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PUBLIC NOTICE ACME TOWNSHIP

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
The Parks & Trails Meeting has been scheduled on
Monday, April 19th, at 4:00 p.m. This will be a hybrid
meeting you are welcome to attend in person (social
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**ACME TOWNSHIP PARKS & TRAILS MEETING
 ACME TOWNSHIP HALL & ZOOM/HYBRID
 6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg MI 49690
 April 19, 2021 4:00 p.m.**

ROLL CALL:

Committee:

	Heffner		Jenema		LaPointe		Timmins
	Wentzloff		Morrison		Vacancy		
	Kushman		Lamott				
	Wolf		Schut				

Advisory:

Staff:

- A. PUBLIC COMMENT:**
- B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**
- C. INQUIRY AS TO CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:**
- D. CORRESPONDENCE:**
 - 1.
- E. ACTION:**
 - 1. Approve Draft Parks & Trails Minutes 10.26.20
- F. OLD BUSINESS:**
 - 1. Bayside Playground Expansion
 - 2. Yuba Creek Natural Area
 - 3. Trails update
- G. NEW BUSINESS:**
 - 1. Meeting schedule going forward
 - 2. Park Capital Improvement
 - 3. Park Clean Up
- H. PUBLIC COMMENT**

ADJOURN:



**ACME TOWNSHIP PARKS & TRAILS MEETING
ZOOM MEETING
Monday, October 26, 2020 4:00 p.m.**

ROLL CALL:

Committee:

x	Heffner	x	Jenema	x	LaPointe
x	Wentzloff	x	Morrison	x	Timmins
Exc.	Kushman	x	Lamott		Vacancy
Staff:	Wolf	x	Donn		

Advisory:

Staff:

- A. PUBLIC COMMENT:** None
- B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by LaPointe to approve the agenda as present, supported by Timmins. Roll Call Motion carries.

Heffner requested to amended the agenda with update of the status under F. Old Business, 2. Bayside Park’s entrance sign, 3. Planting of cedar trees between Bayside Park and Acme Shell Station, 4. Mats for under the swings, 5. Bayside Park Wetland Garden Drainage, 6. Improving the turf in the open space, 7. Invasive species in landscaping around the park, 8. Yuba Creek Natural Area Trail to be cleared, 9. Signage for Yuba Creek Natural Area, 10. Velliquette easement for the loop trail in Yuba Creek Natural area.

Motion by Heffner to amend the agenda with additions as he requested, supported by LaPointe. Roll call motion carries.

- C. INQUIRY AS TO CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:** None
- D. CORRESPONDENCE:** None

Wolf mentioned she has been having bi-weekly contact with TART Trails and has received reports. They are working on the connector and Acme-Charlevoix trails and are making process.

E. ACTION:

1. Approve Draft Parks & Trails Minutes 07.20.20

Wolf informed the correction that was requested by Brian Kelley that was made at the June PT meeting during public comment was made. The correction was, there should be a sign in the Bayside Park restrooms because of the ground water contamination from the Shell Station fuel tank leak and not from COVID-19 as was in the minutes.

Heffner said under F. Old Business, 1. Bayside Playground Expansion, in fifth sentence it should read installation and not insulation.

Also, under G. New Business, 1. Bayside Wet Garden, his comment on building a low berm around the plant space should be special edging to define the wetland garden to keep water out, weeding the grass from the garden and to use cedar bark around the inside of the perimeter.

Motion by Wentzloff to approve the minutes of 07.20.20 with correction for Brian Kelley and the two made from Heffner, supported by Heffner. Roll Call Motion carried with Timmins and Morrison recused because they were not in attendance at that meeting.

F. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Bayside Playground Expansion

Wolf spoke of the revised plan given by Rich Sinclair to create a flow throughout the park. She and Lamott walked the dimensions from his plan and what he is proposing would encompass the

entire waterfront from the sway swings, to the little building where the garden equipment is stored. The design has issues, it would require some tree removal and going into the drainage from the wet garden that could not be touched. She suggested to do a couple of phases. The first being to incorporate both regular and handicap swings with engineering wood chips to tie into the where the existing net climber is. It would keep from removing trees and would preserve the view of the bay. It would be handicap assessable and the swings can be used by any age. This first phase would be more realistic price wise with having some of it donated.

LaPointe commented it would be helpful for him if there was an overshoot of the park where the trees are located to help determine where to place playground equipment.

Timmins is concerned of the equipment taking over the entire lakeshore and becoming too filled with equipment. It will not be useable for groups who gather there. People go on their own to have family gatherings and weddings. Maybe a sign is needed to advise these events to not take over the park.

