



*Village and Township Community
Parks and Recreation Committee*

APRIL, 2013, REGULAR MEETING

*Will Be Held the Third Thursday,
April 18, 2013, 8 a.m.,
in the Onেকama Township Hall*



Low Water in January in the Portage Lake-Lake Michigan Channel

**Bring Your Ideas for the Survey Form To Receive Public
Input for the Five-Year Plan. Don't Forget the Arbor Day
Tree Planting on Friday, April 26; Meet at North Point
Park, 9 a.m., in the Parking Lot with Your Shovel in Hand!**

ONEKAMA VILLAGE AND TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 21, 2013

At 8:08 a.m. on Thursday, March 21, 2013, the Onekama Village and Township Community Parks and Recreation Committee met in the Onekama Township Hall for its regular monthly meeting. With agendas distributed, Co-Chairperson Jon Phillips called the meeting to order. Other Committee members present besides the co-chairperson were Mary Lou Millard, vice chairperson; Tom Gerhardt, secretary-treasurer; Leann Burger; Roger Burger, Village representative; Sally Koon; Jennica Mathieu; Evie McNeil; and Mary Reed. Phillips welcomed everyone and said that the Committee did not meet February 21 because there was not enough business to transact.

Secretary-Treasurer's Report—The Committee approved the minutes of the January 17, 2013, meeting. Leann Burger so moved and Reed seconded the motion for this approval, which was unanimous.

Gerhardt gave the **Onekama Township General Fund Profit and Loss Budget Performance report of the Park Activities-Harbor Commission for April, 2012, through January, 2013**: The only change for Park Activities-Harbor Commission since the report ending with December, 2012, was for contract services for Langland Park, which reflected an expenditure of \$1,350.00. The balance for Park Activities-Harbor Commission then was \$57,163.26, which included \$43,500.00 for one-half of the required match of \$87,000.00 for the Langland Park grant application for funding from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund.

A meeting was announced for March 25, 9 a.m., as the **Onekama Township budget workshop** to determine figures that will be voted on by the Township Board at its April 2 regular meeting. There will be a public hearing for the budget at 9 a.m. on April 2 before the Board's regular meeting.

The **North Point Park Fund** showed a balance of \$21,271.09, after a \$50.00 check from Samuel Mesaros, 105 Bywater Way, Chapel Hill, NC 27516 was deposited. Another check for \$50.00 from Bob and Connie Bennett had been received. Millard had written thank-you's for both of these donations. Also included in the Fund are memorials for Stephen Hunter Applegate totaling \$1,805.00.

Tree Subcommittee—The Tree Subcommittee met on February 6, 2013, and March 19, 2013. The minutes of these meetings are attached. Reed, secretary of this Subcommittee, reported that the group is organizing local activities for this year's Arbor Day, which is April 26, 2013, in Michigan. Participants, who numbered over seventy last

year, are asked to gather at 9 a.m. in the parking lot of North Point Park with shovels. Trees will then be distributed for planting. **Trees also will be given away by the Portage Lake Watershed Forever for participants to take home with them.** The gift is a part of the Watershed's "Plant a Tree for Water Quality" educational efforts. Literature on the benefits of trees will be available. To help the Subcommittee plan for that day, it is important that participants call Phillips (889-4516) or Howard Hughes (889-4559) to let them know that you are coming.

It has been decided that one hundred trees (twenty-five hardwoods and seventy-five pines) of larger size than in the past would be ordered. These will be planted along The Long Loop of The Blanche Miller Trail and in other areas to stop the advance of the aspens. Members of the Subcommittee are obtaining prices from nurseries and the Manistee Conservation District, so that they can compare availability and costs.

Arbor Day plantings have been held at North Point Park for four years. The first three years saw the planting of white and red pines. Last year's planting included a variety of trees in addition to pines. Most of last year's planting was lost due to the drought. Millard suggested that forsythia and other flowering shrubs should be planted.

Portage Lake Studies Being Compiled—Reed reported that **Herb Lenon is working on compiling studies made of Portage Lake since 1974.** The compilation is in handwritten form; Koon wondered if it could be scanned to make a computer file of it. The **2012 State of the Lake and Annual Report** for Portage Lake has been completed; the Invasive Species Committee of Onekama Township will receive five hardbound copies of it.

