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1.0 Introduction

Maple Ridge Township, situated in the north western corner of Delta County, includes approximately 108.2 square miles (Map 1-1). The majority of the commercial and governmental activities within the Township are found in the unincorporated community of Rock. The community of Rock may be described as a rural center because it is remote from other communities of the same or larger size.

Several water resources pass through Maple Ridge Township, including three rivers. The Days River, Rapid River and Tacoosh River drain most of the Township. Boudreau Creek, Elm Creek, Indian Creek, Mud Creek and Squaw Creek also run through the Township. Use of these resources ranges from fishing and hunting to canoe and power boating.

This Recreation Plan should serve several useful purposes. It should serve as (1) a source of information, (2) a guide for correcting deficiencies, (3) and indicator of goals and policies, (4) a framework for making decisions, and (5) a means of stimulating public interest and participation in local community recreation progress.

This plan was adopted by the Township Board on March 30, 2010. A copy of this plan is on file with the Delta County Planning Commission and the CUPPAD Regional Commission.

2.0 Administrative Structure

Under Public Act 156 of 1917, the Maple Ridge Township Board recently appointed the Maple Ridge Township Recreation Committee to be responsible for parks and recreation planning and development. The Maple Ridge Township Recreation Committee is comprised of seven (7) members whose residences, interests and backgrounds present a strong representative view of the Township’s overall population. The Committee meets on a regular basis to formulate, update, review and submit input on the five year plan. The Township does not currently employ a recreation director.

The Township Board is ultimately responsible for the maintenance of the recreation facilities. Any needed expenses for supplies come from the Township’s General Fund. The Township Board may hire seasonal employees to mow the grass, pick up litter and other general maintenance duties at the facilities. Funds for wages and supplies come from the Township’s general fund.

2.1 Volunteers/Relationship with School Districts and Other Agencies

In the past, Lions Club members have donated time to maintain the Lions Club Park by mowing the grass, as well as other upkeep, with the Township purchasing needed supplies. Funds for supplies come from the Township’s general fund. The Township is willing to work with a variety of volunteer groups to improve recreational opportunities in the Township.

The area Little League organization helps maintain the ballfields. A newly reorganized 4-H Club, formed in 2009, would like to assist the Township with recreational maintenance and
development. Approximately thirty members are looking to facilitate the development of a nature park on a vacant Township lot.

The Township does not currently have a formal relationship with the local school district for recreational facilities or programming.

Figure 2-1 shows the Township’s Parks and Recreation organizational chart.

![Figure 2-1](image)

2.2 Budget
The Township has allocated approximately $6,500.00 of general fund monies for recreation annually for years 2010-2014. The amount varies from year to year, depending on projects that are scheduled. The $6,500.00 covers general funding for baseball, as well as electricity and water bills, port-a-john rentals and lawn maintenance for the baseball field.

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2.3 Funding Sources
Maple Ridge Township funds recreation mainly through its general fund monies.
3.0 Recreation Inventory
3.1 Township Recreation Facilities
Throughout the Township there are several recreational facilities used by both residents and non-residents. The Township Recreation Committee conducted a visual inventory of recreation sites in the fall of 2009. The facilities are listed in Table 3-1 below and Township owned facilities are identified on Map 3-1, including a lot that may be used for future development.

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<td>➢ Playground equipment (slide and swings-in good condition)</td>
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<td>➢ Outhouses (in need of replacement)</td>
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<td>2. Rock Community Park</td>
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<td>➢ Ball diamond</td>
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<td>➢ Tennis court /Basketball court combo (cracked, in poor condition)</td>
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<td>➢ Paved parking</td>
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<td>➢ No permanent restrooms</td>
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<td>3. Escanaba River State Forest</td>
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<td>The Escanaba River State Forest includes land in Alger, Delta, Marquette and Menominee Counties and is maintained by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.</td>
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3.2 Township Recreation Grant History
Maple Ridge Township has received one MDNR Grant for recreation projects. The Township received a grant in 1991 for the Rock Community Pavilion at the Rock Community Park in the amount of $10,298.92. The Township used the funding to construct a pavilion, tennis court, playground equipment and a Land and Water Conservation Fund sign. The park property was
donated to the Township by the Rock Lions Club in 1975. The Rock Community Park tennis court/basketball court is cracked and in poor condition. There are no permanent restrooms. The playground equipment is used for toddlers only. The park is showing signs of age and is in need of work.

3.3 Nearby Recreation Facilities
The Delta County Parks system is comprised of four parks identified in Table 3-2.

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<td><strong>1. Pioneer Trail Park</strong></td>
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<td>The Pioneer Trail Park is located in Wells Township, just north of the City of Escanaba, along the Escanaba River.</td>
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<td>- Primary recreation site in the Delta County Park system</td>
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<td>- Park is used for day activities and camping</td>
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<td>- Approximately 2,500 feet of water frontage</td>
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| **2. Fuller Park** | **Size: 82.46 acres** |
| Fuller Park is in the south-eastern portion of Ford River Township along M-35. |
| - Located along the scenic shores of the Bay of Green Bay |
| - Used for day recreational activities and camping |
| - Picnic area includes: |
| | o Tables |
| | o Grills |
| | o Water frontage |
| | o Restrooms |
| | o A single boat launch |
| - Camping area includes: |
| | o 25 sites w/electric and water |
| | o Restroom/shower/laundry building |
| | o Beach area |
3. Sac Bay Park  

Sac Bay Park is located in the southern portion of the Garden Peninsula, along Big Bay de Noc.
- Park used primarily during summer months by local residents for day picnics and gatherings
- Picnic area includes:
  - Tables
  - Pit toilets
  - Some playground equipment
- Park has 1,000 feet of water frontage w/300 feet of swimming beach

4. Rapid River Falls Park  

Rapid River Falls Park is located in Masonville Township.
- Park used for day picnics and gatherings
- Used by travelers as a rest stop
- Picnic tables
- Cooking grills
- Some playground equipment
- One set of pit toilets

A partial listing of recreational facilities located throughout Delta County is included in Table 3-3.

Table 3-3  
Additional Delta County Recreation Facilities

City of Escanaba

- Al Ness Field
  - 4.7 acres
  - Ball field, Dugouts, Fence, Bleachers, Drinking water, Restrooms
- Athletic Field
  - 10.7 acres
  - Football field, Bleachers, Scoreboard, Track, Field houses, Play field, Press box, Ball field
- Bay College Field
  - 2.8 acres
  - Ball field, Lights, Dugouts, Fence, Bleachers, Restrooms, Storage Shed
- Bay de Noc Community College
  - 2.8 acres
  - Tennis courts, Fitness Trail, Gym, Indoor Pool
- Catherine Bonifas Civic Center
  - 0.2 acres
  - Gym, Parking, Showers, Locker rooms, Indoor Archery and Pistol Range, Game room, Meeting rooms, Kitchens
- Cross Country Ski Pathway
Ludington Park
- 120 acres
- Playground, Boat launch, Marina, Fishing Pier, Parking, Picnic Area, Tables, Grills, Tennis courts, Basketball courts, Volleyball Courts, Restrooms, Ball field, Pavilion, Play field, Showers, Cross country skiing, Fitness trail, Drinking water, Beach, Bath house, Band shell, Bicycle path, Historic museum/lighthouse

Municipal Recreation Complex
- 5 acres
- Ball field, Drinking water, Fence, Restrooms, Bleachers

Royce Park
- 3.1 acres
- Ball field, Lights, Skating, Tennis Courts, Bleachers, Basketball standards, Playground, Shelter house

UP State Fairgrounds
- 90 acres
- 30 Buildings, Grandstand/office complex, ½ mile Race track, Horse barn, Indoor riding area, Horse shows, Logging Congress, Gas and steam engine show, Banquets, Concerts

Veterans Park
- 4.8 acres
- Lights, Tennis courts, Playground and Play field

City of Gladstone

Cameron School
- 40.0 acres
- Playground, Parking, Ball Field, Gym, Bleachers, and Basketball Standards

