments now and
180 we will be able to submit for more grant reimbursements after making these payments. A cash
181 flow issue may surface for both the construction account and the general fund around the time the
182 construction completion payments are due.

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184 **NEW BUSINESS – PERFORMANCE ENGINEERING BILL** – Warren Nugent made a
185 motion, supported by Bob Jess, to authorize Clerk Warren Nugent to work with the Engineer to
186 further evaluate this bill and come up with a solution the board may approve at the next BOT
187 meeting.

188 Yays: Bob Jess, Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent
189 Matt Cunningham recused himself from the vote and discussion

190 Nays: None Motion carried

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192 Board Discussion. Warren Nugent indicated that we have paid the contractor only for
193 construction items actually completed and kept a 10% retainage however this bill would pay the
194 Engineer the entire project cost. Ron VanZee pointed out that the Township is required by law
195 to keep a minimum of \$210,000(6 months operating funds) in the General Fund and this money
196 can only be spent in an emergency situation. Julie Collard indicated there is no budget for
197 additional engineering cost and the current bills are 1/3 of the townships average monthly bills.

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199 **NEW BUSINESS – PARK CHANGE ORDER #8** – Julie Collard made a motion, supported by
200 Warren Nugent, to accept change order #8 as written reducing fishing pier cable size from #8 to
201 #10 reducing cost by \$102.50 as written and authorize Ron VanZee to sign it. Roll Call Vote

202 Yays: Julie Collard, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent
203 Matt Cunningham recused himself from the vote and discussion

204 Nays: Bob Jess Motion carried

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206 Board Discussion. Bob questioned why is this cable reduction better? Engineer Jim Malewitz
207 stated that this will get us power to the end of the fishing pier.

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209 **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Public comments were taken regarding the bike paths in the
210 township as snow plows are plowing snow into the path. Snowmobiles have been using
211 the bike paths. Bike path violations should be reported to the sheriff's office and
212 maintenance expenses come from a county fund. Old business was reviewed, park
213 property development and township hall property split were removed Public
214 Comment closed at 9:08.

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216 **ADJOURNMENT** – Bob Jess made a motion, supported by Matt Cunningham, to adjourn
217 at 9:09 p.m.

218 Yays: Matt Cunningham, Bob Jess, Ron VanZee, Warren Nugent, Julie Collard

219 Nays: None Motion carried

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221 Respectively submitted

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224 Warren Nugent
225 Hayes Township Clerk

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Hayes Township
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2019-2024 PARK AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN UPDATE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Hayes Township, Charlevoix County has undertaken a Five-Year Parks and Recreation Plan which describes the physical features, existing recreation facilities and the desired actions to be taken to improve and maintain recreation facilities during the period between 2019 and 2024, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing comment session was held by the Hayes Township Planning Commission on January 3, 2019 at the Hayes Township Hall to provide an opportunity for citizens to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the Recreation Plan, and

WHEREAS, Hayes Township, Charlevoix County has developed the plan for the benefit of the entire community and to adopt the plan as a document to assist in meeting the recreation needs of the community, and

WHEREAS, after consideration of comments from the public hearing held on January 3, 2019, the Hayes Planning Commission voted at the special meeting January 3, 2019 to adopt said Recreation Plan as amended and recommend the plan to the Hayes Township Board of Trustees for adoption.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Hayes Township Board hereby adopts the Hayes Township Recreation Plan as a guideline for improving recreation for the residents of the Hayes Township, Charlevoix County on this day January 14, 2019

I, Warren Nugent, Hayes Township Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and original copy of a resolution adopted by the Hayes Township Board of Trustees at a Regular/Special Meeting thereof held on the 14th day of January 2019.

(signature)



Appendix B

Michigan Department of Natural Resources Community Park and Recreation Plan Certification Checklist Form



Michigan Department of Natural Resources-Grants Management

COMMUNITY PARK AND RECREATION 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 and Recreation Plans* provided by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). Plans must be submitted to the DNR through MiRecGrants **with** 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 February 1 of the year the local unit of government is applying for grants.

Name of Plan: Hayes Township Parks and Recreation Plan 2019-2024		
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
Hayes Township Board of Trustees	Charlevoix	January 2019

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
Recreation 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
☒ Status Report for all Grant-Assisted Parks and Recreation Facilities
☒ Waterways Inventory (if applicable)

☐ **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 a



Copy of the Survey or Meeting Agenda and a Summary of the Responses Received	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copy of the Notice of the Availability of the Draft Plan for Public Review and Comment
Date of the Notice	<u>December 3rd, 2018</u>
Type of Notice	<u>Newspaper legal Notice, web post</u>
Plan Location	<u>Hayes Township Website at Township Hall</u>
Duration of Draft Plan Public Review Period (Must be at Least 30 Days)	<u>Dec 3, 2018 to Jan 3, 2019</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	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	<u></u>
Name of Newspaper	<u></u>
Date of Meeting	<u>January 3rd, 2019</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copy of the Minutes from the Public Meeting
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8. ACTION PROGRAM	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9. POST-COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT(S)	
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.	
<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Official resolution of adoption by the governing body <u>dated:</u> <u></u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Official resolution of the <u></u> Commission or Board, recommending adoption of the plan by the governing body, <u>dated:</u> <u></u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to County Planning Agency <u>dated:</u> <u></u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Copy of letter transmitting adopted plan to Regional Planning Agency <u>dated:</u> <u></u>
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>I hereby certify that the recreation plan for 2019-2024 Parks and Recreation Plan</i>	
<u>Hayes Township, Charlevoix County Michigan</u> includes the required content, as indicated (Local Unit of Government)	
above and as set forth by the DNR.	
<u>Wanda M. A.</u> Authorized Official for the Local Unit of Government	<u>1-29-19</u> Date
HAYES TOWNSHIP CLERK	

This completed checklist must be uploaded in MiRecGrants.



