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PENINSULA TOWNSHIP PARKS COMMITTEE Regular Committee Meeting March 27, 2024

AGENDA

7:00 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Approve Agenda
- 5. Brief Citizens Comments (for agenda items only)
- 6. Conflict of Interest
- 7. **Consent Agenda:** any member of the committee, staff, or the public may ask that any item on the consent agenda be removed and placed elsewhere on the agenda for full discussion.
 - A. Minutes from January 24, 2024
 - B. Correspondence from Cherry Capital Cycling Club "2024 Grant Program" January 16, 2024
 - C. Parks Budget

8. Business

- A. PNA Naturalization-Murphy/Hager
- B. Signage at PNA and all Parks-Murphy/Lagerquist
- C. BHP Pavilion Reservation Applications-Butler/Skurski
- D. BHP Commemorative Bench Request-Skurski/Zebell
- E. Grand Traverse Band Local 2% Allocation Distribution, February 2, 2024-Zebell
- F. Thomas Foundation Grant-Chown
- G. Meeker Addition to PNA-Murphy
- H. Pruning Concerns-Zebell/Skurski
- I. Volunteer List next Steps-Milliken
- J. Topics for April Parks Meeting-Zebell
- 9. Citizen Comments
- 10. Committee Comments
- 11. Adjournment

Peninsula Township has several portable hearing devices available for audience members. If you would like to use one, please ask the recording secretary.

CONSENT

Peninsula Township
Parks Committee, January 24, 2024, 7:00 p.m.
Lola Jackson-Recording Secretary
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PENINSULA TOWNSHIP PARKS COMMITTEE

Regular Committee Meeting

MINUTES

January 24, 2024 7:00 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order by Skurski at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Pledge
- 3. Roll Call Butler, Dahl, Skurski, Zebell. Excused: Murphy, Milliken, Chown
- 4. Approve Agenda Butler moved to approve the agenda with a second by Zebell Approved by Consensus
- 5. Brief Citizens Comments (for agenda items only) None
- 6. Conflict of Interest None
- 7. Consent Agenda: any member of the committee, staff, or the public may ask that any item on the consent agenda be removed and placed elsewhere on the agenda for full discussion.
 - A. Minutes from September 20, 2023, and November 15, 2023
 - B. Correspondence from Concerned Peninsula Citizen-"Cars Parking on BHP Grass" October 2, 2023
 - C. Correspondence from Susan Piehl regarding BHP parking complaints-October 2, 2023
 - D. Correspondence from Park Committee Members and Director of Planning and Zoning on BHP Parking Situation-October 2-3, 2023
 - E. Correspondence from Bill Stott/ Bill Ryan-"Poison Ivy Control and Trail Clearing in Central and Northern Michigan Peninsula Township: 2023" November 6, 2023.
 - F. Correspondence from Mike Skurski "Industrial Geese Away" January 18, 2024

Zebell moved to approve the Consent Agenda with a second by Dahl

Approved by Consensus

8. Business

- A. PNA Signage and Placement Schedule- Murphy
- B. All Park Signage Plan-All

Skurski: as Murphy is not here and there is a great deal of information in the packet regarding signage, we should go ahead and have a general discussion.

The committee discussed needing bigger lettering on the examples of the signage. Murphy will be contacted to provide bigger samples at the next meeting. The use of QR codes and maps linking all the parks is being explored. Ideally, the signage will be installed by summer. There is still ARPA money available, which must be spent by the end of 2024.

C. Celebration Recap and Equipment Funding- **Zebell:** the reason I wanted to go back over this is I get stopped by people saying "if there is no money for parks, how did you come up with a playground structure and a swing set?" Mike (Skurski) did extensive research and came up with an affordable swing set. We decided to order and install the wood chips ourselves, which turned out to be quite an endeavor. There are many people to thank regarding the wood chip installation. Complete information on the costs and all of the

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names of the volunteers is in the packet. Without volunteers and strategic decisions by this committee, much less would be accomplished.

D. Volunteer List Next Steps-Milliken

Milliken was going to talk about the next step in creating a volunteer program and will be on the February meeting agenda.

E. Volunteer Recognition-Zebell: I created a letterhead the park committee could use to thank people in a more personalized way with a letter. I also want to see if people can obtain a tax credit for in kind donations.

F. List of Open Maintenance Needs-All

Skurski: I have created the budgetary performance year-to-date. Transfers from ARPA and the pickle ball group still need to occur. Everyone can submit small projects needed in their assigned parks. A good example is the geese away lights, which can be used at the soccer field and then at Haserot Park and Beach. In building the park 2024-2025 budget, I will take care of the basics and if we can have the individual park requests from the entire committee, we can construct the budget at our February meeting. The township votes on the finalized budget the last meeting in March, so I think we will be ready to present our budget to the trustees.

G. Kelly Park Boat Launch Site Plan-Chown

The committee reviewed the map and budget provided by Beckett and Raeder (see information in the packet). A DNR waterway grant of \$605,000 and township ARPA money is going to fund the project. The work is slated to begin in the spring, 2024.

H. Needed Projects and Expense for 2024 Budget-Skurski and All

Skurski: look at the budget from 2023-2024 and make sure all of the money for your park projects has been spent. If there is anything not completed, please let me know so we can get them finished.

8. Citizen Comments None

10. Committee Comments

Zebell: I applied again this year for the 2024 cycle of the 2% Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. We were awarded \$19,600 to "support Bowers Harbor Park improvements by partnering with CFS Youth Work and GoatWork programs to help remove invasive plant species."

Dahl: the money I need is for tree maintenance and signage. The signs stating no parking and no camping continue to be stolen. The two track remains a problem with people partying and building fires.

11. Adjournment Dahl moved to adjourn the meeting with a second by Butler Approved by Consensus

Adjourned at 7:52 p.m.



PO Box 1807 Traverse City, MI 49685-1807

cherrycapitalcyclingclub.org

Date: January 16, 2024

Peninsula Township 13235 Center Rd Traverse City, MI 49686

Attn: Jenn Cram

Re: Cherry Capital Cycling Club

2024 Grant Program

Dear Jenn,

The Cherry Capital Cycling Club is pleased to announce we will be offering a grant program in 2024 for area communities and organizations who support cycling. Our club is a volunteer supported non-profit organization with the money raised each year coming from our two major fundraising rides: Ride Around Torch and the Leelanau Harvest Tour. Our Grant Program supports our mission, which is to "promote a cycling community as part of a healthy lifestyle".

We encourage you to consider applying for a grant to attract more cyclists to your community. Studies have shown that communities investing and promoting cycling have seen tangible economic impacts. If you want to participate but need some help with project ideas, a few project examples we have helped to support through our grant program in the past include Dero Bike Fix-it Stations, bike racks, biking focused infrastructure improvements and trail improvement projects. We can provide additional details regarding Fix-it stations and bike racks, upon request. You can download the new grant application form by visiting our website at cherrycapitalcyclingclub.org/grants or by simply using the attached QR code to access our Grant Page.

Please note that we will be accepting grant applications beginning February 1st through March 31st, 2024, with award decisions being made in the first full week in May. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

Cherry Capital Cycling Club

Al Bonney
Grant Committee Chair
grantchair@cherrycapitalcyclingclub.org



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		2022-23	2022-23	2022-23	2023-24	2023-24	2024-25
		ORIGINAL	AMENDED	ACTIVITY	ORIGINAL	ACTIVITY	DRAFT
GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET	BUDGET		BUDGET	THRU 12/31/23	BUDGET
Fund 208 - Parks Fund							
ESTIMATED REVENUES							
Dept 000							
208-000-607.EVT	Parks Lg. Event Fee	5,000	5,000	9,189	9,000	8,350	9,000
208-000-664.000	Interest Income		300	359	600	895	900
208-000-667.000	Rental Income	1,000	1,000	1,150	1,000	450	600
208-000-675.000	Donations			500		700	700
208-000-675.CAP	Donations Capital Fund-Kelley Park					12,500	0
208-000-675.EVT	LARGE EVENT- PARKS DONATIONS					1,798	1,000
208-000-675.GNT	Park Grants - GTB17.9,youthwor k9.7,Americorps5.2 MichWors 3.0					3,254	37,500
208-000-675.PLK	Donations- Pickleball Court (memorial)			20,000		282,476	2,200
208-000-676.000	Miscellaneous - ARPA					6,465	18,000
	DNR KELLY GRANT						625,000

Totals for dept 000 -		6,000	6,300	31,198	10,600	316,888	694,900
Dept 930 - APPROPRIATIONS- TRANSFERS IN							
208-930-699.000	Appropriated Transfers In	90,000	100,000	100,000	201,300	179,990	523,480
Totals for dept 930 - APPROPRIATIONS- TRANSFERS IN		90,000	100,000	100,000	201,300	179,990	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		96,000	106,300	131,198	211,900	496,878	
APPROPRIATIONS							
Dept 000							
208-000-710.WRK	Workers Comp			(28)			
Totals for dept 000 -				(28)			
Dept 751 - PARKS							
208-751-703.000	Per Diem(14 mtg)	6,700	6,700	6,605	6,750	1,320	7,490
208-751-710.LIB	Liability Insurance	2,000	2,000	1,866	2,000	2,246	2,250
208-751-710.WRK	Workers Comp	100	100	10	100	137	750
208-751-715.000	Employer Social Security	650	650	641	700	186	465

208-751-726.000	Supplies	625	7,000	6,775	7,000	1,616	7,000
208-751-726.PRK	Park Signs	2,500	500	208	500	15,000	18,000
208-751-783.000	Seeding and Planting Services	200	200		2,000		2,000
208-751-801.000	Legal Fees		5,000	4,019	100	666	1,000
208-751-807.000	Audit Fees	300	450	411	500	415	500
208-751-818.000	Contractual Services-R Wilkinson	50,000	60,000	65,482	60,000	43,440	63,000
208-751-818.010	Recording Secretary	1,800	1,800	1,770	2,250	1,110	2,625
208-751-818.200	Contract Services	2,000	16,000	14,202	7,200	17,883	20,000
208-751-818.PLO	Plowing	2,500	2,500		2,500	2,510	3,000
208-751-855.DEQ	Noncom. Public Wat. Sup. Fee	1,500	1,500	1,360	1,500	1,153	1,500
208-751-881.000	Community Activities				500		1,000
208-751-900.000	Legal Notices	1,000	250	304	300	164	500
208-751-900.PNP	Printing	500	500		500		500
208-751-921.000	Electricity	2,600	2,600	2,053	2,600	1,975	2,600
208-751-926.000	Street Lighting	1,500	1,500	1,179	1,500	1,046	1,500
208-751-930.000	Repairs and Maintenance	22,500	15,000	8,812	20,000	10,816	20,000
208-751-958.000	Memberships and Dues	600	600	588	600	647	700
208-751-966.KEL	Grant Cost - Kelley Park	5,000	5,000	4,458	9,900	10,937	0
208-751-967.BHP	Grant Costs-BHP EXPANSION - goat					270	37,500
208-751-967.DTE	Grant Costs DTE. GOOSE GONE LIGHTING					2,506	2,000

