



**HAMBURG TOWNSHIP
PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE
REGULAR (Rescheduled) MEETING AGENDA
Hamburg Township Board Room
Monday, August 29, 2022 – 7:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge to the Flag
3. Roll Call of the Board
4. Call to the Public
5. Approval of the Agenda
6. Approval of the Minutes
 - A. July 26, 2022 – Regular Meeting (Will be posted/distributed by 8/29)
7. Correspondence
 - A. Hamburg Township Historical Museum Newsletter
8. Current Business
 - A. Master Plan Renewal
 1. Project Presentation - Spicer Group
 2. Survey Results - Review
 3. Public Input Session
 4. Timeline Review and Next Steps
9. Old Business
 - A. Parks & Recreation Master Plan/Pending Grants/Supervisor Report**
 1. Iron Belle Trail/Lakelands Trail Projects – Supervisor Update
 - Hay Creek Bridge Ribbon Cutting – September 9, 2022 – 2:30 p.m.
 - Trail Maintenance Project – Funding request being processed
 - Huron River free-span Bridge Grant – No Update
 2. 5-year Parks Master Plan – See above
 3. Bennett Park & Water Trail Access Improvements – Grant #TF22-0107 - No Update
 - B. Township Park Use Policy/Fee/Procedures**
 1. Park Facility Use Policy – In Progress

- Park Use Policy updates – In Progress
- Community Center Policy & Fee change – In Progress
- Administrative Policy updates – In Progress

C. Administrative Services

1. Park Coordinator's Report – August 2022
 - A. Updated Blackout List 2022
2. Senior Center Report – August 2022
3. Scholarship Request – None
4. Park Use Requests:
 - A. None

D. Special Projects

1. East Park Playground Renovation Project – Update
2. Baseball Dugout Renovation Project – Work underway
3. Pickleball – Update
4. RC Truck Track Proposal - Update

E. Sponsorships/Volunteerism

1. Amenities and Beautification Committee
 - A. Adopt a Garden/Memorial Bench/Tree Project – Update

F. Signage and Community Awareness

1. Wayfinding Signage – Update
2. Hamburg Historical Sign in Hamburg Cemetery – Sign Ordered, Dedication Date TBD

G. Risk Management (Insurance/ADA)

1. ADA Compliance in Parklands – Update
10. Call to the Public
11. Committee Comments
12. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date:

Parks Committee: September 27, 2022 – 3:00 p.m.

Pledge to the Flag



No
Information



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Hamburg, MI 48139

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hamburgmuseum.org
(URL coming soon)



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VISITING HOURS

11 am-3 pm
Weds. & Sats.

The Wave

Newsletter of the Hamburg Township Historical Society • August 2022

Join Us for Our “Four Weeks of Famous Families” Lecture Series

How much do you really know about the settlers of Hamburg Township? Can you name the first five to purchase land here? Or explain the impact of the Grisson brothers who – besides suggesting the name of the township – also had a hand in local government, business, and agriculture? What about the family that’s responsible for the most connections (through marriage) in the area? And, though you may have heard about Governor Edwin Winans, what do you know about the careers of his children? Well, all of these questions and more will be answered throughout the month of August in a new lecture series called “Four Weeks of Famous Families.”

The first talk, focused on the Grissons, will be a Zoom presentation because the speaker – scholar Leon Ruterbories – lives in Germany. The next three lectures will all be live at the museum and will focus on the DeWolfs, the Halls, and the Winans.

Admission is free and refreshments will be available. Please join us for this unique educational event!



James DeWolf (behind the wagon’s right wheel) took his job seriously. As road commissioner for the township, he used his own team to improve the road that became M-36. James was the grandson of settler Jason DeWolf.

DIVE INTO YOUR HISTORY

THANK YOU TO THE TOWNSHIP BOARD AND CINDY MICHNIEWICZ!

Last month, the Hamburg Township Board of Trustees concluded two-and-half years of providing operational support to the Historical Society. Noted society president Karl Bangert, "That support enabled us to hire a temporary museum administrator, develop a strategic plan, begin to modernize our exhibits, and expand our educational efforts. We're so grateful to Pat Hohl and the entire board for believing in us and embracing our dream of making the museum a critical cultural resource that the whole area can enjoy."

Special thanks to our township liaison, Cindy Michniewicz, who supported us in all areas of operation – even baking cookies for the teas!

WHAT'S NEW?

- A member of the family who owned the Hamburg Hotel named **Janet Rae recently donated a nine-patch quilt sewn by her grandmother Bertha Winkelhaus** to our collection. Janet says, "It was pieced together by her when she was a member of the sewing circle at [St. Stephen's] Episcopal Church... and I finished it off with wadding, a backing, and hand quilting." The quilt will be on temporary display at the museum starting in September.



Day camp director Heather Harrison engages children in a Native-American memory game.

- We had a wonderful time hosting a group of 7- to 9-year-olds at the museum for a July history day camp exploring the lives of 19th-century children. If you have teaching experience and would like to **join our education committee to help plan a full slate** of such activities for 2023, call the museum at 810-986-0190.

WHAT'S NEW CONTINUED

- The historical society is talking with John Yost, director of Flyer Paranormal, about **organizing another investigation of paranormal activity in late October**. Watch for more news in future issues of this newsletter.

WHAT'S COMING?

AUGUST 10
FREE TALK on
"The Grisson Family"
by Leon Ruterbories
6 pm on Zoom

AUGUST 17
FREE TALK on
"The DeWolf Family"
by Vicky Terry
7 pm at the museum

AUGUST 24
FREE TALK on
"The Winans Family"
by Valerie Winans
7 pm at the museum

AUGUST 31
FREE TALK on
"The Hall Family"
by Teresa Tegels
7 pm at the museum

**HELP US
PRESERVE AND
PRESENT
THE HISTORY
OF HAMBURG.
JOIN THE
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY!**

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email address* _____

ANNUAL DUES

☐ Individual \$20.00 ☐ Dual \$25.00 ☐ Family \$30.00

☐ Business \$50.00 ☐ Life \$300.00 (one lifetime payment)

*ADD \$12 to receive paper newsletters via USPS; email copies are free.

Please make your check payable to the Hamburg Township Historical Society. Mail it with this form to P.O. Box 272, Hamburg, MI 48139 or drop it off at the museum at 7225 Stone Street during visiting hours.

BENNETT PARK - EAST

MIKE L. LEVINE LAKELANDS TRAIL STATE

PICKLEBALL

TOWNSHIP
OFFICES

SENIOR / COMMUNITY CENTER

T-BALL FIELDS

PAVILION

CONCESSIONS

PLAYGROUND

BATTING
CAGES

PRACTICE FOOTBALL / RUGBY FIELDS

NATURE TRAILS

BALLFIELDS

PARKING

EVENT SPACE

VOLLEYBALL COURT

FOOTBALL FIELD

RC FIELD

MERRILL RD



1000 ft

BENNETT PARK - WEST



MIKE L. LEVINE LAKELANDS TRAIL STATE PARK

HURON RIVER WATER
TRAIL - BENNETT LAUNCH

TRAILHEAD PARKING

INFORMATIONAL KIOSK

OVERFLOW
PARKING

MERRILL FIELD
DISC GOLF
COURSE

TRAILS

ADULT FITNESS EQUIPMENT

PLAYGROUND

CONCESSIONS &
RESTROOMS

PARKING

PARKING

INFORMATIONAL KIOSK

SOCCER FIELDS

SCENIC OVERLOOK
BOARDWALK

HURON RIVER

MERRILL RD



1000 ft

LAKELANDS TRAIL
TRAILHEAD

PETTYSVILLE RD

E MICHIGAN RD (M-36)

TRAILHEAD ENTRANCE

INFORMATIONAL KIOSK

PARKING

PUMP TRACK

BIKE RACK
ADA PARKING
PORTABLE TOILET



300 ft

**WINKELHAUS PARK
&
LAKELANDS TRAIL
TRAILHEAD**

HAMBURG RD

HORSESHOES

PICNIC AREA

GABEZO

INTERPRETIVE SIGN

NATURE TRAIL LOOP

BENCH

INFORMATIONAL KIOSK

MIKE L. LEVINE LAKELANDS TRAIL STATEPARK

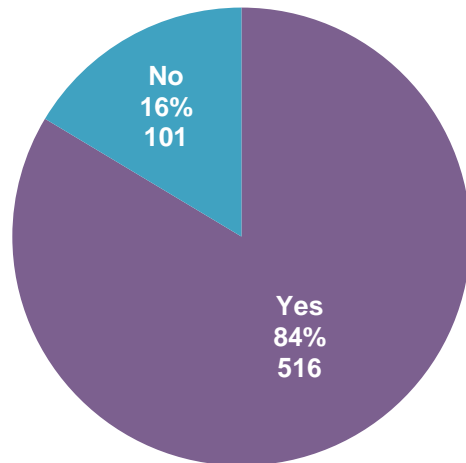
TRAILHEAD PARKING

100 ft

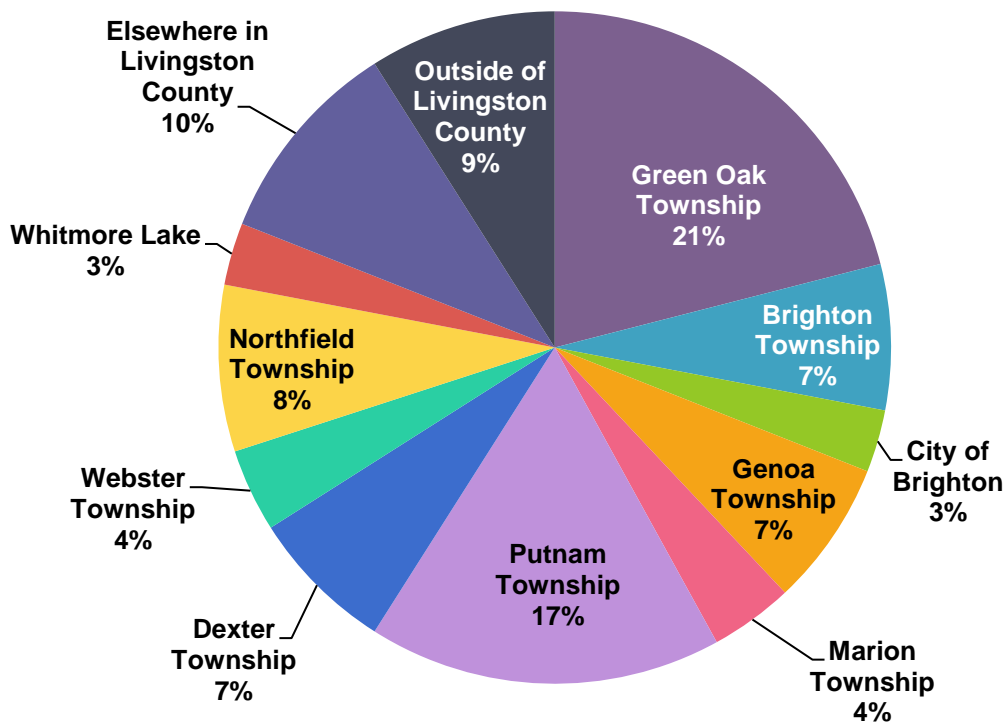
2022 Recreation Plan Survey Results

Responses: 621
Completed: 100%

1. Are you a Hamburg Township resident and/or business or property owner?

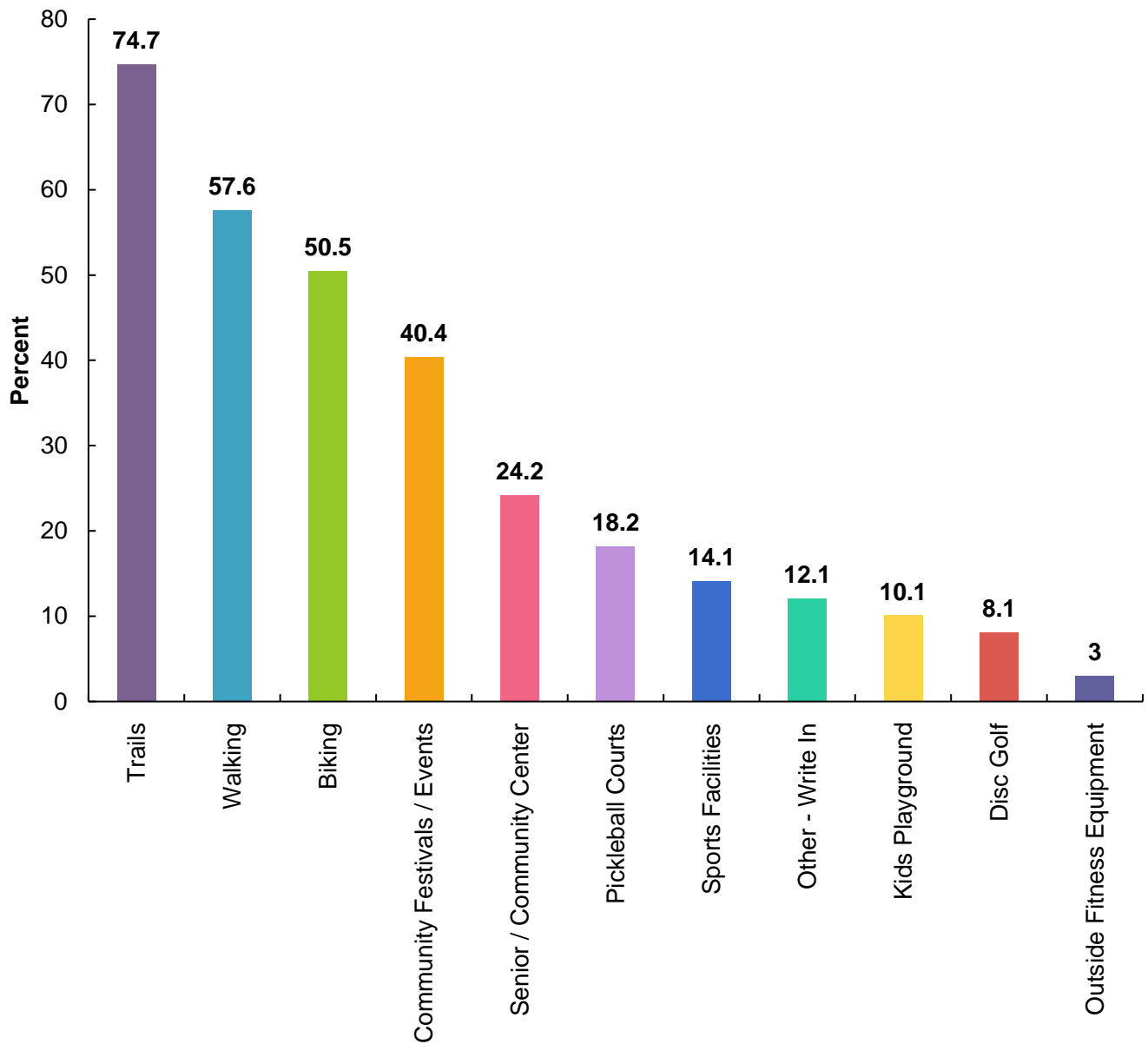


2. If you are not a Hamburg Township resident and/or business or property owner, where do you live?



| Value | Percent | Count |
|--------------------------------|---------|------------|
| Green Oak Township | 21.0% | 21 |
| Putnam Township | 17.0% | 17 |
| Elsewhere in Livingston County | 10.0% | 10 |
| Outside of Livingston County | 9.0% | 9 |
| Northfield Township | 8.0% | 8 |
| Brighton Township | 7.0% | 7 |
| Genoa Township | 7.0% | 7 |
| Dexter Township | 7.0% | 7 |
| Marion Township | 4.0% | 4 |
| Webster Township | 4.0% | 4 |
| City of Brighton | 3.0% | 3 |
| Whitmore Lake | 3.0% | 3 |
| Totals | | 100 |

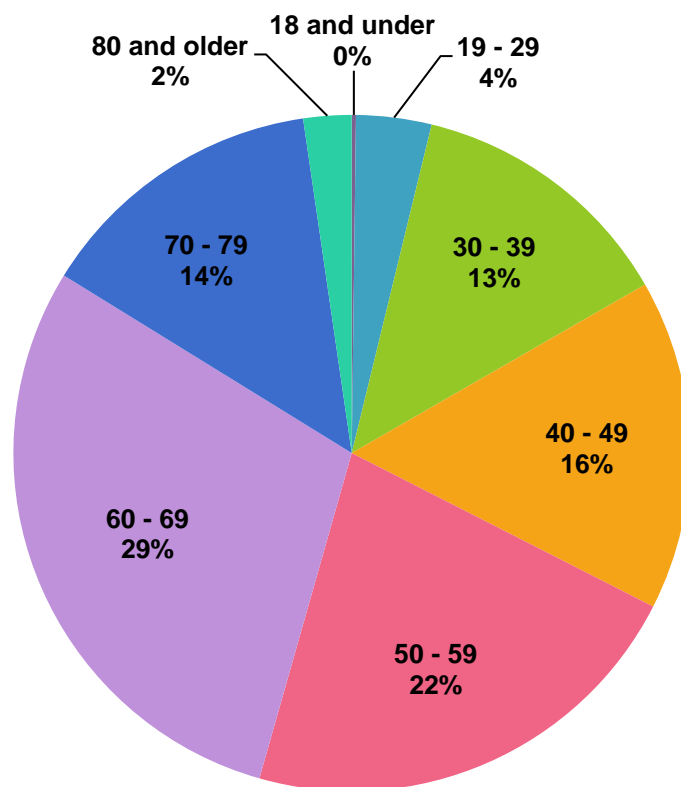
3. How do you use Hamburg Township parks and recreation facilities? Please check all that apply.