Professional Lake Management has been chosen to manage Portage Lake for 2013; it is also the company that is the applicator for the chemicals that control the invasive species. Originally having the same company for both was thought to have been a conflict of interest, but it is now believed to be more efficient. The Portage Lake Watershed Forever has purchased ciBiobase to map the density of plants in the waters of Portage Lake.

Explore the Shores Subcommittee—The last meeting of the Explore the Shores Subcommittee was on February 12, 2013; the minutes for this meeting are attached. Phillips, Subcommittee vice chairperson, stated that he and Phil Joseph, Subcommittee chairperson, had met with Village President Rod Hudson and Councilman Ralph Drumm, Village Park Committee, about the Onekama Village Park shoreline project to improve access to the waterfront beach that was approved for funding by the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Board.

Funding in the amount of \$97,300.00 was sought from the Trust Fund for the shoreline project; the match was \$52,600.00. The total project cost is to be \$149,900.00. The grant is "to provide resources for Phase I of the development of the 3.9 acre Park on Portage Lake. The Park improvements will be universally accessible and include: installation of Peron steps, a barrier-free ramp to beach, mobi mats to beach, beach nourishment, and interpretative signage to foster watershed stewardship."

Reed and Millard urged that the conceptual plans for the Onekama Village Park be posted again to clear up any misunderstandings about what is being done. Phillips also reported that Hudson and Drumm requested that the bathhouse be Phase II of the development of the Village Park.

Phillips said that he had contacted Kathy Ervin about letters of support that needed to be renewed for the Langland Park application, which is to be resubmitted for a grant from the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund in 2013. The 2012 application, which was not approved, was for a grant "to provide resources for Phase I of the renovation of the 8.8 acre Captain John Langland Park on Lake Michigan. All Park improvements will enhance universal accessibility and include: development of a restroom facility, development of a boardwalk, mobi mats, interpretive signage, restoration of dune grass, and parking lot upgrades." Funding in the amount of \$261,000.00 was sought from the Trust Fund for the Langland Park project. The match was \$87,000.00. The total project cost is \$348,000.00.

The letters of support are being renewed for the 2013 application for Langland Park that the Alliance for Economic Success is resubmitting. The Onekama Township Board on March 5 approved Resolution 2013-01, Submission of Michigan Natural Resources Land Trust Fund Grant Application—Langland Park Development.

Millard reported that she had contacted the Alliance for Economic Success about the need for the **correspondence regarding these grant applications for the Village and Township**; copies will be provided of the entire file to be placed with records of the Parks and Recreation Committee.

Parks Brochures—Mathieu said that Little Eden Camp would like some brochures on the Onekama Village and Township Parks, and historical information. She had copies of the information requested with her. Gerhardt then passed around copies of brochures he was planning. The **revision of the North Point Park brochure**, which had not been done since 2009, includes the names of trees, shrubs, and plants in a numbered list, but does not have them keyed to the map of the Park, so that the brochure would not have to be revised because of the changes in their locations along the three Blanche Miller Trail loops in the Park. There will be numbered markers placed by the trees, shrubs, and plants each year so that they may be found from the numbered list.

Also included in the North Point Park brochure is **a list of the names of the Community Parks and Recreation Committee members as well as those of the two subcommittees.** This list was prepared March 1, 2013, at the request of Clerk Helen Mathieu, so that the Township would have record of the people involved with the parks. The 2009 brochure had a similar list, but there were no subcommittees. The list is as follows:

Onekama Village and Township Community Parks and Recreation Committee—Howard Hughes and Jon Phillips, co-chairpersons; Mary Lou Millard, vice chairperson; Tom Gerhardt, secretary; Mike Acton, project manager; Leann Burger; Roger Burger;

Doug Callaway; Ken Franklin; Tina Hall; Alice Hendricks; Kevin Hughes; Audrey Kline; Sally Koon; Jennica Mathieu; Evie McNeil; Jim Mrozinski; Paul Mueller; Mary Reed; Dennis Wickstrom; Bob Bennett, honorary; and Reverend Alec Brooks, honorary.

Explore the Shores Subcommittee—Phil Joseph, chairperson; Jon Phillips, vice chairperson; Margaret Punches, secretary; Susan Barnard; Kathy Ervin; Tom Gerhardt; Alice Hendricks; Mary Lou Millard; Mary Reed; and Allen Taylor.