Central Playground
- 2.5 acres
- Skating, Playground, Tennis Courts, Ball Field, Basketball Court, and Shelter House

City Park
- 23.0 acres
- Pavilion, Basketball Standards, Lights, Ball Field, Rest Rooms, Picnic Area, Tables, Grills, Parking, 2,000 Feet of Water Frontage, and Picnic Area

East Buckeye Playground
- 5.2 acres
- Rest Rooms, Parking, Playground, and Basketball Court

5th Street Playground
- 2.7 acres
- Ball Field, Playground, and Basketball Court

Gladstone Armory
- 8.0 acres
- Parking, Gym, and Basketball Court

Gladstone Bay Campground
- 40.0 acres
- Rest Rooms, Camping, Playground, Showers, 50 Sites, and 3,000 Feet of Water Frontage

Gladstone Golf Course
- 18 Hole Golf Course and Clubhouse
  - Gladstone Harbor
    - Rest Rooms, Picnic Area, Boat Launch, Marina, and Picnic Area
  - Gladstone Sports Park
    - 40.0 acres
    - Parking, Rest Rooms, Ball Fields, Cross Country Skiing, Downhill Skiing, Sledding, Tubing Run, Snowboarding Run, and Kitchen
  - High School
    - 5.5 acres
    - Ball Field, Gym, and Multipurpose Room
  - Kipling Access Site (DNR)
    - Boat Launch, Parking, Rest Rooms, and Boarding Pier
  - Marble Athletic Field
    - 15.0 acres
    - Parking, Play Field, Bleachers, Football Field, Track, Field House, and Score Board
  - Middle School
    - 5.0 acres
    - Play Field, Gym, and Ball Field
  - Van Cleve Park
    - 62.0 acres
    - Rest Rooms, Parking, Fence, Playground, Volleyball Court, Beach House, Log Rolling, Dock, Picnic Area, Tables, Benches, and Beach
  - West Buckeye Playground
    - 1.5 acres
    - Basketball Standards, Tennis Courts, and Playground
  - William Bullen Memorial Fishing Pier
    - Rest Rooms and Parking

### Baldwin Township

- Baldwin Township Recreational Area
  - Playground and Ballfield

### Bark River Township

- Bark River-Harris School
  - Tennis Court, Playground, and Ball Field
- Durfee Park Roadside
  - Tables, Parking, and Rest Rooms
- Schaffer Ballfield (Gibault Field)
  - Little League Field
- Bark River Recreation Area
  - 140 acres
  - Senior Center, Ball Fields, Playground, Picnic Area, Tables, Rest Rooms, and senior citizens center with multipurpose room
## Bay de Noc Township

- **Bay de Noc Township Recreational Area**
  - Ball Field, Horseshoe Pits, Lights, Playground, Play Field, Pavilion, Picnic Area, and Parking
- **Peninsula Point (U.S. Forest Service)**
  - 92.4 acres
  - Parking, Picnic Area, Tables, Historic Lighthouse, Rest Rooms, and Interpretive Trail
- **Stonington Beach**
  - Private Beach (50 Feet of Water Front)
- **Squaw Creek (U.S. Forest Service)**
  - 2.0 acres
  - Boat Access
- **Wilsey Bay (U.S. Forest Service)**
  - 8.0 acres
  - Boat Access and 1,400 Feet of Water Frontage

## Brampton Township

- **Days River Access**
- **Days River Pathway (DNR)**
  - Cross-country Skiing, Biking, and Hiking Trail
- **Tot Lot at Township Hall in Kipling**
  - Playground

## Cornell Township

- **Boney Falls Picnic Area**
  - Picnic Area

## Ensign Township

- **Ensign Snowmobile Trail**
- **Ensign Township Recreation Area (Township Hall)**
  - 1.5 acres
  - Pavilion, Tot Lot, Picnic Area, Playground, Parking, Horseshoe Courts, Rest Rooms, and Outdoor Stoves
- **Ogontz Bay Access**
  - 5.0 acres
  - Boat Launch and Parking
- **Little Bay de Noc Recreational Area**
  - 10.0 acres
  - Parking, Picnic Area, Tables, Picnic Area, Camping, Boat Launch, Rest Rooms, Beach, and Drinking Water
## Fairbanks Township

- **Fayette State Park**
  - Historic Town Site, Camping, Parking, Picnic Area, Tables, Rest Rooms, Beach, and Cross Country Skiing

## Ford River Township

- **Ford River Access Site (DNR)**
  - Boat Launch and Parking
- **No See-um Creek Roadside**
  - Scenic Outlook
- **Portage Point Wildlife Area (DNR)**
  - Boat Launch (Carry-in)
- **Country Meadows Golf Course (Private)**
  - 9-Hole Course
- **Highland Golf Course (Private)**
  - 18-Hole Course

## Garden Township

- **Big Bay de Noc School**
  - Play Field
- **Camp Seven Lake Campground (U.S. Forest Service)**
  - 29.0 acres
  - Picnic Area, Tables, Camping, Boat Launch, 200 Feet of Water Frontage, Fishing Pier, Drinking Water, and Rest Rooms
- **Central Park**
  - 4.2 acres
  - Ball Field, Tennis Courts, Skating, and Play Field
- **Corner Lake Campground (U.S. Forest Service)**
  - 4.0 acres
  - Camping, Boat Launch, and 100 Feet of Water Frontage, Picnic Area, and Rest Rooms
- **Fishdam River Access Site (DNR)**
  - Parking, Rest Rooms, Boat Launch, and Pier
- **Garden Township Recreational Area**
  - 17.6 acres
  - Tables, Restrooms, and Parking
- **Garden Bay Access Site (DNR)**
  - Boat Launch, Parking, Rest Rooms, and Boarding Pier
- **Portage Bay Access and Campground (DNR)**
  - Camping, Rest Rooms, and Carry-in Boat Launch
- **Tri-Valley Golf Course (Private)**
  - 9-Hole Course
- **Van's Harbor Access Site (Private)**
  - Boat Launch, Parking and Rest Room
Masonville Township

- **Masonville Township Recreation Area**
  - Approximately 25 acres
  - 2 Ball Fields, Pavilion, 5 Pit Toilets, 35 Picnic Tables, 5 Cooking Grills, 5 Horseshoe Pits, Volleyball Area, Swings, Slide, Merry-go-round
  - Closed to traffic in the evening
- **Basketball Court**
  - Less than 1 acre
  - 2 Basketball Hoops, Doubles as an ice rink in the winter
- **Tot Lot**
  - Less than 1 acres
  - Tube Slide, Swing, Walking Bridge, 3-Spring Riding Apparatus, Merry-go-round
- **DNR Boat Launch**
  - Pit Toilets, Courtesy Pier, Accessible Wildlife Viewing and Fishing Area, Parking
- **Bay de Noc Elementary**
  - Small Gymnasium, Fenced Playground w/a Variety of Apparatus
- **Tri-Township School**
  - 80 acres
  - Gymnasium and Auxiliary Gymnasium, 2 Tennis Courts, Athletic/Football Field, Unimproved Ball Field
- **Omni Center**
  - Converted Former Gymnasium, Serves a Variety of Senior Citizen and Community Activities
- **Rapid River Falls Park**
  - 80 acres
  - Day Use Picnics and Gatherings, Rest Stop, Picnic Tables, Cooking Grills, Playground Equipment, Pit Toilet
- **Haymeadow Creek Campground and Walking Trail**
  - 8 acres
  - US Forest Service owned
  - 15 Campsites, Hand Pump for Drinking Water, Toilet Facilities, Trout Stream, Trailheads
- **Rapid River Cross Country Ski Area**
  - 10 Mile Loop for Experienced Skiers, 5 Total Loops for Nordic Skiers, Snowshoeing, Ski Skating, One Accessible Toilet
- **Bay de Noc-Grand Island Trail**
  - 3 Large Assembly Areas for Horses and Hikers: Parking Lot, Tethering Area, Water Well, Vault Toilets, Areas for Camping
- **Days River Trail**
  - Several Loops w/Trails Ranging from 1-8 Miles, Groomed Ski Skating Track, Biking and Hiking