Appendix C

2013 Property Owners Survey Findings



HAYES TOWNSHIP SURVEY



1. Please indicate your level of agreement regarding the importance of providing each of the following possible recreational opportunities at a new Township Waterfront Park:

	Combined agreement			Combined disagreement		Rating Count
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral/ Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	
Picnic area	46.6% (145)	32.8% (102)	6.1% (19)	3.2% (10)	11.3% (35)	311
Covered pavilion for group use	35.7% (111)	32.2% (100)	14.5% (45)	3.2% (10)	14.5% (45)	311
Rustic camping area	11.7% (36)	22.3% (69)	28.8% (89)	12.6% (39)	24.6% (76)	309
Rustic rental cabins	7.5% (23)	14.8% (45)	28.2% (86)	19.3% (59)	30.2% (92)	305
Campfire area	21.7% (67)	34.0% (105)	20.7% (64)	6.1% (19)	17.5% (54)	309
Tennis courts	7.9% (24)	15.1% (46)	28.9% (88)	20.0% (61)	28.2% (86)	305
Volleyball	8.9% (27)	30.9% (94)	31.6% (96)	10.9% (33)	17.8% (54)	304
Restroom	60.3% (188)	23.4% (73)	2.9% (9)	1.3% (4)	12.2% (38)	312
Trail head for the planned Boyne City to Charlevoix non-motorized trail	36.9% (114)	25.9% (80)	14.6% (45)	8.1% (25)	14.6% (45)	309
Swimming area	49.8% (156)	29.1% (91)	5.8% (18)	2.9% (9)	12.5% (39)	313
Boat launch	36.7% (113)	25.3% (78)	14.0% (43)	4.9% (15)	19.2% (59)	308
Fishing opportunities	26.2% (81)	30.1% (93)	20.7% (64)	6.8% (21)	16.2% (50)	309
Canoe/kayak rental	12.4% (38)	18.6% (57)	33.0% (101)	12.1% (37)	23.9% (73)	306
Camp store - concessions	11.5% (35)	18.8% (57)	30.6% (93)	12.2% (37)	27.0% (82)	304
Winter activities (such as ice fishing, ice boating, snowshoeing, X-C skiing)	29.0% (86)	29.6% (88)	18.2% (54)	6.7% (20)	16.5% (49)	297
Other (please specify)						29
answered question						315
skipped question						6



2. In your opinion, how important is it that future park improvements utilize 'green' environmentally friendly design/construction techniques and materials?

		Combined	Response Percent	Response Count
Very Important	<div><div></div></div>	63.5%	33.7%	105
Important	<div><div></div></div>		29.8%	93
Neutral/ Uncertain	<div><div></div></div>		15.7%	49
Unimportant	<div><div></div></div>	20.9%	10.3%	32
Very Unimportant	<div><div></div></div>		10.6%	33
answered question				312
skipped question				9

3. Improvement opportunities at the Township's Eastern Avenue lake access property are limited due to site size and legal restrictions. Please respond to the following:






	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral/ Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Rating Count
	Combined			Combined		
An on-site unisex restroom (ADA compliant), is desirable:	28.1% (88)	33.9% (106)	21.4% (67)	8.9% (28)	7.7% (24)	313
answered question						313
skipped question						8



4. Are you aware of and/or have you used the following Township public sites?

	Have used	Aware of site	Unaware of site	Rating Count
Townline Road Lake Access	18.0% (55)	26.2% (80)	55.7% (170)	305
Bayside Park (Spring St, Bayshore) Lake Access	15.7% (48)	34.4% (105)	49.8% (152)	305
Maple Grove Road Lake Access	29.9% (93)	28.0% (87)	42.1% (131)	311
Eastern Avenue Lake Access	25.2% (77)	25.2% (77)	49.5% (151)	305
Township Hall Park	15.0% (46)	48.7% (149)	36.3% (111)	306
answered question				316
skipped question				5

5. A non-motorized trail is planned from Boyne City to Charlevoix. Phase I between Boyne City and Young State Park is anticipated for construction in 2014. Grant funding is being pursued for phase 2 from US-31 to Susan Lake area. How important is completion of the trail through Hayes Township?

	Combined	Response Percent	Response Count
Very Important		32.0%	101
Important		20.9%	66
Neutral/ Uncertain		19.9%	63
Unimportant		11.7%	37
Very Unimportant		15.5%	49
answered question			316
skipped question			5



6. Hayes Township is considering community volunteers to assist with recreation improvements and/or maintenance projects. Please indicate your interest level in participating (if time and scheduling permit):

	Likely	Uncertain	Unlikely	Rating Count
Installation of recreation improvements (project by project basis)	15.9% (50)	28.9% (91)	55.2% (174)	315
Friends group to maintain a specific recreation property (on-going)	14.0% (44)	29.6% (93)	56.4% (177)	314
Landscape maintenance assistance (annual)	19.3% (61)	28.2% (89)	52.5% (166)	316
			answered question	316
			skipped question	5











7. Please rate the importance of the following types of business in Hayes Township both now and for future growth:

	Very Important	Important	Neutral/ Uncertain	Unimportant	Very Unimportant	Rating Count
	Combined			Combined		
Farming	56.4% (173)	31.3% (96) 87.7%	10.7% (33)	0.3% (1)	1.3% (4) 1.6%	307
Commercial/retail/service	18.5% (56)	40.9% (124) 59.4%	24.4% (74)	10.9% (33)	5.3% (16) 16.2%	303
Resort and tourism	28.6% (87)	37.2% (113) 65.8%	20.4% (62)	6.9% (21)	6.9% (21) 13.8%	304
Light manufacturing	18.2% (56)	32.6% (100) 50.8%	30.0% (92)	9.8% (30)	9.4% (29) 19.2%	307
Mining (Sand & Gravel)	7.2% (22)	18.8% (57) 26.0%	37.8% (115)	21.1% (64)	15.1% (46) 36.2%	304
High-tech office business	17.1% (51)	20.7% (62) 37.8%	37.1% (111)	12.4% (37)	12.7% (38) 25.1%	299
Other - list below	22.2% (16)	5.6% (4) 27.8%	55.6% (40)	5.6% (4)	11.1% (8) 16.7%	72
Other (please specify)						19
answered question						308
skipped question						13



8. The Big Rock property is one of the last large parcels in Hayes Township which may become available for redevelopment. If so, what types of development do you prefer? (select all that apply):

		Response Percent	Response Count
Research/Office Park		25.3%	75
Commercial Wind or Solar Energy Facility		39.7%	118
Residential and Commercial - Mixed use		25.9%	77
Recreation		47.1%	140
Industrial		14.5%	43
Residential		14.8%	44
Educational		22.2%	66
Conservation/Undeveloped		45.1%	134
Other (please specify)			19
answered question			297
skipped question			24

9. Please indicate level of agreement that the following home-based alternative energy systems are compatible with residential development.