208-751-970.000	Capital Outlay/KELLEY LAUNCH		1,000	915	77,600	107,271	1,020,000
208-751-970.PKL	Capital Outlay- Pickleball Court			13,123		276,654	2,500
Totals for dept 751 - PARKS		104,575	130,850	134,781	206,600	484,968	1,218,380
Dept 753 - PARKS- PELIZZARI NATURAL AREA							
208-753-710.LIB	Liability - Insurance	200	200	246	300	291	300
208-753-807.000	Audit Fees		150	138	150	104	150
208-753-818.PLO	Plowing					440	500
208-753-921.000	Electricity	350	425	378	400	281	400
208-753-930.000	Repairs and Maintenance	1,000	1,000	1,820			2,500
Totals for dept 753 - PARKS- PELIZZARI NATURAL AREA		1,550	1,775	2,582	850	1,116	3,850
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		106,125	132,625	137,335	207,450	486,084	1,218,380
NET OF REVENUES/APPRO PRIATIONS - FUND 208		(10,125)	(26,325)	(6,137)	4,450	10,794	
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		23,252	23,252	23,252	17,118	17,118	27,912

ENDING FUND		13,127	(3,073)	17,115	21,568	27,912	27,912
BALANCE							
Fund 209 -							
Cemetery Fund							
ESTIMATED							
REVENUES							
Dept 000							
209-000-643.000	Sale of Pen. Dr. Lots	25,000	35,000	37,500	20,000	15,283	
209-000-644.000	Cemetery- Perpetual Care (Restricted)					6,267	
209-000-645.000	Cemetery- Administrative Fee					1,300	
209-000-664.000	Interest Income	50	700	945	1,000	1,805	
Totals for dept 000 -		25,050	35,700	38,445	21,000	24,655	
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		25,050	35,700	38,445	21,000	24,655	
APPROPRIATIONS							
Dept 567 - CEMETERIES							
209-567-707.000	Temporary Employees	500					
209-567-710.LIB	Liability Insurance	1,100	1,100	1,156	1,300	1,383	

209-567-710.WRK	Workers Comp	25	25				
209-567-715.000	Employer Social	40	40				
	Security		10				
209-567-726.000	Supplies	500	1,200	1,100	500	614	
209-567-771.OGD	Buy Back Lots - Ogdensberg		1,125	1,125	1,000	1,500	
209-567-771.PEN	Buy Back Lots - Peninsula		375	375	800		
209-567-801.000	Legal Fees		3,000	2,143		2,143	
209-567-814.000	Software License & Support		400	391	400		
209-567-818.000	Contractual Services-Mowing	15,000	17,000	15,868	15,000	11,460	
209-567-818.100	Cemetery Sexton	4,000	4,000		4,000	4,000	
209-567-921.000	Electricity	400	400	353	400	266	
209-567-930.000	Repairs and Maintenance	6,500	6,500		3,500		
209-567-970.000	CAPITAL OUTLAY	16,550	7,000	5,950	13,600	1,721	
Totals for dept 567 - CEMETERIES		44,615	42,165	28,461	40,500	23,087	
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		44,615	42,165	28,461	40,500	23,087	
NET OF		(19,565)	(6,465)	9,984	(19,500)	1,568	
REVENUES/APPRO PRIATIONS - FUND 209		(19,503)	(0,403)	9,964	(13,300)	1,508	
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		57,050	57,050	57,050	67,034	67,034	68,602
ENDING FUND BALANCE		37,485	50,585	67,034	47,534	68,602	68,602

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Fund 213 - Hessler Log Home Fund							
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ESTIMATED							
REVENUES Dept 000							
213-000-664.000	Interest Income			106	100	208	
213-000-675.000	Donations	1,000	1,000			1,327	
Totals for dept 000 -		1,000	1,000	1,432	1,100	1,535	
Dept 930 - APPROPRIATIONS- TRANSFERS IN							
213-930-699.000	Appropriated Transfers In	5,000	5,000				
Totals for dept 930 - APPROPRIATIONS- TRANSFERS IN		5,000	5,000				
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES		6,000	6,000	1,432	1,100	1,535	
APPROPRIATIONS							
Dept 804 - LIGHTHOUSE							

213-804-710.LIB	Liability Insurance	600	700	674	700		
213-804-726.000	Supplies	500	500				
213-804-970.000	Capital Assets	3,500					
Totals for dept 804 - LIGHTHOUSE		4,600	1,200	674	700		
Dept 806 - HESSLER LOG CABIN							
213-806-710.LIB	Liability Insurance					795	900
Totals for dept 806 - HESSLER LOG CABIN						795	900
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS		4,600	1,200	674	700	795	
NET OF REVENUES/APPRO PRIATIONS - FUND 213		1,400	4,800	758	400	740	
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		4,933	4,933	4,933	5,691	5,691	6,431
ENDING FUND BALANCE		6,333	9,733	5,691	6,091	6,431	6,431
Fund 214 - Pelizzari Natural Area Fund							

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ESTIMATED							
REVENUES							
Dept 000							
214-000-664.000	Interest Income	280	4,000	5,102	5,000		9,000
214-000-675.000	Donations					3,000	0
214-000-675.GNT	Pelizzari Grants					85,000	0
	Received						
Totals for dept		280	4,000	5,102	5,000	96,496	9,000
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TOTAL ESTIMATED		280	4,000	5,102	5,000	96,496	
REVENUES			ŕ	,	,	,	
APPROPRIATIONS							
APPROPRIATIONS							
Dept 751 - PARKS							
214-751-966.GNT	Pelizzari Grant					270	300
214-731-900.GN1						270	300
214-751-970.000	Expenses		1 500	702	1 000	4 5 4 9	0
	Capital Outlay		1,500				0
Totals for dept			1,500	782	1,000	4,818	300
751 - PARKS							
TOTAL			1,500	782	1,000	4,818	
APPROPRIATIONS							
NET OF		280	2,500	4,320	4,000	91,678	
REVENUES/APPRO							
PRIATIONS - FUND							
214							
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BEGINNING		293,998	293,998	293,998	298,319	298,319	389,997
FUND BALANCE					,		
ENDING FUND		294,278	296,498	298,318	302,319	389,997	389,997
BALANCE							
Fund 216 -							
Dougherty							
House/Replica Log							
Church Fund							
ESTIMATED							
REVENUES							
Dept 000							
216-000-664.000	Interest Income		100	151	200	160	200
216-000-675.RLC	Donations-Replica					3,172	1,000
	Log Church					-,	_,
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Totals for dept			100	151	200	3,332	1,200
000 -							
Dept 930 -							
APPROPRIATIONS-							
TRANSFERS IN							
216-930-699.000	Appropriated	10,000	10,000	10,000		10,000	
Tatala fan dant	Transfers In	10.000	10.000	10.000		10.000	
Totals for dept 930 -		10,000	10,000	10,000		10,000	
APPROPRIATIONS-							
TRANSFERS IN							
INANSI ENSIN							
TOTAL ESTIMATED		10,000	10,100	10,151	200	13,332	
REVENUES		10,000	10,100	10,101	200	13,332	
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APPROPRIATIONS							
Dept 804 - LIGHTHOUSE							
216-804-710.LIB	Liability	2,000	2,300	2,269	2,500	2,668	
216-804-745.000	Dougherty-DTE Heating	800	1,000	888	1,000		
216-804-921.000	Electricity	2,500	2,500	2,243	3,000	231	
216-804-930.000	Repairs and Maintenance	3,000	1,000				
216-804-970.000	Capital Outlay/MiscExpend itures	1,000					
Totals for dept 804 - LIGHTHOUSE		9,300	6,800	5,400	6,500	2,899	
Dept 807 - DOUGHERTY HOUSE/REPLICA							
LOG CHURCH 216-807-745.000	Dougherty-DTE Heating					575	750
216-807-921.000	Electricity					1,172	1,250
216-807-930.000	Repairs and Maintenance					1,979	2,500
216-807-930.RLC	REPAIRS/MAINTEN ANCE-REPLICA LOG CHURCH					575	750
216-807-970.RLC	Capital Outlay- Replica Log Church					4,136	2,000

					8,437	7,250
	9,300	6,800	5,400	6,500	11,336	
	700	3,300	4,751	(6,300)	1,996	
	2,016	2,016	2,016	6,768	6,768	8,764
	2,716	5,316	6,767	468	8,764	8,764
Interest Income			53 53		104 104	
			53		104	
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NET OF			53		104	
REVENUES/APPRO						
PRIATIONS - FUND						
252						
BEGINNING	2,689	2,689	2,689	2,742	2,742	2,846
FUND BALANCE						
ENDING FUND	2,689	2,689	2,742	2,742	2,846	2,846
BALANCE						