Nahma Township

- **Flowing Well Campground (U.S. Forest Service)**
  - Camping, Picnic Area, and Rest Rooms
- **Nahma Access Site (DNR)**
  - Boat Launch and Parking
- **Nahma Ballfield**
  - 3.0 acres
  - Ball Field
- **Nahma Golf Course (Private)**
  - 9-Hole Course and Clubhouse
- **Ogontz Bay Access Site (DNR)**
  - Boat Launch and Parking
- **Rapid River-Nahma Grade Trail**
  - 18 Miles ORV/Snowmobile Trail
- **Round Lake Access Site (DNR)**
  - Parking and Boat Launch

**Wells Township**

- **Soo Hill Park**
  - 10 acres
- **Wells Sports Complex**
  - 17.0 acres
  - Skating and indoor artificial ice rink, curling, concession stand, press box
- **Wells Township Park**
  - 8.0 acres
  - Ball field, hockey rink, open skating rink, warming room for skaters, horseshoe court, tennis court, tot lot
- **Escanaba River Boat Launch**
  - Boat launch and parking

**Other Locations of Recreational Opportunities in County**

- **Escanaba River and Lake Superior State Forests**
  - 68,000 acres
  - Public Lands Available for a Variety of Outdoor Recreational Opportunities
- **Hiawatha National Forest**
  - 241,640 acres
  - Public Lands Available for a Variety of Outdoor Recreational Opportunities
- **Commercial Forest Reserve (CFR) Lands**
  - 70,177 acres
  - Privately-owned Forestlands which are Open to the Public for Fishing and Hunting

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### 4.0 Description of Planning and the Public Input Process

#### 4.1 Community Data

For any planning endeavor, careful attention must be given to the analysis of population trends and projections. Such an analysis is necessary to determine existing or future needs based on the characteristics of the area’s population. Population analysis assists with determining the direction of local capital improvements and related expenditures. For recreation planning, population data is also useful when applying recreation standards to a community.
4.1.1 Population Trends

While the population in the State of Michigan increased by 27 percent since 1960, Delta County’s population has increased by only 12.3 percent, while Maple Ridge Township’s population has decreased by 105 persons, or 11.5 percent in the last 40 years. Area population trends are shown in Table 4-1.

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<td>9,295,297</td>
<td>9,938,444</td>
<td>2,113,479</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>% Change</td>
<td>--</td>
<td>13.4</td>
<td>4.4</td>
<td>0.4</td>
<td>6.9</td>
<td>27.0</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>United States</strong></td>
<td>179,323,175</td>
<td>203,302,031</td>
<td>226,542,199</td>
<td>248,709,873</td>
<td>281,421,906</td>
<td>102,098,731</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>% Change</td>
<td>--</td>
<td>13.4</td>
<td>11.4</td>
<td>9.8</td>
<td>13.2</td>
<td>56.9</td>
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</table>

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census for years cited.

### 4.1.2 Age Characteristics
The age of the residents of an area may indicate emerging needs for recreational facilities. The median age of Maple Ridge Township residents in 2000 was 41.8, slightly higher than the median age of Delta County (40.4). As shown in Figure 4-1 below, nearly 60 percent of Maple Ridge Township residents are in the working age category (20-64 years of age).

**Figure 4-1**

**Age Distribution in Maple Ridge Township: 2000**

![](image1)

### 4.1.3 Gender
The slight majority of the population in Maple Ridge Township is male (50.5 percent).

**Figure 4-2**

**Gender in Maple Ridge Township: 2000**

![](image2)
4.1.4 Economic Characteristics
The economic history of Maple Ridge Township, like that of the region, is closely related to natural resources and features. With much of the Township’s land area classified as forested, logging and lumbering maintain their historical importance in the local economy. The proximity and abundance of forest products provide much of the raw material utilized in commercial enterprises, such as paper mills.

Recreational opportunities attract nonresidents who pursue activities such as fishing, hunting, camping and snowmobiling. Local businesses depend on nonresident spending for much of their revenue. The economic impact, though somewhat seasonal, is significant throughout the year.

Rock is a rural center providing limited retail and commercial facilities to residents and travelers of the area. The economic well-being of the Township is closely related to the activities associated with the Escanaba-Gladstone urban center as well as within the community of Gwinn in Marquette County. According to the 2000 Census, the three largest employment sectors for Township residents were manufacturing, followed by educational, health and social services, and agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining.

In 1999, the median household income for Township residents was $36,050, higher than the County ($35,511) but lower than the State ($44,667).

4.1.5 Area Physical Characteristics
Several water resources pass through Maple Ridge Township, including three rivers. The Days River, Rapid River and Tacoosh River drain most of the Township. Boudreau Creek, Elm Creek, Indian Creek, Mud Creek and Squaw Creek also run through the Township. Use of these resources ranges from fishing and hunting to canoe and power boating.

Land forms vary throughout Delta County and the Township, but generally the rolling terrain is associated with glacial activity. Major soil associations in the Township are: Karlin-Blue Lake Association (loamy and sandy soils with coarse or moderately textured subsoils-medium fertility); Charlevoix-Ensley-Angelica Association (loamy soil with moderately coarse textured and medium textured subsoils-fair for cropland and pastures); and Trenary-Cathro-Tacoosh Association (loamy soil with organic uplands-medium to high fertility).

4.1.6 Land Use
The land use patterns observed in the Township are important considerations in planning for the recreational needs of the community. Maple Ridge Township’s land use pattern has been shaped by the presence and exploitation of natural resources, by transportation arteries and water features. The major land uses in the Township are timber production and resource production. Much of the forested land is held in large tracts of land by commercial enterprises, making less land available for private development. There are some agricultural uses in the south west corner of the Township as well. The population is centered in and around the community of Rock.
4.1.7 Local Transportation System
State trunklines provide the highest level of traffic mobility for the public. Maple Ridge Township is bisected north/south by M-35. The community of Rock is located at the junction of M-35 and County Road 529 (Maple Ridge Road). US-41 passes north/south through the far eastern portion of the Township. Both routes are major traffic corridors that provide vital links to other communities.

Delta County Airport provides limited passenger service to Iron Mountain, Detroit and Minneapolis. Sawyer International Airport in Marquette County also provides passenger air service to several cities in the Midwest.

4.2 Recreation Standards
One method to assess community recreation needs is the standard system. Standards that have been developed by the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) provide a scale against which an existing recreation system can be measured so the guidelines for future needs can be created. Standards link the number of acres to the community’s population.

4.2.1 Suggested Facility Development Standards
The Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Grants Management Division “Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Plans” includes a table of suggested facility development standards which can be found in Appendix B.