	Combined agreement			Combined disagreement		Rating Count
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral/ Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	
Solar panels	35.8% (108)	38.7% (117)	16.6% (50)	5.0% (15)	4.0% (12)	302
Small scale wind turbine generators	26.6% (81)	30.2% (92)	21.6% (66)	10.2% (31)	11.5% (35)	305
Outdoor wood burners	18.8% (57)	29.6% (90)	25.0% (76)	13.8% (42)	12.8% (39)	304
answered question						305
skipped question						16



10. Please respond to the following statements:



	Combined agreement			Combined disagreement		Rating Count
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral/ Uncertain	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	
Hayes Township should work to preserve scenic views.	81.3% 58.3% (180)	23.0% (71)	8.1% (25)	5.8% (18)	10.7% 4.9% (15)	309
Hayes Township should work to preserve farmland.	79.2% 51.5% (158)	27.7% (85)	13.0% (40)	4.9% (15)	7.8% 2.9% (9)	307
Hayes Township should work to preserve open space.	74.6% 47.2% (145)	27.4% (84)	13.7% (42)	7.2% (22)	11.8% 4.6% (14)	307
answered question						309
skipped question						12

11. What level millage, if any, would you support to preserve Farmland or Open Space through a potential Purchase of Development Rights program (PDR) (0.5 mill on 100,000 value = \$50.00 annually)





		Response Percent	Response Count
1/2 mill		34.2%	103
1 mill		19.3%	58
None		46.5%	140
answered question			301
skipped question			20



12. Are you generally satisfied with how the Township has developed?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		77.5%	217
No		22.5%	63
Please explain/comment:			83
answered question			280
skipped question			41

13. Please check the statement that most closely matches your views about growth:

		Response Percent	Response Count
I would like to see growth encouraged.		15.5%	47
I would prefer to let growth take its own course in this area.		26.6%	81
I would prefer planned and limited growth in this area.		53.6%	163
I would like to see a goal of no growth in this area.		4.3%	13
answered question			304
skipped question			17



14. How long have you lived in Hayes Township, either part-time or full-time?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Do not live here		8.6%	26
0-4 years		7.3%	22
5-10 years		12.6%	38
11-20 years		26.8%	81
21-30 years		15.6%	47
> 30 years		29.1%	88
answered question			302
skipped question			19

15. Approximately how much of the year do you reside in Hayes Township?

		Response Percent	Response Count
< 1 month		7.1%	21
1-3 months		6.4%	19
3-6 months		7.1%	21
6-9 months		11.5%	34
9-12 months		6.4%	19
All Year		61.4%	181
answered question			295
skipped question			26



19. Additional Comments:	
	Response Count
	56
answered question	56
skipped question	265



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Page 1, Q1. Please indicate your level of agreement regarding the importance of providing each of the following possible recreational opportunities at a new Township Waterfront Park:

1	I prefer you do nothing with it you should not have bought the property in the first place.	Jul 23, 2013 9:45 AM
2	Restrooms need to be away from the shoreline.	Jul 10, 2013 11:23 AM
3	small sailboat rental; windsurfers	Jul 8, 2013 9:20 PM
4	How about winter access.	Jul 8, 2013 9:56 AM
5	I think it is important that things be done well. I'd rather see fewer things done well than a bunch of things all done not-so-well.	Jul 6, 2013 10:15 AM
6	Restroom should not be on or near the beach.	Jul 5, 2013 12:59 PM
7	I think the whole idea of buying Camp Seagull was ill-advised	Jul 3, 2013 9:29 AM
8	This new park is a bad financial decision by Ethel Knapp, we cannot afford more taxes. This park is going to be nothing but a money pit. There is no way this park will support itself. It should be sold to something that will bring in tax dollars. Shame on you Ethel.	Jul 2, 2013 8:04 PM
9	There are enough parks, close by.	Jul 1, 2013 10:46 AM
10	Township board is making bad decision on this whole park... Taking tax producing land from roles and any future lg taxes for the residents of the township to off set taxes and increasing cost, replaced by a project that will cause all residents more money over the years to come! Very poor financial decision to us the people that live here ...egos are making decisions here not sound financial thinking!!!!	Jun 30, 2013 3:30 PM
11	tax paying owners would like other ammenties ie high speed internet services, natural gas to homes, new FIRE HALL IN HAYES TWP. before a park we don't want and CAN'T afford new taxes to pay for and maintain!!!!	Jun 29, 2013 7:25 AM
12	We are not in favor of the purchase of Camp Seaagull. Jim and Janice Harvey	Jun 28, 2013 2:02 PM
13	I believe the plan was "low impact".	Jun 27, 2013 10:10 AM
14	Small boat launch would be nice non-powered boats or those that can launch quietly.	Jun 26, 2013 1:27 PM
15	Showers!!!!!!	Jun 26, 2013 8:57 AM
16	Keeping waterfront areas open is important. It needs to be done without adding high fixed costs that have to be supported with tax money.	Jun 25, 2013 8:15 AM
17	Don't agree with spending the money for any of the above.	Jun 24, 2013 9:49 PM
18	I see the boat ramp on the blueprint will be in shallow water being useless should stay next to breakwall that is there or you will be dredging to launch a boat and cost us more	Jun 24, 2013 6:51 PM
19	Kiteboarding in summer, kiteboarding on ice in winter	Jun 24, 2013 1:41 AM



Page 1, Q1. Please indicate your level of agreement regarding the importance of providing each of the following possible recreational opportunities at a new Township Waterfront Park:

20	In my opinion this will become a 911 trouble spot like the Whiting Park South of Boyne City = trouble.	Jun 23, 2013 1:34 AM
21	no new taxes to maintain park	Jun 22, 2013 7:35 PM
22	it would be good for this to be a revenue generator	Jun 22, 2013 11:53 AM
23	Boat launch would be unsafe for swimmers and motorized water craft would possibly cause gas and oil toxins in the water.	Jun 22, 2013 10:16 AM
24	24 Hour Camp Ground Host, Modern Rest Rooms with Showers	Jun 22, 2013 9:07 AM
25	dont want a park. would never use. no need to spend tax \$\$\$ survey not clear. does the city own a park or want to develop a park	Jun 22, 2013 8:36 AM
26	NO PARK...WHO IS GOING TO MONITOR IT, PROVIDE SECURITY TO NEARBY NEIGHBORS AND PAY OF ALL THIS EXCESS...NOISE POLUTION, WATER POLUTION..ETC, ETC, ETC	Jun 22, 2013 7:46 AM
27	passes for yearly, or seasonal, ect. what type of lawinforcement, who will run it. traffic onto main road. will there be a life guard, I think in summer there should be a life guard. Play area for children, swingd, merry go around, slides,ect. Hayes township hall should have a play area also for children, sad not to see one there	Jun 21, 2013 6:31 PM
28	rv camping	Jun 21, 2013 4:06 PM
29	Who will pay for all this. I was told the Park would not cost taxpayers anything. Where does the money come from?	Jun 21, 2013 10:53 AM