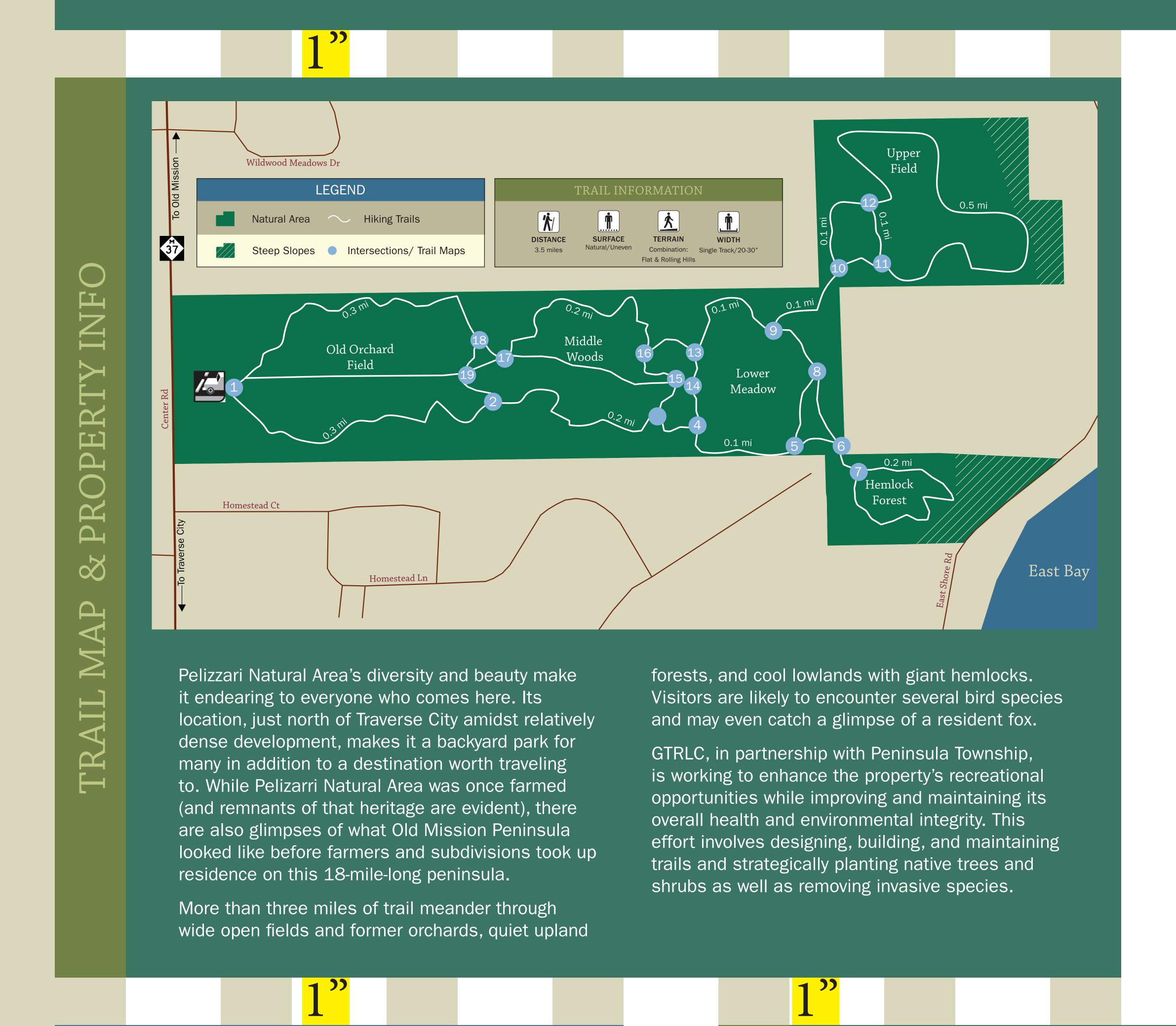
BUSINESS

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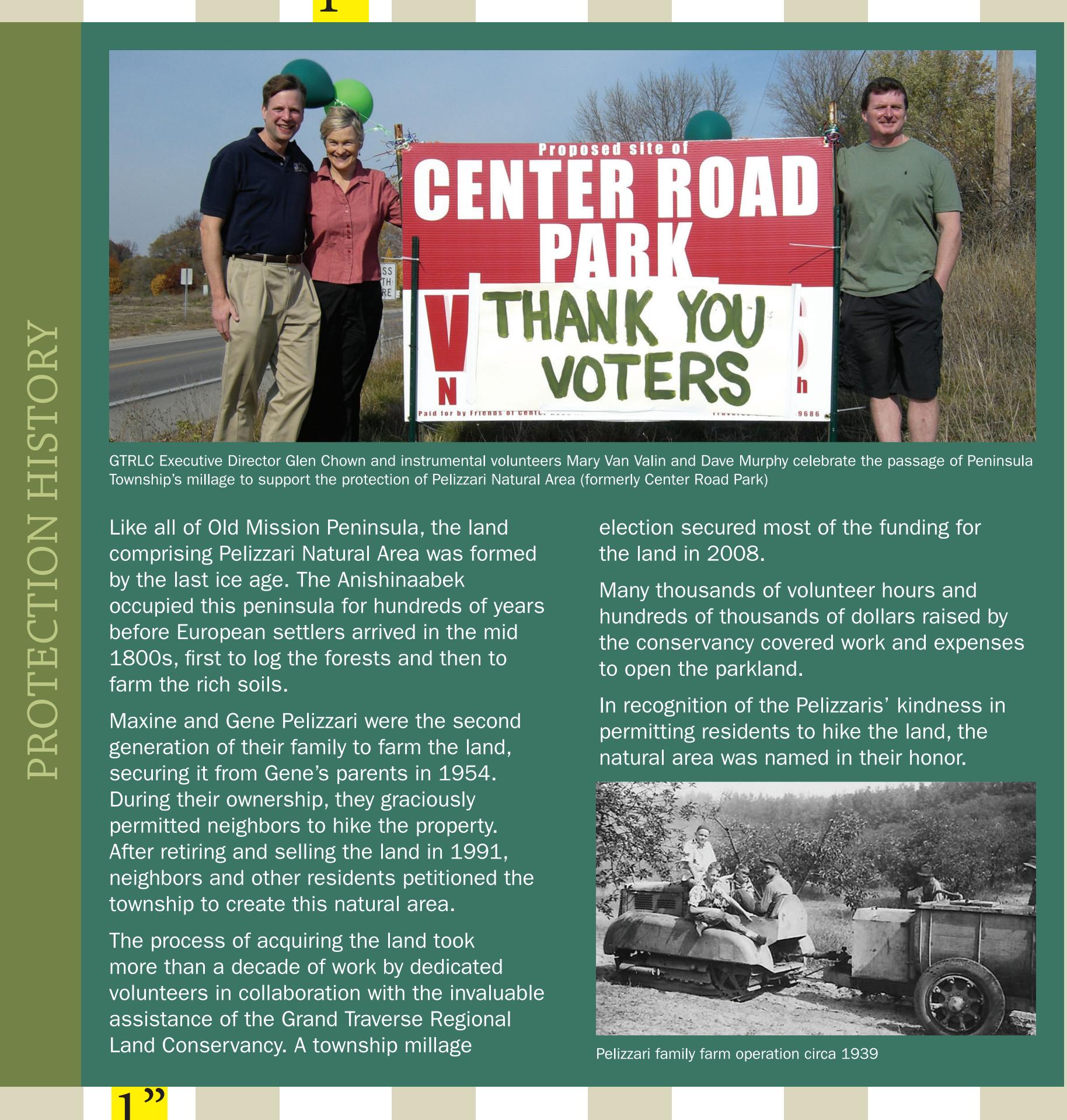
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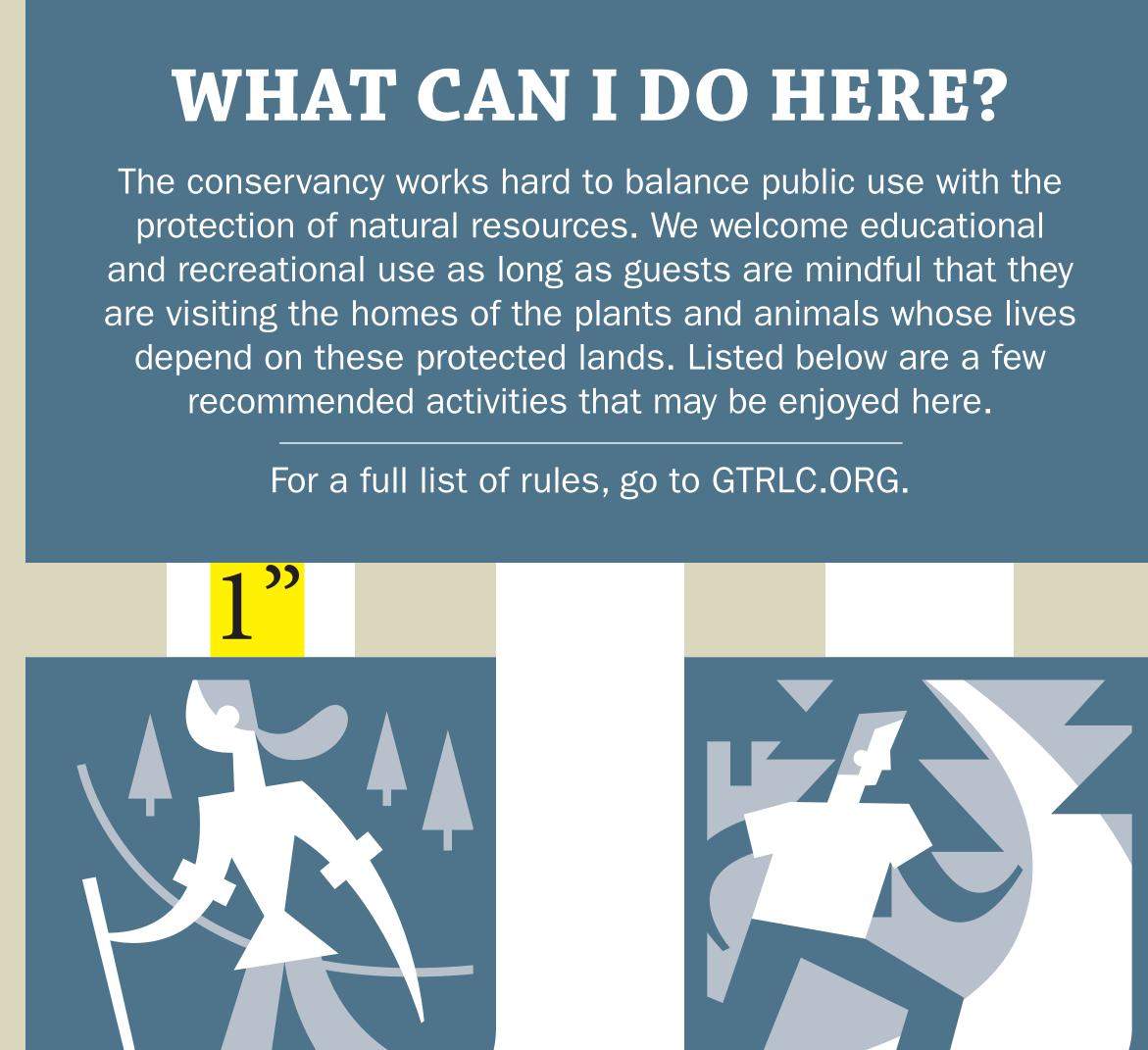
NATURALAREA





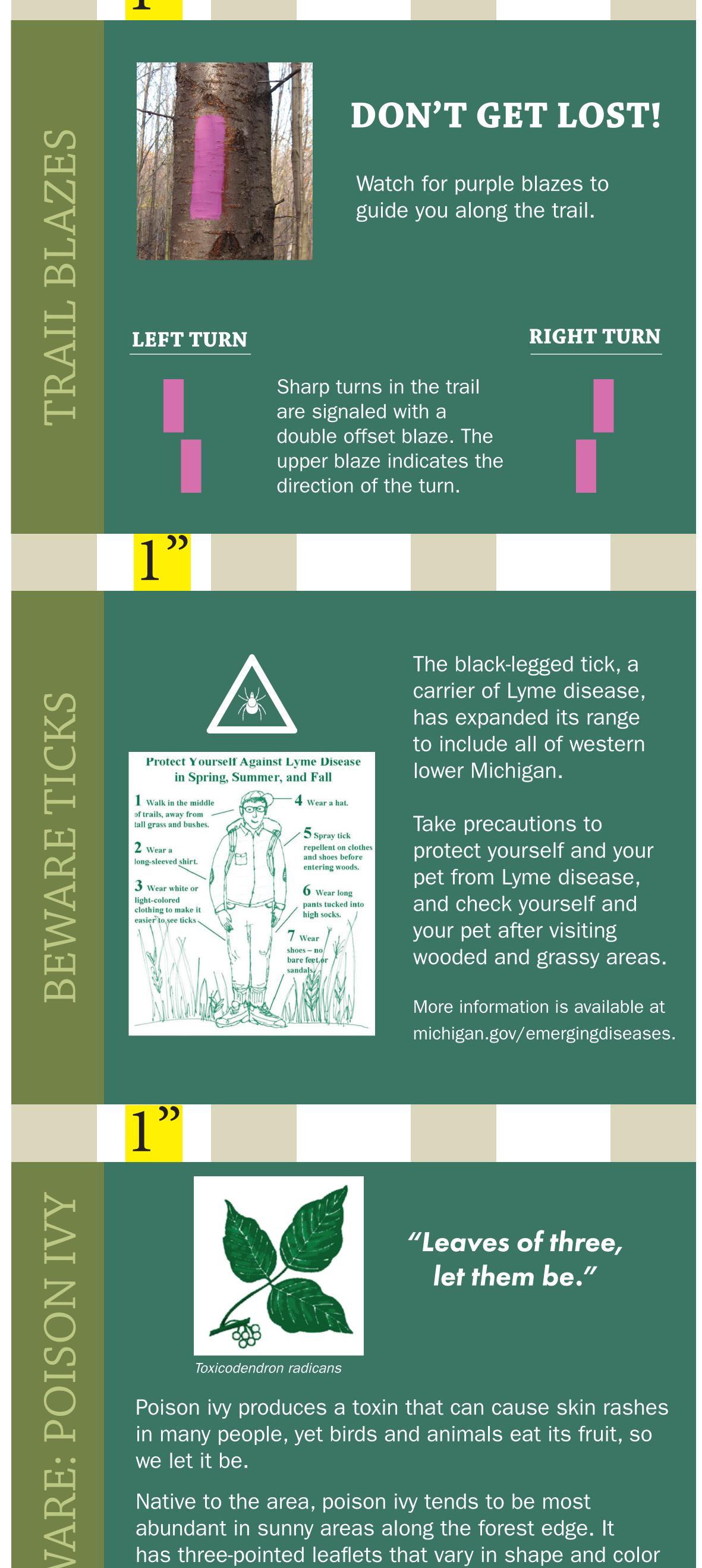






Hiking/Snowshoeing





and can grow as a small plant, low shrub, or vine.


