# Community Parks and Recreation Plan Leelanau County, Michigan

2020-24

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# Leelanau County Historical Preservation Society forms to save Poor Farm barn

Posted by editor - September 11, 2017 - Historical Feature



Barbara Siepker and Steve Stier have formed the Leelanau County Historical Preservation Society to save the Poor Farm barn.

http://glenarborsun.com/leelanau-county-historical-preservation-society-forms-to-save-po... 10/14/2019



By Linda Alice Dewey Sun contributor

Next time you drive past Myles Kimmerly Park, located on the south side of County Road 616 (Burdickville Rd.) east of 669 (Coleman Road), look at the field across the street. You might never have noticed the old white barn standing off the road, forlorn and neglected. If you did, you may have assumed she was a leftover from an old family farm, like so many others scattered about Leelanau County. But she's not. This lady's different.

The "poor farm barn" is the last remnant of what was once a haven for the county's indigent residents who worked there raising crops, chickens and cattle in return for a place to live.

The poor farm was established at the turn of the last century when the State of Michigan mandated that each county must care for its own, before the federal government took over the burden of supporting those in need. Minutes of the county Board of Supervisors meeting on Dec. 2, 1901, show Leelanau County purchased the existing "Burke" Farm "consisting of 120 acres of good soil one mile from Maple City on a main traveled road in Kasson Township for \$2,400. The buildings consist of two frame residences with stone foundations and cellars, one large barn with stone foundation and all the buildings well supplied with water, 70 acres of improved land and 22 acres of good timber all well fenced."

In 1906, the two homes were replaced by a single large Victorian house designed by popular Traverse City architect Jens C. Peterson, who also designed the Empire schoolhouse and later moved to California. By 1909, William Craker was hired as the farm's supervisor. He and his family stayed for 11 years, followed by Charles Coleman, who supervised it for another 25.

After the original barn burned down in 1911 Peterson designed its replacement, which stands today, more than a century later. Empire's Laurel Jeris and Glen Arbor's Barbara Siepker describe this barn in a short written historical summary: "It is a 40' x 60' gambrel bank barn with flared eaves and board and batten siding and Shawver-type trusses. It has a painted standing-seam metal roof and poured-concrete foundation. The top level stored hay and had an opening to the lower level to feed the cattle. The lower level has nine milking stanchions along the north wall. The original had a shingle roof, silo and a cupola which no longer exist."

Two single-year diaries, one by Craker, the other by his wife, describe life at the poor farm in 1919 and 1920, respectively. Sadly, they only mention the "inmates" incidentally, without naming them all or describing the work they did, although they do so for the hired help. The diaries do reveal that the farm housed six of them at that time, in addition to the Craker family, one of whom had resided there for at least a decade. They only tell of calling the doctor for inmate illnesses then taking their coffins to the poor folks' cemetery in Cedar; of an "Indian girl" who gave birth and how the baby would cry at night; and of what a good cake the girl made.

According to the Jeris-Siepker summary, that house stood for only 50 years or so, during which time the county residential support system was replaced by federal support. The poor farm became the county "infirmary" and eventually moved down the street to become the Maple Valley Nursing Home. Sometime in the mid-'60s, the county tore down the house, the outbuildings, the silo and even the unusual cupola, leaving the barn as a lone reminder to some of what once was.

Over the past 20 years, an occasional resurgence in interest in the barn and its history brought some "preservationists" together; but every time they tried to figure out a use for the barn, they came up empty once they considered what it would cost to get it back in running order.

It was not surprising when, early this year, Leelanau county commissioners voted to demolish the barn. Their request for bids to tear it down caught the attention of local historians and preservationists, who banded



together. Emails went out, letters were sent to the editor, and the cause swiftly gathered community support. Their outcry, coupled with a lone demolition proposal of \$66,000, caused the commissioners to listen to the preservationists and allow them six months to get their act together.

It only took five. Together, Barb Siepker (author of *Historic Cottages of the Glen Lakes* and former owner of the Cottage Book Shop), her husband Frank Siepker (Chicago attorney and former Leelanau Conservancy chairman), Jeris (professor emeritus at Northern Illinois University) and Empire's Steven Stier (licensed builder with a master's degree in historic preservation) became officers of the newly formed Leelanau County Historical Preservation Society (LCHPS). According to its mission statement, the "purpose is the preservation and rehabilitation of historic structures in Leelanau County for the education and well-being of the community." Projects will take into account "structures important to the history and culture along with community identity and sustainability." (The organization is not limited to this single project. "We think there are other structures in the county that need historic preservation," says Stier.)

LCHPS received its 501(c)3 nonprofit status from the State of Michigan this summer, enabling it to receive monetary donations. As of Aug. 31, the nonprofit had received \$33,875 in donations and \$6,500 in pledges—one-third of the way to a goal of \$100,000.