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Page 2, Q7. Please rate the importance of the following types of business in Hayes Township both now and for future growth:

1	Mining reclamation required.	Aug 12, 2013 9:52 AM
2	Educational & Recreational	Jul 15, 2013 10:42 AM
3	Allowance for home-based businesses (bearing in mind neighbors' rights to quiet enjoyment)	Jul 10, 2013 10:54 AM
4	We need to encourage small business in our Township with possible tax abatements as well.	Jul 8, 2013 9:57 AM
5	Licensed Daycare	Jul 5, 2013 7:19 PM
6	educational facilities--college	Jul 3, 2013 12:38 AM
7	Would like to see orchards, winery, brewery.	Jul 1, 2013 11:29 AM
8	People buying property on the lake and paying these very high mich. property taxes...the board should be looking at ways to reduce taxes to attract people to build in Hayes township rather than others...it then becomes a selling tool to why people should come this township!!!!	Jun 30, 2013 3:35 PM
9	Important to keep any commercial and business activity concentrated along the US 31 corridor	Jun 30, 2013 11:30 AM
10	Winery	Jun 29, 2013 9:17 PM
11	Home buisness if high speed internet was available to all of Hayes township.	Jun 28, 2013 6:54 PM
12	Cottage business, home grown.	Jun 26, 2013 1:33 PM
13	This is an area that seems best suited to resort / tourist related businesses. It seems the Charlevoix area does not attract people for winter visits and to make the area more economically viable this needs to change but, unfortunately, I don't have any ideas on how to fix this.	Jun 25, 2013 8:26 AM
14	Golf	Jun 24, 2013 1:13 PM
15	Health services	Jun 24, 2013 10:27 AM
16	Govt. shouldn't favor any type, let people be free.	Jun 23, 2013 11:28 AM
17	any new business is good	Jun 22, 2013 7:38 PM
18	the township needs to stay the way it is	Jun 22, 2013 11:57 AM
19	BUSINESS THAT PAY TAXES, SO PROPERTY OWNERS DO NOT HAVE TO PAY FOR AND MAINTAIN FOOL HARDY PROJECTS LIKE THE WATER PARK	Jun 22, 2013 7:52 AM



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Page 2, Q8. The Big Rock property is one of the last large parcels in Hayes Township which may become available for redevelopment. If so, what types of development do you prefer? (select all that apply):

1	None	Jul 11, 2013 9:49 AM
2	None of township business.	Jul 11, 2013 9:46 AM
3	At the present time it's not ours to decide what to do with it.	Jul 11, 2013 9:33 AM
4	The township IS NOT in the business of purchasing land and developing it at taxpayers expense!!!	Jul 9, 2013 10:54 AM
5	developed residential only if not like bay harbor and much consideration given to the impact on the whole township	Jul 7, 2013 2:07 AM
6	I know it is a beautiful piece of property, but it should be utilized for something productive to bring economic stability to the township, rather than another scenic or recreation area.	Jul 6, 2013 10:17 AM
7	kite turbine farm to produce energy for all of Hayes.	Jul 3, 2013 12:38 AM
8	we do NOT need another park. We cant afford more taxes. We need things that bring in tax dollars.	Jul 2, 2013 8:04 PM
9	we do NOT need another park. We cant afford more taxes. We need things that bring in tax dollars.	Jul 2, 2013 7:38 PM
10	We need more business for tax revenue.	Jul 1, 2013 10:47 AM
11	Any. We need jobs in charlevoix	Jun 29, 2013 9:17 PM
12	This would be a very nice site for a professional campground	Jun 28, 2013 8:31 PM
13	Foot trails for hiking, snowshoeing, xcountry skiing	Jun 28, 2013 4:02 PM
14	Maybe a great resort property. It will be a hard sell considering the history go this property. I am not at all sure that I would feel comfortable moving my family into a home on that property.	Jun 25, 2013 8:26 AM
15	This would be an ideal site for kite turbines to produce electricity. Kite turbines could produce all of Hayes townships electricity.	Jun 24, 2013 1:47 AM
16	Don't over regulate land use.	Jun 23, 2013 11:28 AM
17	very expensive piece of land ---good for everything	Jun 22, 2013 7:38 PM
18	Small Conservation educational facility w/modest restroom facility...i.e. bike trail traffic	Jun 22, 2013 10:22 AM
19	DEVELOPMENTS THAT ADD TO THE TAX BASE....NOT DEplete!!!!	Jun 22, 2013 7:52 AM



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Page 3, Q12. Are you generally satisfied with how the Township has developed?		
1	As long as public access to water/recreation areas is pursued to "neutralize" private development of prime township natural resources.	Aug 12, 2013 9:53 AM
2	You are spending money we don't have.	Jul 23, 2013 9:47 AM
3	Strongly disagree with bike path in our front yard. It's an infringement on our privacy!	Jul 15, 2013 2:36 PM
4	But would like to see fiber optic internet available.	Jul 15, 2013 10:50 AM
5	Very Poor Leadership and no lack of direction. It seems like not one person in office has any real understanding of fiscal issues and make decisions based on emotional attachments rather than sound analysis.	Jul 12, 2013 10:47 AM
6	Let it develop at its will.	Jul 11, 2013 9:34 AM
7	The Township board does not provide full disclosure on possible items, does not encourage resident involvement and does not give adequate notice for meeting dates and times.	Jul 10, 2013 7:48 PM
8	I wish I would get more involved, I feel that I am out of the loop by my own choosing. Busy Life.	Jul 10, 2013 2:00 PM
9	Would like to see more transparency in the budget as well as continued efforts to gather and incorporate input from tax payers.	Jul 10, 2013 11:36 AM
10	I recognize that the township has worked hard to provide guidance and laws which reflect what they understand to be the will of the residents here, based on surveys and other input. I guess it's just an ongoing process and changes do take place over time. Our township is developing beautifully, so far, and appears to be achieving a balance between growth and preservation, with many positive preservation efforts by the township alone and in conjunction with others, such as the L.T. Conservancy. How fortunate we are to have the preservation of the US-31 view corridor and now the township is trying to acquire Camp Sea Gull. These are examples of projects which will be of increasing benefit to residents and the public alike as time passes. Please continue to make conservation a priority, while still planning for and allowing growth as necessary. Plan now for growth we may not yet see, in conjunction with our closest municipality, the City of Charlevoix, to ensure a vibrant larger community, while preserving our local beauty, overall rural character, and public and open spaces, etc. Hayes Township is not an island. It's a tall order, but vitally important to plan for the future! I consider ourselves very fortunate to have those working hard on behalf of the township to make our community a better place, and a blessing for our officials to be able to make a difficult leap of faith, intent and effort to capture such a jewel as Camp Sea Gull for all to enjoy forever.	Jul 10, 2013 11:13 AM
11	Yes, except for the pursuit of the Camp Seagull property. The Township's approach is to buy now and worry about it later, with no regard for present or future costs or the taxpayer's legal right to vote for such an expenditure. Camp Seagull is a shocking and disappointing departure from the conservative principles the majority of people in this area hold.	Jul 10, 2013 11:07 AM
12	I believe the Townsh has not properly managed the budget and continues to use	Jul 9, 2013 10:57 AM