A direct comparison of the suggested facility development standards to the existing facilities in Maple Ridge Township is shown below.
## Comparison of Existing Recreational Facilities to Suggested NRPA Standards

### Maple Ridge Township

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Activity/Facility</th>
<th>No. of units per population</th>
<th>Standard required for area</th>
<th>No. of Existing Facilities</th>
<th>Deficiency per Standards?</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Badminton</td>
<td>1 per 5000</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Basketball</td>
<td>1 per 5000</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Handball (3-4 wall)</td>
<td>1 per 20,000</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ice Hockey</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Indoor-</td>
<td>1 per 100,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Outdoor-</td>
<td>Depends on climate</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Tennis</td>
<td>1 court per 2000</td>
<td>3.3</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Volleyball</td>
<td>1 court per 5000</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Baseball</td>
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</tr>
<tr>
<td>1. Official</td>
<td>1 per 5000</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<tr>
<td>2. Little League</td>
<td>Lighted-</td>
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<td></td>
<td>1 per 30,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Field Hockey</td>
<td>1 per 20,000</td>
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<td>1 per 20,000</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<tr>
<td>Soccer</td>
<td>1 per 10,000</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Golf-driving range</td>
<td>1 per 50,000</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<tr>
<td>¼ - Mile Running Track</td>
<td>1 per 20,000</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Softball</td>
<td>1 per 5,000 (if also used for youth baseball)</td>
<td>1.3</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Multiple Recreation Court (Basketball, Volleyball, Tennis)</td>
<td>1 per 10,000</td>
<td>0.6</td>
<td>0</td>
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<tr>
<td>Trails</td>
<td>1 system per region</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>Archery Range</td>
<td>1 per 50,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Combination Skeet and Trap Field (8 station)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Golf</td>
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<td>1. Par 3 (18-hole)</td>
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<td>2. 9-hole standard</td>
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<td>• 1/25,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>3. 18-hole standard</td>
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<td>• 1/50,000</td>
<td>• 0.1</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Swimming Pools</td>
<td>1 per 20,000 (Pools should accommodate 3% to 5% of the total population at a time.)</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Beach Areas</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
4.2.2 Recommended Classification System for Local and Regional Recreation Open Space and Trails

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Grants Management Division “Guidelines for the Development of Community Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Plans” includes a table of a recommended classification system for local and regional recreation open space and trails which can be found in Appendix C.

- **Mini Parks**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Facility Name</th>
<th>Acreage</th>
<th>Standard Acreage</th>
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<tr>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>--</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Mini Park Acreage</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>2 to 4</td>
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- **Neighborhood Parks**

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<tr>
<th>Facility Name</th>
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<th>Standard Acreage</th>
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<tr>
<td>N/A</td>
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<td>Total Neighborhood Park Acreage</td>
<td>0</td>
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</table>

- **Community Parks**

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<tr>
<th>Facility Name</th>
<th>Acreage</th>
<th>Standard Acreage</th>
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<tr>
<td>Lion’s Park</td>
<td>1.5 acres</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rock Community Park</td>
<td>4 acres</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Community Park Acreage</td>
<td>5.5 acres</td>
<td>36 to 58</td>
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</table>

- **Regional Parks**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Facility Name</th>
<th>Acreage</th>
<th>Standard Acreage</th>
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<tr>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>--</td>
<td>--</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Regional Park Acreage</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>58 to 72</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

4.2.3 National Park and Recreation Standards for Park Acreage

The National Park and Recreation Association has suggested standards for park size and type based on the population of the area. No standards exist to determine how much open space a community needs; however, these standards can be used as guidelines in the planning process. Appendix D includes a table of these suggested standards.
Maple Ridge Township possesses approximately 5.5 acres of Public Park recreation land. The breakdown of this recreational land includes 0 acres of mini parks, 0 acres of neighborhood parks, approximately 5.5 acres of community parks, and 0 acres of regional parks. Comparing the NPRA standards with the number of acres of recreational land found in the Township, the Township does not have acreage of land in all four of the park and recreation types. The total acreage of recreation land in the Township is inadequate for the current population.

4.2.4 Barrier Free Accessibility Requirements for Parks  
The barrier free accessibility requirements for parks is provided in Appendix E.

4.3 Systems Approach to Planning  
The systems approach to planning incorporates information gained from citizen surveys and detailed recreation inventories to determine the recreation needs of a community.

4.3.1 The Public Input Process  
The Michigan Department of Natural Resources requires that two methods be used to incorporate public input into the recreation planning process. The Maple Ridge Township Recreation Committee surveyed Township residents throughout the months of October and November of 2009 to obtain information on recreational needs in the Township. After a 30 day public review period, at the regularly scheduled Township Board meeting, held March 30, 2010, the Board adopted the Recreation Plan. A copy of the minutes from this meeting can be found in Appendix F.

5.0 GOALS AND OBJECTIVES  
The goals that follow are guides for recreation related decision making. Consideration and observance of recreation policies should ultimately lead a community toward the attainment of its short and long term goals.

Specific development projects and programs should initially be evaluated with respect to the recreation goals and then in terms of the proposal’s contribution to the recreation system of Maple Ridge Township. Goals developed by the Maple Ridge Township Recreation Committee are listed below.

Goal #1: Provide a wide variety of recreational opportunities to all Maple Ridge Township residents and non-residents visiting the area.

Policies:
- Projects should be easily accessible to all residents.
- Whenever or wherever possible, facilities should be for multiple and/or year-round use.
- Proposed projects should eliminate identified recreational deficiencies as described in this plan.
- The Township should make maximum use of state and federal assistance programs to acquire and develop recreation areas and facilities.
Policy:

- Facilities should be designed to complement and preserve the surrounding natural quality of the area.
- Whenever possible, the Township, private interests and adjacent units of government should coordinate the development of recreation facilities and programs.
- When feasible, existing facilities should be upgraded before new ones are built.
- Proper maintenance should be ensured for all facilities.
- The Township, concerned organizations and individuals should develop programs and incorporate designs to minimize vandalism.

5.1 Identified Needs and Recreational Development Schedule

The Maple Ridge Township Recreation Committee, through the recreation development schedule, planned a number of necessary and valuable recreation projects to enhance the quality of life for all demographic groups. The recreation development schedule highlights the Township's top priorities as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Ranking</th>
<th>Project Name</th>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Cost (if known) and Potential Funding Sources</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Installation of Playground Equipment at Lions Park</td>
<td>2010</td>
<td>Approximately $1,000.00 Township funds Donation of labor and supplies</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Lions Park Improvements: Pavilion, Picnic Tables, Horseshoe Pits, Camping Area</td>
<td>2011</td>
<td>Approximately $5,000.00 Local Match MDNR Recreation Grant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>Lions Park: Restore former swimming area</td>
<td>2012</td>
<td>Cost unknown at this time Local Match/Grant Funding</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>Develop park on Township property (across from Post Office)</td>
<td>2013</td>
<td>Local Match</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>Rock Community Park Improvements: Tennis Court/ Basketball Court Resurfacing</td>
<td>2013</td>
<td>Approximately $5,000.00 Local Match/Grant Funding</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>Non-motorized Trail Development</td>
<td>2014</td>
<td>Local Match MDNR Recreation Grant MDOT Transportation Enhancement</td>
</tr>
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APPENDIX A

MAPS
Recreation Facilities
Maple Ridge Township

Lions Park
Future Development Site (Township Owned)
Rock Community Park

Roads
Lakes
Rivers
Township / Range Lines
Escanaba River State Forest
Township Boundary

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APPENDIX B

NATIONAL PARK AND RECREATION ASSOCIATION
SUGGESTED FACILITY DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS
## NATIONAL PARK AND RECREATION ASSOCIATION
### Suggested Facility Development Standards