Tree Subcommittee—Paul Mueller, chairperson; Herb Lenon and Don Oswell, vice chairpersons; Mary Reed, secretary; Howard Hughes; and Jon Phillips.

Gerhardt said that the 2009 North Point Park brochure had a **list of the other Parks in Onekama Village and Township**, which he was not able to include because of the lack of space created by the re-arrangement of the lists of trees, shrubs, and plants. So he made a separate brochure with numbered descriptions keyed to a map for the parks and recreation sites. He passed around a sample of it and asked for suggestions. Reed said that it should contain a donation form similar to the one that was inserted into the North Point Park brochure but would be for all parks in Onekama Village and Township. Koon suggested that the brochure be made on legal-size paper instead of letter size, with an extra panel being used as the donation form. Gerhardt said that he would work on that for the next meeting, when the Committee is to bring back the brochure samples with any corrections that need to be made.

Gerhardt told Jennica Mathieu to find out the numbers she needed of these brochures, which would be printed after the April 18 meeting (she called on March 25 and said that the Camp needed seventy-five of the parks brochure with the map and twelve of the North Point Park brochures).

The **Onekama Township historical brochure** was published by the Committee in 2002 and is no longer in print. It is on the website for Onekama under history and has, in addition to the original text keyed to maps for the Pierport area, Portage Lake, and the Village of Onekama, many historical photographs.

Survey for Five-Year Plan—Gerhardt said that the need for community input required for **The Portage Lake Community Five-Year Plan for Parks and Recreation in the Village of Onekama, Onekama Township, and the Onekama Consolidated Schools** could be done by a survey distributed to local organizations, churches, and students at the Onekama School rather than, as previously planned, gathering information at a July meeting to which the public would be invited. He said that this method would probably have more participation and could be done sooner than waiting to do it in a July meeting and perhaps having a low attendance at that meeting. He also told the group that the resorters would be reached by including it in the June Grapevine of the Portage Point Summer Resort Corporation.

He passed around copies of a survey done in 1996 (according to a postmark on a return envelope) for an earlier Five-Year Plan. For the 2009 Five-Year Plan, the public input was taken by permission from two adult (80 and 58 participants) and one student

(58 participants) vision sessions organized by Beckett & Raeder, the firm that did the Onekama Community Master Plan. Topics discussed in the adult vision sessions included: (1) most proud of, most sorry about in Onekama; (2) events, developments, and trends affecting Onekama; (3) preferred future for Onekama; and (4) collective prioritization of projects and programs in Onekama that interest participants the most. Topics included in the student vision session were: (1) description of Onekama you would like to see most in twenty years; (2) how would you rank the following in Onekama; (3) five most important issues in Onekama that should be addressed; and (4) most favorite and least favorite place to go in Onekama.

The results containing parks and recreation material that could be used in the rationale for goals, objectives, and action programs of the Five-Year Plan were so utilized. **Some of the newer members of the Committee did not have copies of the Plan;** the Onekama Branch of the Manistee County Library was offered as one place to borrow a copy as were the three entities participating in the Plan, which were given a copy each.

Millard said that items on the 1996 survey form need to be fine tuned to today's needs. Burger said that to produce a satisfactory form, you first have to know what are the goals of the survey. What do you want to find out?

A survey done by Alice Hendricks for the Onekama Village Park in 2010 was another example cited, although Gerhardt did not have a copy of it at the March 21 meeting. However, it is attached to these minutes. Actually, it consisted of two versions of the survey form. The sheet with a boat and a group of people was given to the students at the School; the sheet with the heading for The Village of Onekama and the Onekama Community Development Council was sent out with the Portage Lake Association newsletter. **Committee members were urged to study these surveys and to come up with copy for a 2013 survey for parks and recreation in the entire Village and Township at the next meeting.**

Plaques for Donations and Memorials Made To North Point Park—

Phillips said that **the question has come up once again about plaques for donations and memorials made to North Point Park.** Gerhardt said he would research this and found the following in the Community Parks and Recreation minutes:

June 1, 2006—"Request for Meijer Foundation Funds—(Bob) Bennett reported that he had talked to Fred and Lena Meijer about funding for the Park from their Foundation. He gave them the North Point Park booklet. He had known Fred since boyhood, and the Meijers are in the complex where the Bennetts live in Grand Rapids. He asked them if this type of funding would fit into their Foundation. If not, where could the Committee apply? The Foundation director who would handle this is away at present but will return, after which there should be a response.