After leaves fall off, the plant can be identified by

grayish white berries.



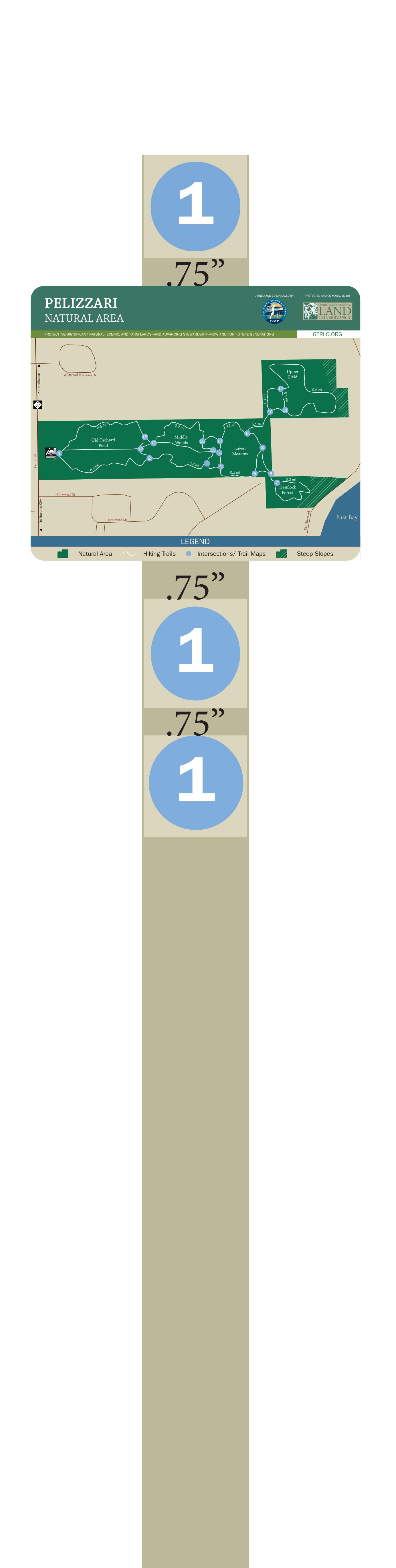
18"
trim excess post if necessary

Mini Kiosk - by hemlocks/ cul de sac



wayfinding posts

19 intersections



interpretive signs



For the enjoyment of all visitors and the protection of wildlife, please keep your pets on leash and pick up after them.



Local laws* mandate that pet owners keep their pets on a leash and under their direct control and not running at large when on this property.

You are subject to ticketing and fines if you are in violation of these laws. Please be considerate of others and help to secure the safety of everyone using this public park.

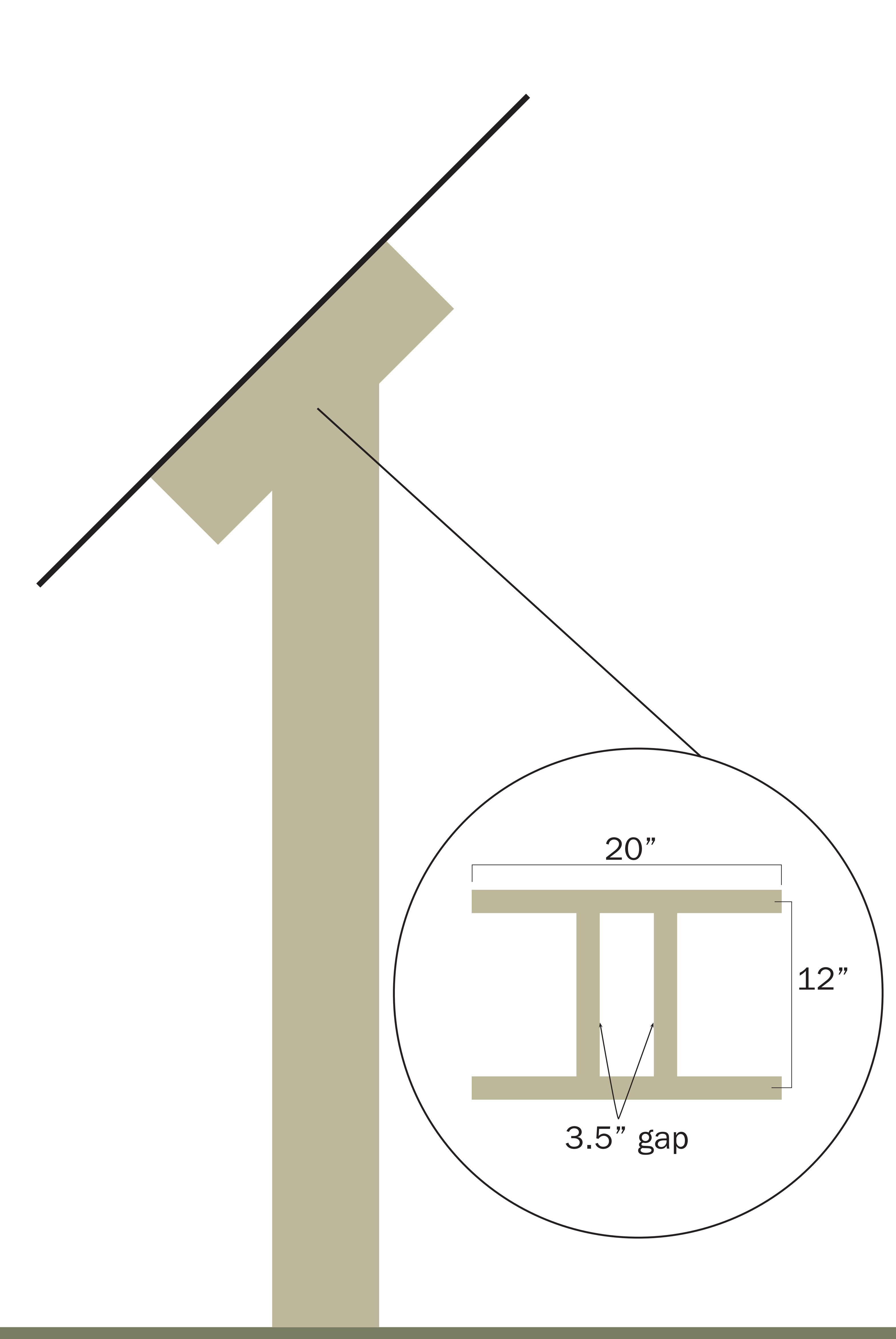


WELCOME

THE HEMLOCK FOREST'S

DR. JOHN SPENCER TRAIL





HEMILOCKS: ANCIENT RESIDENTS

The Eastern hemlock (Tsuga canadensis) is a long-lived species that can live more than 800 years and grow to heights of more than 100 feet. They can grow in a variety of soil types but thrive in the wet, well-drained soils featured here.

Hemlocks absorb much of the sunlight with their dense canopies and create acidic soils, which limits the growth of other plants and creates the open forest floor you see around you. A few of the understory species that successfully associate with hemlocks can be found here: Canada yew, star flower, and beech-drop along with club and other mosses.

Young hemlocks grow well in very little sunlight and acidic soils, making these areas ideal nurseries for self-sustaining stands of hemlocks. Eastern hemlocks produce the smallest (but the largest number) of cones of all Eastern conifers.

Recreation Commission, providing strong sty parks system and its embrace of treasured Education Reserve, and the Civic Center. his entire life. Having worked on the Michigan ove of "big trees" such as the Eastern Served toward the establishment of Pelizzari formation s as executive director supported the formatio rservancy. He also serv Conservan Suppor his years enthusiastically grant tow e.g. During Region Dar Spencer Spencer outdoors Foundation **Stano** Oleson Area Sper Natural Participation of the second of the s Support 0



NASIVE SPECIES ALER

Hemlock woolly adelgid (HWA) is an invasive forest insect that feeds on the bases of hemlock needles, where they attach to woody shoots.

Specialized mouth parts enable the insect to pierce the shoots of their host tree, disrupting nutrient flow and depleting the reserves the tree has stored. Tree mortality occurs over a four to 10-year period depending on infestation levels and site conditions. As the adelgids feed

they secrete white, fluffy strands of wax called ovisacs. These are most obvious from late fall to early summer, especially on the undersides of shoots.

The Northwest Michigan Invasive Species
Network (ISN) is working with GTRLC and private landowners to survey for HWA as part of a statewide effort to reduce the impacts of this

forest pest. You can help by being informed, preventing the spread, saving treatment options until a population is confirmed, and participating in the Eyes on the Forest progran

For more information and resources, visit savemihemlocks.org.



WE LOVE DOGS

Here's why they (and all pets) need to be leashed:

01 IT'S BEST FOR WILDLIFE

Even the most well-behaved dogs can be disruptive to sensitive plant and animal species, particularly birds, if allowed to run free. Keeping them on a leash minimizes disturbances and keeps our natural lands brimming with wildlife.

02 IT'S CONSIDERATE

Even if your dog doesn't pose a direct threat of physical harm to other hikers or bikers, many people still (for a variety of reasons and experiences) do not like to be approached by even the most well-mannered dogs. Keeping your dog on a leash allows everyone to feel comfortable out on the trails.

03 IT'S SAFER FOR YOUR PET

Wild areas present a variety of hazards for our furry friends. From porcupines and skunks (you don't want to deal with the fallout from either encounter, trust us) to the threat of tick-borne illnesses and getting lost, it's best to just avoid the potential harm altogether and keep Fido close at hand.

04 IT'S REQUIRED BY LAW

Local townships and counties enforce Michigan State law that requires you to have your dog on a leash and are willing to issue tickets to those who don't comply. That off-leash hike could become expensive in a hurry!



NO ACCESS

FOOT TRAFFIC ON THIS STEEP SLOPE IS CAUSING UNSUSTAINABLE EROSION.