Other – Write In

- Running (2)
- Inline skating
- R/C Airplane Field (5)
- cards
- geocaching

4. What is your age range?



| Value | Percent | Count |
|--------------|---------|-------|
| 18 and under | 0.2% | 1 |
| 19 - 29 | 3.6% | 22 |
| 30 - 39 | 12.9% | 79 |
| 40 - 49 | 15.8% | 97 |
| 50 - 59 | 21.9% | 134 |
| 60 - 69 | 29.4% | 180 |
| 70 - 79 | 13.9% | 85 |
| 80 and older | 2.3% | 14 |
| | Totals | 612 |

5. How frequently do you visit or use Township parks and facilities?

| | Daily | Frequently (a couple of times per week) | Infrequently (a couple of times per month) | Rarely (a couple of times per year) | Never | Responses |
|--|-----------------|--|---|--|--------------|-----------|
| Baseball Diamonds Count Percent | 15 2.6% | 107 18.7% | 88 15.4% | 78 13.7% | 283 49.6% | 571 |
| Boardwalk Count Percent | 17 3.0% | 146 25.3% | 191 33.2% | 148 25.7% | 74 12.8% | 576 |
| Disc Golf Count Percent | 1 0.2% | 30 5.3% | 50 8.8% | 83 14.6% | 405 71.2% | 569 |
| Flyer's/RC Field Count Percent | 10 1.7% | 30 5.2% | 40 7.0% | 80 13.9% | 415 72.2% | 575 |
| Football Practice Area Count Percent | 4 0.7% | 26 4.6% | 25 4.4% | 64 11.4% | 444 78.9% | 563 |
| Hamburg Historical Museum Count Percent | 0 0% | 8 1.4% | 31 5.5% | 169 29.8% | 360 63.4% | 568 |
| Hamburg Senior Center Count Percent | 16 2.7% | 73 12.3% | 49 8.3% | 99 16.7% | 355 60.0% | 592 |
| Hamburg Community Center Count Percent | 2 0.4% | 27 4.8% | 50 8.9% | 127 22.5% | 358 63.5% | 564 |
| Kayak Launch Site Count Percent | 2 0.4% | 24 4.2% | 50 8.8% | 100 17.6% | 391 69.0% | 567 |
| Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail State Park Count Percent | 75 12.9 % | 222 38.1% | 152 26.1% | 64 11.0% | 69 11.9% | 582 |
| Outdoor Workout Stations Count Percent | 1 0.2% | 25 4.4% | 85 14.9% | 151 26.4% | 310 54.2% | 572 |
| Pickleball Count Percent | 14 2.4% | 34 5.9% | 41 7.2% | 56 9.8% | 427 74.7% | 572 |
| Playground - Baseball side Count Percent | 4 0.7% | 38 6.7% | 59 10.4% | 82 14.4% | 387 67.9% | 570 |
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| | Daily | Frequently (a couple of times per week) | Infrequently (a couple of times per month) | Rarely (a couple of times per year) | Never | Responses |
|---|------------|--|---|--|--------------|-----------|
| Playground - Soccer side Count Percent | 6 1.1% | 37 6.5% | 62 10.9% | 95 16.7% | 368 64.8% | 568 |
| Soccer Fields Count Percent | 7 1.2% | 37 6.5% | 45 8.0% | 101 17.9% | 375 66.4% | 565 |
| Trailhead Parking Count Percent | 26 4.5% | 162 28.2% | 161 28.0% | 106 18.4% | 120 20.9% | 575 |
| Volleyball Area Count Percent | 2 0.4% | 12 2.1% | 25 4.4% | 43 7.6% | 483 85.5% | 565 |
| Winklehaus Park Count Percent | 5 0.9% | 19 3.4% | 59 10.5% | 94 16.7% | 386 68.6% | 563 |
| I don't frequent or use Township parks or facilities Count Percent | 27 5.7% | 100 21.1% | 109 23.0% | 110 23.3% | 127 26.8% | 473 |

Other – Write In

Daily

- Allow an expansion of the disc golf course to the west side of the soccer fields. They are never used anymore.
- When my kids were young
- Trails in Hamburg portion of Brighton State Rec Area
- Please keep disc golf and rc field
- More trails. A giant dog park. One for big and one for small
- Lakeland trails
- Huron meadows
- How often do you think about other access points to the trail on the other side of M-36?

Frequently (a couple of times per week)

- Trail
- Splash pad
- Senior center
- Rc car track
- Library (2)
- Lakeland Trail (2)
- I use the parks mostly to walk my dog
- I bring my grandchildren to soccer, football, etc, often
- Huron river
- Dog park
- Brighton recreation trails
- Bike the trails

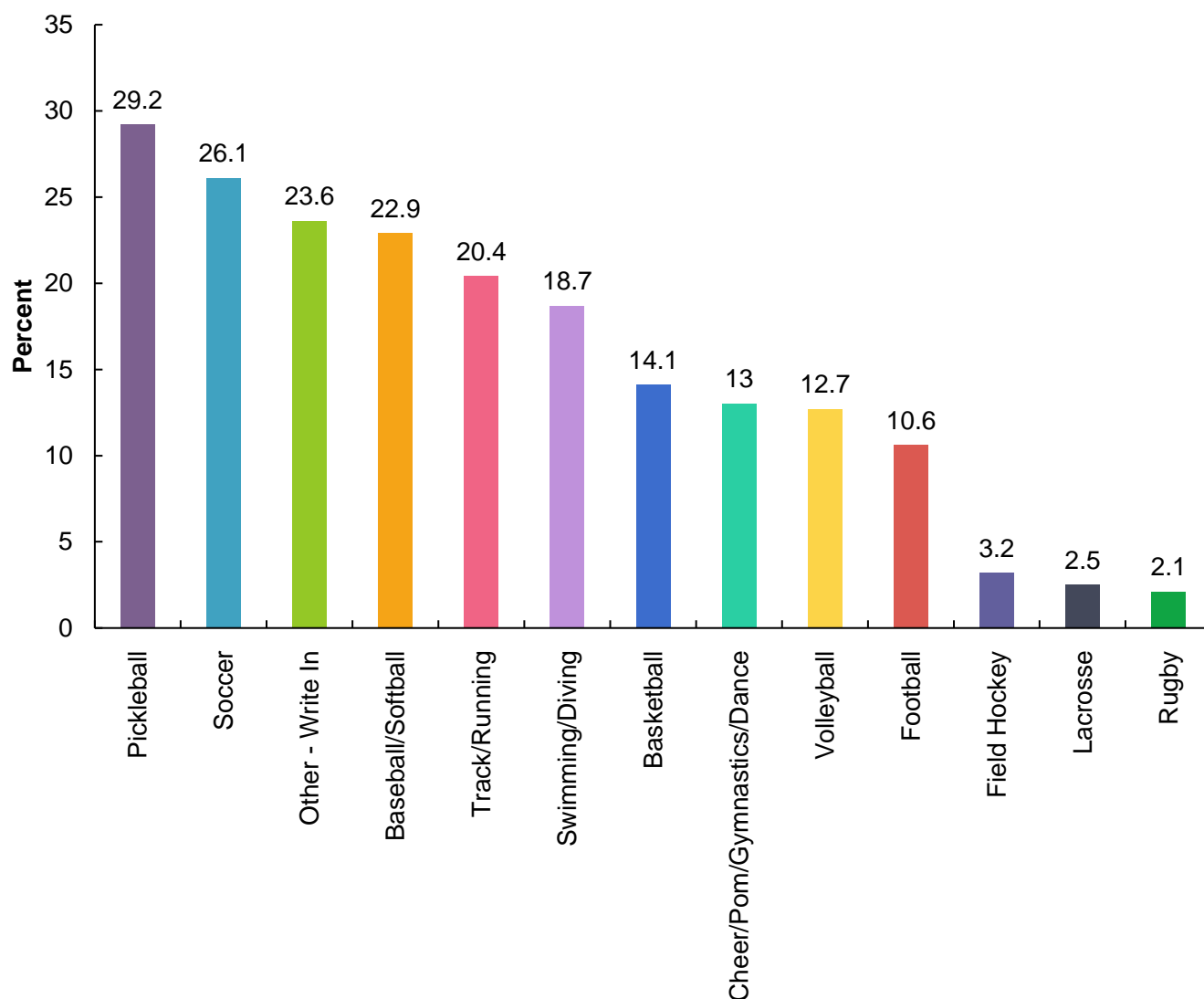
Infrequently (a couple of times per month)

- bicycle pump track
- Walking, biking, skating on trails
- Riverwalk off frisbee golf course
- Picnic area/Pavilion (2)
- Manly Bennett Park trails
- Library
- Bennet field
- Baseball fields

Rarely (a couple of times per year)

- Need more activities for seniors

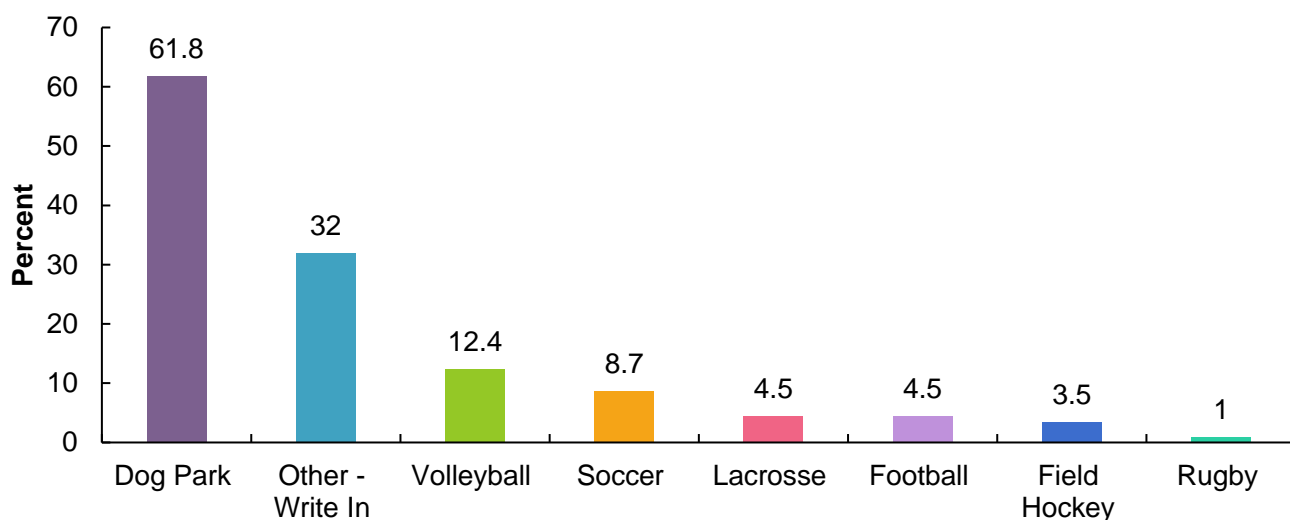
6. Do you or a member of your household play organized sports? If so, please check all that apply.



Other – Write In

- Golf
- Hockey
- Archery (2)
- Biking (5)
- Equestrian (4)
- Ice hockey (2)
- No/ None (5)
- Band
- Tennis (6)
- Bowling, wallyball
- Dance (2)
- Disc golf (3)
- RC Field (2)
- Dog Park/Dog Walking (3)
- Gymnastics
- Hiking/Walking (3)
- Kayaking/Canoeing (2)
- Karate
- Mountain biking (3)
- PHS Fishing team
- Sailing
- Use to, lil league baseball
- grandchildren do
- moto cross
- pickle ball
- roller blade hockey

7. If the Township were to add or change the fields at the parks, what type of fields would be most useful to you? Please check all that apply.






Other – Write In




- Pool (4)
- Pickleball (23)
- Tennis (5)
- Baseball (3)
- Basketball (3)
- Golf
- RC Car Track (10)
- Splash pad (5)
- 5k course
- A general use community park, not sports related
- A running track
- An indoor space that teams can use to practice in the winter. That new Fieldhouse in Brighton is going to be amazing for their community! I'd love for our teams to be able to practice year-round. Also, my daughter is a gymnast. We have to go all the way to Howell for practice multiple times a week. when she gets to high school, again, she can't practice locally. She has to practice with Fowlerville, Chelsea and Byron. It would be great to have a local facility
- Band Shell/Concerts/Amphitheater (4)
- Better canoe launch, accessible to Huron more directly.
- Bow Hunting
- Disc Golf (3)
- Dog park (2)
- Equestrian (3)
- cross country field or trails
- Fairground
- Extended bike path
- Farmer's Market
- Gymnastics mats/mini trampoline
- Handball courts
- Horse shoes
- I do not like dog parks. I like walking in the parks with my dog the way it is now.
- Ice hockey
- Keep Natural (3)
- Softball (3)
- Bike lanes along the roads that lead to the Lakelands Trail.
- More kayak parking/entrances
- Protected bike paths
- More space for funfest
- Pump track (2)
- Mountain Bike Trails/Obstacles (4)
- nature playground, playground upgrade
- None - More than enough facilities already available (2)
- Open fields
- Park with walking trails (3)
- Passive Recreation, Bocce Ball, Corn Hole, and shaded seating for reading, etc. would be nice
- Kite flying (2) / Rocket launching area
- Roller hockey (2)
- Ice hockey
- Skating Rink (2)
- Shuffleboard
- Karate/Tai Chi
- Toddler play equipment
- Xc ski trail grooming in winter
- archery
- single track bike trails
- A shade area for yoga
- Toddler play areas

8. Please provide your opinion regarding the following aspects of Township-operated parks and open spaces.

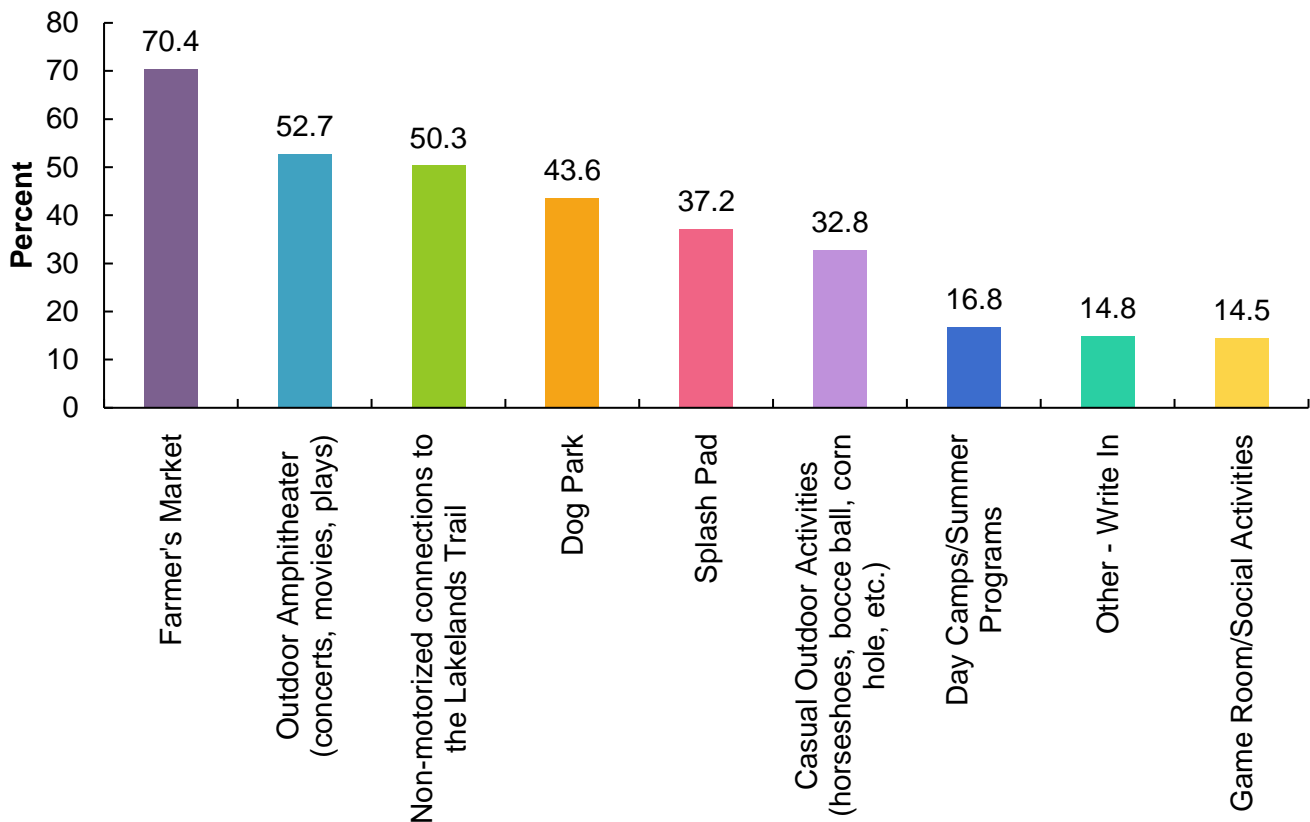
| | Satisfied | Somewhat Satisfied | Neutral | Unsatisfied | No Opinion/ Do Not Use | Responses |
|--|--------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Park Maintenance/Appearance Count Percent | 379 62.9% | 122 20.2% | 63 10.4% | 11 1.8% | 28 4.6% | 603 |
| Variety of Amenities/Facilities Count Percent | 279 46.5% | 162 27.0% | 102 17.0% | 22 3.7% | 35 5.8% | 600 |
| Safety and Security Count Percent | 351 58.7% | 121 20.2% | 87 14.5% | 13 2.2% | 26 4.3% | 598 |