"Bennett wanted to know, though, how this gift could be acknowledged in the Park, if an award of funds is made and permanent acknowledgement is requested? Could a small plaque for those providing major funds be placed in the Park? (Dan) Behring moved and Howard Hughes seconded that anyone soliciting donations will have the

authority to say that a significant donation will be appropriately recognized in the Park. The motion carried."

July 6, 2006—"Recognition of Major Gifts to the North Point Park Fund"—Bennett had written (Dennis) Wickstrom on June 7 about obtaining funding for the Park and recognizing major donors. The Committee had already decided that major donations would be appropriately recognized in the Park at the June 1 meeting of the Committee. The Committee decided at the current meeting to recognize gifts of \$1,000 or more (with the donor's permission) on a plaque in the Park. "

July 5, 2007—"Plaque for Recognition of Large Donors"—Discussion will continue at another meeting about a plaque for recognition of large donors to the Park. (In looking at the minutes of the July 6, 2006, meeting, the Committee decided to recognize gifts of \$1,000 or more, with the donor's permission, on a plaque in the Park.)"

Leann Burger, who had been on a parks committee elsewhere, gave some **information on the criteria it had established for recognition of a donor funding a particular project**, which included the following: (1) the plaque had to be low maintenance; (2) the person wanting the plaque would have to pay for it; and (3) the plaque should be in keeping with a plan.

Publicity for Onekama Days Activities—Gerhardt said that he had received a letter from the Onekama Lions Club on January 31, 2013. It was written by Pam Schroeder, Jack Burchard, and Roz Jaffe of the **Lions Onekama Days Committee asking for publicity by May 23 for activities that will occur August 2-4 and that should be included in the Onekama Days folder**. Gerhardt made a copy of it for Phillips, who will send in information about the Parks Appreciation Day and other activities planned by the Committee. The information to be submitted will be decided at the April or May Committee meetings.

Onekama Consolidated Schools—Koon talked about the **.8 mill bond request for the Onekama School** that will be voted on May 7. This millage would provide \$4.75 million in funds for technology upgrades for students, a revision in the controls of the boiler system making it more efficient, and a new roof over the media center. In addition, there would be funds for a better sidewalk entrance to the gymnasium, a new concession stand, a press box at the football field, rest rooms at the baseball fields, and goal posts for the football field.

There will be a **kick-off rally on Sunday, April 7, 4:00-5:30 p.m., at the Onekama School**. Millard gave Koon some questions that people had been asking when coming into the Township Office and that should be addressed.

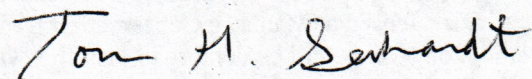
Onekama Village Parks—The Burgers had left before this report was called for. Reed said that she had attended the **Onekama Village Council regular meeting the night before and saw a presentation about needed improvements to enhance the appearance of the Village**.

Portage Lake Association—Phillips reported that he and Marilyn Acker are organizing the **Portage Lake Association's Portage Petunia Parade** along Main Street. Volunteers are needed for preparing beds, planting, and watering. Call Jon (889-4516) or Marilyn (889-4758) to sign up.

Channel Rip-Tide Signs—Koon and Phillips reported that some of the rip-tide signs that were down at the Portage Lake-Lake Michigan Channel would be replaced by Jim Mrozinski.

Next Meeting and Adjournment—The Community Parks and Recreation meeting for March 21, 2013, adjourned at 9:45 a.m. The next regular Committee meeting is on Thursday, April 18, 2013, at 8 a.m., in the Onekama Township Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom H. Gerhardt".

Tom H. Gerhardt
Secretary

ONEKAMA TOWNSHIP/VILLAGE PARKS AND RECREATION
TREE SUB-COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
February 6th, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 9AM in the Onekama Township Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: The following members were present: Jon Phillips, Howard Hughes, Herb Lenon, Mary Reed
Absent: Paul Mueller, Don Oswell.