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Activity/Facility</th>
<th>Recommended Space Requirements</th>
<th>Recommended size and dimensions</th>
<th>Recommended orientation</th>
<th>No. of units per population</th>
<th>Service Radius</th>
<th>Location Notes</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Badminton</strong></td>
<td>1620 sq. ft.</td>
<td>Singles – 17’ x 44’ Double – 20’ x 44’ With 5’ unobstructed area on all sides.</td>
<td>Long axis north – south.</td>
<td>1 per 5000</td>
<td>¼ - ½ mile</td>
<td>Usually in school, recreation center or church facility. Safe walking or biking access.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Basketball</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Same as badminton. Outdoor courts in neighborhood and community parks, plus active recreation areas in other park settings.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
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<td>1. Youth 2400–3036 sq. ft. 46’-50’ x 84’ 50’ x 84’</td>
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<td>2. High School 5040-7280 sq. ft. 5600-7980 sq. ft. 50’ x 94’ with 5’ unobstructed space on all sides</td>
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<td>3. Collegiate</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Handball (3-4 wall)</strong></td>
<td>800 sq. ft. for 4-wall 1000 sq. ft. for 3-wall</td>
<td>20’ x 40’ – Minimum of 10’ to rear of 3-wall court. Minimum 20’ overhead clearance.</td>
<td>Long axis north-south. Front wall at north end.</td>
<td>1 per 20,000</td>
<td>15-30 minute travel time</td>
<td>4-wall usually indoor as part of multi-purpose facility. 3-wall usually outdoor in park or school setting.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Ice Hockey</strong></td>
<td>22,000 sq. ft. including support area.</td>
<td>Rink 85’ x 200’ (minimum 85’ x 185’. Addition 5000 sq. ft. support area).</td>
<td>Long axis north-south if outdoors.</td>
<td>Indoor-1 per 100,000 Outdoor-Depends on climate</td>
<td>½ - 1 hour travel time</td>
<td>Climate important consideration affecting number of units. Best as part of multi-purpose facility.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Tennis</strong></td>
<td>Minimum of 7,200 sq. ft. single court. (2 acres for complex.)</td>
<td>36’ x 78’. 12’ clearance on both sides; 21’ clearance on both ends.</td>
<td>Long axis north-south.</td>
<td>1 court per 2000</td>
<td>¼ - ½ mile</td>
<td>Best in batteries of 2-4. Located in neighborhood/community park or near school site.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Volleyball</strong></td>
<td>Minimum of 4,000 sq. ft.</td>
<td>30’ x 60’. Minimum 6’ clearance on all sides.</td>
<td>Long axis north-south</td>
<td>1 court per 5000</td>
<td>½ - 1 mile</td>
<td>Same as other court activities (e.g., badminton, basketball, etc.).</td>
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<tr>
<th>Activity/Facility</th>
<th>Recommended Space Requirements</th>
<th>Recommended size and dimensions</th>
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<tr>
<td>Baseball</td>
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<td>Part of neighborhood complex. Lighted fields part of community complex.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Official</td>
<td>3.0-3.85 A minimum</td>
<td>• Baselines-90’ Pitching distance-60.5’ Foul lines-min. 320’ Center field-400’+</td>
<td>Locate home plate so pitcher throwing across sun and batter not facing it. Line from home plate through pitcher-s mound to run east-northeast.</td>
<td>1 per 5000</td>
<td>¼ - ½ mile</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Little League</td>
<td>1.2 A minimum</td>
<td>• Baselines-60’ Pitching distance-46’ Foul lines-200’ Center field-200’-250’</td>
<td></td>
<td>Lighted-1 per 30,000</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Field Hockey</td>
<td>Minimum 1.5A</td>
<td>180’ x 300’ with a minimum of 10’ clearance on all sides.</td>
<td>Fall season-long axis northwest to southeast. For longer periods, north to south.</td>
<td>1 per 20,000</td>
<td>15-30 minutes travel time</td>
<td>Usually part of baseball, football, or soccer complex in community park or adjacent to high school.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Football</td>
<td>Minimum 1.5A</td>
<td>160’ x 360’ with a minimum of 6’ clearance on all sides.</td>
<td>Same as field hockey.</td>
<td>1 per 20,000</td>
<td>15-30 minutes travel time</td>
<td>Same as field hockey.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Soccer</td>
<td>1.7 to 2.1 A</td>
<td>195’ x 225’ x 330’ to 360’, with a 10’ minimum clearance on all sides.</td>
<td>Same as field hockey.</td>
<td>1 per 10,000</td>
<td>1-2 miles</td>
<td>Number of units depends on popularity. Youth soccer on smaller fields adjacent to schools or neighborhood parks.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Golf-driving range</td>
<td>13.5 A for minimum of 25 tees</td>
<td>900’ x 690’ wide. Add 12’ width for each additional tee.</td>
<td>Long axis southwest/northeast with golfer driving toward northeast.</td>
<td>1 per 50,000</td>
<td>30 minutes travel time</td>
<td>Part of golf course complex as a separate unit. May be privately operated.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>¼ - Mile Running Track</td>
<td>4.3 A</td>
<td>Overall width – 276’ Length – 600’ Track width for 8 to 4 lanes is 32’.</td>
<td>Long axis in sector from north to south to northwest/ southeast with finish line at northerly end.</td>
<td>1 per 20,000</td>
<td>15-30 minutes travel time</td>
<td>Usually part of high school or community park complex in combination with football, soccer, etc.</td>
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Appendix B
## Suggested Facility Development Standards

### Activity/Facility

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<tr>
<td>Softball</td>
<td>1.5 t 2.0 A</td>
<td>Baselines–60’ Pitching distance -45’ (men), -40’ (women). Fast pitch field radius from plate – 225’ between foul lines. Slow pitch -275’ (men) -250’ (women)</td>
<td>Same as baseball.</td>
<td>1 per 5,000 (if also used for youth baseball)</td>
<td>¼ - to ½ - mile</td>
<td>Slight difference in dimensions for 16” slow pitch. May also be used for youth baseball.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Multiple Recreation Court (Basketball, Volleyball, Tennis)</td>
<td>9.840 sq. ft.</td>
<td>120’ x 80’</td>
<td>Long axis of courts with primary use north-south</td>
<td>1 per 10,000</td>
<td>1 – 2 miles</td>
<td>In neighborhood or community parks.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Trails</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Well defined head. Capacity: Rural trails – 40 hikers/day/mile. Urban trails – 90 hikers/day/mile.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>1 system per region</td>
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<td>Archery Range</td>
<td>Minimum 0.65 A</td>
<td>300’ length x minimum 10’ between targets. Roped clear space on sides of range. Minimum of 30’ clear space behind targets. Minimum of 90’ x 45’ with bunker.</td>
<td>Archer facing north + or + 45 degrees.</td>
<td>1 per 50,000</td>
<td>30 minutes travel time</td>
<td>Part of a regional/ metro park complex.</td>
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**Appendix B**
## National Park and Recreation Association
### Suggested Facility Development Standards

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<td><strong>Combination Skeet and Trap Field (8 station)</strong></td>
<td>Minimum 30 A</td>
<td>All walks and structures occur within an area approximately 130’ wide by 115’ deep. Minimum cleared area is contained within two superimposed segments with 100-yard radii (4 acres). Shot-fall danger zone is contained within two superimposed segments with 300-yard radii (36 acres).</td>
<td>Center line of length runs northeast/southwest with shooter facing northeast</td>
<td>1 per 50,000</td>
<td>30 minutes travel time</td>
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<td><strong>Swimming Pools</strong></td>
<td>Varies on size of pool and amenities. Usually 1 to 2 A site.</td>
<td>Teaching-minimum of 25 yards x 45’ even depth of 3 to 4 feet. Competitive-minimum of 25m x 16m. Minimum of 27 square feet of water surface per swimmer. Ratio of 2:1 deck vs. water.</td>
<td>None-although care must be taken in sighting of lifeguard stations in relation to afternoon sun.</td>
<td>1 per 20,000 (Pools should accommodate 3% to 5% of the total population at a time.)</td>
<td>15 to 30 minutes travel time</td>
<td>Pools for general community use should be planned for teaching, competitive, and recreational purposes with enough depth to accommodate 1 m and 3m diving boards. Located in community park or school site.</td>
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<td>Beach Areas</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Beach area should have 50 sq. ft. of land and 50 sq. ft. of water per user. Turnover rate is 3. There should be 3-4 A supporting land per A of beach.</td>
<td>N/A</td>
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<td>½ to 1 hour travel time</td>
<td>Should have sand bottom with slope a maximum of 5 % (flat preferable). Boating areas completely segregated from swimming areas. In regional/metro parks.</td>
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Adapted from:


**Appendix B**
APPENDIX C

NATIONAL PARK AND RECREATION ASSOCIATION
RECOMMENDED CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM FOR LOCAL AND REGIONAL RECREATION
OPENSPACE AND TRAILS