9. Considering the resources and funds available, please rank the following statements by importance to you for Township-owned parks and open spaces over the next 5 years.

| Item | Overall Rank | Ranking | Score | Total Respondents |
|--|--------------|--|-------|-------------------|
| Maintain parks and facilities we have | 1 |  | 1,233 | 516 |
| Add facilities/amenities to the existing parks | 2 |  | 1,111 | 493 |
| Acquire more park space | 3 |  | 728 | 459 |

Lowest Rank    Highest Rank

10. Which NEW activities/amenities would you like to see more of in the Township parks? Please check all that apply.

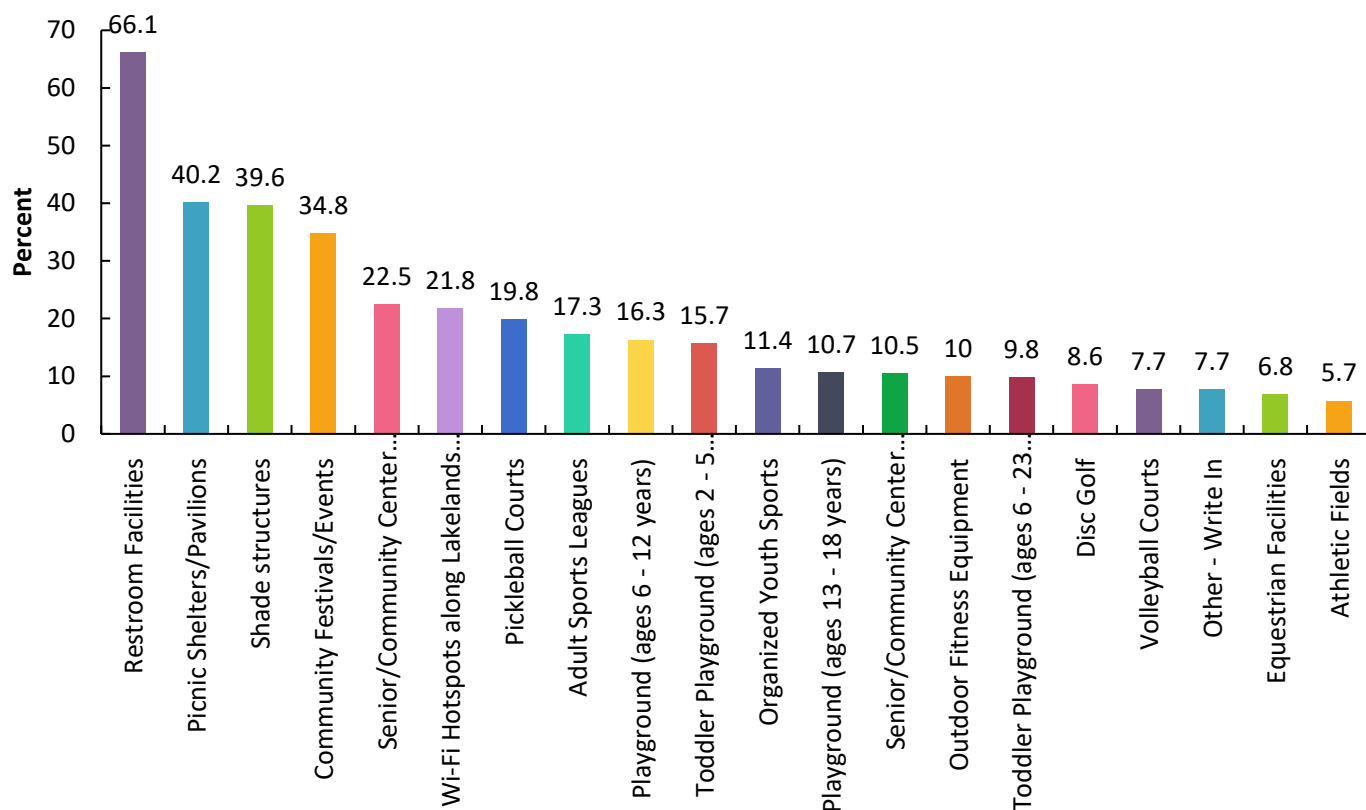


Other – Write In

- Pool (6)
- RC Car Track (8)
- Community Trunk Garage Sales (2)
- 5k course for running
- Pickleball (9)
- Shuffleboard
- Port-a-johns along the Lakeland Trail
- An area for civic festivals that not buried in the back corner in a weeded field
- Boat launch
- Bow Hunting
- Camping
- Chilson road should have a safe way to connect to the trail system.
- Connect B2B trail to Lakeland trail
- Enhanced kayaking on/off facilities
- Equestrian trails (2)
- Expand the play structures
- Fishing deck on the horseshoe creek by the Lakeland trail hamburg rd parking area
- General used community park
- Golf course
- Handball court
- I don't need the township trying to spend more money. They need to spend less
- Indoor fitness center for residents only like the Chelsea and dexter centers with pool and INDOOR TRACK
- It would be great if The Lakeland Trail could go down Whitewood and all the way up to Hudson Mills. I don't think that we need to re-create the metro parks. We are so lucky to have them so close by. We should strive to do something different
- More bathrooms along Lakeland Trail (2) They are very handy for long runs!

- More playgrounds for all ages and abilities (2)
- We frequently go to other towns for their playgrounds because neither at Merrill park can accommodate my two children at the same time
- More trail oriented facilities
- Motorized access to the Lakeland Trail
- Mountain bike obstacles, bike pump track,
- Mountain bike trails (2)
- Movies In the Park, other Events such as Music, Food Trailer Events, Craft Shows
- Natural areas
- Nature centers
- Nature trails / activities (2)
- More and regularly maintained with attention to dog exclusion and no light pollution.
- None
- Parking near the river at Bennett Park plus ability to launch kayaks and leave the river near there. So much of the Huron River in the twp is inaccessible because of lack of public access
- Paved road shoulders and more bike trails
- Permanent restrooms
- Planet fitness or life fitness
- Please consider all of the above. And perhaps even a mountain biking trail and a skateboard park
- Pond ice skating and fishing
- Tennis courts
- Public Boat Launches
- Better advertising/signage, improved/expanded playgrounds or naturescape
- RC flying area/ kite/ rocket launching area
- Paved parking lots for flat track, Dirt car tracks with jumps, Rock Crawler area., Flat dirt tracks.
- Roller hockey rink (2)
- Skating/hockey rink
- Sledding hill, ice skating
- Tai Chi
- Toddler play equipment
- Traditional Archery Range (NO compound or crossbows)
- Water bottle fillers and restrooms
- Water supplies on trail and park, cleaner and more bathrooms/outhouses
- Wooded hiking trails closed off to bikes
- Archery and a rec center like Livonia has (with a swimming pool, exercise, and indoor activities)
- community gardens, plant exchange in the spring and fall, 911 call box.
- connect lakeland trail to Ore Creek brewery
- playground upgrades for kids
- more trails that connect from shehan, mcgregor whitewood to the main trail
- senior walk areas that do not allow bicycles to scare us.
- single track bike trail

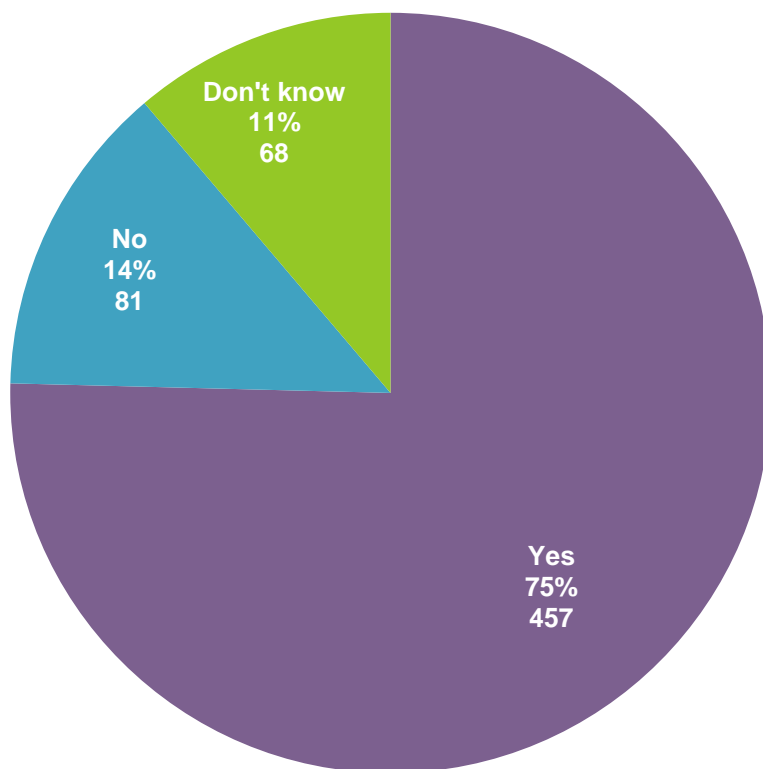
11. Which EXISTING activities/amenities would you like to see added to the Township parks? Please check all that apply.



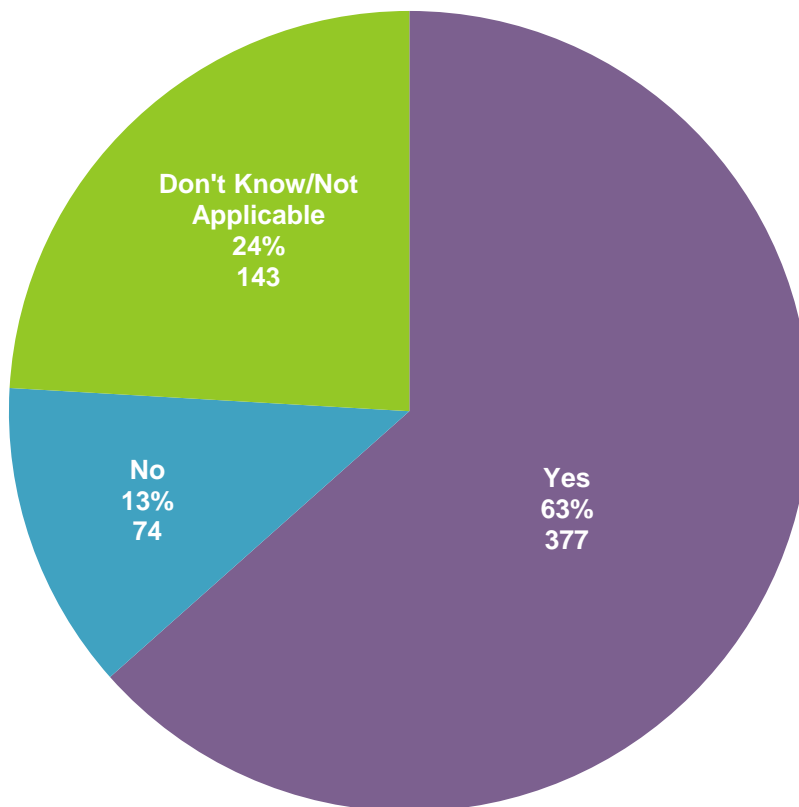
Other – Write In

- Tennis Courts and practice wall (3)
- AC Power to the ends of the park and power drops to festival areas.
- Accessible playgrounds for kids with disability
- Basketball
- Benches
- Benches on disc golf and walking trails
- Charging station for electric cars
- Community Pool (3)
- Dog park (2)
- Electricity access to the festival and Flying field
- Equestrian arena
- Fill sinkholes and big cracks in paved portions
- Gazebo/running water by football fields
- General use community park
- Less mowing unused soccer fields. Reallocate maintenance workers
- Manure pick up stations (shovel, mounting blocks, muck heap) so riders can more easily clean up after their horses.
- More access to drinking water
- More connections to Lakelands trail
- More frequently cleaned outhouses!
- More park benches for resting along walking paths and in township complex
- Mountain bike trail
- Nature centers
- None (2)
- Playgrounds. Splash pad. Bathrooms!
- RC track (3)
- Shade structures at Senior Community Center pickleball courts and patio area.
- The restroom should be expanded and made much better. Thought should be put into placement of any new play structure. Right now, I find it hard to use the play structure on the baseball side because it's so close to the parking lot. If I am watching one child play a game, I won't risk letting my other child go over to the park. It's too close to cars and the exit which makes me nervous. put them closer with an eye shot, so they can be used. Keep them away from high traffic areas.
- Water bottle filler
- a sculpture garden (2)
- archery and an indoor rec center
- hiking trails
- seating on lakeland trail

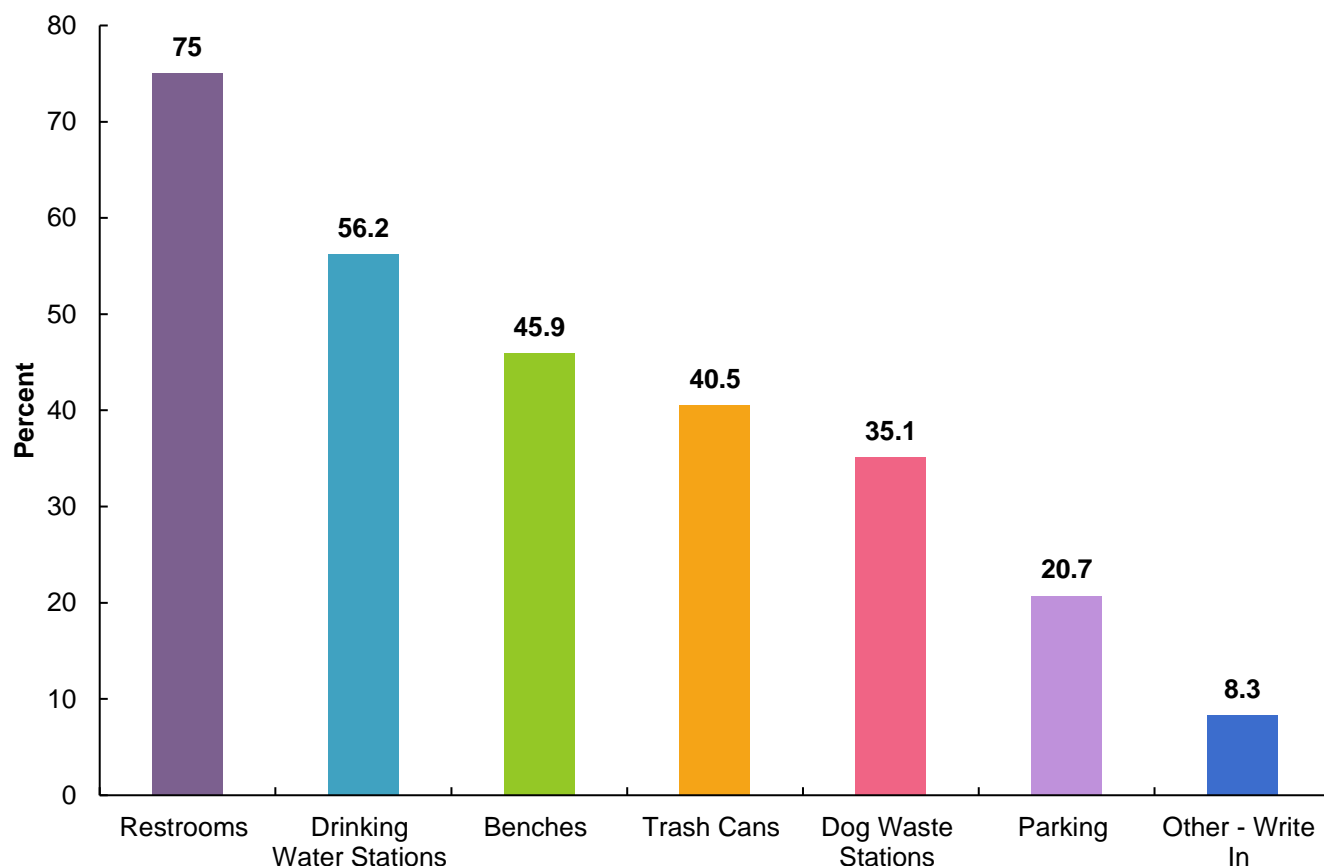
12. Do you live near or have easy access to the Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail State Park?



13. Would your use of the Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail State Park increase if you were able to access it by a trail link from your neighborhood?