Leelanau County commissioner Casey Noonan is among those who support this cause. "I think it is important to preserve the barn," he writes. "It is not just an old barn, it is a part of a poor farm, and I believe that the poor farms were an important part of our history, and there are very few remaining."

But can this barn be saved? The foundation is crumbling, trusses and braces need replacing, door sills and windows are rotting ... the list goes on.

"Yes, it can," says Stier. An expert in this field, Stier currently serves as the vice president of the Michigan Barn Preservation Network. In 2015, he received a Michigan Heritage Award from Michigan State University; and this year he and his wife, Julie Avery, were given a Lifetime Achievement Award by the Michigan Historic Preservation Network.

Regarding the rotting foundation, Stier says, "I have looked at the barn several times. While it can appear very serious to an inexperienced eye, it is not very difficult to repair. There is no serious structural weakness if this issue is repaired. It affects about 10 percent of the entire foundation, and is all caused by neglect."

At the August county commissioners' executive meeting, Jeris, Stier and Barbara Siepker presented a proposal to lease the barn property from the county and repair it—but not get it ready for any type of use—just repair it. Stier has observed that, in the past, questions about possible uses have stymied groups seeking to preserve the barn. "We want to make sure it is structurally sound for another 50 years," Stier told the commission.

Any type of usage can be negotiated at a future date, agrees county administrator Chet Janik, who will negotiate the lease for the county. He explains the potential deal. "In very simple terms, the Society is requesting a 25-year lease for the barn in exchange for the Society doing the fundraising and then taking the responsibility of renovating the barn at the estimated cost of \$70,000 to \$100,000. The goal is to create a 'win-win' situation where the barn is preserved without any expense to the taxpayers." They hope "to develop a contract (within the) next couple of months," he says.

Donations to save the Poor Farm barn may be made by personal checks made payable to "Leelanau County Historical Preservation Society" and mailed to P O Box 331, Empire, Mich. 49630. Pledges can be made in three annual payments. Donations can be made as a memorial in someone's name. For more information, contact Barbara Siepker at (231)334-4395 or email siepker@aol.com.



## LEELANAU COUNTY RECREATIONAL FACILITY SURVEY

1.	Have you in the past, or do you currently recreate at Myles Kimmerly Park (MKP)?  Yes
	○ No
2.	What activities do you participate in at MKP?  Soccer
	☐ Disc Golf
	Tennis
	☐ Ball Fields
	☐ Driving Range
	Picnic Area/ Playground
	Hiking Trail
	☐ Horse Paddock/ 4-H
	Other
	Comment:
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3.	What activities, amenities, or resources do you think are needed at MKP?  Additional Tennis
	Pickleball
	Walking Path Loop
	Upgraded Ball Fields
	New ADA Restroom Facilities
	Other
	Comment:



4.	Have you in the past, or do you currently recreate at Old Settlers' Picnic Grounds (OSPG)?  OYes
	○ No
5.	What activities do you participate in at OSPG?  Swimming Dock/ Beach
	Viewing/ Sunsets
	Picnic
	Group Events
	□ Playground □ Chapel
	Other
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8.	What activities do you participate in at VVP?
	☐ Viewing/ Sunsets
	Picnic
	Group Events
	Hiking
	Other
	Comment:
9.	What activities, amenities, or resources do you think are needed at VVP?  Provide Viewing/Overlook Areas  Upgrade Restroom Facilities  Upgrade Hiking Trails  Other  Comment:
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### **Constant Contact Survey Results**

Survey Name: Leelanau County Rec Plan Public Input

Response Status: Partial & Completed

Filter: None

Nov 22, 2019 9:35:00 AM

Please enter the information indicated below.	
First Name	13
Last Name	13
Community Name	12

#### Have you in the past, or do you currently recreate at Myles Kimmerly Park (MKP)?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	11	57.8%
No	8	42.1%
No Responses	0	0.0%
Total	19	100%

#### What activities do you participate in at MKP?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Soccer	1	9.0%
Disc Golf	2	18.1%
Tennis	0	0.0%
Ball Fields	3	27.2%
Driving Range	1	9.0%
Picnic Area/ Playground	6	54.5%
Hiking Trail	6	54.5%
Horse Paddock/ 4-H	1	9.0%
Other	2	18.1%
Total	11	100%

What activities, amenities, or resources do you think are needed at MKP?



Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
3	27.2%
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8	72.7%
3	27.2%
4	36.3%
3	27.2%
11	100%
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### Have you in the past, or do you currently recreate at Old Settlers' Picnic Grounds (OSPG)?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	10	52.6%
No	9	47.3%
No Responses	0	0.0%
Total	19	100%

#### What activities do you participate in at OSPG?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Swimming Dock/ Beach	6	54.5%
Viewing/ Sunsets	7	63.6%
Picnic	7	63.6%
Group Events	5	45.4%
Playground	2	18.1%
Chapel	3	27.2%
Other	1	9.0%
Total	11	100%

#### What activities, amenities, or resources do you think are needed at OSPG?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Canoe/Kayak/Scull Launch	4	36.3%



Upgrade Restroom Facilities	7	63.6%
Upgrade Playground	4	36.3%
Other	1	9.0%
Total	11	100%
2 Comment(s)		

#### Have you in the past, or do you currently recreate at Veronica Valley Park (VVP)?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Yes	16	84.2%
No	3	15.7%
No Responses	0	0.0%
Total	19	100%

#### What activities do you participate in at VVP?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Viewing/ Sunsets	1	6.2%
Picnic	0	0.0%
Group Events	7	43.7%
Hiking	5	31.2%
Other	9	56.2%
Total	16	100%
3 Comment(s)		

#### What activities, amenities, or resources do you think are needed at VVP?

	Number of Response(s)	Response Ratio
Provide Viewing/Overlook Areas	3	18.7%
Upgrade Restroom Facilities	11	68.7%
Upgrade Hiking Trails	5	31.2%
Other	5	31.2%
Total	16	100%
1 Comment(s)		



## **Constant Contact Survey Results**

Survey Name: Leelanau County Rec Plan Public Input Response Status: Partial & Completed

Filter: None

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First Name:	Kama
Last Name:	Ross
Custom6:	Leelanau Conservation District Forester
First Name:	Diane
Last Name:	Kiessel
Custom7:	Binham Township
First Name:	Dorothy
Last Name:	Miller
First Name:	Kelly
Last Name:	Kobberstad
Custom10:	Leland Twp
First Name:	Tracy
Last Name:	Forton
Custom11:	Lake Leelanau
First Name:	Martha
Last Name:	Encherman
Custom13:	Lake Leelanau (Leland Twnshp)
First Name:	Melinda
Last Name:	Lautner
Custom15:	Cedar
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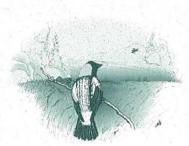


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	General Updates of all types	Anonymous
	Nothing	Anonymous
	provide wayfinding signage	Anonymous
What activities, amenities	s, or resources do you think are needed at \	/VP? - Comments
	Answer	Respondent
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## Saving Birds Thru Habitat

P.O. Box 288 • Omena, Michigan 49674-0288 • 231-271-3738

November 21, 2019

Leelanau County Parks and Rec. Committee Leelanau County Building 8527 E. Government Center Drive Suttons Bay, MI 496832

Dear Parks and Rec. Committee:

In September, ScienceNews published a report entitled: "We've Lost 3 Billion Birds Since 1970 in North America." Information for the report was gathered from a dozen databases, and revealed that some birds, particularly waterfowl like ducks and geese, have experienced significant population increases. That means that those hardest hit have lost more than 25% birds like songbirds and shorebirds. There is general agreement among conservationists that habitat loss is the number one cause of the declines.

This report can inspire all of us - whether individual, industrial, agricultural or institutional entities - to take positive actions to reverse these declines. The most significant is to incorporate native plantings - or to restore habitats by converting to native plants as a way to increase essential insect populations, especially caterpillars.

Saving Birds is very happy to note that much work on restoring native plants ecosystems have been ongoing at Veronica Valley County Park. These efforts are not only good for birds, but also for pollinators as well as other wildlife.

It is also important to note that what is good for birds (and increasingly, pollinators) is also good for local economies. Millions of birders travel to places considered important birding areas, spending money during their travels.

For those reasons, Saving Birds - along with its hundreds of members - encourage you to continue with your work in restoring native plants to Veronica Valley County Park - and other county parks as well.

Sincerely,

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Ey. Duse Tor Our goal is to improve habitat for migrating birds one yard at a time.



# We Need Your Juput!



Help us decide on priorities for our County Parks & Recreation

# Public Open House

to be held on Thursday,

## **November 21, 2019**

in two sessions:

3-5 p.m. & 5-7 p.m.

at the County Government Center, 8527 E. Government Center Dr., 2.5 miles W of Suttons Bay





There will be no formal presentation; you may drop in at any time during these two sessions.

You will be encouraged to give comments and suggestions for improving the County Parks and Recreation Facilities and services.

Hope to see you there!



Page 8, Section 3 LEELANAU ENTERPRISE Thursday, November 14, 2019

# Early snowfall assures a very long winter

By BILL THOMPSON Phone 334-4486 email: BThomp9264@aol.com

I have an idea. If there is snow on the ground and/or conditions are icy and you come to a hill that is long and steep, it may be a that is long and steep, it may be a good idea to slow down before you start on the hill. I say this because Benzonia Trail aka CR-677 is such a hill which intersects with M-22. Although the hill is clearly marked and arrows at the bottom indicating the end, the first three days of slippery weather had three vehicles on the rocks in front and on the side of the house at the end. This may be the start to a very, very long winter if that's the case.