PLEASE ACCESS PELIZZARI NATURAL AREA
AT THE CENTER ROAD TRAILHEAD
AND REMAIN ON ESTABLISHED TRAILS



STEP HILL

PLEASE STAY ON
ESTABLISHED TRAILS
TO CONTROL EROSION





BOWERS HARBOR PARK PAVILION RESERVATION

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RESERVING THE PAVILION DOES NOT MEAN EXCLUSIVE USE OF PARK FACILITIES

Name or Organization (please print) Linda Sommes Ville
Contact person Linda Sommerville
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Are you a Peninsula Township resident?
I am requesting permission to use pavilion # 1 on Friday August 16, 2024
for the following purpose Memorial Celebration of Life from 3:00 to 6:00
Will you be serving alcohol? YES (SEE affacined CMU) If you answered yes, please submit proof of liquor liability coverage.
Approximate number of people 75 NOTE: 50 or more people requires a Special Event Application approved
by the Parks Committee and you must submit a certificate of liability insurance naming Peninsula Township and
Peninsula Township Parks Committee as additional insured for general liability of at least one million dollars per occurrence and at least two million dollars aggregate prior to your event.
 Persons using any township park are expected to abide by the rules and regulation stated in Township Ordinance #57 and may suffer loss of permit and/or eviction from the park for failure to do so. Some of the more commonly asked
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the same only in designated parking areas.
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condition as they found it.
Boisterous, obscene or obnoxious conduct is prohibited.
• Permission for exceptions to the rules set forth in Ordinance #57 must be obtained in writing from the Peninsula
Township Parks Committee. Violation of any part of the Ordinance is cause for eviction from the park and/or fine/imprisonment. Ordinance #57 is legally enforceable by local, county or state law enforcement officers.
I have received a copy of Ordinance #5% and understand the park rules and regulations.
Linda Somnerulle 2-26-24
Signature of Applicant Date
2.1
Office Use Only: Check # 10 4 or each Amount Submitted: \$\(\begin{align*} \frac{\partial}{\partial} \frac{\partial}{\parti
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Peninsula Township Special Event Application

Please fill this application out completely, read the attached documents, and sign and date at the bottom

1. Applicant: Name: Linda Sommerville
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2. Date of your event: Hugust 16, 2024 (Friday) 3. Type of event: Managinal Calabase as a Color Color
the support of Little
 4. Number of people you are expecting: 75-100 5. Park you are requesting to use: Bougus Harbon
6. Will you be bringing in, tables, chairs, etc.? yes/no
7. Please describe any other detail of your event: When the document of the plant o
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8. Read the attached information specific to the park that you are requesting to use and the attached Peninsula Township
Park Regulation Ordinance #57.
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I have read Ordinance #57 and the specific regulations regarding Bowers Harbor Park and agree to the terms therein.
Signature of Applicant
Linda Sommerville
Printed Name
For Peninsula Township Official Only
Next Parks Committee Meeting:
Approved/Denied (with reason):
Chairperson – Parks Committee Date

Susan Piehl

From:

Rob Koets <robkoets@hartlebagency.com>

Sent:

Monday, March 4, 2024 4:30 PM

To:

Susan Piehl

Cc:

Jonathan Koets; Becky Chown

Subject:

Re: FW: Special Event insurance

Hi Susan,

I use that company all the time (USLI) for special events like this.. It shows they have General Liability and Liquor Liability, and those policies include 1 Additional Insured and they include the Property Owner / Lessor of Premises as Additional Insured so that would extend to the Township.

That looks good to me, and if you have any other questions feel free to ask.

Have a great day,

On Mon, Mar 4, 2024 at 3:40 PM Susan Piehl <officemanager@peninsulatownship.com > wrote:

Good afternoon Rob and Jonathan,

Attached is the liquor liability policy and Bowers Harbor Park pavilion request application for the Sommerville's. Will you please review the liquor liability and let me know if that is sufficient?

Thank you,

Susan Piehl

Peninsula Township Office Manager 13235 Center Road Traverse City MI 49686 phone - 231-223-7322 ext. 1 fax - 231-223-7117 officemanager@peninsulatownship.com

officemanager wpeninsulatownship.com

Office Hours: Mondays 7:30 am to 6:30 pm, Tuesdays – Thursdays 7:30 am to 5 pm and closed Friday – Sunday and Holidays.

Hi Susan,

Attached is our special insurance for the event on Friday, August 16 at Bowers Harbor Park. I hope this fulfills all the requirements to go before the Park Board for approval. Let me know if there's anything else that you need from me. I will review the park bench designs when I have a chance. Does the park board need our application for this by March 11 as well?

Thanks for your help.

Linda Sommerville

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Shelly Nellist < snellist@larkingrp.com >

Date: Thu, Feb 29, 2024 at 2:58 PM Subject: Special Event insurance

To: llsommerville@gmail.com>

Good Afternoon Linda,

Please find attached the USLI Special Event insurance policy effective 8/16/24 showing Bowers Harbor Park as Additional Insured on the last page. Your coverage is bound and paid.

Thank you very much. It is my pleasure working with you. Take care and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Shelly Nellist, CISR | The Larkin Group | Personal Risk Manager

Direct: 231.944.7616 | Fax: 231.346.6111 | Service: 231-944-7607

13900 S. West Bay Shore Dr., Traverse City, MI 49684

Please note my email address will be changing to <u>snellist@acrisure.com</u> early March 2024. As we continue to move forward with our global brand rollout, The Larkin Group will soon be known as Acrisure.

If you were pleased with your service today, please click the link below and rate me on Google and mention my name.

https://g.page/larkingroup?share



If you are pleased with the quality of service I have provided for you today, please pass my name along to a friend, family member or business associate who you would like to see benefit from this same type of service. Thank you!

STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY: The information in this message is privileged and confidential and is intended only for the use of the individual or entity named above. If the reader of this message is not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that you are prohibited from disseminating, distributing, or copying the information contained in this message. If you have received this message in error, please notify the sender immediately and destroy all copies of the original message.

Please remember that coverage cannot be bound or altered via email.

Rob Koets Hartleb Insurance Agency 5840 King Highway Kalamazoo, MI 49048 phone: 269-385-5911 fax: 269-385-3370 <u>Hartleb Agency on Facebook!</u>

NEW

Renewal of Number
POLICY DECLARATIONS

United States Liability Insurance Company

1190 Devon Park Drive, Wayne, Pennsylvania 19087

No. SE 1106051

A Member Company of United States Liability Insurance Group

NAMED INSURED AND ADDRESS:

LARRY & LINDA SOMMERVILLE

This Policy is exempt from the filing requirements of Section 2236 of the Insurance Code of 1956, 1956 PA 218 and MCL 500.2236

POLICY PERIOD: (MO. DAY YR.) From: 08/16/2024 To: 08/18/2024

12:01 A.M. STANDARD TIME AT YOUR MAILING ADDRESS SHOWN ABOVE

FORM OF BUSINESS:

Husband And Wife

BUSINESS DESCRIPTION: Special Event

IN RETURN FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PREMIUM, AND SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS OF THIS POLICY, WE AGREE WITH YOU TO PROVIDE THE INSURANCE AS STATED IN THIS POLICY.

THIS POLICY CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING COVERAGE PARTS FOR WHICH A PREMIUM IS INDICATED.

THIS PREMIUM MAY BE SUBJECT TO ADJUSTMENT.

Commercial Liability Coverage Part \$195.00
Liquor Liability Coverage Part \$50.00

TOTAL: \$245.00

Coverage Form(s) and Endorsement(s) made a part of this policy at time of issue

See Endorsement EOD (1/95)

Agent: APPALACHIAN UNDERWRITERS, INC. (1676)

800 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Suite A 1000

Oak Ridge, TN 37830

Broker: Larkin Insurance Group dba Acrisure, LLC

13900 SW Bay Shore Dr Traverse City, MI 49684 Issued: 02/29/2024 2:43 PM

Authorized Representative

THESE DECLARATIONS TOGETHER WITH THE COMMON POLICY CONDITIONS, COVERAGE PART DECLARATIONS, COVERAGE PART COVERAGE FORM(S) AND FORMS AND ENDORSEMENTS, IF ANY, ISSUED TO FORM A PART THEREOF, COMPLETE THE ABOVE NUMBERED POLICY.

By:

EXTENSION OF DECLARATIONS

Policy No. SE 1106051

Effective Date: 08/16/2024

12:01 AM STANDARD TIME AT YOUR MAILING ADDRESS

FORMS AND ENDORSEMENTS

The following f	owing forms apply to multiple coverage parts				
Endt#	Revised	Description of Endorsements			
IL0017	11/98	Common Policy Conditions			
IL0021	09/08	Nuclear Energy Liability Exclusion Endorsement			
Jacket	07/19	Policy Jacket			
L-206	02/11	Fully Earned Premium Endorsement			
L-224	10/10	Punitive Or Exemplary Damages Exclusion			
L-562	07/03	Rain Date Coverage For Special Events			
L-607	02/11	Exclusion For Climbing, Rebounding And Interactive Games And Devices			
L-609	02/11	Animal Exclusion			
L-610	11/04	Expanded Definition Of Bodily Injury			
L-616	11/09	Host/Special Event Coverage Form Change Endorsement			
L-656	02/06	Extension Of Coverage - Committee Members			
L-816	11/18	Amendments of Conditions - Limits of Insurance Under Multiple Coverage Parts			
L-820	12/18	Special Events Blanket Additional Insured Endorsement			
LLQ 102	02/15	Event Vendor, Exhibitor And Contractor Exclusion			
LLQ101	08/06	Expanded Definition Of Employee			
LLQ368	08/10	Separation Of Insureds Clarification Endorsement			
SPE 312	03/15	Who Is An Insured			
TRIADN	12/20	Disclosure Notice of Terrorism Insurance Coverage			
_		ommercial Liability coverage part			
Endt#	Revised	Description of Endorsements			
CG 21 06	12/23	EXCLUSION - ACCESS OR DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL OR PERSONAL MATERIAL OR INFORMATION			
CG0001	12/07	Commercial General Liability Coverage Form			
CG0068	05/09	Recording And Distribution Of Material Or Information In Violation Of Law Exclusion			
CG0168	11/20	Michigan Changes			

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CG2011

CG2109

CG2136

CG2139

CG2144

CG2147

CG4032

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10/93

07/98

12/07

05/23

04/17

01/20

03/15

Exclusion - Unmanned Aircraft

Contractual Liability Limitation

Employment-Related Practices Exclusion

Michigan Changes - Cancellation and Nonrenewal

Exclusion for Fireworks and Other Pyrotechnic Devices

Exclusion - New Entities

Additional Insured - Managers or Lessors of Premises

Limitation Of Coverage To Designated Premises Or Project

Exclusion - Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)

Exclusion - Products-Completed Operations Hazard Other Than Food

EXTENSION OF DECLARATIONS

Policy No. SE 1106051

Effective Date: 08/16/2024

12:01 AM STANDARD TIME AT YOUR MAILING ADDRESS

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		Or Beverage Products
L-387	03/06	Exclusion - Mechanical Rides
L-423	02/11	Exclusion For Structure Collapse
L-428	04/15	Absolute Firearms Exclusion
L-472	07/08	Exclusion - Injury To Performers Or Entertainers
L-526	01/15	Absolute War Or Terrorism Exclusion
L-536	09/09	Exclusion - Participation In Athletic Activity, Physical Activity Or Sports
L-599	10/12	Absolute Exclusion for Pollution, Organic Pathogen, Silica, Asbestos and Lead with a Hostile Fire Exception
L-686	10/12	Absolute Exclusion for Liquor and Other Related Liability
L-816	11/18	Amendments of Conditions - Limits of Insurance Under Multiple Coverage Parts
L-820	12/18	Special Events Blanket Additional Insured Endorsement
L-835	10/22	Exclusion - Specific Activities, Operations or Features
LLQ 102	02/15	Event Vendor, Exhibitor And Contractor Exclusion
SPE 300	05/09	Special Events Property Damage Amendment
SPE 312	03/15	Who Is An Insured

The following forms apply to the Liquor Liability coverage part

Endt#	Revised	Description of Endorsements
CG0033	12/07	Liquor Liability Coverage Form
CG2406	04/13	Liquor Liability - Bring Your Own Alcohol Establishments
CG2622	04/17	Michigan Changes - Liquor Liability
L-559	11/10	Additional Insured - Manager Or Lessors Of Premises
L-657	01/11	Absolute Pollution Exclusion - Liability
L-816	11/18	Amendments of Conditions - Limits of Insurance Under Multiple Coverage Parts
L-820	12/18	Special Events Blanket Additional Insured Endorsement
LLQ 102	02/15	Event Vendor, Exhibitor And Contractor Exclusion
LQ-352	09/08	Event Vendor - Other Insurance
LQ-354	10/09	Limitation Of Coverage To Insured Premises
LQ-428	10/16	Absolute Firearms Exclusion
SPE 312	03/15	Who is An insured

COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART DECLARATIONS

Policy No. SE 1106051

Effective Date: 08/16/2024

12:01 STANDARD TIME

LIMITS OF INSURANCE

Each Occurrence Limit
Personal & Advertising Injury Limit (Any One Person/Organization)

Medical Expense Limit (Any One Person)