Wolf informed the reason for the spread of equipment is there is so much space required for safety clearance.

Heffner felt to add a slide on a platform would be something you could see through and not block the view of the water. He would like to go ahead with the swings but wait until spring to walk the park and decide on which areas for other equipment, so no trees need to be removed.

The committee agreed on the first phase with the swings. Jenema confirmed the swings will get on the list to do in the area as suggested and get a new proposal from Rich Sinclair.

Wolf stated the swing pod would be an estimated cost around \$8,000-\$9,000.

Heffner mentioned this could be doable with donations.

Jenema will talk with the board on a vote for moving forward on a way to get donations.

2. Status on the park's entrance sign

Jenema informed the sign has been ordered. Lamott has moved the plants that were there in preparation for the sign. Wolf said a check has been sent for payment and they were going to get it in placed before the frost hits.

3. Status of Trees between Bayside Park and Acme Shell Station.

Jenema said 8 trees have been planted and are hooked up with irrigation.

Heffner said this will stop people from driving thru from the Shell Station to the park. Wolf added this hopefully will also help with the snow plowing issue.

4. Mats for under swings

Jenema said one of the mats for the swings is down. Wolf explained they were testing how it held up to the traffic and the additional one will be installed any day. She explained they are all seasonal mats and can tolerate the winter.

5. Bayside Park Wetland Garden Drainage.

Jenema gave an update on the wetland garden. An inventory of the plants was done and many are still alive. Lamott thought of moving some rocks on the property around the area as an edging for a natural flow.

Wentzloff said she and Heffner could meet up with Lamott to help with the edging and rocks.

Jenema said Doug White has a friend who does that kind of work and she will get with him on it. She would like to add this item to old business on next meeting's agenda to discuss. The township tractor can move up to 500 pounds for the rocks.

6. Improving the Turf in the Open Space

Jenema said Lamott informed there has been three fertilizations, one with sulfur and two fertilized per the recommendation of the soil testing that was done. Hopefully in the spring it will make the turf thicker and greener.

LaPointe informed there is a program that has been laid out that goes on for the next two years for the turf. It will be an on-going process.

7. Invasive species in the landscaping around the park

Heffner stated there was Autumn Olive and Black Locust trees growing up in some of the islands and storm water retention. Also, Golden Rod which is a native plant had grown quite aggressive. He received permission from White to cut them off and he brushed the stumps with concentrated roundup. This will be an ongoing issue he will continue to take care of.

Jenema informed Lamott has mowed the Autumn Olive down to try to keep it down.

LaPointe said there is Autumn Olive in the ditch along US-31 and he offered to help with Lamott to remove it.

Jenema said Lamott and White have discussed that issue and have it on the list to do in this fall.

8. Yuba Creek Trail to be cleared

Heffner said the trail at Yuba Creek Natural area is overgrown. The Land Conservatory worked there with a brush cutter and trim it up where you come in. It will need to be kept up.

LaPointe said there is not a loop, it is a walk back the same way you come in. The Trail that was cut down by the AmeriCorps workers is a foot path not a trail. It goes to the north and heading to the south there is no way around. There's not an easement on the Velliquette property to complete the loop. He spoke with Nels Velliquette with a good plan and felt he would agree to allow the path easement. Not hearing from him he contacted him, and he came back saying he was not interested in negotiating this. The idea of a loop trail needs to be abandoned through his area or create a different path. LaPointe suggested getting a gentleman in Kalkaska who has the mulcher machinery to cut down the bush to make a new 6-foot path. Once he completed this, it would need to be maintained manually. For less than \$500 he could make a trail. The PT committee would need to walk the area to see where it could go.

Morrison informed he is very familiar with this property and could help work on what needed to be done.

Heffner was concerned with hikers tripping on the roots from the mowed bush.

LaPointe said after this is done the area gets chewed up good.

Morrison said the mulcher that would be used, goes down into the dirt and flattens it out very well.

9. Signage for Yuba Creek Natural Area

Heffner stated this is a potential place for people to take hikes, but they can't find it. There is no sign along US-31 and when heading north there is a crest in the hill and the turn off is right there with no indication. He contacted the GT Land Conservatory requesting them to develop a signage proposal and what portion of the cost they would cover. Ideally needed would be a sign for north of the entrance into the overlook and one south. Also, an entrance sign stating Yuba Creek Natural Area at the turn off just behind the right a-way. A kiosk is needed to inform on what trails are there. White told him there is no money in the township budget for signage, but maybe they can get donors.

10. Velliquette easement for the loop trail in Yuba Creek Natural area.

This was covered.