The Glen Arbor pickle ball players want to wish Caprice

Behner a quick recovery and get back soon.

The Glen Arbor Art Center has been awarded a grant of \$18,750 from the State of Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs [MCACA] for General Operating Support. The grant was awarded through the MCACA peer review process, and was one of 659 applications to compete for MCACA fiscal year 2020 funding. The National Endowment for the Arts provided \$2,260 toward the MCACA grant total.

Congratulations to the Glen Lake Laker football team. Good luck going forward.

There is a new book available through Friends Of Sleeping Book of Steeping Book of Steep

through Friends Of Sleeping Bear called "The Life Of Sleeping Bear" which celebrates the

world-famous Sleeping Bear Dunes, its land and people from prehistoric to modern times. It is said to blend art, history and sci-

prenistoric to modern times. It is said to blend art, history and science, the book contains pictures, fascinating facts and helpful graphics and maps to provide a rich and colorful to tour of this precious geological and environmental area. For information, go to friendsofsleepingbear.org.

If you're interested in a discussion about recreation in Glen Arbor Township, you are invited to interact with Township planners Tuesday. November 19 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. as they entysion the opportunities to be developed over the next five years. Learn what is being considered, should additional park land be acquired, where and for land be acquired, where and for what purposes. Discussion

regarding current limitations and new opportunities for access improvements ranging from improving four season recre-ation options and considering park operations and mainte-

name.

There is a movement to resurrect the former Glen Arbor Township Cemetery where two Civil War veterans are buried and the last person buried in 1927. It's off of Forest Haven Road and M-22. The cemetery tiself was buried after the big wind.

Don't forget to make plans for the Thanksgiving weekend, the beginning off the holidays schedules etc. more later.

A couple of random thoughts.

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"A nation that forgets its past
has no future". And another

"You don't make the poor richer by making the rich poorer." — Winston Churchill. Friday at dawn, beginning of firearms deer season. This is the time of year when all the deer are in the parking lots and on the

are in the parking lots and on the road to get away from the hunres, so be careful diriving.
Happy anniversary to Jan and Bill Freeman.
Happy birthday wishes to Bill Baxter, Chris Shugart, Rich Quick, Kay Wilcox, Martha Acton, Harvey Warburton, Nancy Wright, Chris Shugart, and James A. Garfield. I sincerely hope that Rich Quick and Nancy Wright are able to enjoy their birthdays.
Early snows and cold weather, drive and walk very carefully. Go patriotism.

Go patriotism

# Short-term rentals discussed at length

Members of the Elmwood Township Board and the Elmwood Township Planning Commission held a special joint meeting last week to discuss the future of short term rentals in

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the township.
"The meeting got a little heated," according to township
board trustee Jim "Rookie"
O'Rourke. "It was quite

ntense." Lasting two hours and 43 min-Lasting two hours and 43 minutes, the Nov. 6 meeting was
also quite long. Zoning administrator Sara Kopriva said about
25 members of the public were
also in attendance, many of
them offering public comment.
Township board clerk Comie
Preston and planning commission member Doug Roberts
were absent.
Kopriva said differences of
opinion at the meeting appeared

to be centered around the idea that the township may consider allowing short term rentals in all of the township's zoning disalbeit subject to differing conditions in each zoning dis

trict.
Although no formal votes were taken at the special joint meeting, members of the town-

meeting, members of the township board and planning commission appeared to agree by consensus on several issues, according to Kopriva. Notably, the township board is asking the planning commission to come up with language for a "police powers" ordinance that would allow the township to enforce an ordinance to license short term rentals when and if such an ordinance is adopted. In addition, Kopriva said, both bodies understand that any new ordinance will likely place limits on the number of

place limits on the number of short term rentals that will be

allowed in the township. Kopriva said she will attempt to determine how many are cur-rently in operation in the township by checking with an online monitoring firm that keeps track of short term rentals. The township board also

asked that its attorney research several issues, notably whether property owners might legally be limited to operating only one short term rental or may have more, Kopriva reported.

Township officials have been looking into the issue of short term rentals for nearly a year now following concerns expressed by members of the public. Short term rentals are

generally regarded as proper ties rented out in whole or in part to visitors on a daily or weekly basis.