\$1,000,000 \$1,000

\$1,000,000

Damages To Premises Rented To You (Any One Premises)

\$100,000

Products/Completed Operations Aggregate Limit

See L-535

General Aggregate Limit

\$2,000,000

LIABILITY DEDUCTIBLE

\$0

LOCATIONS OF ALL PREMISES YOU OWN, RENT OR OCCUPY

Location Address

Territory

2750 Bowers Harbor Rd Pavilion 1, Traverse City, MI 49686

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PREMIUM COMPUTATION

						Advance Premium		
Evt#	Classification	Code No.	Premium Basis	Pr/Co	All Other	Pr/Co	All Other	
1	Party / Social Events - Funeral / Memorial Service (applicant is the host of the event)	00415	75 Attendees	N/A	195.000	N/A	\$195	
1	Additional Insured - Blanket - Special Events	49950	1 Per Additional Insured	N/A	0.000	N/A	\$0	
1	Additional Insured - Property Owner or Lessors of Premises	49950	1 Per Additional Insured	N/A	0.000	N/A	\$0	

MINIMUM PREMIUM FOR GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART:

\$155

TOTAL PREMIUM FOR GENERAL LIABILITY COVERAGE PART:

(This Premium may be subject to adjustment.) MP - minimum premium

\$195

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See Form EOD (01/95) and Form SOE (03/10)

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LIQUOR LIABILITY COVERAGE PART DECLARATIONS

Policy No. SE 1106051

Effective Date: 08/16/2024

12:01 STANDARD TIME

LIMITS OF INSURANCE

Liquor Each Common Cause Limit

Liquor Aggregate Limit

\$1,000,000

\$2,000,000

LIABILITY DEDUCTIBLE

\$0

LOCATIONS OF ALL PREMISES YOU OWN, RENT OR OCCUPY

Location Address

Territory

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PREMIUM COMPUTATION

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Evt#	Classification	Code No.	Premium Basis	Pr/Co	All Other	Pr/Co	All Other
1	Party / Social Events - Funeral / Memorial Service (applicant is the host of the event)	00405	50 Consumers	N/A	50.000	N/A	\$50
1	Additional Insured - Blanket - Special Events	49950	1 Per Additional Insured	N/A	0.000	N/A	\$0
1	Additional Insured - Property Owner or Lessors of Premises	49950	1 Per Additional Insured	N/A	0.000	N/A	\$0

MINIMUM PREMIUM FOR LIQUOR LIABILITY COVERAGE PART:

\$40

TOTAL PREMIUM FOR LIQUOR LIABILITY COVERAGE PART:

\$50

(This Premium may be subject to adjustment.) MP - minimum premium

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EXTENSION OF DECLARATIONS

Regardless of the dates shown on the Declarations, this insurance applies only for the location(s), event(s) and date(s) specified in this Extension of Declarations.

Policy No. SE 1106051

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Event	Start Date	End Date
Party / Social Events - Funeral / Memorial Service (applicant is	08/16/2024	08/16/2024
the host of the event)		

Location(s):

2750 Bowers Harbor Rd Pavillon 1, Traverse City, MI 49686

Subject to the terms and conditions of this policy, coverage is provided for a maximum of twenty-four (24) hours after the scheduled end date of an event shown above.

Additional Insured: Bowers Harbor Park, 2750 Bowers Harbor Rd, Traverse City, MI 49686

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Name or Organization (please print) Ryana Mol Seschrock
Contact person
Are you a Peninsula Township resident?
I am requesting permission to use pavilion # on Sat. June 1st
for the following purpose graduation party from 12:00 to 6:00
Will you be serving alcohol? If you answered yes, please submit proof of liquor liability coverage.
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Approximate number of people /50 NOTE: 50 or more people requires a Special Event Application approved
by the Parks Committee and you must submit a certificate of liability insurance naming Peninsula Township and
Peninsula Township Parks Committee as additional insured for general liability of at least one million dollars per
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fine/imprisonment. Ordinance #57 is legally enforceable by local, county or state law enforcement officers.
I have received a copy of Ordinance #57 and understand the park rules and regulations.
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Signature of Applicant O Date
Office Use Only: Check # 4536779 or Cash Amount Submitted: \$100.00
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Peninsula Township Special Event Application

Please fill this application out completely, read the attached documents, and sign and date at the bottom

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1. Applicant: Name: Ryan & Melissa Schrock	
2. Date of your event: Sat. June 1st, 2024	_
3. Type of event: graduation party	
4. Number of people you are expecting: /50	_
5. Park you are requesting to use: Bower's Harbor	
6. Will you be bringing in, tables, chairs, etc.? Jesno A few tolding tables for too	
7. Please describe any other detail of your event: Graduation party for our son	
IT will be catered so not using the grills. Would like	
p have some (fasteful) music playing, low volume. Will	_
also bring a few yard games.	
8. Read the attached information specific to the park that you are requesting to use and the attached Peninsula Townshi	p
Park Regulation Ordinance #57.	
	_
I have read Ordinance #57 and the specific regulations regarding Bowers Harbor Park and agree to the terms therein	n.
2-6-24	
Signature of Applicant	
Melissa Schroul	
Printed Name Contact Phone Number	
For Peninsula Township Official Only	
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Next Parks Committee Meeting: FLOYUUV 38, 3034	77
Approved/Denied (with reason):	<u> </u>
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Chairperson – Parks Committee Date	
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MEMORIAL PARK BENCH REQUEST

Name of person(s), family, organization donating the bench:
The Sam and Karen Mitchell Family
Designated contact person with contact information:
Name: Linda Sommerville phone: 231-590-4824
email: //sommerville @ gmail.com
Name of person or organization whom bench is to commemorate:
Samand Karen Mitchell
Park of requested placement; please note if there is a specific location: Bowers Harbor Park
Proposed notation/engraving (preliminary, can be changed): To Loving Memory of Sam and Karen Mitchell
In Loving Memory of Sam and Karen Mitchell
Date of Request: 3-5-24
Parks Committee Contact:
Date Approved by Parks Committee:

Tribal Council Allocation of 2% Funds Application Form

1.	Allocation Cycle:JUNE - New submission date, Postmarked by
	<u>X</u> DECEMBER – New submission date, Postmarked by <u>NOVEMBER 30th</u>
	 Name of Applicant: <u>Peninsula Township</u> Address: <u>13325 Center Road, Traverse City, Michigan 49686</u>
	Phone #: (231)223-7322 Fax #: (231) Printed Name: Isaiah Wunch • Authorized Signature: (Signature of local unit of government official; e.g., county/city official, township supervisor, village president, college president, school superintendent)
	Title: Supervisor, Peninsula Township E-mail address: wunschis@gmail.com supervisor@peninsulatownship.com
	Printed Name of contact person: Bill Watson Telephone #: (231) 409-0868 Fax #: (231) 941-3191 E-mail address: bwatson@cfs3L.org
3.	Type of Applicant: _ Local Government _ Local Court
	X Township County Commissioner Road Commission
	Public School District College Charter School
	Public Library _ Sheriff/Police Department _ Fire Department
	501c3 applying through local unit of government (name_
4.	Fiscal Data: Amount Requested: \$19,600 Percent: 52 %
	Local Leveraging: \$\frac{17,900}{27,500} \text{Percent: } \frac{48 \%}{200} \text{Match} \text{ (Match)} \text{Percent: } \frac{100 \%}{200} \text{Percent: } \frac{100 \%}{20
	5. Target Population: Children Adults Elders
	(Indicate the <u>ALL</u> Total GTB member Community <u>All</u> Others number of GTB members)
	6. Counties Impacted: Antrim Benzie Charlevoix Manistee

7. Brief Description (purpose of funding); include statement of need:

these vulnerabilities. In our state, and in northern Michigan there is a critical lack of services available to help this population reach self-sufficiency and maintain a healthy lifestyle. The rural isolation of much of our service area further limits access to the helping resources that are available. When job training, service opportunities, mentorship, and independent living skills education is available to our teens, their chances for success in school and beyond are dramatically improved.

The youth in our state need help achieving self-sufficiency and economic stability. 481,421 children and adolescents under age 17 (or 22%) live below the poverty threshold in our state. In 2021, 65% of Michigan youth ages 16-19 were unemployed or not in the labor force. Nearly half (45.8%) of the students in our state are eligible for free or reduced lunch (families' income below 185% of poverty level). Our regional McKinney-Vento Consortium counted 1,097 homeless students in the five-county area surrounding our Traverse City office last year (Antrim, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Manistee, Kalkaska, and Leelanau Counties). When our teens are forced into survival mode – figuring out where they will sleep, what they will eat, and how they will meet their basic needs – as many of our youth do, it isn't possible for them to fully concentrate on their studies or future goals.

Many youth we serve are dealing with family instability or dysfunctional family units, which often involve domestic violence and abuse. More than 745,000 Michigan children ages 0-17 (about one-third) live in a one-parent household. 248,401 children in Michigan live with families where an investigation of alleged child abuse or neglect occurred in 2021 and more than 39,000 cases were confirmed. Approximately 12,000 children were in foster care in Michigan in 2021 after being removed from their homes due to abuse or neglect, and 1,680 (14%) were youth ages 16-20 (Data Center Kids Count).

YouthWork will create jobs for young adults that will help them: gain an appreciation for their community and the natural world; learn important, lifelong job and independent living skills; bond with other youth and caring adults; and earn a paycheck and educational awards, all in a socially and emotionally supportive environment. Our youth will build their skill level and strengths, and will improve their level of self-efficacy, self-esteem, and sense of community as they realize that their work will have a lasting benefit for their communities - from planting trees to building boardwalks in sensitive areas, from wildlife conservation to helping preserve historic buildings. YouthWork members will be organized into consistent teams of 3-6 youth supervised by a qualified, adult Team Leader. The program will utilize a model that includes an opportunity for youth to have a voice in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of projects - successfully fusing action, education, evaluation, and reflection.

This question only pertains to Indian Education Programs of Public School Systems. If you are not an Indian Education Program of a Public-School system, skip to question 9.

	Please have the Parent Committee sign t	he attached	Certification 1	Fori
b.	Recommendation from Parent Committee:	YES	_ NO	

- c. Describe parent involvement in project:
- d. Does the school receive Title VII Indian Education Funds?_YES _ NO If yes, how much: _
- 8. What are the start and completion dates of the proposed project? Start 5/1/2023 Completion 12/31/2023
- 9. Has applicant received prior awards through the Tribe's 2% funding allocation?
 - YES X NO. If yes, please list the start and end dates and amount:

If this is a continuation project, please explain why there is a need to continue funding:

- 11. If the previous project has been completed, did you submit your 2% report? YES NO. The 2% report must be submitted one year from the date you received your 2% award. If your report has not been submitted, your current application will not be considered! 2% Reports are mandatory for future grant considerations. Mail your 2% report to: Attn: 2% Reports; GTB, 2605 N.W. Bay Shore Drive, Peshawbestown, MI 49682.
- 12. Impact of Gaming on local program: (e.g., increase in student population, resulting from increase in Tribal employment or increase in emergency services to Casino patrons).

Gaming in the Grand Traverse region impacts the demand for services to vulnerable youth in two major ways. First, casinos and gaming increase tourism and employment opportunities, which contributes significantly to the steady population increase we have experienced over the past decade. The Native American population is also growing, likely initiated by the construction of additional housing for Grand Traverse Band members and casino employees, and the increased availability of jobs in the area. With more families and individuals visiting, living, and working in our community, there is a natural and corresponding increase in the need for services which support our youth.