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	funds for selected interested groups.	
13	Please do not allow a Motor Coach Community.	Jul 9, 2013 10:26 AM
14	does not seem to be any active pursuit of industrial/commercial tax base	Jul 9, 2013 8:40 AM
15	Generally I'm happy with the development. However, a few years ago the township decided to tar and chip our perfectly good blacktop road. Now our road is a mess where kids have a hard time skate boarding and roller skating on the road which was previously fine. You should consider asking people's opinion before doing such projects. The road was much better off before the tar and chip project. My yard, lawn mower and snow-blower were much better off as well.	Jul 8, 2013 5:55 PM
16	I appreciate the mix of farming, year round homes, vacation homes, and open space. I do not want to see more buildings and less green space.	Jul 8, 2013 2:48 PM
17	I don't think we encourage business growth.	Jul 8, 2013 9:58 AM
18	Yes and No. If you have all these parks why do we need more? If you have all this money why not give it back to the people?	Jul 8, 2013 9:49 AM
19	Except bike trail.	Jul 8, 2013 9:44 AM
20	has been done with care and consideration	Jul 7, 2013 2:08 AM
21	But we are NOT satisfied with the assessor Mr Hoadley.	Jul 6, 2013 10:23 PM
22	I feel that the township overly regulates the use of one's own property - that the township is more concerned with conservation and "green" issues than it is with economic development. There needs to be more of a balance in Hayes Township - far too regulated.	Jul 6, 2013 10:18 AM
23	Land is now being parcelled off into smaller chunks in the same area I owned previously which Hayes Township would not let me do as a landowner.	Jul 5, 2013 7:21 PM
24	IN general I support outdoor parks and some of their facilities, however there are more important issues in Hayes twp that need addressing. The attitude of the zoning board of appeals and board members is appalling. They forget who they work for, that they are here to serve the public! Members should assist, and provide additional information to all people instead of providing incomplete/inaccurate data. Currently, record keeping, minutes and application of laws/ordinances is incomplete, inaccurate or non existent. This leaves the twp. exposed to lawsuits, and the general fund monies will be responsible for the judgements because of improper procedures and records. Mr Scheel's records are incomplete and he doesn't tell the truth to the residents and the boards. It is a re-occurring comment by many residents that its "who you know" in Hayes Twp. The comments made by officials are frequently rude, condescending and sexist when dealing with public. I would prefer that more money be spent on operations, management and training of the twp. offices and officials rather than to adding more parks or facilities. Add staff or pay higher wages to provide competent staff to provide better service. The twp. is taking on these long term expenditures and projects while discouraging residential/business grow and	Jul 5, 2013 2:17 PM



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	development which is critical to increasing funding of the general fund. The residential taxes are insufficient to support these type of projects and programs long term. Officials should listen to the public and heed their suggests and concerns.	
25	I am not happy with the push to increase tourism. I feel the area is oversaturated especially in the area of boating and fishing to the point of at times being unsafe for swimming. Boaters and bass fishermen have no regard for swimmers.	Jul 5, 2013 1:15 PM
26	Odd residential development like manufactured homes popping up in large, once beautiful farm fields. Those homes will remain an eyesore for eternity.	Jul 3, 2013 4:03 PM
27	I am very pleased to have Camp Seagull as a Twp. Park; I would be interested in Township Involment in providing Internet access for residents.	Jul 3, 2013 10:40 AM
28	With the exception of the Camp Seagull fiasco	Jul 3, 2013 9:34 AM
29	Need sewers for Susan Lake properties.	Jul 3, 2013 9:08 AM
30	Yes and no, I am very pleased with camp sea gull accusion, but not thrilled with expanding trash facility. Our area is beautiful and should be kept that way.	Jul 3, 2013 12:40 AM
31	Would like to see the township maintain its rural caracter with limited comercial developement.	Jul 2, 2013 8:35 PM
32	The new Native American housing on Murray was done tastefully - way to go, tribal folks!	Jul 2, 2013 5:00 PM
33	we cant afford more parks seems like the board has its own agenda times are hard for many of us you dont seem to care its just spend spend spend	Jul 2, 2013 3:56 PM
34	Keep up the good work!	Jul 2, 2013 9:45 AM
35	Would like to see more NEW residential and commercial development in Hayes Township, especially along US31.	Jul 1, 2013 12:28 PM
36	I currently pay over \$6,000 property taxes and receive "0" services from local government. I am retired on a fixed income and chose to live here because it is quiet, rural and scenic and I want it to stay that way.	Jul 1, 2013 11:32 AM
37	Too much concern about tourism. This isn't Charlevoix.	Jul 1, 2013 11:09 AM
38	We already pay enough taxes. We don't need it.	Jul 1, 2013 10:48 AM
39	would like to see less opposition to natural growth	Jul 1, 2013 9:21 AM
40	Until this park decision.... It is not in the best interest of the tax payers...it will cost money to run while laminating a lot of future tax base that could reduce taxes....board should be focus on reducing these high taxes rather then creating increase!!!!	Jun 30, 2013 3:38 PM
41	However, I am dissatisfied with plans to purchase Camp Seagull and operate a public facility and park. This is an unnecessary expense for Hayes Township residents with Young State Park a mere 7 miles away. Tax revenues from a few	Jun 30, 2013 11:30 AM