Jenema suggested to keep the topics of the Yuba Creek trail, wetland garden, entrance sign and updated swing quote for the next meeting.

The playground expansion will be left to discuss in the spring after the committee walks the park.

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Election of Officers

LaPointe nominated Jenema for the Parks & Trails Chair, Jenema accepted.

Motion by LaPointe to nominate Jenema for the Parks & Trails Chair, supported by Timmins. Roll call motion carries.

Wentzloff nominated Timmins for Parks & Trails Vice Chair, Timmins accepted.

Motion by Wentzloff to nominate Timmins for the Parks & Trails Vice Chair, supported by LaPointe. Roll call motion carries.

LaPointe nominated Heffner for Parks & Trails Secretary, supported by Wentzloff. Heffner declined to accept. This position will remain open.

Jenema stated there is a vacancy to be filled on the committee and two people are interested in joining. Doug White will give a recommendation to the board and they will vote on it.

H. PUBLIC COMMENT: Opened at 5:03 pm

Jenema said there is a teacher who would like to have students in the middle school age range to help with the park this fall and next spring. Lamott gave options of edging around the sidewalk, cleaning up beach area, picking up sticks and helping with painting the pavilion and benches.

Timmins asked if on the new TART trail, they are taking out the Autumn Olive and wondered if they putting anything on it so it wouldn't grow back? Jenema said Chris Kushman with help from the Northern Michigan Bike Association have worked on the trail with roundup to keep in down.

ADJOURN: Motion by Timmins to adjourn, seconded by Heffner. Meeting adjourned at 5:07 pm



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11/13/2020
 Quote #100055-01-04

North Bayside Park - Playground Area Opt 2 - Swings Only

ACME TOWNSHIP HALL
 Attn: Lindsey Wolf
 6042 ACME RD
 WILLIAMSBURG, MI 49690-9445
 Phone: 231-938-1350

Ship to Zip 49610

Quantity	Part #	Description	Unit Price	Amount
1	RDU	GameTime - 3 Swing Set with Seats	\$4,516.00	\$4,516.00
		(1) 5167 -- Expression Swing Tandem		
		(2) SS8910 -- Belt Seat 3 1/2" /8' W/Clevis		
		(1) 5148 -- Xscape Swing Aab 3 1/2" X 8'		
		(1) 26119 -- Ada Xscape Swing		
1170	EWf (Engineered Wood Fiber)	GT-Impax - EWf Safety Surfacing 12" Deep	\$1.53	\$1,790.10
1	161290	GameTime - Geo-Textile 2250 Sqft Roll	\$681.00	\$681.00
1	INSTALL	Installation - Installation of Swings, Curbs, and EWf- Does not include acceptance of delivery, unloading of equipment, or storage of equipment	\$3,250.00	\$3,250.00
1	4858	GameTime - Access Playcurb-W/Adap	\$547.00	\$547.00
35	4862	GameTime - 12" Playground Border	\$54.00	\$1,890.00
			Sub Total	\$12,674.10
			Discount	(\$569.65)
			Freight	\$1,007.19
			Total	\$13,111.64

Comments

All installation is curbs above grade. No excavation required. Please note the ramps are to give ADA Access to the playareas from the surrounding grades.

This quotation is subject to policies in the current GameTime Playground Catalog and the following terms and conditions. Our quotation is based on shipment of all items at one time to a single destination, unless noted, and changes are subject to price adjustment. Purchases to be supported by your written purchase order made out to GAMETIME C/O SINCLAIR RECREATION.

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Please make P.O.s out to GameTime C/O Sinclair Recreation

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Purchase Amount: \$13,111.64

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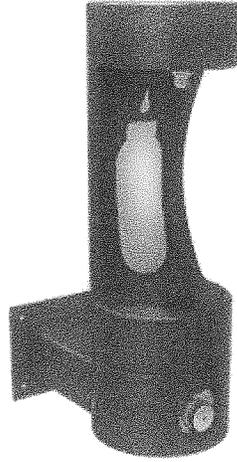
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Model LK4405BF Description

GENERAL

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This fountain is certified by WQA to lead-free compliance including NSF/ANSI 61-ANNEX G, AB 1953. This model complies with the lead-free definition in the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1986 and Lead Contamination Act of 1988.

CONSTRUCTION

Bottle Filler: Heavy-duty steel construction with rounded design. Laminar flow minimizes splash and allows easy maintenance. Quick fill rate at 1 gallon per minute.

Pushbutton Actuation Mechanism: Self-closing, vandal-resistant pushbutton does not require grasping or twisting.