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<td>Mini-Park</td>
<td>Used to address limited, isolated or unique recreational needs.</td>
<td>Less than ¼ mile distance in residential setting.</td>
<td>Between 2500 sq. ft. and one acre in size.</td>
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<td>Neighborhood Park</td>
<td>Neighborhood park remains the basic unit of the park system and serves as the recreational and social focus of the neighborhood. Focus is on informal active and passive recreation.</td>
<td>¼ - to ½ -mile distance and uninterrupted by non-residential roads and other physical barriers.</td>
<td>5 acres is considered minimum size. 5 to 10 acres is optimal.</td>
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<td>School-Park</td>
<td>Depending on circumstances, combining parks with school sites can fulfill the space requirements for other classes of parks, such as neighborhood, community, sports complex and special use.</td>
<td>Determine by location of school district property.</td>
<td>Variable-depends on function.</td>
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<td>Community Park</td>
<td>Serves broader purpose than neighborhood park. Focus is on meeting community-based recreation needs, as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces.</td>
<td>Determined by the quality and suitability of the site. Usually serves two or more neighborhoods and ½ to 3 mile distance.</td>
<td>As needed to accommodate desired uses. Usually between 30 and 50 acres.</td>
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<td>Large Urban Park</td>
<td>Large urban parks serve a broader purpose than community parks and are used when community and neighborhood parks are not adequate to serve the needs of the community. Focus is on meeting community-based recreational needs, as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces.</td>
<td>Determined by the quality and suitability of the site. Usually serves the entire community.</td>
<td>As needed to accommodate desired uses. Usually a minimum of 50 acres, with 75 or more acres being optimal.</td>
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<td>Natural Resource Areas</td>
<td>Lands set aside for preservation of significant natural resources, remnant landscapes, open space, and visual aesthetics/buffering.</td>
<td>Resource availability and opportunity.</td>
<td>Variable.</td>
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<td>Greenways</td>
<td>Effectively tie park system components together to form a continuous park environment.</td>
<td>Resource availability and opportunity.</td>
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<td>Sports Complex</td>
<td>Consolidates heavily programmed athletic fields and associated facilities to larger and fewer sites</td>
<td>Strategically located community-wide facilities.</td>
<td>Determined by projected demand. Usually a minimum of 25 acres,</td>
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<td><strong>Special Use</strong></td>
<td>Covers a broad range of parks and recreation facilities oriented toward single-purpose use.</td>
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<td><strong>Private Park/Recreation Facility</strong></td>
<td>Parks and recreation facilities that are privately owned yet contribute to the public park and recreation system.</td>
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| **Park Trail**                  | Multipurpose trails located within greenways, parks and natural resource areas. Focus is on recreational value and harmony with natural environment. | • Type I: Separate/single-purpose hard-surfaced trails for pedestrians or bicyclists/in-line skaters.  
• Type II: Multipurpose hard-surfaced trails for pedestrians and bicyclists/in-line skaters.  
• Type III: Nature trails for pedestrians. May be hard- or soft-surfaced. |                                            |
| **Connector Trails**            | Multipurpose trails that emphasize safe travel for pedestrians to and from parks and around the community. Focus is on recreational value and harmony with natural environment. | • Type I: Separate/single-purpose hard-surfaced trails for pedestrians or bicyclists/in-line skaters located in independent r.o.w. (e.g., old railroad r.o.w.).  
• Type II: Separate/single-purpose hard-surfaced trails for pedestrians or bicyclists/in-line skaters. Typically located within road r.o.w. |                                            |
| **On-Street Bikeways**          | Paved segments of roadways that serve as a means to safely separate bicyclists from vehicular traffic. | Bike Route: Designated portions of the roadway for the preferential or exclusive use of bicyclists.  
Bike Lane: Shared portions of the roadway that provide separation between motor vehicles and bicyclists, such as paved shoulders. |                                            |
| **All-Terrain Bike Trail**      | Off-road trail for all-terrain (mountain) bikes. | Single-purpose loop trails usually located in larger parks and natural resource areas. |                                            |
| **Cross-Country Ski Trail**     | Trails developed for traditional and skate-style cross-country skiing. | Loop trails usually located in larger parks and natural resource areas. |                                            |
| **Equestrian Trail**            | Trails developed for horseback riding. | Loop trails usually located in larger parks and natural resource areas. |                                            |

*Appendix C*
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<td>Sometimes developed as multipurpose with hiking and all-terrain biking where conflicts can be controlled.</td>
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Adapted from:
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NATIONAL PARK AND RECREATION ASSOCIATION
STANDARDS FOR PARK ACREAGE
## NATIONAL PARK AND RECREATION ASSOCIATION

### Standards for Park Acreage

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<th>Component</th>
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<td><strong>Mini-park</strong></td>
<td>Specialized facilities that serve a concentrated or limited population or specific group, such as tots or senior citizens</td>
<td>Less than ¼ miles radius</td>
<td>1 acre or less</td>
<td>0.25 to 0.5 A</td>
<td>With neighborhoods in close proximity to apartment complexes, townhouse development or housing for the elderly.</td>
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<td><strong>Neighborhood Park or Playground</strong></td>
<td>Area for intense recreational activities, such as field games, crafts, playground apparatus areas, skating, picnicking, wading pools, etc.</td>
<td>¼ to ½ mile radius to serve a population up to 5,000 (a neighborhood)</td>
<td>15 + acres</td>
<td>1.0 to 2.0 A</td>
<td>Suited for intense development. Easily accessible to neighborhood population (geographically centered for safe walking and biking access). May be developed as a school park facility.</td>
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<td><strong>Community Park</strong></td>
<td>Area of diverse environmental quality. May include areas suited for intense recreation facilities, such as athletic complexes, large swimming pools. May be an area of natural quality for outdoor recreation, such as walking, viewing, sitting, picnicking. May be any combination of the above, depending upon site suitability and community need.</td>
<td>1 to 2 mile radius (several neighborhoods)</td>
<td>25 + acres</td>
<td>5.0 to 8.0 A</td>
<td>May include natural features, such as water bodies and areas suited for intense development. Easily accessible to neighborhood served.</td>
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Total Close-to-Home Space = 6.25 – 10.5 A/1,000

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Appendix D
**BARRIER FREE ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR PARKS**

Recreational areas, facilities, and programs play an important role in the life of the community; therefore it is essential that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy these areas and any programs provided. Federal and state laws prohibit discrimination on the basis of disability, and these laws apply to parks and other recreation lands and programs controlled and operated by local units of government. The DNR has a strong commitment to barrier free recreational opportunities in our Department-managed programs and facilities. This commitment extends to those communities that receive recreation grants.

Under the state Utilization of Public Facilities by the Physically Limited Act (1966 PA 1, as amended) all public facilities, including improved areas used for recreation, must meet the barrier free design requirements contained in the state construction code. Under this act, the administration and enforcement related to barrier free design requirements are vested in the local or state government agency responsible for issuing a building permit. If the project does not require a building permit, administration and enforcement of barrier free design requirements are vested in the Department of Labor and Economic Growth.

Any request for an exception to the barrier free design requirements of the state construction code must be submitted to the Barrier Free Design Board, within the Department of Labor and Economic Growth (517-241-9300). The Barrier Free Design Board has the responsibility to receive, review, and process requests for exceptions to barrier free design specifications; require appropriate equivalent alternatives when exceptions are granted; and receive, process, and make recommendations for barrier free design rules.

Because the state construction code does not apply to many recreation facilities, it is essential that you also be aware of and understand the existing federal guidelines covering these types of facilities. In July 2004, the federal Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (known as the Access Board) issued updated guidelines, entitled the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG), for new or altered facilities covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-336) or the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968 (Public Law 90-480). These guidelines should eventually be adopted as enforceable standards. Until that occurs, the existing ADAAG standards must be followed when the two conflict.

Included in the updated ADAAG are technical provisions for a number of types of recreation facilities, including play areas, amusement rides, boating facilities, fishing piers and platforms, golf courses, miniature golf courses, shooting facilities, swimming and wading pools, and spas. Technical provisions for these recreation facilities do not exist in the current AADAG. The Access Board has also proposed guidelines for sports facilities, trails, beaches, and picnic and camping areas. While none of these guidelines has yet been adopted as federal standards, they represent the best information available on developing barrier free recreation facilities and may be upheld in a court of law. Therefore, they should be referred to when designing new or renovated recreation facilities.