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	new homes on the property would be a much better contribution to Hayes Township than an additional expense of a park.	
42	We need a boat launch to lake michigan or lake charlevoix desparatley in hayes township	Jun 30, 2013 10:09 AM
43	I am unhappy with the wind turbine that I can see in my backyard. These things are fine as long they destroy personal property owner views.	Jun 29, 2013 9:18 PM
44	we need high speed internet, natural gas to homes, new fire hall in township, NOT A NEW PARK THAT CREATES MORE CONJESTION IN AREA, ON WATER AND LAW ENFORCEMENT!!!	Jun 29, 2013 7:31 AM
45	We are behind the times with internet access. Many home based business are int he area and high speed is almost a necessity now a days. I think this hurts all businesses in the area.	Jun 28, 2013 6:56 PM
46	The township provides a rural feel as one drives around and this should be maintained.	Jun 28, 2013 4:05 PM
47	Let us get on with BC Road trail and Camp Seagull Park!	Jun 27, 2013 2:30 PM
48	Over the 28 years I have been a resident of this township, I believe the board has done a good job of keeping growth at a reasonable pace and keeping the area highly desirable.	Jun 27, 2013 10:17 AM
49	Living in Texas, I have no knowledge of the development scene in Michigan.	Jun 27, 2013 8:10 AM
50	Nice rural area that preserves the natural beauty of the land. Open spaces, quiet is hard to find and desirable	Jun 27, 2013 6:57 AM
51	township growth should be up to individaul property owners, if someone wants to develop a water front camp let them, it should not come out of tax payers pockets, know matter how you size it up, the tax payer always get burned.	Jun 26, 2013 3:04 PM
52	No Coment	Jun 26, 2013 2:40 PM
53	poor management of elected officials	Jun 26, 2013 2:28 PM
54	I am very happy and proud to be in Hayes Township. A beautiful job has been done to preserve the beauty of the area and I feel the purchase of the new park was a wonderful addition to the township.	Jun 26, 2013 1:35 PM
55	Need to replace Big Rock property with more business for jobs & funds	Jun 26, 2013 9:00 AM
56	THE new park is the idea of a few that will create a financial burden for many. The idea that it will self supporting is not correct and a poor judgement . It is not responsible , the overhead of the township should be reduced. Gov. Overspending will create great pain for everyone in the future .	Jun 25, 2013 10:24 PM
57	the township is trying to review all changes to see how it will impact residents	Jun 25, 2013 7:52 PM
58	There is very little, if any, growth and shrinking property valuations. Together these must equate to shrinking tax revenues. The economic outlook is less than	Jun 25, 2013 8:33 AM



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	bright. I think we should be taking a very conservative approach to spending tax revenue and begin.	
59	The Township needs to be more proactive in it's planning and zoning efforts (vs. reactive), and preserve/protect R-1 residential areas. Also, the Township needs to ENFORCE it's current zoning laws, especially in regards the 50' shoreland protection strip. The Township's Zoning Administrator turns his head the other way in regards this part of the ordinance.	Jun 24, 2013 10:50 AM
60	Would like to see township push for tech/research development taking advantage of our beautiful area to recruit year-round business revenue to township.	Jun 24, 2013 10:30 AM
61	We could use more good jobs.	Jun 24, 2013 1:50 AM
62	not sure	Jun 23, 2013 5:59 PM
63	If businesses want to develop along US-31 or B.C/Chx roads, they should be permitted to do so.	Jun 23, 2013 11:30 AM
64	uncertain	Jun 23, 2013 10:46 AM
65	New to township, so not a lot of knowledge yet.	Jun 23, 2013 10:28 AM
66	Highway 31 needs to be kept in good shape . . . Lake views should be enhanced by removing some lake side trees along US 31.	Jun 23, 2013 9:23 AM
67	Keep it green / undeveloped = don't make Hayes Twp. another Bay Harbor / Petoskey.	Jun 23, 2013 1:37 AM
68	We desperately need access to Lake Charlevoix and Lake Michigan.	Jun 22, 2013 6:09 PM
69	There seems to be an effort to retain rural setting but allowing some small development	Jun 22, 2013 4:28 PM
70	To many restrictions on how "my" land may or may not be developed!	Jun 22, 2013 11:19 AM
71	The township should not had let the owners of a very large scale house at the end of Maple Grove lake access area fill in the beach. Need to enforce natural beach area for all lakeside residents...no chemicals to kill off beach grasses that harm our aquafers.	Jun 22, 2013 10:26 AM
72	I have owned property in Hayes Township for a few years. I have not been notified if and when any developments take place. Nor have I been informed when and if there have been township meetings to discuss future development proposals.	Jun 22, 2013 9:16 AM
73	the people who are in charge of assesments have no clue	Jun 22, 2013 8:38 AM
74	It's good now we don't need a bunch of extras in hays township	Jun 21, 2013 11:56 PM
75	would like to see more development outside at the township hall like a play area for children, then maybe the people would use the picnic tables and fire grills. I never see anyone using them, I live accross from there. what a waste of money	Jun 21, 2013 6:41 PM


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	on grills and picnic tables. what about a water fountain , flower garden, to attract people. Like the large stones and flag. will veterans names from hayes township be ingraves on the stones? We need to honor all the men and women from our township.	
76	we like the open space and farmland	Jun 21, 2013 5:43 PM
77	Lack of infrastructure including natural gas, decent cellular, Internet, cable TV. We are missing ALL of the amenities that other townships around us have.	Jun 21, 2013 4:13 PM
78	The purchase of Camp Segul will only benifit the haves not t hheave nots!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	Jun 21, 2013 2:23 PM
79	Appreciate township attention to blight and prompting property owners to keep up their property.	Jun 21, 2013 2:06 PM
80	Too many people burning wood for heat, I'm ready to leave so I can breathe.	Jun 21, 2013 1:37 PM
81	In the 8 years we have lived here the twp has relatively unchanged. We are pleased with the Camo Seagull project.	Jun 21, 2013 12:35 PM
82	The Township should not have purchased Camp SeaGull. This will cost us the residents extra taxes. There is no such thing as a free ride. When will we learn. It took 14 years to repave Charlevoix/Boyne City Rd. because we did not have the funds to do it, and in less tha a year we find funds to buy Camp SeaGull	Jun 21, 2013 11:00 AM
83	zoning Nazi's run wild over property owners rights. they want to take us back to the 1800's	Jun 19, 2013 8:46 AM