14. What additional facilities would you like to see at trailheads along the Mike L. Levine Lakelands Trail State Park? Please check all that apply.



Other – Write In

- A boardwalk to the Diary Queen
- Additional shade/cover if we stopped for a break
- Bike Repair Stations (6)
- Electric car charging stations
- Food
- Gazebos with Barbecue and picnic tables.
- Golf cart allowed on trail
- Horse waste stations with mounting blocks (2)
- Little Free Library
- Lockers
- Love the historical info signage
- Microbrewery
- More markers with information about habitats and history
- More sidewalks connecting subdivisions to trails. We live in Copper Cove Drive. The trail is an easy walk for us but we have to drive to the trailhead because there's no sidewalk to the trail.
- N/A/None (2)
- Nature signs/center
- None. Waste of tax money to maintain for few # that use it. Charge fees for maintenance!
- Parking for horse trailers
- Picnic shelter
- Picnic tables
- Security
- Shade structures on long open stretches
- Shaded picnic stops.
- Shelters
- Signs for out of town users with rules - fast bike groups and weekend use makes locals not always use trail due to their actions on trail
- Signs reminding bikers to call out when passing
- The water stations that include a bowl for dogs
- Trail etiquette signs
- Water bottle filling station
- We would love a walking trail down kress to the trail.
- connect leman trail to Whitmore Lake Rd S to connect to trail
- equestrian facilities
- shade on trail
- shaded sitting

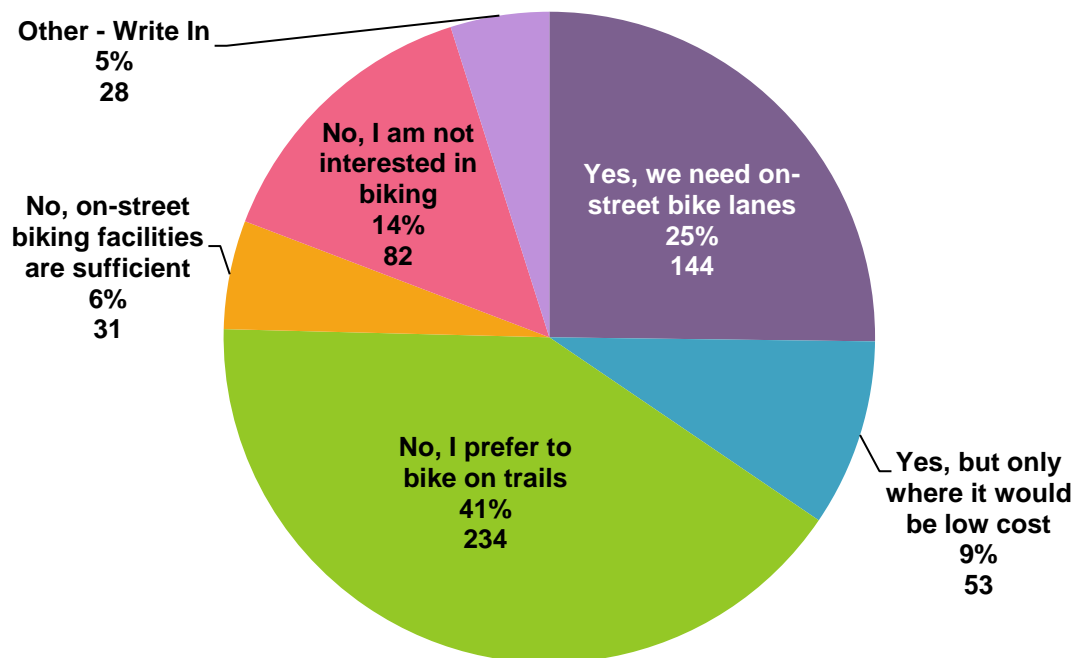
15. Along the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail State Park and throughout the Township Parks, there are benches, trash cans, and dog waste stations. However, if you feel there is an area where these facilities are missing, where is that? Please be specific. For the Lakelands Trail, give a mile marker or nearest intersection.

Response:

- Restroom by Merrill Road
- I don't know off the top of my head!
- Bow Hunting should be permitted along the Lakeland trail just like it is in Pinckney. People are not flocking to these township owned properties during the fall/winter and could be done in a safe matter. The State of Michigan (DNR) removed all shooting distance requirements with Archery equipment.
- N/A (8)
- There are no dog waste stations between Kroger bridge and then the middle between Kress and Cap'n frostys, a trash can near Zukey Lake Tavern may be helpful
- water station would be great around lemon road
- Benches are few and far between
- N/A just need easier access to other existing trails in the area. Would be nice to have easier access from neighborhoods along pettysville rust and chilson road too
- From haycreek to captain frosty, are there any benches?
- OK
- Parking at Hall Rd
- Kress road
- Between kress and whitewood
- A couple more benches between Zukey lake tavern and Hall Road
- Just seems like people don't bother picking up there dog poop
- Drinking water.
- True, there are a mostly adequate amount of these...just wanted to emphasize they are necessary to keep them!
- Don't know where this is
- Thank you for adding the the dog station at Girard. A blue barrel near the benches just east of there might be good. Find carry out food containers in the vegetation near by.
- Rest rooms
- Would just love a connection to the trail from arrowhead sub that doesn't involve walking/bike riding on a busy road
- Keep adding benches and trash cans. I would to see mileage markers more frequently, and some maps that indicate distance between features that make sense... ex 0.3 miles to the river, 0.5 miles across the boardwalk, etc.
- Missing a general use park,
- More bike repair stations. I know there's one by the fire station, but perhaps adding more could be useful
- Merril
- Restrooms on the trail
- I use the trail daily/weekly and all is good!!! west of Hamburg is different
- Near the green oak township line
- It would simply be nice to have more dog waste receptacles. Benches (more) at both shaded and scenic points would be great.
- I don't think there's a single (public) drinking water source anywhere along the trail, even beyond Hamburg Twp. The Kal-Haven trail on the west side of the state has drinking water at almost every trailhead; it would be great if we could do that here.
- The Gregory Michigan Portapotty needs maintenance more often due to how often it is used.
- Benches in the shade by parking lots and staging areas.
- There is no restroom at the entrance near Kroger parking lot.
- No idea which park This is?

- M-36 crossing towards gregory
- The bathroom at the depot trailhead is usually in bad condition. It would be nice if there were restrooms every 3 miles.
- Trail head across from Captain Frosty. Gravel needs to be swept off in order for wheelchairs or those handicapped to be able to get to the trail from the parking area safely. Gravel has hindered handicapped folks and their caretakers to feel comfortable to negotiate from parking spot to the trail.
- Eastern section near the prison
- The new portion of the trail from Hall Rd to 23. A center line might be helpful on the hilly curves. Quite a few blind spots, and cyclists coming at a higher rate of speed on the downhill sections.
- More benches between Hamburg Road and Lemon roads.
- More frequent stations throughout.
- I know there are some but more are needed.
- Drinking water stations would be great!!! A few more restrooms and trash cans along the trail would be helpful, especially the stretch between Putnam Twp and the M-36 tunnel/parking/trailhead.
- Make it easy for horse riders to clean up after themselves. Add mounting blocks and shovels/muck stations.
- I'm in Regency Village, and I need a safer walking path to get to the trails across M-36. The access is a mile from the entrance of my sub, and the other entrance off Kress Rd. has no parking.
- Get rid of dog waste stations people can provide their own.
- Merrill Rd. Near W Main St. We haven't done the entire trail yet. We start at about 9 mile and 23. So these intersections are as far as we've gone.
- Township Hall Complex- shaded areas for lunchtime
- An area or requirement for horse manure to be picked up. It is gross, and ruins the experience of the trail for all other users.
- I didn't see trash cans, benches or dog waste stations along the dirt part of the Lakeland Trail heading towards Gregory. Where the trail connects on the other side of M-36? Honestly, I'm not sure their needed that far out.
- from pettysville rd to Pinckney
- from pettysville rd to Pinckney
- trash cans would be useful on the new section East to US23
- Restore the bench that used to be along the Lakelands Trail between Brockway and Farley.
- I don't have that info I would have to be on the trail to do that.
- We often use the trail for long (10-20 miles) training runs, and it would be helpful to have restrooms available somewhere around midpoint between the existing ones. Ideally they'd be located at roughly 2-mile intervals for the length of the trail, including the sections in other townships.
- I don't know the mile markers, but a few more dog waste stations might help increase their use. Maybe more signs, too, reminding owners to pick up after their dogs. And to keep them on leashes please!
- Between 8 mile and lemon rd, 8 mile and merril
- More benches would be nice, they are spaced far apart. More trash cans too.
- Adding a bench halfway between existing benches would be very helpful for seniors and people starting to walk more. Thank you for asking
- Hamburg village to M-36 fire station
- at intersections of roads
- good as is
- more physical maps at each intersection. if you lose wifi how do you know how to get home?
- at the trail head by kroger gas station need toilet and water.

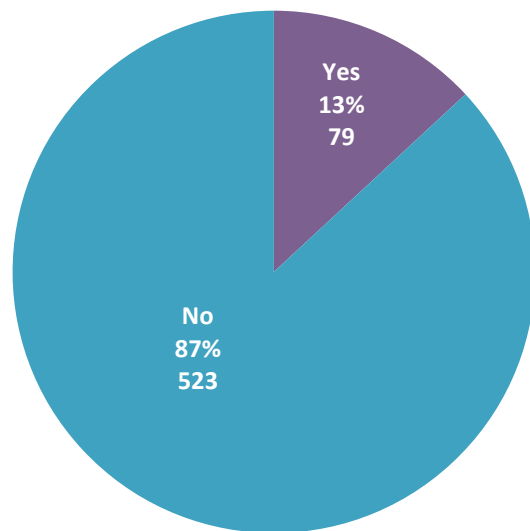
16. Should the Township plan for on-street biking facilities?



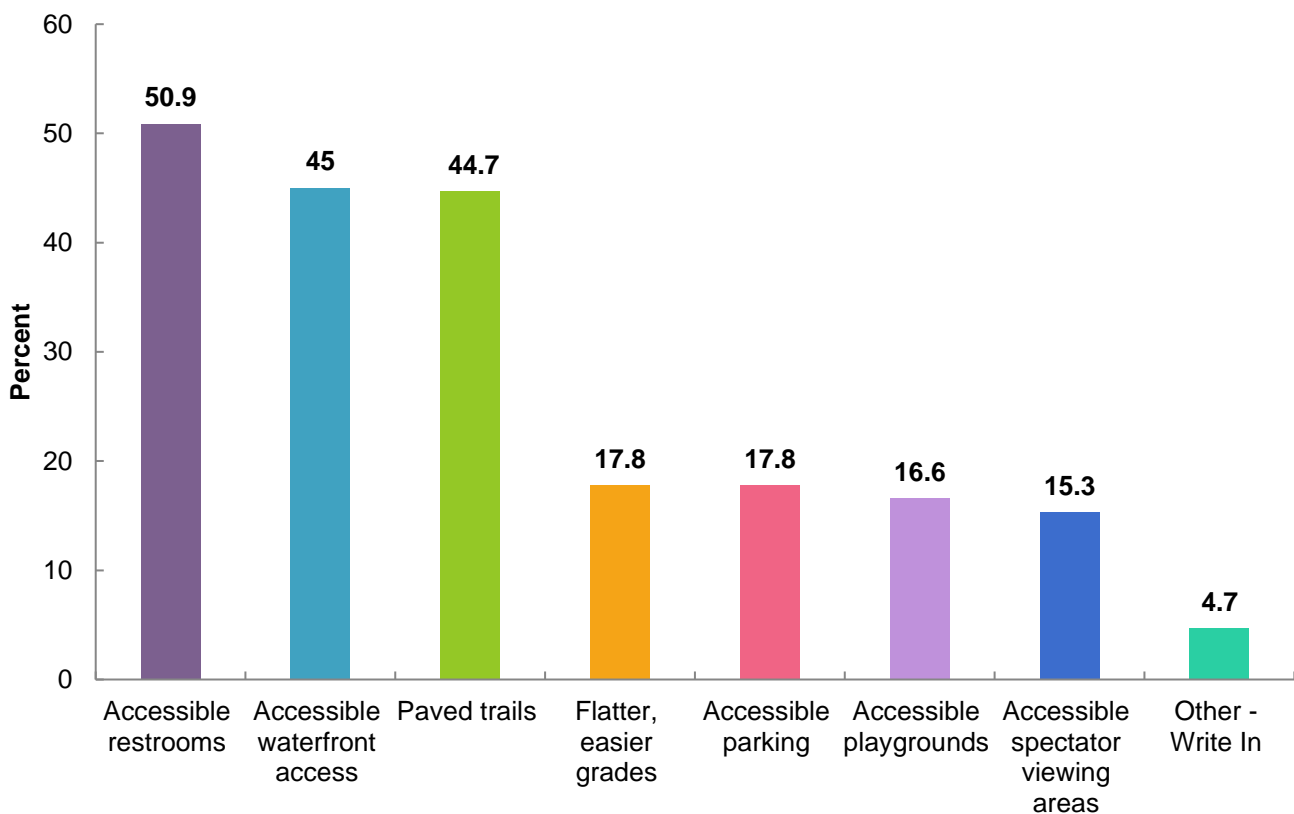
Other – Write In

- Bike path on strawberry and Merrill roads (2)
- Bike lanes on street are nice but not like a2 which encroaches on street space. bike trail/path separate from walkers might help
- Bikes should not be on the street, there are trails for them
- Chilson Road
- Definitely not! Bikes and cars do not mix!
- I am an avid cyclist but I stick to the trails because of the incredible backlash and anger drivers pose to us.
- I use to bike and enjoyed wide paved shoulders
- Im from washtenaw, so visit for just the long trails
- No opinion
- Not sure what on street biking facilities are? Bathrooms, repair stations, bike racks? Yes to all these.
- Only in areas where the speed limit is 25 or below. our roads are windy and dangerous. People go fast and I think that on road biking is very risky for drivers and cyclists.
- Only to supplement access/connections to the Lakeland Trails.
- Prefer to bike on trails, however there is a need for connecting trails off Pettys. It's so dangerous to try to get to the trails if you live off Pettys
- We need the bikes off the trails and roads. They need their own trail
- We need to have bikes in safe areas - NOT ON THE MAIN ROAD. I know legally they can be there but it is not safe. A bike lane they are required to use would be nice. Maybe the "professional" bikers would quit running people over on the trail.
- Would prefer a "bike track" That is a bike path along a road that is a bit offset or protected from the road. Usually offset like a sidewalk or at a different level/grade than the road so cars don't swerve into it easily
- Yes if no cost to properly owners
- Yes mainly to keep the fast bike serious riders off the trail
- Yes! Especially to safely access the trailheads.
- and access to lakeland trail
- bike trails on roads leading to main trailheads- Strawberry Lake, Merrill
- only to get safely to trail by bike rather than transporting bicycle
- please add!!!
- trails preferred, lanes ok, but are roads aren't safe for pedestrians or bikes

17. Do you, or does anyone in your household, have a disability?



18. If applicable, which of the following existing facilities should be improved in the Township's parks and trails? Please check all that apply.



Other – Write In

- Connections to the trail
- Dog park
- Edison power to the RC Flying field
- I think its perfect
- It's hard to answer this since I don't have personal experience. But I'm glad to see this question. I think parking and bathrooms are basics to provide accessibility.
- Maintenance is an issue. Dangerous issue not addressed. Focus on those asap
- N/A or None (3)
- RC Car Track (2)
- Shorter, easier walk to the trails from the parking area. The hill up to the parking lot on Merrill is tough when you're already tired from your walk.
- Stop paving trails. The world doesn't need more asphalt.
- Utilization of the soccer fields
- a natural trail

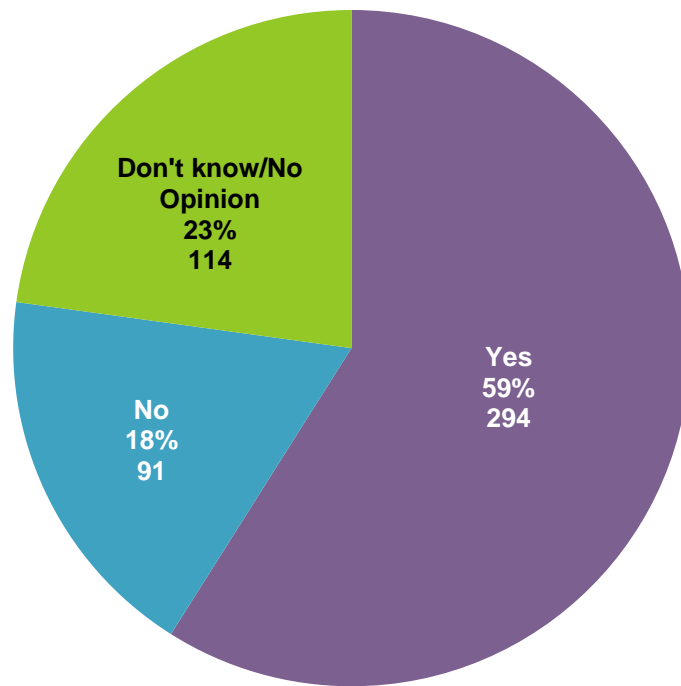
19. If you answered yes to Question 17, what ADDITIONAL accessible amenities would you, or the member of your household, like to see to better enjoy Hamburg Township parks?