*Appendix E*
APPENDIX F

PUBLIC INPUT SURVEY

Appendix F
MAPLE RIDGE TOWNSHIP
RECREATION SURVEY

Maple Ridge Township is in the process of developing a 5-Year Recreation Plan to submit to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). Once the Recreation Plan is approved, the Township will have the opportunity to apply for recreation grants through the MDNR. The Township would like input from residents to include in the Plan. Please fill out the survey below and include any additional recreation suggestions in the comments section.

Total Number in Household: __________

Number of School Age Children: __________

What activities do you and your family members participate in for recreation (summer/winter)?

What would you like to see improved in terms of Township recreation opportunities (i.e. walking path, picnic area, skating rink, skate park)?

What sites would you like to see developed for recreation in the Township?

Please feel free to add any comments or suggestions on recreation facilities or programs below:

Appendix F
Maple Ridge Township Recreation Survey Results

58 surveys received in December 2009

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<th>Total Number in Household</th>
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What activities do you and your family members participate in for recreation (summer/winter)?

- Boating, skiing (downhill and cross country), snowboarding
- Bikes, baseball, sledding, swimming
- Swimming, camping, fishing, skateboarding, sports, sledding, snow skating, snowmobiling, 4-wheeling, hiking
- Bikes, sledding
- Sporting clays-trap and skeet
- Hiking, picnicking, swimming, 4-wheeling
- Camping, swimming, skiing, sledding, 4-wheeling, biking, snowmobiling
- Baseball, fishing, camping, skateboarding, snowmobiling, basketball, sledding, snowboarding
- Camping, 4-wheeling, snowmobiling
- Kayak, hike, camp
- Attend plays and shows occasionally
- Bike riding, roller skating, walking, tennis
- Walking, biking, cross country skiing, snowshoeing, fishing, 4-wheeling, skating
- Walking, snowshoeing, cross country skiing

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• Gardening, property improvement, hunting, church activity
• Four wheeling, snowmobiling, picnics
• Baseball, soccer, basketball, ice skating
• Walking, biking, camping picnic
• Camping, fishing
• Skateboarding
• Camping, horses, sledding
• Baseball, football, basketball
• Walking, biking, swimming snowshoeing, snow machine riding
• Snowmobile, sledding, skating, ski
• Fishing, hunting
• Boating, skiing (downhill/cross country), snowboarding
• Fishing, camping, hiking, swimming, sledding, ice fishing, ice skating
• Swimming, 4-wheeling, snowmobiling
• Hiking, biking, camping, skiing, snowmobiling, 4-wheeling, fishing, hunting
• Baseball, football, basketball
• Walks/running, 4-wheeling, biking, baseball, sledding
• Stock car racing, camping, horseback riding, swimming, ice racing, sledding, snowmobiling, snowboarding, skiing
• Camping, horses, sledding
• Camping, swimming, playing baseball, sledding, playing outside
• Camping, swimming, nature watching, hunting, hiking, kayaking, fishing, ATV riding, snowmobiling, cross country skiing, hunting
• Hunting, boating, fishing, running/walking, biking, ice skating, basketball, baseball
• Camping, fishing
• Camping, horses, sledding
• Baseball, soccer, skating (roller/ice), horseback riding, youth group
• Baseball, ice skating, skiing, volleyball, running
• Swimming, biking, fishing, camping, skating, sledding, snowshoeing, skiing, ice fishing, baseball
• Biking, hiking, camping, snowmobiling, snowshoeing, skating
• Baseball, football, swimming
• Baseball, biking, hunting
• Camping, horseback riding, 4-wheeling, snowmobiling, skating
• Biking, walking, swimming, outdoor play
• Fishing, hunting, 4-wheeling, camping, walking, bike riding
• Outdoor playing, biking, swimming, going to the park, sledding, snowboarding, shoveling
• Camping, 4-wheeling, swimming

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• Swim, go to playgrounds and parks, ride bikes, cross country ski, sled, 4-wheeler, snowmobiling
• Fishing, camping, hiking, swimming, sledding, ice fishing, ice skating, snowshoeing
• 4-wheeling, boating, camping, snowmobiling, snowshoeing, walking, biking, hiking
• Fishing, swimming, baseball, snowmobiling

**What would you like to see improved in terms of Township recreation opportunities (i.e. walking path, picnic area, skating rink, skate park)?**

• Walking path, better playground equipment, skate park
• Picnic area, skating rink
• Walking path and ice skating rink
• Maintained family park
• Improve park
• Picnic area
• Bigger play areas like the schools in Rock at baseball field or at the Lions Park (make Lions Park where we can swim)
• Hiking trails, camping, fishing area for kids, skate park, bigger park
• Skating rink
• Skating rink
• Walking path, picnic area, skating rink
• Skate park
• Walking path
• Skating rink, picnic area
• Walking path, skate park
• The park just west of the cemetery in Rock, 4-wheeler paths, bike paths
• Walking path, picnic area, skating rink, skate park
• Parks
• Picnic area, skating rink
• Walking path, skating rink, volleyball courts
• Someplace to let dogs swim
• A play areas like the school in Rock at the baseball field or at Lions Park-the water is good to swim there
• Skating rink, improvements at tennis/basketball courts
• Ice skating rink
• Skating rink
• Walking path
• Camping area
• Skate park
• Skating rink

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• Skate park
• A skating rink would be nice for those who can or want to learn how to skate
• Walking trails, bike trails, skating rink
• Improved park
• 4-wheeling trails, picnic/camping area, walking path
• Skating rink, tennis courts
• Picnic area
• Picnic area, walking paths
• Skate park
• Walking path, better playground equipment, skate park
• Skate park and skating rink
• Walking path, skating rink
• Walking path, picnic area, skate park, more playground equipment, fix tennis courts
• Picnic/walking facility, winter ice rink
• Picnic area, skating rink, skate park
• Skating rink-ice and roller-blading and skateboard
• Skating rink, picnic area, cross-country ski path
• Skating rink, skate park
• Skating rink, picnic area
• Play park, riding path
• Skating rink
• Skating rink, ski trails, picnic area, snowshoe trail
• Trail, skating rink to get community members outdoors
• Walking/running/bike path, ice rink
• Skating rink, picnic area
• Wider shoulder on road for walking/biking trails along pipeline for walking

What sites would you like to see developed for recreation in the Township?
• It would be nice to have knitting and quilting at classes at the Senior Center
• Walking path, picnic area, skating rink
• Rock baseball field, Rock park
• 4-wheeler trail
• Across from post office-a park w/benches
• Old Lions Park-west of the Village
• Lions Park across from Kaminen’s
• Better recreational family park
• Walk/run/bike path in Rock around or near the baseball park
• Park

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• Camping, swimming, hiking trails, snowshoe trails
• The old park
• Camping, swimming, hiking trails, snowshoeing trails
• 4-wheeler trails
• Dutch mill needs new swings, etc.
• Park on east side of highway-pavilion needs repairs; park on west side of highway-needs trees trimmed or removed so people can enjoy cookouts
• Park area-nicer equipment, maybe skate rink there
• Friday Flooding (east Rock)-already owned by MDNR could be developed
• Campground
• The “old park” across from Kaminen house and Veteran’s Park-more things to climb on
• Big skateboard park by the site of old county garage
• Corner sitting park (W. Maple Ridge and Circle Drive)
• Camping, fishing, 4-wheeling, cabins
• Days River Park-fix dam, install horseshoe pit
• Tennis courts
• Lions Club Park, more activities at playground for children
• Rock Lions Club-area behind club could be developed for camping area
• It would be nice to have a walking and bike paths along M-35 or Maple Ridge Road
• Central Park Area, Lions Club (park/picnic area), Property east of town (hike, bike, skating-ice and roller)
• Area east of Rock Credit Union, Park area by river west of Rock
• Permanent bathrooms by baseball field, flower bed b/w highway and service drive
• Lions Park, vacant lot by the railroad tracks
• The playground
• Rock Lions Park
• Both parks, maybe a trail to hike/walk
• In Perkins and Rock
• The park on the river, the park w/the baseball field
• Pipeline, trail (x country) by school, trails anywhere