Online companies such as AirBnB, VRBO and others have AIRBIB, VRBO and others have made it easier for property own-ers to rent out their homes to visitors in recent years, result-ing in more short term rentals changing the character of certain neighborhoods. Municipalities

Municipalities throughout Michigan and the U.S. are strugspling to figure out how to regu-late increasing numbers of short term rentals while respecting private property

### Free movie in Empire

The Glen Lake Library will nost a screening of *The Public*, ext Thursday, Nov. 21 at the Empire Township hall.

next Thursday, Nov. 21 at the Empire Township hall.

The film is set in the down town library of Cincinnati, Ohio, during a dangerously cold stretch of winter weather that prompts homeless patrons to take a desperate stand.

With the assistance of several staff members, the library becomes an emergency shelter, resulting in a standoff with local officials.

The film is written and directed by Emilio Estevez, who is also part of the ensemble cast.

The film is rated PG-13, and is presented free of charge at 7:30 p.m.







For more information, visit - www.leelanau.cc/parksandrec.asp

Hope to see you there!

You will be encouraged to give comments and suggestions for improving the County Parks and Recreation Facilities and services.



# NOTICE OF PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD

An Official Viewing of the Final Draft of the 2020-2024 Leelanau County Five-Year Parks, Recreation, Greenways, and Open Space Plan <u>will be held from October 17 through November 16, 2019, followed by a Public Hearing on the Final Draft, to be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2019, at 9:30 a.m.</u>

A copy of the draft Parks, Recreation, Greenways, and Open Space Plan will be available for public inspection and comment <u>beginning October 17, 2019</u>, in the Administrator's Office, Suite 101, 8527 E. Government Center Dr., Suttons Bay, Michigan, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or on the County website at <a href="https://www.leelanau.cc/parksandrec.asp">https://www.leelanau.cc/parksandrec.asp</a>

Comments on the draft plan can be submitted as follows:

Email: levans@co.leelanau.mi.us

Fax: 231-256-0120

In person Leelanau County Administration

or mail: Attn: Laurel Evans

8527 E. Government Center Dr., Suite 101

Suttons Bay, Michigan 49682

All comments will be collected and submitted to the Parks and

Recreation Commission for consideration.

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A Public Hearing with an opportunity for public comment on the Final Draft of the 2020-2024 Leelanau County Five-Year Parks, Recreation, Greenways, and Open Space Plan will be held during the Tuesday, December 10, 2019, Leelanau County Board of Commissioners Executive Board Session, at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioner Meeting Room of the Leelanau County Government Center, 8527 E. Government Center Dr., Suttons Bay, Ml.

Leelanau County will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities upon twenty-four (24) hours' notice to Leelanau County. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Leelanau County Clerk by calling as following:

Michelle L. Crocker, Leelanau County Clerk 231/256-9824

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#### YOUR VIEW-

#### Thankful for millage passage

To the editor:

To the editor:

As we reflect on what we are thankful for this holiday season, I am thankful that the voters of Leelanau County were willing to pass a millage for early childhood services. Young familles are the future of our county. I realize that this measure was not universally welcomed, but opposition seems to focus on two rather narrow objections.

One objection is that only four percent of the county's popula-

tion is in the age group that would benefit. I assume that these children do not live alone. They have parents and siblings that will share in the benefit of the services provided, so perhaps the percentage that will benefit is really in the 12-16 percent range. Not as large as the percent of seniors in our population, but we already have generous benefits for them.

A second objection is that the money raised will be used to hire nurses and social workers and

nurses and social workers and

pay for their travel. It is not clear to me how the services available could be delivered without pro-fessional staff to provide them. I find this objection hard to explain unless it reflects a gener-alized hostility to all public ser-vants or an unrealistic wish that somehow charities would cover everyone's needs.

somenow charities would cover everyone's needs.
Perhaps those of us who don't need the services can simply be thankful that we don't.
Alice Littlefield Omena

#### Consider evidence fairly

To the editor:

To the eutor:

I'm generally against impeachment, regardless of political party, but we have a president who spits out lies and insults like no president ever has. That's a fact. The people testifying in the impeachment inquiry are courageous

Americans who love their country, have worked for both political parties and for our current president. Their reward for reporting, factually, what they've seen earns them attacks and insults. If we care about the Constitution, free press, legitimate elections, and civility —

all essential to democracy— then we must consider evidence fairly, and act. This president is attacking all of those. Disgraceful!! Hey, and what happened to that wall Mexico was paying for?! Jack Gyr Empire

#### Suggestions for Grove Park

To the editor:

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Reading in the Enterprise about a suggestion for a Grove Park skate park or bandstand in a 1.1 acre square tightly surrounded by residences would be introducing many challenges to the neighborhood. Top among them is noise level, asphalt/concrete where trees are now, and an increase in population that might require oversight.

Let me suggest an idea more in keeping with the existing site as a quiet, shaded oasis, able to be used by small, diverse groups

of people--- and much cheaper

too I believe.