1. Reviewed Minutes of January 9th, 2012 meeting.

2. Tree/Shrub Planning on April 27th - Arbor Day

- Chairman Paul Mueller will be unable to attend. Jon and Howard will be in charge of planting. Others on the committee will assist.
- Herb stated that he has ordered additional trees from the Benzie Conservation Dept so our total will be 1100: The total amount from them is \$110. We need to pay in advance and Herb will call them with our tax exempt number.
Balsam Fir (\$40)#50 Hemlock (\$50).....#50 Tamarack (\$20).....#50
- Jon will call Dick Jensen at Manistee Conservation Dept to find out the total amount of our order from them.
- Herb's friend Doug Velek will be coming to visit this weekend. He is a forester and will go with us to North Point Park to help us to determine where to plan the trees. The committee will meet Herb and Doug at the park on Friday morning. Herb also mentioned that there is a new person in the area who is with the National Forest District. We would like to get him involved with our projects.

3. Tree stakes and tree labels:

- Herb has researched the cost of tree stakes. They are \$10/100 so total cost would be \$110. The committee agreed that it is important to stake the trees so Herb will order the stakes.
- Herb is also continuing to research labels for identifying the trees.

4. Canfield revised bid for trimming the trees:

- Howard distributed the revised bill that he received from Canfield Climbing Clippers. Jon and Howard will take this to the Township and Village for approval. They will also take the request for \$200 for finishing the landscaping around the Lighthouse at the DNR boat launching site to the Township.

5. Autumn Olive eradication:

- Mary presented the information that she received from Vickie Smith from Wetlands and Wildlife for treating these. We will request that Vickie come and survey our areas and give us a bid for treating. Herb would also like her to survey his property.

6. Signage for North Point Park and Glen Park:

- Will order boundary signs for North Point Park. Hopefully this will prevent neighbors from dumping there yard waste on park property.
- Sally Koon is looking into the cost of ordering signs for Glen Park to "beware of falling limbs and trees".

7. Meeting with Township Clerk:

- Jon and Howard met with Helen Mathieu and after the meeting and she clarified that we are not a commission, we're a subcommittee of P&R
- Helen had colored maps printed and Jon distributed them to the committee.
- need to post signs at North Point Park of "no hunting, no dumping"
- the Parks & Rec Committee can spend up to \$500 for North Point Park without Township board approval

Next Meeting: March 5th, 2012 at 9AM at the Onekama Township Fire Dept conference room.
Meeting adjourned at 10:20 AM

Submitted by: Mary Reed

ONEKAMA PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

TREE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 19TH, 2013

The meeting was held at Rosies on Hwy 31 at 9:30 AM during a "blizzard"!.....

PRESENT: Don Oswell, Jon Phillips, Mary Reed

Updates: Minutes from the last meeting were distributed and Don was updated . Brian Zimmerman from 4 Seasons has been contacted and we have his cell phone and email address. Herb Lenon has been called and given an update.

Don volunteered to retype the list of trees that Herb distributed at the last meeting without the prices. He will **email this list to Brian Zimmerman so we can do some price comparisons** between bare root trees from Mussers and from 4 Seasons. We will also compare prices of trees that are potted from 4 Seasons to the bare root tree prices. Will need to determine when we would pick up the trees from 4 Seasons. Don has a 6 x 10 trailer.

Manistee Conservation Spring Tree Order - The committee determined what trees to order and the quantities. Jon listed the trees for the order. It was decided that we would not have to place an order with the Benzie Conservation District.

The Final Tree Planting Plan from 2012 was reviewed. This year will have an entirely different planting plan. We will plant along the paved trail (larger trees and a watering plan). We will also order red and white pines for planting in other areas to stop the advance of the aspens.

Don will email the committee the **cost comparisons** for trees from the Manistee Conservation District, Mussers and 4 Seasons. We will determine the orders through email communications.

The deadline for the Manistee Conservation order is March 29th. Benzie Conservation deadline is April 5th. **We will need to contact Mussers** to determine the deadline for ordering and assure that they will be able to ship so we can receive in time for our April 26th planting date.

We will need to inform the people what they should **bring on planting day**...shovels etc. Also, we will need to have flyers to advertise the event, information to the school and a notice on the website.

Mary will determine the order for **the free trees** and will order 100 trees. 25 hardwoods and 75 pines. Literature for distribution will also be ordered.

Mary Reed, Secretary

Explore the Shores Committee

February 12, 2013

Explore the Shores Committee of Onekama met on February 12, 2013 at the Onekama Township Hall at 2:00. Those present were Susan Barnard, Alice Hendricks, Mary Lou Millard, Jon Phillips, Tom Gerhardt, Al Taylor, Mary Reed, Phil Joseph, Margaret Punches and Kathy Erwin was absent.