Please feel free to add any comments or suggestions on recreation facilities or programs below:

• It would be nice to have something along side of the corner bar in that space
• A mid-summer community celebration to benefit all citizens and groups (twp, senior citizens, legion/aux, Lions Club, Fire Dept, church, youth groups), groups can have booth areas to promote upcoming events, picnic dinner, children’s games, t-shirt sale, 50/50, bingo, age group competitions, bake sale, profits could be allotted proportionately
• New outdoor bathrooms at both Veteran’s Park and the “old park”
• A community swimming pool
• Some places for kids around the Rock area
• Recreation is so important for our kids in this rural area
• I would like to see an area where my family and I can have a nice picnic
• Fix west Rock park
• Fix west Rock park
• Things for kids of all ages to do in summer to keep them out of trouble and off the streets
• A gym and a swimming pool
• Need something for the kids to do
• There is another older park in Township where something could be made-hiking trail for summer and fall, cross country ski trail for winter
APPENDIX G
NEWSPAPER AD AND MINUTES
FROM PUBLIC MEETING HELD ON MARCH 30, 2010

Appendix G
To order - 7:00 PM

Pledge
Minister approval.

Attendees:
Becky Carey  Beverly Forsberg
Kathy Wojda  Lucy Lampinen
Jenny Timmell  Ted Batczak
Dave Attererson  Barb Nummikoski
Jeff Lane  David Koski
Karen Azbell  Ted Windtmeier
Jackie Batczak
Angelica

Website: motion for whole community - 1st Dave, 2nd Barb all agree
1st Barb - motion - agenda for Fri. before meeting. Tentative agenda will be on the website - high school before to the supervisor.
1st Dave - any information. 
Anything to be ok'd by the supervisor.

Motion 1st Dave 2nd Barb for the whole community to post agenda on website.
Anything pertinent to meeting needs to be turned into the supervisor.
By Tues the week before Township mtg. Will be posted to the website on Fri. before the mtg. Post on website that it is an tentative agenda.
Motion: Dave 1st 2nd Lucy to make changes on Treasurer's report.

Motion: Lucy 1st 2nd Dave to accept Treasurer's report, all in favor, all ayes.

Jeff Crane - Census - (30 short for enumerators) leaving packets - Board consider ways to encourage filling out census. 11.75/hr 2-3 months to be hired. @ least 5 people they will hire. 12.75 Supervisor (50$/mile) - have someone come to train.

Trustee's Report - Dave - didn't get fire truck back yet need more funds for pumps. Turin Township needs fill rims.

Lucy - Angela Fish & Kathy Wojda

Kathy Wojda - put some flower boxes - Motion: Lucy 1st Barb 2nd ayes (temporary)

Resolution to adopt 5-year plan to get funds (2010-15)

Motion: Lucy 2nd Barb ayes

Angela Fish - wanting trees cut down
Karen Azbell - wanting pine trees to stay - dedicated to daughter.

Give it to recreational committee to come up with agreement and bring to the board about pine trees.

Concession Stand - pavement - fixed will cost $20 -

Clean up: Garbage Disposal -?
Supervisor - Ted talked to Angie Fish (4-H) rental - few days notice

- Jeanie
  - Motion: 1st Barb 2nd Lucy all avg
- 24.00 - Delta Zoning Maps - Ted - to put up in office.
- Delta County Uty in Rapid River - have some of left because low snow removal.
- 3 gravel jobs - put in a list
  - Ask board if to W city line Rd. - Finhalt Rd - N. Rock
    - proceed. Table it.
- Board of Review went through 54 parcels
- Will Peterson - wanted to split property - went to zoning -
  - Ted sent letter.
- Norkley - ok for trees cut - Road Comm cut to tree

Old Business
- Read New one year contract signed by Mark Maki
  - Motion: 1st Dave 2nd Barb all avg to accept contract

- Motion for Sexton
  - 1st Barb 2nd Dave 3rd Ira days
    - They receive a 1099 form at the end of the year instead of a W-2.
  - Barb talked to Ray Payment CPA

- Assessor's two month report - Ted read
- T & T Electric - ? Judy Trudell will call on that.
New Business

- $2000.00 grant put our name on list for township use.
- Proposed road work from Delta County Road Commission
  road by Ted. Delta County 577-589-76 Ted 85-553-75.
- Motion 1st Lucy, H-36 + Finn Rd. - Amend Motion to do all three roads. 2nd Dave. All ayes.
- Ted will type letter to get contracts. ? Priority list.
- Barb: NTA Regional Mtg. till next mtg. On who wants Township payment policy - request an invoice - no checks & ball
  recommendations by Barb. 2nd Dave all ayes.
- Motion 1st Ted. All Township & water bills to be initialed by Check + water dept. biller billing clerk free
  when checks are made. All bills kept in file cabinet in copy room.
- Community sewer edging sidewalks - Ted will call someone this.
- Posty.net brought up by Barb. Bill them $23.95/hr.
  Motion 1st Dave 2nd Lucy all ayes.
- Motion to accept Fire Dept. proposed budget.
  1st Barb 2nd Lucy all ayes.
- Request for baseball items $900.00 estimate - to give up to
  Motion 1st Lucy 2nd Dave all ayes.
- Motion to accept big clothes
  1st Lucy 2nd Dave all ayes
- Motion approve budget as is 1st Lucy 2nd Dave all ayes.
- Salary resolutions for township, assessor and water operator.
  Changes Ted 2nd Barb.
  Motion 1st Dave 2nd Lucy all ayes.
• Motion 1st Barb 2nd Dave to keep deposits & check 1st Bank. in Escambia.

• Motion 1st Dave 2nd Lucy Trustee to stay some 'yes'.

• For Salary 1st Dave 2nd Lucy Clerk. "..."

• Resolution's to 1st Barb 2nd Lucy Treasurer "..."

• Remain the 1st Ted 2nd Lucy Supervisor "..."

• Motion 1st Barb 2nd Lucy Liquor Law Enforcement "..." all 'yes'

• Rock Water System accepted.  
  Motion 1st Dave 2nd Barb all 'yes'

• Motion to pay bills 1st Lucy 2nd Ted. Dave

  Bills Read. Sign papers.

  Motion.

• Adjournment: 1st Dave 2nd Lucy all 'yes'.

  10:30 PM

Beverly L Franks
APPENDIX H
RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION
MAPLE RIDGE TOWNSHIP FIVE-YEAR RECREATION PLAN
RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION

WHEREAS, the Maple Ridge Township Board has reviewed the Maple Ridge Township Five-Year Recreation Plan, 2010-2014, which recognizes various Township recreation needs, and

WHEREAS, the Maple Ridge Township Board has accepted the Recreation Development Schedule that proposes a variety of improvements to enhance Lion's Park, the development of a park on existing Township property, various improvements to the Rock Community Park and the development of a non-motorized trail system.

WHEREAS, a five-year recreation plan is required to be eligible to apply for recreation grants administered by the Department of Natural Resources, Grants Management, and

WHEREAS, the Maple Ridge Township Board held a public meeting on March 30th, 2010 to accept public comment regarding the Maple Ridge Township Five-Year Recreation Plan, 2010-2014,

WHEREAS, during the public meeting, the Maple Ridge Township Board voted to adopt the Maple Ridge Township Five-Year Recreation Plan, 2010-2014.

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the Maple Ridge Township Board adopts the Maple Ridge Township Five-Year Recreation Plan, 2010-2014 as its official recreation planning document.

ADOPTED THIS 30th DAY OF MARCH, 2010.

Signature: [Signature]
Chair

Beverly L. Forney
Deputy Clerk

Township Clerk