Response:

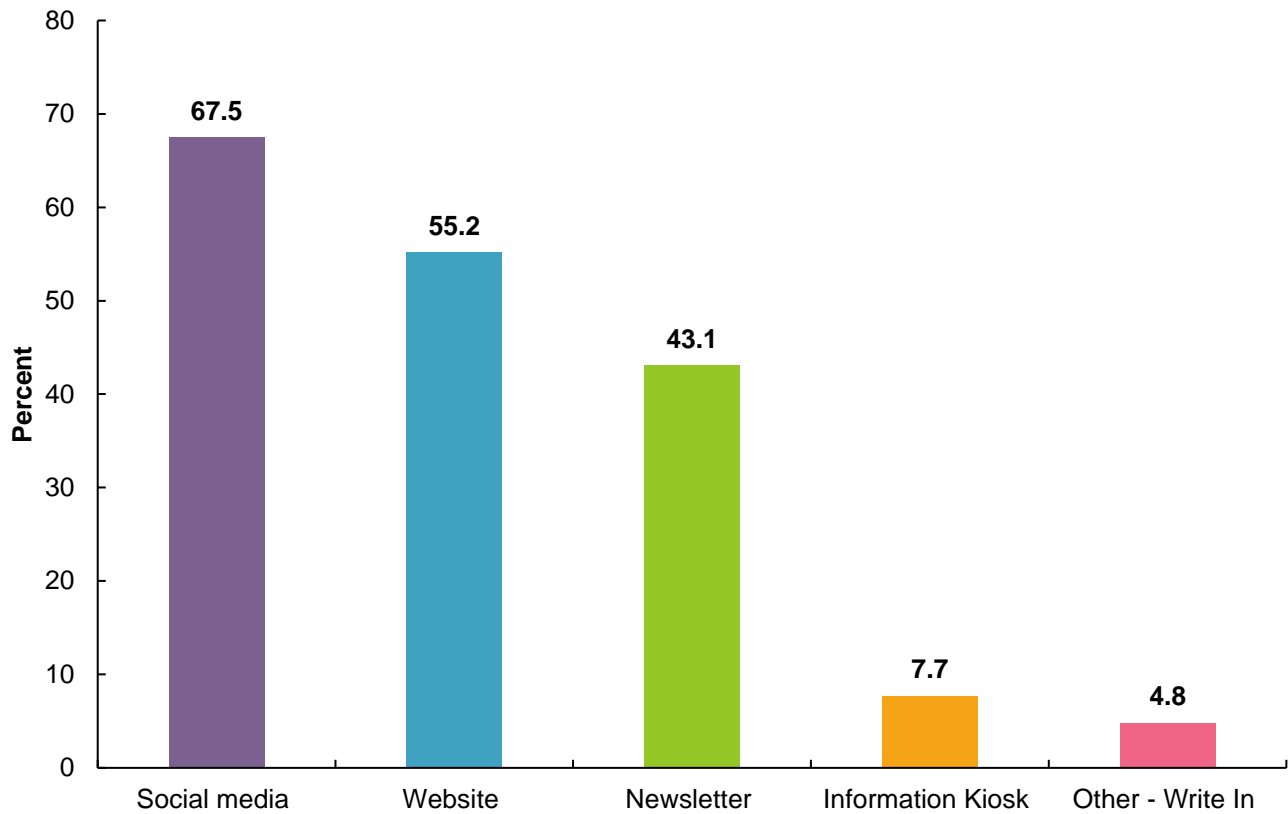
- Restrooms
- More equestrian friendly trail access.
- Accessible playgrounds!
- More fill dirt to elevate and enlarge the festival flat area pad on the north edge and East edge. Screened Ground asphalt on all current dirt parking areas and paths. Next to library festival parking north access to grass In and out entrances to the grass flattened for car and SUVs. Ok to chain or movable barriers in the off-season. Leveled pad areas for the porta-potties. Park rule boards on all entrances. Northeast entrance Park rule board after library lot entrance. Expand RC flying field parking and fill low spots with fine screened asphalt. Extend current nearly to Gazebo.
- Closer pavilions to the parking area to decrease walking distance. More trees for shade. For example, the park on Merrill Road is designed for sports use but nothing else. Look at Genesee County parks for excellent examples of mixed use parks.
- More things to do
- Tell new residents of what is available! I've lived here 2 years and had NO idea any of this existed
- More walkable. Busy roads without reasonable safe walking.
- N/A (6)
- Mapping along trails and water to include on/off markings, distance markers, water fountain, benches, etc
- Sidewalks and pathways that connect to Mike Levine trails
- Ease in getting wheel access to playgrounds
- Wheelchair accessible disc golf course.
- Maintenance is lacking.
- Longer, connecting trails for cyclists.
- Music stage and seating.
- Bike station with air to fill up tires Pool/lazy river
- Placards displaying pictures and information on invasive species of plants and animals known to be in our area. Reminders to check shoes for seeds when arriving and leaving. That asian bittersweet vine has had serious impact in island lake and bishop lake park areas. That and the garlic mustard.
- We are new to the area so we haven't had the chance to see all the parks. A route from arrowhead area to Lakeland trail that is safe for kids would be great. Handball courts would be great. I look forward to using the outdoor exercise equipment, I hope it continues to build.
- Less mowing of unused soccer fields. Dog park
- Lakeland trail to Hudson Mills connector is important to me.
- Resting areas (benches, stools, rails) that are a little off the path along the trails. We love the walk but need to rest (sit and rest) often.
- The model air field is really cool and my son loved coming and watching the planes. RC track would be cool. I think this would be a good activity for teenagers to get into.
- A GENERAL USE COMMUNITY PARK...
- More paved bike trails
- We live in Tara Glen sub would use lakelands trail so much more if we had access without having to ride our bikes on main road to get there. Would b a dream if we had trails that connected to green oak mall area trails.
- Playground
- Restrooms and small splash pad
- Paths to benches that are easier for walkers and wheelchairs.
- Bike lane sidewalk that comes down major side street to get to trail. Sledding hill
- Restrooms
- A community pool and tennis court
- Better open river access with parking. And organized volleyball more courts at merrill

- Pavillions near parking lots for staffing and picnics. More shaded areas for benches near stops/ parking. Flush toilets near trail heads
- fishing boat or paddle boat launches
- Dog park (2)
- A connector from Lakelands Trail to the Border to Border Trail.
- Parking
- Paved pathways to restrooms
- Nature centers/signs
- Wider trails.
- A boardwalk to the Diary Queen
- we need more pickleball courts. The ones that are there are great.
- I would like to see better maintenance of the paved portions of the trail. Sometimes there are deep sinkholes or cracks which can be hard to spot depending upon the lighting. I almost got thrown off my bike by hitting one I didn't see.
- Swimming pool
- Accessible beaches. I go to the state park(Bishop), but with so many lakes around, it would be nice to be able to use them.
- Restrooms not Porta John's
- Archery area, rec center with indoor pool, restrooms available
- Golf cart rental
- More Handicap Parking
- trails or walkways to parks from neighborhoods would help.
- the survey mentions a kayak launch, but the township website has no info about such a launch or where/how to access it or which body of water it provides access to.
- I can't think of any at this time.
- Paths to the trails from neighborhoods off the trails
- Spectator viewing, restrooms, shaded areas, better parking
- RC Car Track
- Splash pad and enhanced amenities for kids and families.
- Wheel chairs
- we dont have mobility items
- Better maintenance on edges of trails, holes, broken pavement. the current conditions are hard on wheel chairs and power chairs.
- allow motorized wheelchairs and handicap scooters on the trail
- Sidewalks to trailhead. Need sidewalk along Hamburg and Winan lake roads
- I would like to have access to the Lakeland trail from my development. Regency village. Please please

20. Would you support a millage to expand or provide new park and recreation facilities/programming?



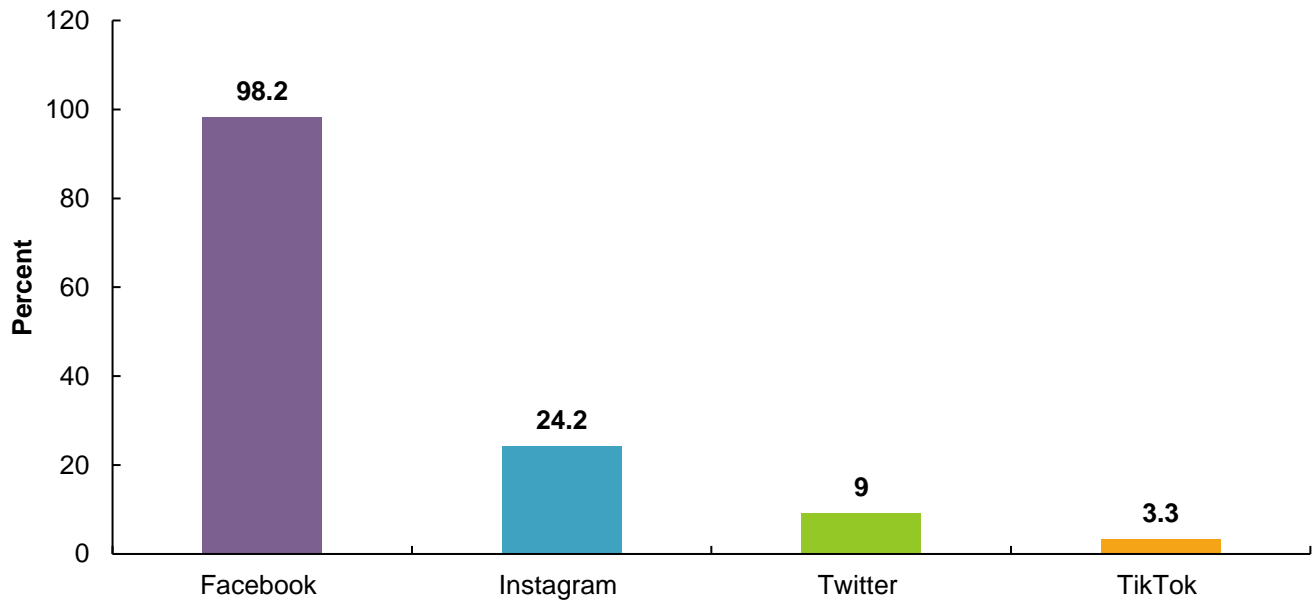
21. What is the best way for you to receive updates/information about Township Parks? Please check all that apply.



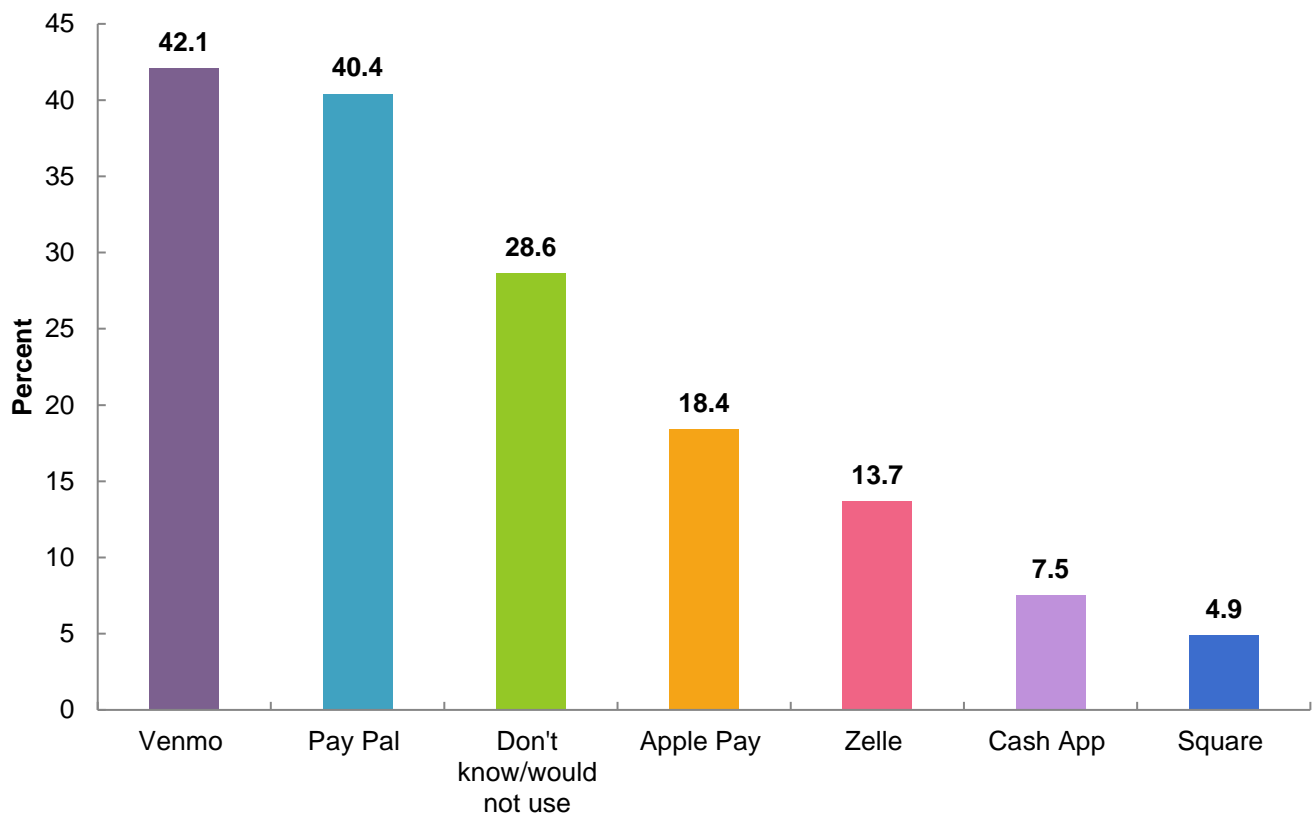
Other – Write In

- Email (6)
- Email newsletter (2)
- Do not waste money sending me anything in the mail
- Hamburg Facebook page (2)
- I manage the Hamburg township residents group Facebook page which is a great source for local information.
- Mail (2)
- Road signs at park entrances
- Tax bill
- US Postal Service
- local news
- mailed newsletter
- send a newsletter with property tax statement

22. If you selected social media on the previous question, which platforms would you like the Township to use?



23. If the Township allowed for the electronic payment of fees and donations, what application would be best for you? Please check all that apply.



24.What do you like best about Hamburg Township parks?

Response:

- Open spaces and plenty of fields for a variety of sports
- How well maintained they are! You care shows, thank you
- The amount of soccer fields at one location
- Safe and maintained! Feel safe to go by myself or just me and kids
- You guys keep the trail in great shape. It's clean and well maintained.
- I am very happy with everything. We have a variety, always well cared for, safe . I am proud to tell people about all that we have.
- Trails
- Love Lakeland trail and open fields
- Pickleball courts!
- I love the trails and the space. I love how close it is to my home . Can't wait to see what you will be adding!!!
- Everything. How expansive it is . Well kept. Friendly workers. Water spouts at park. Dog stations. Not crowded .
- Locations
- The trail
- Bobcat
- Not overly crowded
- Trail - especially when bridges and pavement are redone, people follow rules and pick up poop!
- They fit the needs of different interests and ages. I think the township does a wonderful job.
- The bike path and the boardwalk
- The feeling that I am not in the city
- Close to home, well groomed
- They are well maintained.
- I really only use the Lakeland trail. I didn't know half of the other amenities exist. I recently moved from Swarthout to Buckshore. It's a quarter mile drive to the Merrill entrance to the trail.
- Trails
- Cleanliness and safety!
- I like that they are hardly ever busy. But at the same time I don't like that they are hardly ever busy.
- Well maintained
- They are nicely maintained and easily accessible.
- The Lakeland Trail is wonderful, just wish there were no horses. Love how close the trail is to the library and senior center.
- Maintenance is superb
- Availability and versatility of parks. Open space and free to use. Not crowded
- I love the trail for walking. I wish other townships would have paths that connect to the Mike Levine trail and make recreation and travel throughout the county more complete and safe.
- Literally have never been. Nothing has want to make me stop there.
- Natural open spaces with wooded areas and native plants, not a concrete jungle. Please keep things wild and beautiful!
- Lakeland Trail, Flying Field, Hamburg Festival
- Lake shore little league
- Lakeland Trail
- I like that use of the Lakelands Trail are free and that other uses are very low cost for the user. Enjoy the pavilions for picnics.
- Not much outside of the access to Lakeland trail. If you don't play sports, the parks are not user friendly.
- Great parks and facilities. Great maintenance staff. Easy to work with the parks and rec department (Deby H).