Jon Phillips and Phil Joseph had met with Tim Erwin, representing Alliance for Economic for Success, and suggested that Beckett & Raeder be chosen to be the Project Manager. Discussion followed about fee for Project Manager, when payments would be made, who would be making the payments, when donated monies would be needed, and time lines for construction. The project has plans for an amount of \$157,900.00.

Mary Reed made a motion to have Beckett & Raeder provide us a Project Manager for Onekama's Explore the Shores Project in the Onekama Village Park. Susan Barnard seconded. The motion passed.

Jon Phillips and Phil Joseph will be contacting the Onekama Village Park Committee to discuss the plans for this portion of the park.

Discussion on Langland Park's application for a grant that was denied this year continued and more information was needed before action could be taken.

The Explore the Shores Committee of Onekama will meet again on Tuesday, March 7th at 1:00 in the Township Hall.

Margaret Punches, Secretary

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ONEKAMA TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION SURVEY

The Onkama Township Planning Commission has formed a study committee to plan the development of the parks and recreation services for the area. Members of the village board and community members at large have joined the committee to ensure broad review of the possibilities for the future. We want to make sure that the area continues planned development of these resources, preserving the beauty and tranquility of the area while making it as enjoyable and exciting as possible for you. We need your assistance. Please take a moment to complete this questionnaire and return it to us now. We hope to be able to put a five year proposal before area planning groups before the end of the summer and then begin the process of promotion and resource development. The committee took some time to list the resources we already have that need to be developed and then thought about other possibilities. We have listed them in the form of a check list so that we can easily get your opinions. We have also provided space for you to make your own suggestions. We need you to take this opportunity to participate in the growth of the parks and recreation areas of the place you love. We look forward to receiving your ideas.

Please place a check for each idea you would encourage us to pursue

COMMENTS

- 1 ☐ Development of Village Park #6
- 2 ☐ Development of Glen mineral springs park
- 3 ☐ Development of a community dockage area #7
in the village
- 4 ☐ Development of shipwreck sites as attractions
- 5 ☐ Development of small parks throughout township
and village
- 6 ☐ Development of a sunset park at the end of 8 mile #4
road on existing public property
- 7 ☐ Development of a sanitary pump out station at #3
an appropriate location
- 8 ☐ Development of archaeological sites such as #10
original village, centennial homes, area native
American sites and then develop a historical
route
- 9 ☐ Continue development of North pier turn around #1
to include a walkway along the channel on public
property.
- 10 ☐ Development of a bird and nature trail throughout #2
the township in cooperation with existing groups
such as the Audubon society
- 11 ☐ Development of clear information on such township #8
benefits as hunting, stream fishing, lake fishing, marina
services, etc.
- 12 ☐ Development of fair grounds area with improved facilities
and appearance to encourage greater RV use
- 13 ☐ Development of nature trails throughout the area #3
- 14 ☐ Development of a primitive campground area for tents only
- 15 ☐ Development of a rifle and shotgun range
- 16 ☐ Development of a cross country ski trail #5
- 17 ☐ Development of a snow-mobile trail that links with other
State of Michigan trails
- 18 ☐ Development of outdoor winter sport complex such as ice rink,
Luge or Toboggan run, snow shoe trail, etc.
- 19 ☐ Development of mountain bike trails
- 20 ☐ Development of museum for area
- 21 ☐ Development of a regular source of transportation
between marinas, village, Manistee, Traverse City,
during peak recreation times
- 22 ☐ Development of public land on Andy's point into some
sort of public facility such as tennis, par three golf, water
activities, etc.
- 23 ☐ Development of more inviting access to south side of channel #9
and its beaches
- 24 ☐ Development of more scenic view sites
- 25 ☐ Development of more points of access to Portage Lake

It is interesting that as the committee spoke about what the area already has, it came up with the following as very positive attractions of this area. Would you please circle those which you agree are strengths of this area as a place to live and recreate.