Just about all the communities in the county offer free Tai Chi multiple times a week: Suttons Bay, Cedar, Northport (not sure about Leland but they (not sure about Leland but they have multiple activities at the Old Art Building). I would like to suggest funding for Tai Chi in Grove Park in the summer and a possible arrangement for indoors in the other months (The gym opposite St. Mary's?). Also, the park would be utilized more if activities were funded and organized—perhaps

even a regular children's playgroup or seniors coffee, a community sing, or a gathering for
the annual (but sparsely attended) July 4th reading of the
Declaration? A starting place
for the Bridge walk to celebrate
the new bridge?

Perhaps a grant with matching funds from individuals and
with community engagement it
could help boost community
health and strengthen social
engagement in Lake Leelanau.

Martha Encherman
Lake Leelanau

#### Weed shops not 'grandfathered in'

To the editor:

In "Northport rolls with marijuana despite challenge" (11/13/2019). Village president Steve Wetherbee (a beloved teacher) readily proffers his "legal opinion" that, even if Northport voters ban recreation-al weed shops in August 2020, "... such a marijuana company would be already grandfathered

..." Not so. In Northport, no applicant has yet applied, none is approved, no license was granted, and no weed store exists. Proponents' public notices in the Leelanau Enterprise caution that, until the

election, "marihuana license applicants proceed at their own risk. State law does NOT "grand-father in" applicants who have invested capital, time and/or resources if Village electors vote to adopt either or both ordinance(s)." When seeking a license renewal, the State asks a medical marijuana facility licensee "Whether there has been a change to an ordinance or a zoning regulation..." By this, State law clearly contemplates once a Village has opted-in to medical weed shops, it can just as quickly opt-out. The statute does NOT

"grand father in" any weed shop.
Opened one year, closed by the
Village trustees or voters the
next. Applicants must look
through the smoke.
Joan M. Brovins
Northport

#### Quid pro quo

To the editor:

Rep Bergman Our two votes for your reelection for your one vote to impeach Trump.

rump. Regards, Mary and Ron Tonneberger Omena



Glen Lake students put up holiday lights in trees on campus Friday to brighten things up during the darkest time of the year.

Photo courtesy of Glen Lake Community School

## Glen Lake students fight SAD with lights

The holiday season is often referred to as the "Season of Light" and middle and high school students at Glen Lake are putting out a little light of their own.

are putting out a little light of their own.
Friday during their respective "advisory" periods, they bundled up and armed with strings of lights, decorated trees around the school campus.
The idea for the activity began with a student sharing how his family put up a fantastic holiday light display that attracted a lot of people. And through conversations with the teacher "advisory" committee, evolved into something applicable right now, as we approach the whitest day of the year in terms of sunlight. The lack of sunlight is identified as the cause of seasonal depression, also known as sonal depression, also known as SAD (Seasonal Affective Disorder).

Friday's activity which took place during students "advisory" period also dovetailed nicely with issues identified in the district's wellness plan.

"We live in northern Michigan where we don't get a lot of sun," said teacher Dana Schloesser.

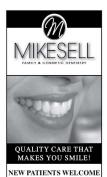
"So, we thought it would be good to have some sort of light to break up those gray days."

In a video announcement, Schloesser explained the reasons for Friday's activity.

"Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) is real. An estimated 10 million Americans are affected by it and 10 to 20% of people have mild SAD."

The lights will be lit from 5:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. daily.

"Looking out the window, it will be nice to see the warm glow of Christmas lights," Schloesser said. "They will be on when you get here and when you leave."





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Friday 1/2 Price Pizza (in house only 5-topm) Open at 2pm

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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC **HEARING**

A copy of the draft Parks, Recreation, Greenways, and Open Space Plan is available for public inspection in the Administrator's Office, Suite 101, 8527 E. Government Center Dr., Suttons Bay, Michigan, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or on the County website at

A Public Hearing with an opportunity for public comment on the Final Draft of the 2020-2024 Leelanau County Five-Year Parks. Recreation, Greenways, and Open Space Plan will be held during the Tuesday, December 10, 2019, Leelanau County Board of Commissioners Executive Board Session, at 9:30 a.m., in the Commissioner Meeting Room of the Leelanau County Government Center, 8527 E. Government Center Dr., Suttons Bay, MI.

Ledanau County will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities upon twenty-four (24) hours' notice to Leelanau County. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Leelanau County Clerk by calling as following:

Michelle L. Crocker, Leelanau County Clerk 231/256-9824

# LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC HEARING – Tuesday, December 10, 2019 2020-2024 FIVE-YEAR COMMUNITY PARKS, RECREATION, OPEN SPACE, & GREENWAY PLAN

Approved - December 17, 2019.

Proceedings of the meeting are being recorded (audio and video) and are not the official record of the meeting; the formally approved/accepted written copy of the minutes will be the official record of the meeting.