Inlet Strainer: Easily cleaned in-line strainer screen traps particles of 140 microns or larger before they enter the waterway.

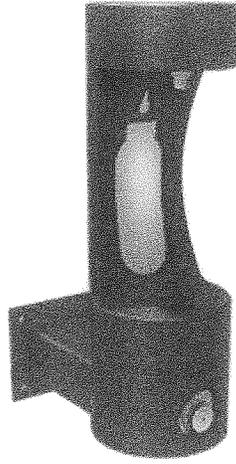
Access Panel: Manufactured of heavy-gauge steel with vandal-resistant screws. Provides access for easy hook-up of all plumbing connections.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**THE WATERSHED CENTER PARTNERS WITH GREAT LAKES WATERKEEPERS ON
TRASH-FREE GREAT LAKES GRANT**

Traverse City, MI – Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper has received a federal grant from the Environmental Protection Agency’s Great Lakes Restoration Initiative for nearly \$300,000 to lead an effort across the Great Lakes Basin for coordinated cleanups through 2022. The effort will help keep drinking water resources safe and protect habitats throughout the Great Lakes Basin.

Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper and its partners, Seneca Park Zoo, Friends of the Detroit River, The Watershed Center Grand Traverse Bay, and Milwaukee Riverkeeper, will utilize the federal funding to coordinate trash clean up events and awareness campaigns in their five respective Great Lakes communities in 2021 and 2022, with the goal of removing 68 metric tons of trash from 17,120 acres by the end of 2022.

Litter pollution in the Great Lakes basin is increasing and is a threat to many communities’ drinking water quality and the habitats of native fish and wildlife species. Therefore, in addition to the cleanups over the next two years, the coalition hopes to add 10 additional Great Lakes communities to the collective effort, dubbed “The Great Lakes Cleanup,” by 2025.

“Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper is honored to lead this effort, and we are grateful for EPA’s support for this multi-state, multi-lake collaborative effort,” said Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper Executive Director Jill Jedlicka. “We are thrilled to be able to work with our fellow Waterkeeper organizations around the Great Lakes, who are some of the most effective water advocates in the world. Our collective action and cooperation are intended to benefit the health and future of the millions of people and species that call the Great Lakes Basin their home and we can’t wait to mobilize thousands more citizens and volunteers in these clean-up efforts.”

“EPA’s new, innovative Trash-Free Great Lakes program underscores the administration’s commitment to protecting and preserving these binational treasures,” said EPA Region 5 Administrator Kurt Thiede. “EPA is proud to support Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper and all of our partners through this inaugural round of grants as we work to address the issue of litter and debris in the Great Lakes.”

"We are thrilled to collaborate with Waterkeepers across the Great Lakes basin to pick up litter in and around our Great Lakes. In the Grand Traverse Bay watershed, near-record high water levels have resulted in litter and debris scattered across our beaches and near-shore waters," said Grand Traverse BAYKEEPER® Heather Smith. "The Trash Free Water grant will give us the opportunity to remove some of this larger debris, such as patio furniture and dock sections, that have been scattered by high water and wave action."

"We are excited to partner with our other Great Lakes Waterkeepers to address the real problem of trash and single-use plastics that threaten the water quality, wildlife, and aesthetic beauty of our Great Lakes and its tributaries," said Riverkeeper Cheryl Nenn of Milwaukee Riverkeeper. "Working together we can raise awareness of simple things that people can do to reduce trash at the source, as well as foster an army of Great Lakes volunteers to clean up trash before it can enter into the Great Lakes, which is the source of drinking water for 40 million Americans and Canadians."

"As an organization that has been involved in clean-ups for over 20 years, Friends of the Detroit River has witnessed firsthand the value these events have had in uniting volunteers, fostering relationships, creating stewards for our river, and the positive impacts they have had on our natural resources and the communities that surround them," said Friends of the Detroit River Chairman David Howell. "Our organization is thrilled to expand our efforts in partnership with this grant opportunity to reach the broader Great Lakes region, because we all share and benefit from this interconnected system."

"The Seneca Park Zoo Society is extremely proud to be asked to take part in this effort for the city of Rochester," said Director of Programming and Conservation Action for Seneca Park Zoo Society Tom Snyder. "Working together with these great cities and organizations will help build sustainability for the benefit of everybody that lives near any of the Great Lakes."

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The Watershed Center is a non-profit organization that advocates for clean water in Grand Traverse Bay and acts to protect and preserve its 1,000-square mile watershed, which covers portions of Grand Traverse, Leelanau, Antrim, and Kalkaska counties. Learn more at www.gtbay.org.