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1	I worry that the knee-jerk decisions that are being made have a total disregard for future financial implications. I believe that some of these decisions makes Hayes Township susceptible to future financial difficulties and impedes its ability to act autonomously within the County and State because of its need to rely on outside sources as a financial crutch. No money from outside sources comes without strings attached and if you rely on handouts from so-called private donors and government institutions than you ultimately become enslaved to the will of other to take the Township in the direction that they feel optimal and awarded to them because of their financial interest, and not the citizens themselves. The Township needs to become more self sustainable and not look for the strings attached handouts from "private donors" and other government agencies.	Jul 12, 2013 10:56 AM
2	Why do you send these surveys? The township board will enact ordinances to do as they want anyway.	Jul 11, 2013 9:35 AM
3	Keep the operating cost at a minimum. Picnic and swimming activity only. no camping or boat launch	Jul 10, 2013 3:45 PM
4	Local residents don't need camping. make this a daytime park for the township. no boat launch!	Jul 10, 2013 2:42 PM
5	I can't afford any tax increases.	Jul 10, 2013 11:42 AM
6	We have a lot of undeveloped commercial land already, but allowances could be made in this area for job-creating businesses. We've had a nice respite during these difficult economic times from development pressures and that may not change any time soon, but it could return in the future. Without jobs and families, Charlevoix will be a very seasonal resort destination with lower year-'round job prospects and wages, and an increasing dichotomy between our summer and year-'round residents. It'd be nice to develop jobs in our community while still preserving what keeps us all here and what draws our summer visitors and residents. I don't know what's best. I guess plan for some growth and preserve the rest! What a balancing act! Regardless, please keep up the effort to uphold the residents' desire for preservation of our natural amenities and beauty, and public access to these amenities.	Jul 10, 2013 11:29 AM
7	Once again the Township wants to determine if my views are based on owning lake front property or not.	Jul 9, 2013 10:59 AM
8	Again, please do not allow a Motor Coach Community.	Jul 9, 2013 10:27 AM
9	What are you trying to do, if you're going after the big city- no. If people like this big city life they should move there!	Jul 8, 2013 9:51 AM
10	Thank you for all you do	Jul 7, 2013 2:08 AM
11	As I said we are very upset with the assessors office and incomplete support!! We are currently pursuing legal action.	Jul 6, 2013 10:24 PM
12	We do not need this new park. It was not thought thru at all. There is no way this park will support itself, although it is the misguided thinking of three board members that it will. We can not afford the taxes it will take to maintain this park.	Jul 6, 2013 1:07 PM



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	<p>Something this big should have gone before the voters of this township. It is my hope that comments like this will be taken seriously. It is my fear that certain board members are out for (look what I did) and simple dont care how it affects the voters. WE DONT NEED THIS NEW PARK, OR MORE TAXES. The Big Rock property needs to be developed into something that will bring in tax dollars for the township. NOT A PARK.</p>	
13	<p>Since you have provided us with this opportunity to include additional comments, I want to voice my angst with our friendly (NOT) tax man. It is regrettable that Paul Hoadley had developed such a reputation of being rude and insufferable with Hayes Township residents. I, myself, have been put off by his arrogance numerous times. Just recently I had an question and called the Township office. Paul answered the phone. As he did not ask nor did I volunteer, I do not believe that he knew who I was. After hearing my 1 sentence question, his response to me was demeaning, arrogant and flippant. If he is unable to comport himself with a sense of professional decorum, then I think that this board must limit his personal contact with the residence of Hayes Township. After all..... He is our employee, and common courtesy must be demanded. Thank you for hearing me out.</p>	Jul 5, 2013 10:12 PM
14	<p>I would encourage growth that does not include a cost incurred to me as a property owner. I am adamantly opposed to the Non-motorized trail on the non-lake side of the BC/CHV Rd. It seems to me that it takes property away from those land/home owner who have less property in the first place.</p>	Jul 5, 2013 7:25 PM
15	<p>There appears to be an "us vs. them" attitude between elected and appointed officials of this township and residents who are considered new to the area. This type relationship never accomplishes anything but a culture of distrust, frustration and contempt. Everyone needs to feel they are listened to as well as being heard. Currently, many new and part-time residents express feelings of arbitrary and capricious application of Township ordinances favoring long-time locals and/or monied individuals. This is not "your grandparents township" any more and officials need to accept that fact and change with the times.</p>	Jul 5, 2013 2:17 PM
16	<p>Question # 16 is not appropriate and makes your survey biased and useless.</p>	Jul 5, 2013 1:20 PM
17	<p>Property taxes too high for the limited services available Non residents bear too heavy a burden of taxes and unfair tax assessments</p>	Jul 4, 2013 1:06 AM
18	<p>Properties by Susan Lake need developing.</p>	Jul 3, 2013 9:09 AM
19	<p>Thanks for getting "The People's Opinion"!</p>	Jul 2, 2013 5:02 PM
20	<p>you the board have bought a money pitin camp seagull lets give it to the county or the state we cant afford it shame on you people</p>	Jul 2, 2013 4:01 PM
21	<p>Slow, steady and planned should be the course of development in Hayes Township.</p>	Jul 1, 2013 11:37 AM
22	<p>Any change should be evaluated on its ability to guarantee cost neutrality, with regards to property taxes and assessments.</p>	Jul 1, 2013 11:34 AM
23	<p>We don't need bike trails and parks. They are only for tourist. 95% of locals don't</p>	Jul 1, 2013 11:17 AM


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	use them. If the tourism group hadn't run industry and manufacturing out of northern Michigan, the locals would have time and money enough to enjoy all these things that the tourists do. Hayes Township should concern itself with the people that live here! To hell with the tourists. The reason they are tourists is because they come from areas that have industry and manufacturing. They have good jobs and own businesses so they can afford to travel and be tourists. Lets make more Hayes Township Residents "Tourists."	
24	Thanks for asking.	Jul 1, 2013 10:43 AM
25	Caqmp Seagull should be a dusk to dawn park. No camping and no boat launch. If the park is limited to swimming and picnicing it will draw less tourests and be available more for township residents to swim and picnic. A limited park will also cost less to manage and take care of.	Jul 1, 2013 8:46 AM
26	I'm totally against this project.... I love parks and we are big hikers, but this is not a good financial decision for all tax payers for the years to come.... Plus there are plenty of parks now on the lake... Not to count that this 5-10m dollar project will be used about 3 months a year actively.... I will be counting the cars daily from Oct. 1st to June 1st to see how we'll you spent our money!!!! Feels like too much of, every other township has one so we should have one decision!!! Never a good way to spend our money!!!	Jun 30, 2013 3:47 PM
27	We have only lived here for two summer and only are in the summer so I realize we don't know everything about the township/area. However, there seem to be plenty of places for recreation around Charlevoix, Boyne City and Petoskey. It doesn't seem necessary to raise taxes even more to add another recreation area. We already pay a very high amount of taxes to live here for the summer and don't even send our three kids to school here. In addition, Great Lakes energy charges us more for our electricity than year round residents which seems entirely unfair. We put a lot of money into this area, pay high taxes and electricity and support the area economically. Please Don't ask summer residents to pay even more taxes to add another rec area.	Jun 30, 2013 1:31 PM
28	Please please please concentrate on a small boat launch and picnic area. All the site indicated above are very poor sites that you cannot launch a boat or have a nice picnic with your family. I have to go into town to areas that are congested and packed with people. We need a nice site here in our township. We have a beautiful township with very poor recreation ammenities. I have visited all the listed sites above and they suck.	Jun 30, 2013 10:14 AM
29	Annual township trash pick-up is a good idea, and helps prevent blight. We love the farms/farm markets.	Jun 30, 2013 6:32 AM
30	Hayes Township Board, keep up the good work. Thanks for all you do.	Jun 29, 2013 10:34 AM
31	I DO NOT WANT A BIKE PATH ON MY PROPERTY	Jun 29, 2013 8:47 AM
32	ON THE BIKE PATH USE THE 33 FOOT ROAD RIGHT AWAY NOT THE 50 FOOT RIGHT AWAY BIG ROCK SHOULD BE US AS A WIND GENERATOR SITE	Jun 29, 2013 8:19 AM
33	NO NEW PARK!!!!, we need other services before addin additional overhead	Jun 29, 2013 7:34 AM