- not overcrowded, atmosphere at Bennett is pleasant with trees; peaceful. Not lots of loud traffic or overbusy. They are affordable for grass roots organizations.
- Kept clean
- Rail trail is awesome. Walk daily bike weekly need signs to remind bikers to call out when passing. At least 75 percent do not. The uniform ones go by so fast its hard to turn around enough to keep an eye out for them.
- Spaced out, well taken care of.
- Clean, parks, trails, playground and the workout center
- They can't be used for housing development!
- Didn't know they even existed!! You have my info on the tax rolls, you should have reached out
- Disc golf course
- I think the addition of the Lakeland trail has been fantastic.
- Well maintained
- They are well kept and the maintenance crew is friendly
- I love the trails and that I can take my dog for a nice walk. There's a strong sense of community that cares about the parks.
- Lakeland Trail multi-use. My daughters can ride horses and we can walk or ride bikes simultaneously.
- The small feel but with loads of fun
- Near the library!
- Disc golf course.
- Close to our house. Parking is easy. Not typically very crowded. Guests are nice and respectful
- seem safe and sunny and fairly close by.
- Just simply that we have them and maintain them. We are so fortunate!!
- open fields - very relaxing and great for sunsets
- Most events are visible and easy to get to.
- Some variety and some have decent parking but there could be more.
- The trail!
- I love all the trails
- No charge and the RC Airfield
- Love running on the trail
- location, size, well maintained
- Well maintained. Wish we would move to a more natural approach and less fertilizer. More natural and native Michigan flowers for birds and wildlife. A nature center!
- Love everything about our community!
- I love the Levine Trail- just have to load my bike up to get to it. I like Merrill park and the outdoor exercise equipment. I like the senior center and pickle-ball court. My kids and grandkids like The disc golf course.
- Add green space to township. Pretty to look at when driving by, but we have enough to maintain.
- Well kept maintenance
- Location close to where I live.
- Proximity to home & lakelands trail
- The outdoor workout equipment! We need a splash pad!!!
- I like the wide open spaces and the playgrounds
- That they are well maintained and close
- Beautiful, well maintained, clean, and safe.
- The disc golf course and rc field
- They are easy to use
- Lakeland trails
- The availability
- I've lived here 5 years and have never really been to one.
- Convenient & clean
- Mike Levine trail

- I like the variety of activities available, and the fact that Hamburg Township seems to actually maintain their parks and section of the Lakelands Trail.
- Everything
- Well maintained and plenty of open spaces
- Close to home
- They are beautiful
- The lakeland trail system and the outdoor fitness center.
- Biking trails, pickle ball courts, sledding in winter, boardwalk. Would Like some hiking trails.
- Proximity
- Areas for dogs to run or walk on trails
- They are always clean and neat. Easily accessible for all types of people.
- Central sports field area, one location for multiple activities.
- That they exist!
- Lakeland Tail
- Lakeland trail is wonderful. It's hard to get to from Cordley Lake road. Access via Whitewood would be nice. A link to Hudson Mills and therefore to the B2B is a dream.
- The paved trail is WONDERFUL!!!! Great to see the recent repairs & maintenance! It's a great use of my tax \$!!
- Lakeland Trail and the variety of different uses of the property
- Love the ML trail
- Love the Lakelands Trail.
- Well maintained and a good place to spend time outdoors.
- They are well maintained.
- Biking
- I love the trail system but I will on the Putnam edge so I prefer to go west, it is much less crowded. Our family loves funfest.
- Rc flying field Mike Levine trail
- The way everything is maintained.
- Groomed trails and glad to see public safety officers on the trail this summer.
- There's a lot of room.
- It's there
- Lakeland trail
- Absolutely beautiful
- There is a lot of open space and I love the Lakeland Trail
- Access to the Lakelands Trail and how the township maintains their portion of the trail.
- That people are using them.
- The are accessible and not crowded
- The trail. But it's not maintained or monitored. I've never seen a police officer biking or walking. I see graffiti now. High weeds. Pot holes. Cracked areas. Raised areas.
- Proximity and quality
- R/C Flying field, Bike trail access
- Close to home
- Trails and cycling.
- Local, Clean, and Safe.
- The Lakeland Trail
- Clean we'll kept
- Maintained well, peaceful
- They're well maintained.
- Variety of activities and are generally well maintained. A paved or improved driveway to the RC field would be a nice improvement
- How natural they are
- Lakeland trail. I can walk it with my dog, a friend, or bike it!
- Lots of space and variety of uses.

- They are well maintained. I highly encourage the township to support buying more space. This is always an improvement to the community, way-of-life and property values. Also consider putting in electric car charging stations at any new parking lots. As an EV owner, I seek out stations that allow for recreational opportunities.
- The trails
- clean, accessible and safe
- Clean & inviting
- Variety of activities
- Lakeland trail and workout equipment
- They are not overused. They seem to be adequate in size and scope for existing population.
- Nice open areas well maintained
- Location
- Quiet, clean
- They are well maintained, clean. Family friendly.
- We love the Lakeland trail, I will look to find out we're the kayak launches are and use those too. The outdoor exercise area is great.
- big , clean open spaces.... would like a nine hole golf course
- Hassle free use of parks
- My wife and I are both long distance runners, so the The Mike Levine trail was a selling point when we moved here 12 years ago. We now use it more for biking with our kids and it's really nice to be able to go for a bike ride and be able to access Zulu Lake Tavern, Cap'n Frosty's, downtown, and various parks.
- They are clean and mostly accessible
- They fell like being in nature... not overly paved or mulched over.
- Accessibility to Lakeland trail safely from my home.
- The area and the trail
- Variety
- Always clean and maintained. Very close to our house with very easy and ample parking.
- Lakeland trails for walking. Need separate biking trails. And where is the kayak access? Lived here 64 years and never saw it.
- Close proximity to home, beauty, clean and safe
- Easy accessibility and we'll maintained
- Natural, close
- Easy access and they are well maintained
- Well maintained, easily accessible
- The bike trail.
- Well maintained. Could be more family friendly by adding- improved playgrounds, splash pad, dog park, etc.
- I feel they are well maintained and a great opportunity to be outdoors and stay fit. I feel they cover a wide range of activities.
- Convenience to where I live
- Bike trail baseball fields. Playgrounds
- Large size and things for everyone
- They are clean and well maintained
- Natural areas
- I love the trail and use it all of the time.
- I very much enjoy the disc golf. I like the amount of parks and enjoy the Lakeland trail. There is a good amount of well maintained park space but I'm always in favor of more of a good thing. Not sure where you could put them but Mt bike trails would be an excellent addition.
- I don't use them and feel there is already plenty of park space available for people to use. Additional monies would be a waste.
- Trails
- Lakelands trail
- lakeland trail

- Parks and recs and lake access
- Lakeland trail, library playground
- Disc Golf and the Lakeland trail.
- Youth Sports and community events
- The Lakeland trail and how beautiful it is.
- Central to the township and linked by the Lakeland trail.
- I use them AT LEAST once per day. Walk my dog, kids sports, playground pickle ball etc. The kids play equipment is sub par at best, Dugouts need work and concession buildings are basically closed.
- The large amount of acreage that has such potential to add more attractions
- Availability to Lakeland trail. Off on quieter road.
- The trails are beautiful and go for miles so they are great for running, biking and walking.
- Lakeland trail
- Glad they exist and are maintained.
- The Lakelands trail is a great amenity!
- The rail trail. It is lovely.
- I enjoy walking and biking the trail, sometimes wonder about safety though when I'm alone. Sp rarely use it alone. Beginning to have grandchildren so will be using the playgrounds more. And when I get a dog, would love a dog park. Not aware of one now. We're past using sports fields but feel very important for kids, community, and adults also. I also like that the township has a recreation plan.
- That we have a lot of green space in Hamburg Township.
- They are always clean and maintained
- Safe and clean
- Bike /walking trails
- fresh air
- The wide open spaces!
- Close to where I live
- Lakelands Trail
- Love the trail. Fairly well maintained. Need pavilions and picnic areas. Would love to see and indoor facility with indoor track/ fitness center like the Dexter and Chelsea area.
- I am looking forward to the Levine Rail trail being connected to the island Lake trail system.
- Access to paved paths that have been kept up
- The memories. I've used them most of my life. I'd like to see them maintained and kept up for future generations. The soccer fields are really pretty. I like how you've installed sprinklers. The Lakeland Trail is such a gem. It offers gorgeous views and a really nice, easy ride.
- easy access
- Location from house, easy access
- I think they are very nice. The trees. Easy to walk. Kids like play grounds.
- The Funfest
- Love the trails for biking and walking. Also like the trail goes out to 23
- Walking trails
- The hill across from Manly Bennet park. We use it for sledding every year.
- We love the Lakeland Trails for biking! My husband and I bike there 3-4 times per week! I prefer paved trails so love that so much of it is paved. Appreciate the recent fill in of the holes and bumps! The new bridge is beautiful!
- Bike trail
- Close by to my home, well maintained
- The beauty
- I like the trail for both biking and walking our dogs.
- Lakelands trail, pickleball and outside workout area.
- variety of terrain, multiple trailheads and lack of crossings over major roads.
- Lakeland trail is great
- They are well maintained from what i have seen

- The Lakeland Trail for biking, running and walking.
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- I love the paved lakelands trail to in-line skate.
- The flat trail. It's close to home.
- The trail and disc golf
- We like the well kept bike/walking trails.
- Gorgeous scenery
- Mike Levine trail
- The variety of sports and activities it has to offer.
- LakelandS Trail
- Fun and variety of supported activities
- Well-maintained, lots of amenities
- Absolutely love the parks. Given the size of our community, it's amazing to see everything the township has to offer.
- The natural areas and wide open spaces.
- Lots of them. And still some good natural areas available to access.
- Kids play areas and trail.
- They are well,aintained amd there are several to choose from.
- They're well kept, and accessible.
- In most circumstances they are not overcrowded
- Don't use, don't know
- Like to walk in a clean safe environment.
- Rural
- The trails.
- Lakeland Trail!
- The pickleball courts and the overall cleanliness of the parks.
- Pickleball and trails.
- The lakelands trailhead is convenient and the trails are nice. I especially appreciate the boardwalk near Chilson Plaza (so please keep up the maintenance on that, too:)
- The senior center is a wonderful facility. I love what they do for the seniors there. Julie is a great manager.
- The beauty of nature along the trail that encourages an active lifestyle outdoors.
- Senior center. However the township pay the same as non residents. I think a non resident should pay a higher fee to join senior center. Also when we offer free programs they should only be free for residents a small charge should be added for non residents. I see more non residents at these events such as BBQ days and I don't attend as often as I would because of it
- Cleanliness
- Pickleball Courts, Lakeland Trails
- Lots of options Well maintained
- Variety of options!
- I love the outside exercise facilities and the walking trails
- Accessibility and the fact they exist. With the news getting out they are getting much busier too.
- non-motorized and water trails
- Safety
- So much to offer! We just recently discovered the Hamburg Parks and Rec areas. We are still learning about what's available.
- Accessibility
- Like the park maintenance.
- They are modern, accessible and usable.
- Knowing that the land can't be developed
- Access to Lakelands Trail

- We used to love the soccer fields...but then it closed. Not much else to do now...playgrounds are small and unappealing.
- The open space
- trails
- Usually quiet and lot not overly crowded
- I love using the Lakeland trail! I can train for a marathon easily without having to worry about which roads to turn down to get to my required mileage.
- Lakeland trail
- The lakeland trail
- We have a broad range of space that is underutilized
- Its Hamburg! We love it here!
- They're easily accessible and safe for people.
- User friendliness.
- They are always well maintained.
- nearby well maintained
- nearby well maintained
- Not overly crowded and the greenspace
- The walking trail is lovely.
- Trails and pickleball
- Clean, Well Maintained
- Sheer variety/availability of parks/facilities.
- Clean and easy to reach
- I love the bike trail and use it a lot. I'm lucky to have access within my neighborhood. I don't use any other of the parks anymore, they seem aimed at families with children and sports.
- The Lakeland trail! What an incredible asset to our community!
- They are accessible and have parking. I would love to see more outdoor activities involving seniors.
- Open and uncrowded during the week. Able to get a good long walk in.
- That they are available and accessible
- How close and assessable it is.
- Lakeland trail
- Close to my house. Playgrounds. Lakeland trails.
- Pickleball courts.
- Love the trails
- Lakelands Trail runs through our sub, and we use it daily. Having it paved was a huge improvement, and dramatically increased usage of it. The key now is to maintain it properly.
- The Lakeland's Trail and the friendliness of all of the township employees I meet out there.
- Pickle ball courts
- Everything, love our township
- Well kept
- We like riding our bikes to the parks and using the playground, running around the soccer fields. We also like sledding on the hills by the soccer fields in the winter.
- DPW hardworking group
- The number of facilities available
- Love the outdoor areas, they're wonderful for daily walks. The pavilions help with shade and weather conditions. Expanded/updated playgrounds and splash pad would be great for kids and families and the township needs to attract families.
- variety and accessibility
- Walking trails and the senior center
- the lakeland trail
- Library at the senior center
- Library and senior center
- How many there are. Security of people using the facilities.
- the trail for walking

- lake lands trail
- walking paths, picketball
- they seem to be taken care of and clean
- rc flying site
- they are well maintained and support a variety of interest
- Well maintained, safe, community space
- clean, safe, well kept, lots of space, lots of options, fun activities, beautiful, great location!
- everything, love it here, library and township hall and the police are close by for questions I have.
- trails and boardwalk
- they are lovely and i am greatful
- friendly, warm, good, wild life.
- beauty, spacious, all seasons, free. senior center new patio and beautiful garden in front
- quiet
- senior center is an amazing facility
- Trails
- Great outdoors!!

25.What is one thing you would do to improve Hamburg Township parks?

Response:

- Gazebo/running water by the football fields.
- Bathrooms on trail
- The baseball diamonds need improvement. They started repainting them then stopped. The wood is rotten in some areas of the dugouts. The rotten wood needs replaced and each structure needs repainting.
- Township to take on the lining and maintenance of soccer fields and goals
- Wish we had more activities geared to the adults with young kids. Festivals, restrooms along trail, adult sports leagues. Hard to meet other parents if children aren't old enough to be in sports leagues. Would also LOVE a farmers market!
- The concern for me is I feel the lakeland trails can be a little narrow in areas to allow for bikes and walking traffic
- Dog park
- Walkability
- Make better use of existing fields, e.g. soccer fields on west side, rarely used for soccer.
- Add more, a farmers market would be nice
- Add a large dog park that is better than Oakland County's Lyon Oaks park so I can support my local community instead.
- More amenities
- Safe Access to the trail from strawberry lake road
- Increase infrastructure and put splashpad and community pool
- Not patchwork fixes - trail infrastructure to support long term use. Extending paved trail!
- They fill all my needs as they are.
- a playground accessible for young children, we have to drive about 10-15 min out of town to go to a playground that doesn't offer much for my 2 year old
- Link the trail to Strawberry Lake Road somehow that would be safe.
- Shaded Picnic areas, water station, bathrooms
- Restrooms and running water
- As stated earlier, I recently moved closer to the trail. I would love to be able to walk there but I don't feel safe crossing M36 at Merrill. I would use the facilities more often if I didn't have to drive there I think!
- Keep up with the maintenance of the lawn and facilities.
- Slow cyclists down on Lakelands Trail. My dog and I have nearly been hit by impatient cyclists three times.
- Better playgrounds and playscapes for kids and adding a splash pad.
- Put a paved trail around the park perimeter with plenty of benches. Also would like to see more 'drop in' type activities like a basketball court and tennis court with no organized teams or leagues. Also a few chess-topped park table/benches like you see in Central Park.
- More policing to reduce graffiti
- As access points to trail from neighborhoods (bike paths from major areas)
- Encourage Livingston County to complete the trails plan
- Basketball courts.
- Splash pad for summer and ice skating rink for winter.
- Another large meeting room for clubs like scouting. Similar to the senior center room that is over booked.
- Volleyball courts
- Security - prevent vandalism
- Need actual restrooms and not the gross porta-potties. Need better cleaning/maintenance of the "bathroom" facilities on site.
- More trees for shading. Closer pavilions to parking with paved walkway for access. More mixed use for picnicking, walking, etc. . . other than emphasis on sports. Owosso City park is a good example that provides mature trees for shade, an open area for sports, pavilions close to parking lot with

paved access, ability to sit next to river, Flushing County park is another good example with many pavilions, tennis courts, walking path along the river, sports field and mature trees for shade which is better than sitting in the open under the sun.