Meeting called to order by Chairman William J. Bunek at 9:32 a.m. Today's meeting is being held at the Government Center, 8527 Government Center Drive, Suttons Bay, Michigan.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was dispensed with, as it was recited at the prior Executive Board session.

Roll Call:	District #1	Anthony Ansorge	PRESENT
	#2	Debra L. Rushton	PRESENT
	#3	William J. Bunek	PRESENT
	#4	Ty Wessell	<b>PRESENT</b>
	#5	Patricia Soutas-Little	<b>PRESENT</b>
	#6	Carolyn Rentenbach	PRESENT
	#7	Melinda C. Lautner	PRESENT

Guests present.

<u>Public Comment:</u> None.

#### Purpose of the Public Hearing-

<u>Public Input on the proposed 2020-2024 Community Park, Recreation, Open Space, & Greenway Plan:</u>

Drain Commissioner Steve Christensen and Parks and Recreation Vice-Chairman Dave Barrons were present and gave a brief overview of the Plan to Commissioners. Christensen said they had been working along with Gosling Czubak over the past several months, holding hearings and monthly meetings. Christensen said he was happy with how the update came out and commented on plan items for Veronica Valley, Myles Kimmerly, and Old Settler's parks. The maps included in the document are the old ones, and Christensen said that GIS Analyst Rob Herman is finishing up the new maps. Barrons said the previous five-year plan was pretty broad in terms of directing the Parks & Recreation Commission in the subsequent years after it was adopted. Barrons said in addition to the new maps that will be coming, the pages at the end of the Plan are blank; however, a lot of work has gone into the planning items



# EXCERPT LEELANAU COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR SESSION — Tuesday, January 21, 2020

Parks and Recreation Commission – County Board Resolution Adopting the 2020-2024 Community Parks and Recreation Plan:

#024-01212020 Regular Session

MOTION BY RENTENBACH THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE LEELANAU COUNTY RESOLUTION #2020-002, ADOPTION OF THE 2020-2024 COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN. SECONDED BY WESSELL.

Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL: Rentenbach – YES; Rushton – NO; Soutas-Little – YES; Wessell – YES; Ansorge – YES; Bunek – YES; Lautner – YES.

AYES – 6 NO – 1 (Rushton) MOTION CARRIED.

#### Leelanau County Resolution #2020-002 Resolution Adopting the 2020-2024 Community Parks and Recreation Plan

WHEREAS, Leelanau County has undertaken an update of its Five-Year Community Parks and Recreation Plan, which provides an inventory of existing recreation facilities, prospective public facilities, and an action program to be taken for improvement and maintenance of recreation facilities during the period between 2020 and 2024, inclusive, and

WHEREAS, Leelanau County began the process of developing a community recreation and natural resource conservation plan in accordance with the most recent guidelines developed by the Department of Natural Resources and made available to local communities, and

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

WHEREAS, the public was given a well-advertised opportunity and reasonable accommodations to review the final draft plan for a period of at least 30 days, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on December 10, 2019, at the Leelanau County Government Center in Suttons Bay, Michigan, to provide an opportunity for all residents of the planning area to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the 2020-2024 Community Parks and Recreation Plan, and

WHEREAS, Leelanau County has developed the plan as a guideline for improving recreation and enhancing natural resource conservation for the Leelanau County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Leelanau County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the 2020-2024 Community Parks and Recreation Plan.



State of Michigan County of Leelanau

I, Michelle L. Crocker, Clerk of said County and Clerk of Circuit Court for said County, the same being a Court of record having a seal, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Record now remaining in my office and of the whole thereof. In Testimony whereof, I have hereto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Circuit Court the 29<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020.

Michelle L. Crocker, Leelanau County Clerk







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 <u>with</u> a completed checklist that has been signed by an authorized official(s) of the local unit of government(s) submitting the plan. Plans may be submitted at any time of the year, but no later than February 1 of the year the local unit of government is applying for grants.

PLAN INFO	RMATION					
Name of Plan:						
Leelanau County - 5-Year Recreation Plan	_					
List the community names (including school districts) that are covered under the plan and have passed a resolution adopting the plan.	County	Month and year plan adopted by the community's governing body				
Leelanau County	Leelanau	January 2020				
PLAN CO	DNTENT					
INSTRUCTIONS: Please check each box to certify that the listed i	nformation is included in	the <u>final</u> plan.				
☑ 1. COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION						
☑ 2. ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE						
□ Roles of Commission(s) or Advisory Board(s)						
Department, Authority and/or Staff Description and Organizational Chart						
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☐ Current Funding Sources						
⊠ Role of Volunteers						
Relationship(s) with School Districts, Other Public	Agencies or Private Org	janizations				
Recreation Authorities or Trailway Commissions Only:						
<ul> <li>Description of the Relationship between the Authority or Commission and the Recreation Departments of Participating Communities</li> </ul>						
☐ Articles of Incorporation						
☑ 3. RECREATION INVENTORY						
Description of Methods Used to Conduct the Inve	ntory					
☑ Inventory of all Community Owned Parks and Recreation Facilities						
☐ Location Maps (site development plans recommended but not required)						
☐ Status Report for all Grant-Assisted Parks and Recreation Facilities						
☐ Waterways Inventory (if applicable)						
☑ 4. RESOURCE INVENTORY (OPTIONAL)						