For a certain part of the growing population, gaming can become a problem behavior. A 2013 study in Michigan found that 3,917 adults in the six-county region struggle with a gaming addiction (MI Department of Community Health). Some complications of pathological gambling include: drug or alcohol abuse; depression; anxiety; financial, social, and legal problems; heart attacks from the stress and excitement of gaming; and suicide attempts (National Institutes of Health). Getting the right treatment can help prevent and/or treat many of these complications.

The activities completed by YWCC have proved to teach youth important values and help them develop positive personality, behavioral, and emotional characteristics (Waters and Bortree, Building a better workplace for teen volunteers through inclusive behaviors, 2010).

Volunteering and providing valuable community services has a positive impact on youth and young adults. Youth who volunteer at least one hour each week are 50% less likely to abuse alcohol, smoke cigarettes, become pregnant, or engage in other adverse behaviors. Teens say they learn respect, kindness, a better understanding of people who are different, and patience from volunteering. Youth who volunteer are also more likely to do well in school, to graduate, and to vote. These youth are also more likely to volunteer, to have a stronger work ethic, and to give to charitable causes as adults when compared to their peers who do not volunteer (University of Nevada, Young Volunteers: The Benefits of Community Service, www.unce.unr.edu/publications/files/cd/2003/fs0323.pdf).

13. How will the success of the project be assessed (evaluation plan)?

The program will be evaluated in a variety of ways. Student attendance and punctuality, work ethic, attitude and behavior while on the job will all be measured against performance prior to their participation in the program. If participants are pursuing summer school credit or credit recovery, they will be assessed on the successful completion of any required schoolwork, grades, and GPA. Each participant will complete a pre- and post- program evaluation of themselves as it relates to their self-esteem, core knowledge in the subject area and vision of their future. The

In late 2015, Peninsula Township, with the assistance of Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund grant funds, the Grand Traverse Regional Land Conservancy, and significant private donations, acquired nearly 60 acres of land adjacent to the original Bowers Harbor Park. At the time of acquisition, the property consisted largely of open fields with sparse tree and shrub growth throughout, a seasonally wet area and a forested corner harboring a small creek. Much of the land had previously been in agricultural use and this history and the associated Environmental Due Care plan would inform the future development of the property due to the presence of common residual agrochemicals. In early 2016, the need to plan for future uses was identified as a priority by the Peninsula Township Park Commission.

A park planning process was initiated in the spring of 2016 and from May of 2016 to March of 2017, a committee of township officials, staff and appointed members of the public carried out an extensive planning and public input process. The committee received the support of both the Park Commission and the Township board to hire a planning firm to assist in the planning process and facilitate formal public input meetings and over eleven months a wide-ranging list of possible park elements was evaluated based on public and committee input, site suitability and recognition of the recreation resources already available in the developed park adjacent. Based on the outcomes of numerous committee meetings, all of which welcomed the public to participate, and well-attended public input meeting a draft concept plan for a cohesive recreation area composed of the original Bowers Harbor Park and the expansion areas was drawn by the planning firm and presented to the public for comment in February of 2017 Following final adjustments to the plan, the committee recommended the plan for approval and in June of 2017 the Peninsula Township Park Commission approved the recommended final Proposed concept Plan as a guide for future development. The Township board approved the final Proposed Concept Plan in August of 2017.

Peninsula Township requests funds from the Grand Traverse Band to support park improvements at Bowers Harbor Park, including the removal of invasive autumn olive, poison ivy, spotted knapweed, and glossy buckthorn. YouthWork Conservation Corps will partner with City Girls Farm to utilize a small goat herd to perform Conservation Browsing. Conservation browsing places goats in small mobile paddocks using electrified fencing to contain them. Goats are natural browsers and not grazers, and they prefer to eat at those species eye level and then move down. Preferred species include – autumn olive, spotted knapweed, poison ivy/oak, multiflora rose, honeysuckle, buckthorn, wild grape, gooseberry, chicory, red clover, and ragweed. In addition, YouthWork will utilize cut stump and herbicide treatment of invasive species in areas that are not appropriate for goat browsing.

Autumn olive can produce up to 200,000 seeds each year, and can spread over a variety of habitats as its nitrogen-fixing root nodules allows the plant to grow in even the most unfavorable soils. Autumn olive also impacts song birds that eat the berries and do not receive the nutrition they need in-order to migrate south in fall and winter. Buckthorn has a shallow root system that outcompetes native plants for moisture and nutrients, while contributing to erosion and ecological imbalance. Its leafy crown deprives other plants of sunlight and serves as a host for rust fungus and soybean aphids that impact other plants. In addition to this buckthorn releases Emodin into waterways, a poisonous chemical compound produced by the leaves, fruit, and bark of invasive buckthorn, peaks with the breeding activities of several early-breeding Midwestern amphibian species and naturally poisons soil and water for developing frogs and salamanders, as well as many plants. Buckthorn does not provide safe nesting habitat or ample migratory food for warblers, gnatcatchers, or vireos. Unlike native nut or berry trees, shrubs, or vines, buckthorn clings to berries that most animals do not like to consume. Peninsula Township will partner with YouthWork Conservation Corps and GoatWork to provide crews who will work at Bowers Harbor Park for period of 3 to 4 weeks in the summer of 2023.

Based on FDR's Depression-era New Deal Civilian Conservation Corps, Child and Family Services' (CFS) YouthWork Program (YW) provides direct access for an underserved and diverse population of young people, especially targeting those who are low-income or disadvantaged youth. These youth are defined as living in a community of persistent poverty, or being in the foster care system, developmentally disabled or delayed, academically at-risk, returning veterans, or having documented behavioral issues such as court involvement. Disadvantaged youth in Michigan struggle to attain educational goals, are too often involved in the juvenile justice and child welfare systems, have limited access to physical and mental health care, abuse substances at high levels, and die by suicide at alarming rates.

The youth served by CFS and our partners are more vulnerable to bullying, mental health challenges, homelessness, conflict, and stress from peer pressures and academic expectations. Family stresses and instability only compounds

program will be evaluated on each student's successful completion of the programs offered certifications. Members will also be evaluated on other performance measures as mandated by The Corps Network. YouthWork assesses the YouthWork participants in the following ways:

Participation Rate. Ensure that at least 80% of Corpsmembers participate in activities that lead to and/or facilitate overall youth development and successful labor market transition.

Entered Employment or Post -Secondary Education. Place at least 60% in employment in high growth industries or in continued education in the first quarter after program completion.

Post-Program Retention. Provide post-program support to ensure that at least 75% of those employed in the first quarter after program exit are still employed in the third quarter after program exit.

14. If new staff is required, will preference be given to Native American applicants?

X YES NO

15. Budget: Please attach a one-page itemization of the planned budget. Include explanation for each category of the budget. Note: A final report on expenditure of funds and project results will be due to the Tribal Council 30 days after project completion.

BEFORE YOU MAIL, PLEASE REMEMBER TO:

- 1) Execute authorized signature
- 2) Attach 1-page budget
- 3) Submit before the deadline from the cover letter you received

YouthWork Program-Peninsula Township Budget Detail

Funding Sources:

1. Current 2% Request from Grand Traverse Band

YouthWork Team Wages, \$15,600

Equipment rentals/Goat Wrangler \$4,000

GTB 2% Request Total: \$19,600

2. YouthWork and Other Match

A. YouthWork Match

Volunteer Services Rate for Volunteer YouthWork Americorps Members less AmeriCorp Stipend

= \$6,500

Team Training, Certifications = \$500 per member x 4 members \$2,000 Supervision, Coordination, Administration \$1,200

B. Americorps Match -Education Awards for 4 Members \$5,200

3. In-kind Donations from Area Professionals and Educators	
Informal Trainings, Mentorship, & Job Shadowing, Michigan Works! Access to Post-Secondary Educational Opportunities-Michigan Works! \$1,000	\$2,000 \$1,000
Program Match Total: PROGRAM EXPENSE TOTAL:	\$37,500



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THE GRAND TRAVERSE BAND ANNOUNCES \$813,546.66 IN LOCAL 2% FUNDS

Organizations Receive Funds via Tribe's Twice Per Year 2 Percent Allocation

PESHAWBESTOWN, MICHIGAN, FEBRUARY 2, 2024 -- The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians is pleased to announce the distribution of \$813,546.66 of gaming revenue allocation to local units of government. The dollars have been allocated for 45 local applicants as part of the Tribe's "2 percent allocation," which takes place twice per year.

Under the terms of a consent decree settling *Tribes v. Engler* (Case no. 1:90-CV-611, U.S. District Court, Western District Michigan), the Grand Traverse Band allocates 2 percent of its video gaming revenue to local units of government, as defined in the stipulation, no later than 60 days after October 1st and March 31st of each year. This payment schedule was modified with the consent of the State of Michigan to July 31st and January 31st of each year because the fiscal year of the Grand Traverse Band's gaming operation is calendar-based.

Since the 2 percent allocation began in 1994, the Grand Traverse Band has allocated \$46,323,969.43 to local organizations.

"The test for determining the distribution standards, as outlined in *Tribes v. Engler* are: "Each tribe shall determine which local unit or units of government shall receive payments and the amounts thereof; provided however, the guidelines governing the tribes in making said determinations shall be based upon compensating said local units of government for governmental services provided to the tribes and for impacts associated with the existence and location of the tribal casino in its vicinity; and provided further, however...each local unit of government shall receive no less than an amount equivalent to its share of ad valorem property taxes..."

For this 2% cycle, the Tribal Council voted to determine which organizations would receive allocations. Of the 75 applications received, totaling \$2,750,531.57 in requests, the Tribal Council awarded 45 applicants for a total of \$813,546.66.

The Grand Traverse Band will make its decision regarding the first-half 2024 Two Percent allocation in July 2024.

It is with great pleasure that the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians is able to provide all citizens of Northern Michigan with these services that are furnished solely by gaming revenues.

Second-Half 2023 2% Distribution

2% RECIPIENT	AMOUNT
Gov't to Gov't Agreement - Benzie County	
Prisoner Housing Contract.	\$ 19,162.50
Gov't to Gov't Agreement - Charlevoix County	
Prisoner Housing Contract.	\$ 12,775.00
Gov't to Gov't Agreement – Leelanau County	
Prisoner Housing Contract.	\$ 44,712.50
Benzie County Board of Commissioners	
Funding for Benzie County Senior Resources to continue to help support the needs of food insecure seniors by delivering nutritious foods to seniors.	
100ds to semois.	\$ 15,000.00
Benzie Conservation District	
Funding to support the construction of a connecting patch from boardwalk to the road with a new sign in the Hinkle Nature Reserve Project. Also, funding to hire a SEEDS team to remove invasive plants.	\$ 6,357.83
Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office	
Funding for a blight cleanup for multiple residences that have been identified as needing assistance specifically targeting those who are elderly, disabled, and are within the 9% poverty level of Charlevoix County.	
	\$ 20,000.00
City of Charlevoix	
Funding to support Third Day Fellowship's Joppa House. Funding	
will help support the food, electric, heat and resident needs of the women in the program at the 2 houses.	\$ 20,000.01