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	costs, besides I would like a reduction in my property taxes, and services that other twps have around us that we still don't have???? what's going on with that????	
34	I am excited about the prospect of a boat launch on our side of the lake and the lake access it provides for our township. It is very inconvenient right now for people on our side of the lake to have to go all the way through town to launch a boat. If there was a launch in Boyne City, that is way too far and too much gas usage to haul your boat if you want to go out to Lake Michigan. It will also be very nice to have a nice place to get in the water on a hot summer day or ice fish or skate in the winter.	Jun 28, 2013 8:36 PM
35	We can be a beacon to other townships who still have open land if we preserve and protect nature in every way possible. Hayes township is beautiful place but the encroachment of development is knocking on the door and as farms sell off their acreage we see more and more houses, cars & crime happening right next door.	Jun 28, 2013 4:14 PM
36	Having property on a seasonally maintained road I would like to see more improvements to these roads in order to obtain access anytime of the year. Example: Stephens Rd. Being that we pay taxes for all township road improvements, schools, etc. I believe this should be looked at since the lack of some roads not being maintained means there are ruts in the road, making it impossible to get to some tax payers property, or the winter weather prevents access. (Mid Dec-late April.)	Jun 28, 2013 4:02 PM
37	We are NOT in favor of the purchase of Camp Seagull. Jim and Janice Harvey	Jun 28, 2013 2:03 PM
38	Question #16: I own a waterfront lot in Hayes Township, no home on the property.	Jun 27, 2013 8:11 AM
39	Several hilltops ~350' above Lake Charlevoix and 1 mile to it's north would make ideal wind generator sites.	Jun 26, 2013 8:15 PM
40	Township government should work for the people, a park would be nice if someone else other than the township purchases it, I remember the swimming pool issue, all that does is cost the township money, every year I see that millage on my property tax assessment. Like the old saying the rich dance and have fun while the tax payers pay the band.	Jun 26, 2013 3:13 PM
41	The value of the township is its rural character with open spaces and natural beauty. Overdevelopment will reduce the value for everyone in the long run.	Jun 25, 2013 10:26 PM
42	I very much appreciate the annual cleanup / pickup and chemical / electronic drop off opportunities. Helps keep our township cleaner and safer. The road improvements have been slow in coming but make driving on some of these roads much safer - especially the Boyne City road. I also appreciate having such easy access to township officials as needed and they are always courteous and helpful. This is a very nice township to live in and taxes are quite reasonable in comparison. Public office is nearly a no win situation and I think our township officials all deserve a big thank you.	Jun 25, 2013 8:45 AM
43	Since I am a permanent resident of California now and only pay minimal taxes	Jun 24, 2013 11:52 PM

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	on a garage attached to a mobile home at Lake Michigan Hgts., which I am in the process of selling, I don't believe that I am truly qualified to render any opinions called for in this survey. I wish you all the best there in beautiful Charlevoix Co. Ora K. Thomas	
44	I would like to see small scale growth of locally owned business such as farm stands and cabin/outdoor sports equipment rental. I want to see profits generated that depend on keeping the land beautiful but still generate both interest in the area and revenue for upkeep.	Jun 24, 2013 9:38 PM
45	I chose to live here because it is rural and quite. I already pay for services that have never benefited me. I want to see a certified plan for Camp Sea Gull that includes all the peripheral requirements and a realistic plan for paying for it all that does not include the Tax Payers.	Jun 24, 2013 9:48 AM
46	It appears anyone can fill out this survey without having to prove one is a Hayes township resident. How can one be sure only Hayes township residents input is evaluated for this survey?	Jun 24, 2013 1:52 AM
47	I do not want any additional millages for any of the projects or ideas mentioned in this survey. Don't go looking for ways to spend more money.	Jun 23, 2013 11:33 AM
48	Bought house, not moved yet.	Jun 23, 2013 10:28 AM
49	I really don't think we need another park!!!	Jun 22, 2013 9:54 PM
50	new business is good	Jun 22, 2013 7:39 PM
51	I live in Traverse City now near my daughter. We bought the land when we lived in Boyne City about 40 years ago, we stayed in Boyne for 18 yrs then moved to Grand Rapids area. We check on the property a couple times a year and have had timber select cut about every 6 to 8 yrs. We have a forester who advises us when the timber is ready to cut. We also have friends who hunt on the land and tell us if there is anything unusual going on.	Jun 22, 2013 7:07 PM
52	I WOULD LIKE TO SEE STRICT REGULATIONS ON OUT DOOR WOOD BOILERS	Jun 22, 2013 11:24 AM
53	In this hard economic time we feel "a fancy color" bulletin is without merit & a waste of taxpayer monies. The spring pick up: after reading the bulletin I wondered what if anything you could put out to be picked up?	Jun 22, 2013 11:21 AM
54	When if ever are local, full time natives going to have a chance to enjoy this area. All of the benefits to our area goes to people with money!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	Jun 21, 2013 2:28 PM
55	Charlevoix needs both jobs and affordable housing in order to grow. Downtown seems to be unable to attract and keep new businesses, so it is up to the outlying townships to take the lead on providing innovative incentives in order to attract and keep business and industry in the area. There also needs to be incentive for development of more affordable housing within our school district, but close to areas that are currently providing work for our residents (e.g. Boyne City & Petoskey) as we continue to lose families to those areas simply because they don't have anywhere to live.	Jun 21, 2013 12:41 PM



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56	The township needs to strengthen and enforce regulations on green belts and wetland protection and take seriously the need to preserve the northern Michigan scenic character of the area,	Jun 21, 2013 12:01 PM
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