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	Type of Notice	Leelanau Enterp	rise	_
	Plan Location		Co. Admin Office	
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This completed checklist must be uploaded in MiRecGrants.

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### **TRANSMITTAL**

**Networks Northwest** C/o Matt McCauley PO Box 506 Traverse City, MI 49685-0506

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### **TRANSMITTAL**

Leelanau County - Planning and Community Development 8527 E. Government Center Dr., Suite 108 Suttons Bay, MI 49682

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#### PUBLIC OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT POST-COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT

This information required under author the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, 78 S	rity of Part 19, PA 451 of 1994, as amended Stat. 897 (1964); and Part 715, of PA 451 of			
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(Please select one) LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION				
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GRANTEE: Leelanau County				
PROJECT NUMBER: TF06-024	PROJECT TYPE: Acquisition			
PROJECT TITLE: Veronica Valley Park				
PROJECT SCOPE: Acquisition of 93 acres of	fee simple title, Towns	ship of Bingham		
TO BE COMPLETED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCY (GR		_		
Name of Agency (Grantee)		Title		
Leelanau County	Steven R. Christensen	Parks Commissioner		
Address	Telephone			
8527 E. Government Center Dr., Suite 101	231-256-9711			
City, State, ZIP	Email			
Suttons Bay, MI 49682	schristensen@co.leelanau	ı.mi.us		
SITE DEVELOPMENT				
Any change(s) in the facility type, site layout, or recreation	activities provided?			
If yes, please describe change(s).		⊠Yes □No		
Clubhouse was removed; parking was improved	l; walking/hiking trails w	ere established		
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SITE QUALITY				
Is there a park entry sign which identifies the property or fac-				
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## POST COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT - CONT'D ⊠Yes □No Is maintenance scheduled on a regular basis? If yes, give schedule. If no, please explain. A maintenance schedule is attached GENERAL Is a Program Recognition plaque permanently displayed at the site? If yes, please provide a ⊠Yes □No □N/A photograph. (Not required for Bond Fund Grants) Is any segment of the general public restricted from using the site or facilities? (i.e. resident only, league only, boaters only, etc.) If yes, please explain. ☐Yes ☐No Is a fee charged for use of the site or facilities? If yes, please provide fee structure. ☐Yes ☐No What are the hours and seasons for availability of the site? All four seasons, sunrise to sunset COMMENTS (ATTACH SEPARATE SHEET IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED) POST COMPLETION SELF-CERTIFICATION REPORT - CONT'D CERTIFICATION I do hereby certify that I am duly elected, appointed and/or authorized by the Grantee named above and that the information and answers provided herein are true and accurate to the best of my personal knowledge, information and belief. Steven R. Christensen 3/2/2020 Grantee Authorized Signature Date Please print 3/2/2020 Laurel S. Evans Please print Date

POST COMPLETION GRANT INSPECTION REPORTS

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

**GRANTS MANAGEMENT** 

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Send completed report to:



Attachment - Post-Completion Self-Certification Report, Veronica Valley Park Signage, Page 1 of 2



Park Entry sign



Attachment – Post-Completion Self-Certification Report, Veronica Valley Park Signage, Page 2 of 2



Program Recognition Plaque



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#### Veronica Valley Maintenance Plan

- Inspect playground equipment, trails, restrooms, parking lots, bridges, and ponds weekly.
- Mow/groom trails every other week or as needed.
- Trim trees as needed.
- Invasive species, both aquatic and other, are periodically removed.
- · Nine acres of prairie grasses were planted and are maintained.
- Two significant native tree plantings are located within enclosures.
- Maintain parking lots throughout the year.





## Grants Management Michigan Department of Natural Resources

Friday, February 28, 2020

#### **Grant History**

Grantee

Leelanau County - Leelanau County

Project No. TF06-024 Project County: Leelanau Project Year: 2006

Project Title: Veronica Valley Park

Project Status: Grant Closed Grant Amount: \$600,000.00

Project Description: Acquisition of 93 acres of land with 2,000 feet of frontage on Mebert Creek, a designated trout stream, and

over 47 acres of wetlands.

Total Number of Projects: 1

Total Amount of Grant Given: \$600,000.00