City of Frankfort	
Funding to purchase a 150' x 5' Mobi-mat to enhance ADA-accessibility at the Lake Michigan Beach Park.	\$ 6,300.00
County of Antrim Office of Emergency Management	
Funding to purchase a first response vehicle and 6 -800 MHz radios.	\$ 59,359.80
East Bay Charter Township	
Funding to support East Bay Ambulance to replace an outdated CPR manikin.	\$ 3,703.00
Elmwood Township Fire & Rescue	
Funding to purchase a refurbished cardiac monitor.	\$ 7,375.00
Greenspire High School	
Funding for the robotics team for competition registration costs, robot material expenses, uniforms, food, lodging, and rental vehicles for team transport.	4.5.00.00
	\$ 15,000.00
Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners	
Funding to help the 13 th Circuit Court- Family Division to purchase a transport vehicle to be used to transport juveniles under court supervision to and from group community service, diversion, and experiential learning opportunities.	\$ 15,000.00
Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners	
Funding to help support the GT Community Enrichment Program by partnering with Significant Strikes Boxing and MMA to bring martial arts to remote communities.	
manual acto to remove communities,	\$ 11,210.00
Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners	
Funding to support the partnership of GT County Veterans Affairs,	

transport van to help coordinate rides to for patients in need at the new pediatric and veteran's dental clinic based in Grand Traverse County.	
Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners	
Funding to support the Reining Liberty Ranch's new miniature horse therapy program for veterans.	\$ 9,802.00
Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners	
Funding the GT Sheriff's office for the continued project to replace expired AEDs in all patrol vehicles.	\$ 10,000.00
Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners	
Funding to support TART Trails, Inc project to repair the TART trail from Five Mile Road to Holiday Road crossing.	\$ 25,000.00
Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners	
Funding to support the Women's Resource Center to continue in providing emergency shelter, advocacy, and supportive services to survivors of domestic violence	\$ 59,004.00
Kingsley Area Schools	
Funding to support Project Graduation 2024 to provide a free, safe, and alcohol-free event for all seniors.	\$ 8,500.00
Leelanau County Board of Commissioners	
Funding to support Safe Haven to continue to provide safety and security to children and at-risk parents in situations of domestic violence and high conflict.	\$ 5,000.00
Leelanau County Board of Commissioners	\$ 34,000.00
Funding to support Leelanau Christian Neighbors food pantry.	- 1,5 5 5 10 5

Leelanau County Board of Commissioners	
Funding to support Peninsula Housing in the collaborative design process to create development scenarios for affordable and attainable housing on two parcels in Suttons Bay.	\$ 12,900.00
Leelanau County Board of Commissioners	
Funding to support the Solid Waste Council's mattress recycling events.	\$ 5,000.00
Leelanau County Board of Commissioners	
Funding to support the Solid Waste Council's tire recycling clean up events.	\$ 10,000.00
Leelanau County Fire Chief's Association	
Funding to purchase and replace a respirator fit testing device that is shared among all departments in the county.	\$ 14,590.00
Long Lake Elementary School	
Funding to order a collection of Native books for the school library from Birchbark Books.	\$ 655.85
Milton Township Fire Department	
Funding to support Milton Township and Elk Rapids Townships joint venture to purchase and outfit all 25 firefighters with a 800 Mgh portable radio.	\$ 17,617.27
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Funding to support Milton Township and Elk Rapids Townships joint venture to purchase and outfit all 25 firefighters with a 800 Mgh portable radio.	\$ 26,425.88
Northwest Education Services	
Funding to support the Big Brothers Big Sisters Program that will pay for costs associated with services provided by the program for 12 mentor relationship matches.	\$ 27,600.00

Northwest Education Services		
Funding to partner with Child and Family Services YouthWork program. This is mutually beneficial program for disadvantaged youth to learn job skills, engage in positive peer experiences, earn a paycheck, and build resiliency by working with the YouthWorks team cleaning up and providing habitat restoration of the local community areas including the	\$	10,000.00
Northwest Education Services		
Funding to support the Great Lakes Children Museum in securing a new location and move to the new interim home and build temporary exhibits.	\$	23,800.00
Northwest Education Services		
Funding for Michael's Place to support the growing need for bereavement services for children. Also, it will go into developing the following initiatives: School Response Training and Planning and Emergency Response Training for staff and volunteers	\$	21,500.00
Peninsula Township		
Funding to support Bowers Harbor Park improvements by partnering with CFS YouthWork and GoatWork programs to help remove invasive plant species.	\$	19,600.00
Springdale Township		
Funding to purchase a ground penetrating radar and software. This will allow them to find grave locations and for cemetery mapping.	\$	33,675.00
Springdale Township	.	404655
Funding to purchase computers, accessories, and software for the Betsie Valley District Library.	\$	4,046.75
Star Township		
Funding to support the Elders Advisory Organization in funding an office and continued operational needs, assistance services and	\$	37,467.10

Suttons Bay Public Schools Funding to help support PoWeR! Book Bags provide their program at Suttons Bay School and Benodjenh. By providing students 6 age-appropriate books of their choice and a filled literacy book bag.	\$ 11,307.00
Suttons Bay Public Schools Funding to support Leelanau Investing For Teens (LIFT) in the purchase of a 2nd van.	\$ 15,906.12
Suttons Bay-Bingham Fire & Rescue Authority Funding to replace a 1996 Fire Tanker that has reached the end of its useful life.	\$ 31,080.95
Traverse City Area Public Schools Funding to support the School Support Network (SSN) program to fund the expansion of the program year-round and not just the school year. This program serves more than 550 homeless students and families in transition each year.	\$ 18,000.00
Traverse City Area Public Schools Funding to School Support Network (SSN) program to build a new parent engagement program that would offer free parenting classes and resources, including budgeting, meal planning, parenting skills, healthy habits and professional growth opportunities.	\$ 3,565.10
The Recreational Authority of Traverse City and Garfield Township Funding to support SEEDs project in replacement of the workshop roof.	\$ 15,000.00
Village of Thompsonville Funding to support Thompsonville Area Revitalization Project in the construction of the trailhead, park and campground at the Thompsonville Junction Trailhead.	\$ 15,000.00

Whitewater Township Fire Department Funding to purchase new structural firefighting gear which is required PPE by the NFPA	\$ 16,548.00
Total 2% Distribution for Second-Half 2023	\$ 813,546.66

Thomas Family Foundation

March 04, 2024

Peninsula Township Attn: Becky Chown 13235 Center Road Traverse City, MI 49686

Dear Becky,

On behalf of the Thomas Family Foundation, I am pleased to enclose a check in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the Kelley Park Boat Launch. Our Board of Directors is thrilled about the upcoming installation of the new boat launch and are eager to contribute financially to support the initiative. Your deposit, negotiation, or endorsement of the enclosed check will constitute your assurance that grant funds will be used exclusively for this charitable purpose. Additionally, you agree to the following:

- According to IRS regulations, please supply us with an acknowledgment indicating that no goods or services
 were received by anyone associated with The Thomas Family Foundation. Please make sure to include your
 EIN/Tax ID number as part of this acknowledgement. And,
- You agree to maintain records of how these funds are spent and, if requested by the Foundation, will
 provide copies of this documentation at any time. Any funds not used for the purpose described in this
 letter must be returned to the Foundation unless agreed otherwise.

We are pleased to have the opportunity to make this contribution to your organization and wish you the very best in your endeavors.

Sincerely,

Kari Blakley Grants Manager

Enclosure



PENINSULA TOWNSHIP PARKS

13235 Center Road, Traverse City MI 49686

MIKE SKURSKI CHAIR MICHELE ZEBELL VICE CHAIR RONESSA BUTLER SECRETARY

PETE DAHL MEMBER BETH MILLIKEN MEMBER DAVE MURPHY MEMBER REBECCA CHOWN
TOWNSHIP BOARD REP./MEMBER

March 13, 2024

Dear Thomas Family Foundation,

On behalf of the Peninsula Township Board, the Peninsula Township Parks Committee, and everyone who loves our parks and recreational assets, I am writing to express our heartfelt gratitude at being awarded \$10,000 to help construct the Kelley Park Boat Launch.

Constructing this launch is a genuine win for our community: it will provide access to the northern end of East Grand Traverse Bay for anglers, sports enthusiasts, and families, relieve parking congestion at nearby Haserot Beach, and improve safety for everyone who utilizes that increasingly popular park, residents and visitors alike.

We are grateful recipients of your generosity, and I look forward to meeting you to thank you in person for your generous support.

Yours truly,

Becky Chown,

Peninsula Township Clerk

Parks Committee Member

Trees at Bowers Harbor Park

Jeremy Gibson <gibby707@aol.com>

Mon, Feb 19, 1:48 PM (3 days ago)

to me

Michele, my name is Jeremy Gibson and I live on the peninsula out at Neahtawanta. I was given your email by the folks at Peninsula Township. The reason for this email is, as a local, my wife and I use this park a lot, mostly as a nice place to walk our two Havanese dogs. I have a background in Forestry. I've worked at Nurseries and landscape companies. I have a tree farm down state in the Marion/McBain area. I've done a lot of pruning in my life, so when I go to our park and see some trees that are so poorly pruned, I just want to grab my chainsaw and fix them. I've resisted doing this but the issue should really be addressed. I'll send pictures of a pin oak that Really needs attention. Someone cut some lower branches and left WAY too much of the branch on the tree. The shoulder next to the trunk will never be able to heel and cover up the cut. In time, the remaining branch will rot and that rot will penetrate to the core of the tree. It's too nice a tree to have that fate. It's located at the end of the gravel turn-around near the new pickle ball courts. On the other side of the park there is a white oak with the same need but the problem is not nearly so dire. And in the newer back section the we call The Meadow, there's a lovely corkscrew willow that just needs some dead branches removed. It's my wife's favorite tree. Many of the pruned Spruce also need excessively long cut branches cut back to the shoulder, but I'd just as soon not do those.

So, what I'm asking for is, either permission to make these corrections or your getting someone else knowledgeable to do the work. If you'd like, I'd be glad to meet you or someone else out there so I can show you the trees in question. Photos of the Pin Oak to follow.

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone







Email regarding trimming of trees by volunteers:

10:53 AM (5 hours ago)

Becky Chown

to Mike, me, Jennifer, Dave

Good morning,

I reached out to our insurance agent, and he replied as follows:

Hi Becky,

Tree trimming is an inherently dangerous business. Having insured tree trimmers, accidents can happen. Because of this we recommend that you hire a experienced contractor, that has their own General Liability and Workers Compensation policy, naming the Township as an additional insured on those policies.

- If you have an employee do the work you have the protection of the Townships General Liability policy. For example, should we have a bodily injury or property damage claim. You would also have a Workers Compensation policy for them, should they become injured.
- If they are a volunteer you MAY have limited coverage if they get hurt. I have experienced a claim that was not covered by workers comp, as they were a volunteer using a chain saw. The only Volunteers in Michigan that are covered by Workers Compensation are Police, Firefighters and Ambulance personnel.
- If the volunteer drops a tree on someone's home or damages property, the policy should provide coverage if a suit be filed against the Township. Again, if they injure themselves, you can run the risk of a uncovered claim. I hope this helps!

I know Jeremy Gibson – he's a wonderful and talented guy and he knows his trees – but we simply can't have him do the work. What he could do is walk the area with us and show us what he's concerned about – and then we can have an insured tree trimmer do the needed work.

Thanks, everyone.

Becky

Michele Zebell mzebell.parks@gmail.com

to Rebecca, Dave, Jenn, Mary, Mike, Pete, Ronessa, Lola, me

Hello everyone.

The weather-related cancellation of our February parks meeting has made the business agenda for March quite lengthy. Since that February meeting date, a number of topics have come up that merit discussion. I would like to suggest that the following be addressed at our April meeting and the related correspondence be shared via the April 2024 meeting packet. I will request approval at our March 27 parks meeting.

- -Drone filming/commercial filming on and of OMP parks-Cram
- -BHP Parking associated with the new pickleball courts-Butler/Skurski
- -Pickleball Court opening and closing dates-Butler/Skurski
- -Appropriate access and use of parks re: snowshoe/cross country skiing-Zebell/Cram
- -State policy regarding ebike usage on state parkland-Chown/Cram

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Michele