- More access to rent and use the baseball fields.
- Signs on rail trail remaining rider and walkers of rules.
- Would like better playground equipment for kids of all ages
- Splash pad, more equipment geared towards younger (toddlers).
- Splash pad or water play, obstacle course for kids , Rock wall. Vending machine with waters , ice cream. Dog play center.
- Video monitors
- A decent bathroom along the bike trail would be awesome
- Lakeland trail maintenance on the asphalt is not great. The recent repairs are more like what would be done in a road and not on a trail. The trail transitions should be smooth without large bumps.
- Allow Bow Hunting
- N/a
- More water stations (esp at Merrill by the soccer fields and/or the workout equipment)
- I would continue to work on upgrading existing facilities and making accessibility improvements.
- Probably impossible but encourage people to pick up after their dogs.
- We have a hard time using some of the amenities because our young children may need to use the bathroom, and quickly. More restrooms would be great, especially ones built instead of port-a-potties
- Better playgrounds
- Better pest management (deer flies) on DG course.
- Have more to offer for younger families. Events and playground/splash pad.
- better restroom facility
- finish concrete trail around soccer side- its gets muddy and slippery in winter months
- Move the largest ever of the year, the Festival up where it can be easier to get to, be seen and on a flat surface that is safer for the community.
- More summer events/activities for families and kids. Especially a splash pad and summer camp/outdoor activities
- the township should build a boat launch/ramp on the Huron for improved access to the Chain
- Dog parks
- entertainment.. concerts in the park
- Move towards native Michigan plants to support wildlife. Less fertilizer! Add a nature center!
- Easier/safer access to trails. Biking on Hamburg road, M36, and Winans Lake is very scary and dangerous!
- Restrooms.
- Charge access fees and close parks not being used frequently.
- Lighting
- Too much unused space on the soccer fields side. Use some to put in new attractions. Upgrade the playgrounds. Too small and out of date. Add off road biking facilities like a pump track or mountain bike trail/obstacle course. Add RC track near the flyers field. Better signage/information. Some amenities were unknown to me even though I've been to the parks many times.
- Add more playground areas for kids. The existing equipment is embarrassing.
- Add a couple splash pads and more dog parks.
- A better playground. The one by the soccer fields is in a little bit of disrepair. The one by the baseball fields is too small for all the kids around it when it's baseball season. I'm sure a splash pad is too much money but I would definitely vote for it!
- More use of Merrill field for events and activities. Since the Legacy opened I think the soccer space is often underutilized.
- More brooms and trash cans at disc golf course.
- Lakelands trail connections to other trails
- Easier access to cross M-36. Make a path under the M-36/Huron River bridge to avoid crossing M-36...

- restrooms
- Nothing, they are great
- More paved trails
- Spreading the word on what's available
- Safer road crossing for Mike Levine trail. Lower car speed limits at crossing Paint the crosswalks to slow cars down More training and signs for all
- Better restrooms.
- Bathrooms
- Bike path on pettysville rd that connects to the lakeland trail and crosswalk for the highschool. Both these areas have alot of foot ttraffic and it is dangerous.
- Overall very satisfied
- More trees and more shade
- Add a dog park, add a pool
- Add dog park
- N/A
- Splash pad or some sort of water feature for kids. Also, more local use of the soccer fields
- Do more to encourage people to use them. Improve the website so people know what is available to use at each park or recreation area.
- Actually, I know it's not a park but I think we need to put more \$\$\$\$ in the library. The senior center is mentioned but not the library. Why? They're both recreation
- See 22
- Bike trails on Roads so we can access the trail and more park space...all for the purchase of Rush Lake Golf course
- Add sculpture- some interactive
- More playground equipment
- More bathroom facilities
- Add more non-sport activities like concerts or movies.
- More restroom facilities
- Having a designated RC car track for youth and adults
- More handicapped parking near the senior center.
- I wish I didn't have to drive to use the Lakeland Trails. I would like to see trails that connect roads to Lakeland Trail... trails from Pine Bluff Road to Merrill Rd & Merrill Road to Manley Bennett Park!!
- Pool
- There is a lot of unused space these days. Unlike the 90s and early 2000s, all fields were being used. Now, you barely see the parks full on the east side
- Equine friendly
- More access, more land
- Splash pad, dog park
- Make crossing Merrill Road safer.
- I think our parks are pretty great. Keeping them maintained has to be a high priority. We can't out grow our ability to take care of what we have or it will all fall apart.
- On soccer days more volunteers to force traffic it's not safe
- Maintain them
- Sidewalks along Chilson up to M36
- Connect existing trails to make them longer.
- Get the porta potties more filled with blue water each change.
- Have more volunteer events
- A weekly Farmer's market, like the one in Brighton.
- Make the community more aware of the variety of facilities available here.
- Make equestrian only trails
- A nice dog park.
- Use the soccer fields for other uses. They cost too much to be so under used. Allow some of the activities that are currently prohibited.
- Add something new.

- Dog park
- Add a mountain bike trail
- Dog park
- Dog park, a major need.
- More pickleball courts
- Guided nature trail hikes with informative group leaders , speaking on topics such as ecology, history of our area, biology mycology , geology, and historical changes in land and water use
- Easier bike access down Merrell.
- Unfortunately my family and I haven't had the chance to really see what Hamburg Twp has to offer but look forward to using the parks more and providing feedback. I feel like always the most important aspect is keeping them clean. Maybe there can be some community clean up day we're we can get the kids out to help pick up trash. Helps show them the importance of taking care of their community.
- would love a nine hole par three golf course
- Talk to people using parks and get additional feedback "right from the horses mouth"
- We need to seriously consider keeping horses off the trails. People don't know how to act around horses, and it is unfair to expect them to. The horses are dangerous and it is just a matter of time until a kid or someone else is injured. Also the horse owners refuse to clean up after their pets
- Dog park
- More non motorized trails that lead to the Mike Levine Trail.
- Keep them maintained... asphalt trails cleared of large debris, patched when there are large cracks or pits.
- Put in picnic areas around the trails
- More dirt running/hiking trails
- Fewer stop signs/street crossings on the Lakeland trail. Make the trail wider on the western paved section. It's too narrow to safely pass others.
- Designated bike lanes on trails. So many complaints on social media
- Separate bike trails and no horse shit on Lakeland walking trail
- A community pool would be wonderful! Not everyone wants to swim in the lakes.
- Line painted down the middle on Mike Devine trail system
- Add splash pads and added playground equipment.
- Restrooms
- Expand
- A general use community park, with Pavillions, restrooms, BBQ Grills etc...
- More restrooms
- Add or improve existing playgrounds, add splash pad, add dog park.
- Social media posts. I don't know where the kayak launch is.
- Expand in paved trail system
- Planet fitness or life fitness.
- Local musician concerts
- Safer road crossings for trails
- Slow the bikes down on the trail.
- Add some mt bike/hiking trails.
- Add a parking fee so the people that access them support them
- More connections to trail from neighborhoods and businesses. I go to the Kroger plaza more than anywhere else in hamburg because I can get to it from the trail
- Connect trails to more subs or other trail areas like green oak mail that u can connect to island lake
- more pave bike paths (more connectors to lakeland trail)
- New playground
- Movie at park in summer
- Have biking trails connecting parks and businesses.
- Upkeep/ continued maintenance throughout the seasons
- More restrooms

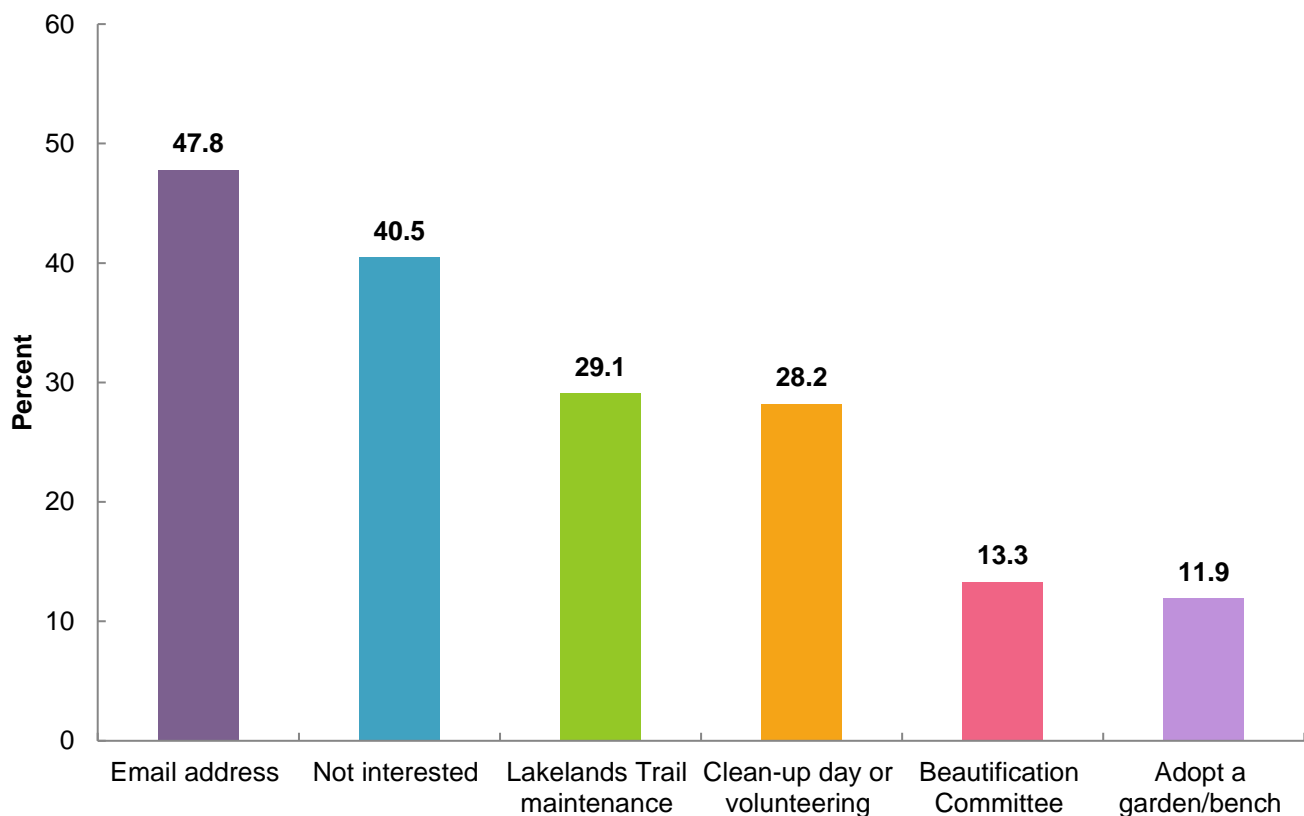
- We take our grand kids to Plymouth South Lyon and Miford parks every week for various park activities ie. concerts, plays better playgrounds, water activities. These parks have lots of kids/parents simply because they have more stuff. Build it and they will come!!!!!!!
- Maintain and upgrade existing equipment and buildings.
- Stop with all the sports leagues; there seems to be no opportunity for people to just drop in and maybe practice their batting or a group of friends to kick a soccer ball around.
- Put bike lanes on the roads so that one can bike to the Lakelands Trail without worrying about traffic.
- A paved path that circles both parks on Merrill Rd.
- Add more access to our water ways, there is no way to get on the chain of lakes except 1 public launch with 30 parking spot
- Increase sidewalks or ways to get to Lakeland Trail via walking or bike. Ie. Hamburg road/wins s lake and Chilson are not safe to walk on to get to Lakeland Trail
- Adding a few more parks and nature trails. Dog park would be nice. A few more restrooms.
- I would love to see more bicycling connections between the lakelands trail and other regional parks (e.g. Brighton Rec Area, Independence Lake, ...), whether through on-street bike lanes or new dedicated trails.
- Add more bike paths in general, gardens, green spaces.
- A timber town play area in Lakeland area
- Maintain them a little better
- Would love a splash pad or pool to enjoy with kids
- Variety
- Satisfied
- sometimes it really smells BAD when im on the trail by the water treatment center
- River access
- Add bike lanes or other means of access along the roads to the Lakelands Trail as this would improve access to the parks as well. A connector path from the Hamburg Township Offices/community centers and Library to the Lakelands Trail would also allow safer access to that part of the township complex.
- Indoor facility for winter months
- Add an RC race track.
- Access to full restrooms with water fountains
- Upgrade the restrooms. Make sure they're open, lit and accessible. Model them (and a new playground - if I chose two things :)) after Dodge Park in Commerce Township. We play soccer there and afterward, my children beg to stay and play. Restrooms are so easy; the playground is amazing. Do these types of things and it will encourage people to use the park/s.
- Nothing really, I only wish I could use them more
- Buy more land to be kept as forested hiking trails. Stop the urban sprawl .
- Surface of Lakeland Trail
- Stop giving use to outside groups without charging them.
- Add dog park
- Restrooms/porta potties along trail. For bikers, the existing ones may be fine. But too far apart for walkers.
- Water access with beach and park setting.
- Add more co-located pickleball courts.
- more basic restroom buildings or outhouses instead of port-a-johns and water
- Access trails and expand bile trails
- Create some pollinator gardens.
- More and cleaner bathrooms
- Add water filler and bathrooms. Add dog park.
- Keep the paved trail brushed off . Branches and twigs and gravel are hazardous to online skaters and scooters as well as skateboarders.
- It would be nice to add a bike path along Whitewood Road to attach to the Mike Levine trail.
- More water access

- Access to Mike Levine trail from Green Oak. There are a large number of residents in the neighborhoods near Rickett and Maltby that would use the ML trail if there was a connector path.
- You guys do a great job in keeping up the amenities
- More bicycle access to Lakelands Trail via bike lanes from neighborhoods
- More drinking water along the Lakeland Trail. A better connector to the Brighton Recreation Area for bicycles from the Lakelands Trail.
- Keep the horses off the Lakelands trail. They are a tiny percentage of the users and a majority of the problems
- Just keep doing what you are doing.
- Nature education
- Emphasize nature observation and maintain existing sports facilities. Soccer fields seem overbuilt.
- Paved parking,
- Hold more events at them to bring people out. Brighton and Dexter have events all the time. Hamburg Twp doesn't have festivals and events for adults, families, etc. The Funfest is the only event.
- Add a boardwalk to the Dairy Queen
- Dedicated website to track upcoming events. For example; if there is a soccer competition I would plan around or if there was a remote control plane event I could attend/watch
- The one time I had my dog there on his leash someone else didn't and had 2 loose dogs come and attack and knock me down
- More for children. Splashpark would be great
- Bike trails so bikers wouldn't be a danger to walkers
- I've recently seen an officer riding a bike on the Lakeland Trail and I greatly appreciate it. More regular security presence would be helpful as I run alone. I've seen dogs not on leash (which have nipped at me) and people carrying firearms which makes me feel unsafe.
- More PB courts.
- Restrooms
- Swimming pool for seniors
- The new Pickleball court was a good addy and more seniors seem to wait to play M-F maybe add 2 more courts
- Add Pickleball Courts.
- More pickleball courts
- Can't think of anything else.
- I get afraid on the trails when I'm alone. I don't know if they are safe or what the crime rate is.
- Connectivity of trails to outlying townships without needing to use public roads
- more rest rooms, not just a port-a-potty
- More pickleball courts
- Add more pickleball courts
- More organized activities for people 50+. Soccer fields seem like they are rarely used by Hamburg with the exception of large tournaments hosted by other soccer businesses ie- Legacy Center, Novi Jaguars
- Lots more pickleball courts!!! This is the fastest growing sport among both young and old alike.
- Continued Lakeland Trail maintenance. I like the Safety Patrol. I hope you can expand this program next year. There are only two people riding the trail this year. That's quite a bit for only two people. I had to ask them what services they were providing. They were both very friendly and informative.
- Creating a walkable trail for seniors (with good visibility to police, park benches along to rest, and with level pavement. Covered for winter would be ideal and helpful during bad weather.
- Security. I've read of women being jumped on the trail, about rude bicyclists and vicious dogs running loose.
- Increase maintenance staff and budget
- Playgrounds and more things to do
- Take better care of the aesthetics, staff is too small to do it all
- non-motorized access to trails/parks

- It would cost a lot but separate bike and walking paths. It's very hard to walk the lakeland trail at times with all the bikers flying by you and telling you they are passing you.
- Water fountains along the trail. I have run out of water on long runs and have not been able to refill my bottle or camelback. It would also be helpful to have dog water stations.
- Easier access to the trail via bike.
- We really need to keep the horses off the Lakelands trail. There are several other horse specific places for them to ride. Brighton Rec Area, Pinckney Rec area. The horse people expect every other user to accommodate them, and they make no effort to look out for anyone else.
- Connection to Lakelands Trail down Chilson road to connect near Kroger.
- Golf cart rentals for the trail
- N/A
- Enforce Dog Laws!
- Add adult sports leagues like flag football
- Map at the parks of the area
- Would love to see more access to the Lakeland Trail via neighborhoods. I like the pathd they created in Brighton that allows people to walk along side of the busy roads to get into downtown.
- Have the walking trail meet up with Brighton state park walking trail. (I don't believe it does right now.)
- Add more pickleball. Open bathrooms and concessions
- More Handicap Parking
- expand non-motorized corridors to them
- Provide non-motorized hiking/biking trails that link Brighton State Rec Area, the Mike Levine Lakelands Trail, and Huron Meadows Metropark. Also provide public boat launch access to the Huron River, even if only to the lakes connected to the river.
- More trash cans
- Walking trails, access to water, picnic tables with umbrellas or located in shade.
- I would love to have a community pool and rec center.
- more pickleball
- See previous statement
- Have them connect to subdivisions so we don't have to drive to get there.
- Safety monitoring on trails - there are some sketch characters at times and when walking solo, it can be a bit unnerving
- Put up a very clear sign that ALL dogs must be on leash at ALL times when using or are present at the park
- Access to trail
- Would love to see a connection or bike lane to cross US23 to connect to South Lyon trail system. Splash pad/park would be awesome.
- Add more pickleball courts at the senior center.
- More organized activities for older adults
- See my previous comments
- It would be great if we could somehow stop people from vandalizing with graffiti. Also more port-a-johns along the trail. The one in Hamburg is pretty clean, but the one across from Captain Frosty is hit-or-miss as far as cleanliness.
- Add dog park
- Shaded area for sports seating
- More neighborhood trail access to Lakeland trail
- Running water restroom facilities.
- Greater Ground asphalt usage on bare parking areas to keep the dust down and slow washout potholes.
- Update playground equipment for kids.
- Senior Center Pickleball courts should have a sign posted re Senior vs "everyone" hours of access and if it were possible to add additional Pickleball courts that would be awesome - getting a lot of use and helping us Seniors become more active!
- Add more trails

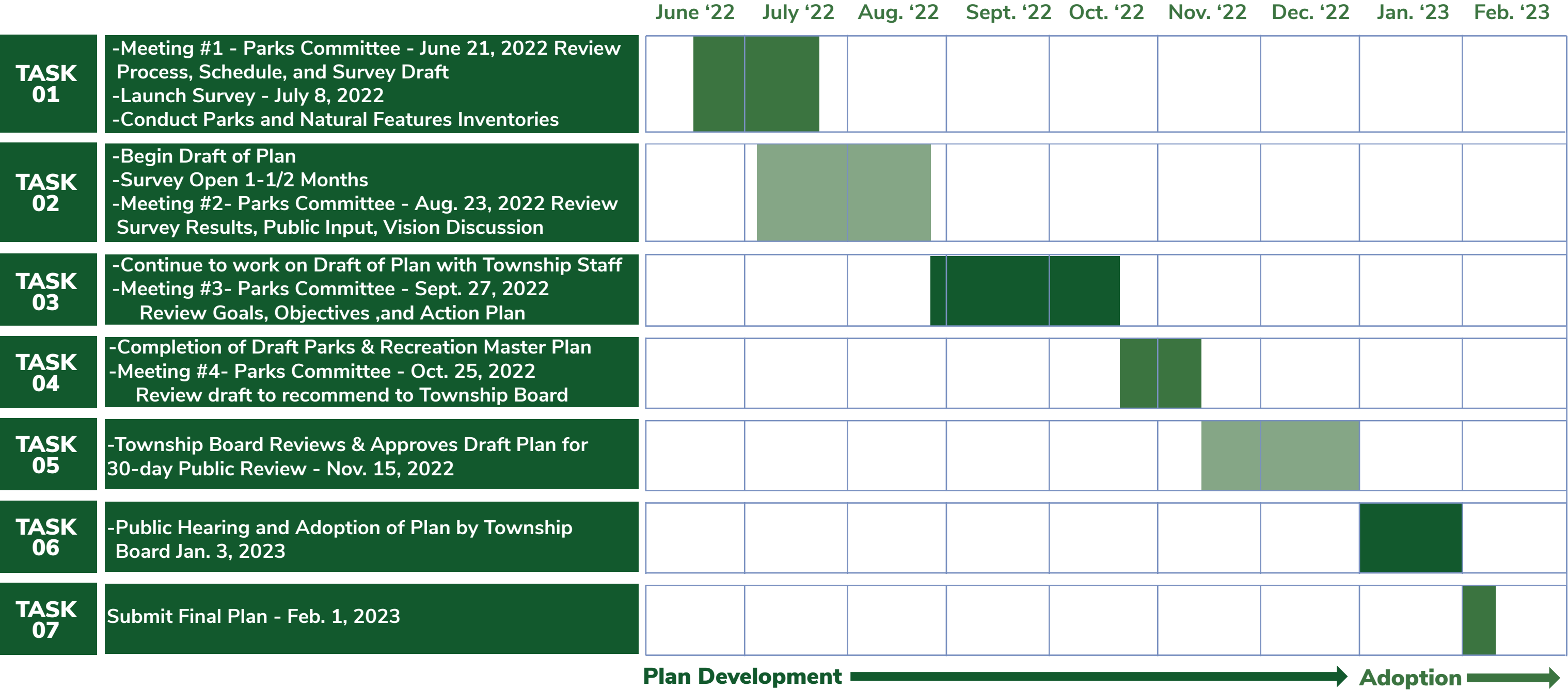
- More pickle ball courts. More structures providing shade for the courts.
- restrooms to wash hands, drinking fountains, bike fixing station
- improve road to flyer field
- I am a metals artist, i would like to see you have a metal sculpture park. all outdoor material would be welcome. I have a 9 foot pile with a revolving flying saucer that would be a good part of it. I have my own garden at home.
- add a splash pad and dog park walking bridge over or under Merrill rd
- thrilled we have it here
- add more pickleball courts
- add physical maps on where you are at. if you lose wifi how do toy know where you are at and how do you get home? edges of trails need to be better maintained
- cross county ski rentals, snow shoe rentals
- flower planting donated from residents.
- expand the senior center
- Access from my development! Please

26. If you would like to be added to the Parks and Recreation email list to be notified about survey results and park events, please provide your email address below. If you would like to receive emails, what are you most interested in? Please check all that apply.



Some respondents provided email addresses to receive notifications on specific subjects. Those email addresses have been recorded as an internal document for use by the Township, but will not be published in the Recreation Plan.

HAMBURG TOWNSHIP RECREATION PLAN UPDATE SCHEDULE



HAMBURG TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

BYLAWS & RULES OF PROCEDURE

Article I - Name

Hamburg Township Parks & Recreation Committee

Article II - Purpose

The Parks and Recreation Committee shall be an advisory body to the Hamburg Township Board of Trustee's for the following:

- 2.1 Management of Parklands and Recreational Facilities, Township Senior/Community Center, and the Lakelands Trail, including the approval and scheduling of their use.
- 2.2 Review of an Annual Business Plan and Supporting Budget as presented by the Clerk.
- 2.3 Development of recommendations to the Hamburg Township Board regarding expenditures and program enhancements.
- 2.4 Development and oversight of all grant proposals related to the Township's Parkland facilities and/or operations.
- 2.5 Development and maintenance of a five year Parks and Recreation Master Plan.
- 2.6 Development of agreements with schools and community groups, e.g. scouts, charitable and not-for-profit organizations, etc., to undertake cooperative programs, projects and events.
- 2.7 Marketing of various recreational programs to the community-at-large.
- 2.8 Oversight for programmatic development and use of the Lakelands Trail.
- 2.9 In cooperation with the Township's Building & Grounds and Clerk's Departments, responsible for providing management oversight of all physical modifications and enhancements to the Parks and Recreation property and facilities to ensure that all work is done with the appropriate permits, licenses, inspections, and liability protection, e.g. bonding.
- 2.10 Working closely with the Township's Public Safety Departments (Police and Fire) to ensure that residents receive the proper level of protection during the time they are using the Townships Parks and Recreation facilities.
- 2.11 Working with Volunteer based organizations, individuals and groups who use Parks and Recreation facilities to obtain important feedback about their experiences and suggestions for improvement and usage.

Article III – Membership

The Committee shall consist of five (5) voting members. All members shall be appointed by the Township Board according to the terms of these Bylaws.

3.1 Five (5) voting members shall consist of the following:

- **Hamburg Township Clerk.**
- **One (1) additional member of the Hamburg Township Board of Trustees to be nominated by the Clerk and appointed by the Township Board.**
- **Three (3) members at-large nominated by the Hamburg Township Clerk to be appointed by the Hamburg Township Board to serve for two year terms. All such members must be citizens of Hamburg Township. Such members shall not hold a position as an officer or a Board member of any category of user of the Township Park Facilities as set forth in the Hamburg Township Park Facility Use Policy, Sections 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4. Member may also be a Pinckney Community High School student as recommended by the acting PHS Athletic Director or Superintendent of Schools.**

3.2 Attendance of non-voting staff members on as needed basis:

- **Parks & Recreation Coordinator**
- **Public Safety representative**
- **DPW/Building & Grounds representative**
- **Senior Center Director**

3.3 Removal. Any member may be removed by a majority vote of the Township Board for whatever reason.

3.4 Trustee, citizen and hourly staff members that are not serving during business hours will be paid at the rate of \$65.00 per diem for regularly scheduled meetings. Citizen and hourly staff members that are not serving during business hours will be paid at the rate of \$65.00 per diem for special meetings.

3.5 Members may be reimbursed for expenses authorized by the Committee incurred while performing duties related to the work of the Committee. Mileage authorized by the Committee for Committee activities will be reimbursed at the current rate approved by the Township Board. Travel to and from meetings will not be reimbursed.

- 3.6 Expenses incurred by members relating to attendance at recreational related seminars, conventions, or other meetings must be pre-approved by the Township Board.

Article IV - Officers

- 4.1 **Selection.** At the January regular meeting, or the first scheduled meeting of a new year, the Committee shall elect from its voting members, a Chairperson, who shall serve for a 24-month period beginning at the January regular meeting and running through the end of their stated term or until such time as a successor has been appointed. The Chairperson shall be responsible for establishing the agenda for all meetings and will preside over all meetings.

Article V - Meetings

- 5.1 **Meeting Notices.** All regularly scheduled and special meetings shall be posted at the Hamburg Township Hall by the Hamburg Township Clerk, and shall otherwise comply with the requirements of 15.261 et seq., commonly referred to as the Open Meetings Act.
- 5.2 **Meetings.** Regular meetings shall be held monthly according to the schedule adopted by the Committee prior to their first regularly scheduled monthly meeting of each year to be held on the fourth Tuesday of January at 3:00 p.m.
- 5.3 **Special Meetings.** Special meetings may be called by the Township Clerk, the Chairperson of the Committee or by a majority of the voting members of the Committee.
- 5.4 **Quorum.** In order for the Committee to conduct business or take any official action, a quorum consisting of the majority of all the voting members serving on the Committee must be present. When a quorum is not present, no official action may take place. The members of the Committee may discuss matters of interest, but can take no action until the next regular or special meeting.
- 5.5 **Voting.** An affirmative vote of the majority of the quorum shall be required for the approval of any requested action or motion placed before the Committee. Voting shall ordinarily be by voice vote; provided, however, that a roll call vote shall be required if requested by any Committee member or directed by the Chairperson. If a roll call vote is taken, the individual vote, yea or nay, of each Committee member must be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.
- 5.6 **Order of Business.** A written agenda for all meetings shall be prepared as follows. The order of business shall be:
- i. Call to Order
 - ii. Approval of the Agenda
 - iii. Approval of the Minutes

- iv. Call to the Public
- v. Old Business
- vi. New Business
- vii. Call to the Public
- viii. Committee Comments
- ix. Adjournment

5.8 Rules of Order. All meetings of the Committee shall be conducted in an orderly manner similar to Roberts Rule of Order.

Article VI - Minutes

- 6.1** Committee minutes shall be prepared by the Township Clerk. The Township Clerk may appoint a staff member as the minute's recorder who will be compensated according to current Township policy. The minutes shall contain a brief synopsis of the meeting, including a complete restatement of all motions and record of votes; and record of attendance. All communications, actions and resolutions shall be attached to the minutes. The official records shall be deposited with the Township Clerk.

Article VII - Open Meetings and Freedom of Information Provisions

- 7.1** All Committee meetings shall comply with the terms and provisions of MCL 15.261 et seq., commonly referred to as the Open Meetings Act.
- 7.2** All business conducted by the Committee or any and all of its documents are subject to the provisions of MCL 15.231 et seq., commonly referred to as Freedom Of Information Act (FOIA).
- 7.3** A person shall not be excluded from a meeting of the Committee except for a breach of peace committed at the meetings.

Article VIII - Amendments

- 8.1** These Bylaws may be amended from time to time by the Hamburg Township Board. The Committee, by a majority vote, may submit any recommended amendments to the Township Board for its approval.

THESE BYLAWS AND RULES OF PROCEDURE ARE ADOPTED THIS DATE: December 17, 2019

Original: January 4, 2011 **Amended:** April 19, 2011, November 15, 2011, November 27, 2012, February 17, 2015, December 6, 2016, December 19, 2017, December 17, 2019, August 12, 2022



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August 26, 2022

To: Parks & Recreation Committee

From: Deby Henneman, Township Coordinator

Re: Parks & Recreation Report

The 2022 Master Plan Survey has been completed and the results are in the packet. I recommend that everyone read the detailed comments that residents left, I found a lot of them very helpful in determining the direction the Township should take on improvements. The public input session will be Monday, August 29, 2022 at 7 p.m. which is when Spicer will present the results and discuss suggested changes to the Master Design Plan for the parks. The Public Hearing will be scheduled for a future Township Board Meeting date.

The plaques for the MDNR and Ralph C. Wilson Foundation have arrived and a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Hay Creek Bridge Renovation Project has been scheduled for Friday, September 9, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. Location will be the Hay Creek Bridge just west of Chambers Rd. Temporary road signs will be in place for parking. Those who plan to attend should email clerk@hamburg.mi.us.

Anyone that has taken nice pictures of any of the Parks or Trails in Hamburg, that don't mind them being used for Facebook and/or printed material, please be sure to send them along to me at: dhenneman@hamburg.mi.us. We will be looking for quality photos to add to our 5-year Parks Master Plan as well.

The PowerAde Tournament went much smoother this year, and there were no reports of any incidents. Chief Nisenbaum did recommend a few more Public Safety Personnel during the event, which would quantify as a High-Level Public Safety fee.

The Township Board approved the budget for the East Park Playground Renovation Project, and we have requested revised bids from Michigan Recreational Construction eliminating the picnic tables, benches, and trees which will be funded by the (up to) \$15,000 donation from H.E.R.O. and a private donor who has purchased 2 memorial trees for this area. This project will be an amazing improvement for the residents, and will

The Historical Marker (Hamburg Cemetery at Strawberry Lake Rd.) has been paid for and the order is being processed. I would expect delivery sometime in the late fall, and installation by early spring, weather permitting. Once the sign arrives and the garden bed is installed, we will need to have an unveiling as per the terms of our agreement with the State.



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Blackout (Bold)/Event activity dates for 2022

Hi-lite has event both sides - No other uses allowed on Blackout Dates
unless approved by Township. List is over and above regular use.

East Park

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| August 13, 2022 | Hamburg RC Airshow – Approved (Rain Date 27 th) |
| August 19, 2022 | Cross Country Meet PHS vs Brighton – 8AM-10:30AM |
| August 27, 2022 | Private Event in EP Pavilion – 4PM-8PM |
| September 21, 2022 | Cross Country SEC Mid School Jamboree – 2:30-7PM |
| October 14, 2022 | Blue Star Service Dogs – Graduation – 11AM-4PM |

West Park

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| August 13, 2022 | Jogging for Jakey 5K – 9A-12PM (Concession area) |
| August 19-21, 2022 | Michigan Alliance – Powerade – Approved WP Only |

Lakelands Trail

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| September 9, 2022 | Hay Creek Bridge Ribbon Cutting – 2:30 p.m. |
| August 13, 2022 | Jogging for Jakey 5K – 9A-12PM – Approved |

Winkelhaus Park

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| Memorial Day Annually | Parade in Village of Hamburg |
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Projects

- East Park Playground – Pending/TBD

For Use Schedule go to:

https://www.hamburg.mi.us/departments/parks_and_recreation/event_calendar_info/parks_events_calendar.php

Community Center Special Uses

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| August 13, 2022 | Girl Scouts – 2PM-8PM |
| August 14, 2022 | Private Event – 11:00AM-4PM |
| August 18, 2022 | Private Event – 6PM-10PM |
| October 2, 2022 | Girl Scouts – 9AM-5PM |
| October 23, 2022 | Private Event – 1PM-5PM |
| November 18-19, 2022 | Senior Holiday Bazaar (BLACKOUT) |
| December 5-6, 2022 | Senior Holiday Party (BLACKOUT) |

Patio Only Schedule

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| August 6, 2022 | Private Group – 1PM-3PM |
| August 20, 2022 | Private Group – 1PM-3PM |
| September 3, 2022 | Private Group – 1PM-3PM |
| September 17, 2022 | Private Group – 1PM-3PM |



August 25, 2022

To: Parks and Recreation Committee
From: Julie Eddings, Senior Program Director
Re: Senior Center Director's Report

July Statistics:

- Monthly Attendance: 2102
- Daily Average: 105
- Transportation Daily Average: 19
- Number of New Members: 39

Upcoming Closures:

- Monday, September 5 for Labor Day

Upcoming Programming:

- Line Dancing-The first Wednesday of the month
- Friday BBQ's-Friday, August 12 & 26
- Bridge Lessons-Wednesdays
- Senior Picnic at Kensington-September 8
- Widows Friendship Group-Friday, September 9
- Acrylic Paint Class-September 9
- Pickleball Clinic-September 12
- Senior Advisory Board Meeting-September 14
- Senior Center Bus Trip to Secluded Gardens-September 14
- Progressive Painting Craft Class with Brookdale-September 15
- Karaoke Party-September 16
- Senior Center Bus Trip to Cider Mill-September
- Senior Celebration sponsored by Livingston County Consortium on Aging-September 23
- Senior Center Bus Trip to Los Tres Amigos-September 28
- COVID Booster Clinic-September 30

Other Information:

- September is National Senior Center Month. The Senior Center will celebrate with a senior picnic and a celebration day. The Senior Center will also be hosting a COVID booster clinic with Genoa Healthcare.