Springs of Glen Park Lake Michigan turn around Sunset House beach Bird migration into the area Marinas Our hills and forests Our many beautiful view sites Trout streams A clear lake Walleye fishing A harbor of refuge The artesian spring streams that flow through the village A beautiful sailing lake Portage Point Inn Proximity of several golf courses Airport Close to Interlochen Church camps on lake Without crime Proximity of hospital Close to downhill skiing Close to national lakeshore

Please write down other strengths of the area as you have experienced them.

(over please)

We would now like to know what types of recreational activities you would like to see in the area. Please do not worry about possibility, simply list what you would like to see if it was not included in our list.

We would now like to hear from you as to what you believe we should avoid in our planning.

Any strong recreational area needs to be supported by services, entertainment and shopping. Would you please list under each of these categories what you would like to see in the immediate area of Onekama.

Services(hardware, barber, car repair, etc.)

Entertainment

Shopping

Our plan is to take all this information and work with other area planning groups to consider how the parks and recreational facilities should be developed over the next five years. Your ideas are very important as this is the place in which you find your joy and recreation. Once the committee has developed goals for this type of development, it will receive broad community review so that we can have maximum support as we go forward to attempt to find funds to develop the resources we have in the way we would like to see them develop. Thank you for your help.

If you have special interest in this type of development and/or have expertise you would be willing to share with us, please add your name to this questionnaire. Name _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Onekama Phone _____

Please Check

☐ special interest

☐ expertise to share

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

ONEKAMA TOWNSHIP

PO BOX 458

ONEKAMA, MI 49675

2010-School



ONEKAMA VILLAGE PARK SURVEY

HELP US PLAN THE FUTURE OF THE VILLAGE PARK BY COMPLETING THIS SURVEY
... AND ... GIVING US OTHER SUGGESTIONS

HOW DO YOU OR HAVE YOU USED THE VILLAGE PARK?

Please circle your answers to the choices below

YOUTH

Basket ball
Bird watching
Boat Launch
Fishing from shore
Ice Skating
Jetty
Music/entertainment events
Picnics
Quiet walk
Special events: 4th July Onekama Days etc
Swimming
Swings/slides/climbing tower
Tennis
Other

ADULT

Basket ball
Bird watching
Boat Launch
Fishing from shore
Ice Skating
Jetty
Music/entertainment events
Picnics
Quiet walk
Special events: 4th July Onekama Days etc
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Tennis
Other

EVERYONE CONSIDERING ITS SIZE ...

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE IN THE VILLAGE PARK?

Please circle your answers to the choices below

Basket ball court
Bath house with showers or without showers
Beach area: More Less Same
Boat Launch
Boat-wash station
Climbing tower for tots
Fitness walk
Marina, public
Music and other entertainment stage

New slides and swings
Overnight RV parking area
Parking: More Less
Picnic Area
Shore fishing area
Tennis court
Trees: More Less
Vending area
Walkable/handicap accessible paths

When you have completed this survey, please return it to: Farr Center, Village Treasurer's Box,
Onekama Library or to your teacher.

Please use the back side for your suggestions and comments.

Thank you for completing this survey.

Optional ... but the following information would be appreciated!

I live in: ___ Onekama Township ___ Village of Onekama ___ Other ___

Age: ___ 6-8 ___ 9-12 ___ 13-18 ___ 19-25 ___ 26-40 ___ 41-50 ___ 51-65 ___ 66 over

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The Village of Onekama ~ Onekama Community Development Council

Onekama Village Park Survey

You can help plan the future of the Onekama Village Park!

This survey aims to gather as much information as possible about how the Village Park is used today and how it can be improved for the future. Please take the time to fill it out and return it by June 1, 2010 to OCDC, 5283 Main St., Onekama, MI 4967, Attn: Alice Hendricks or drop it in the Treasurer's slot at the Farr Center. Additional copies are available at the Onekama Library, the Village and Township Offices, and Onekama School. *Everyone's response counts!* Thank you!

How you use the Village Park now . . .

1. How often do you go to the Village Park?

☐ Weekly ☐ Monthly ☐ Rarely ☐ Never (If "never" please proceed to #3).

2. What do you do at the park? ☐ Play Basketball ☐ Use the boat launch ☐ Swim

☐ Fish from Shore ☐ Fish from the Jetty ☐ Ice Skate ☐ Attend concerts

☐ Attend special events (Onekama Days, 4th of July) ☐ Meet with Friends

☐ Picnic ☐ Take Walks ☐ Swim ☐ Use the playground ☐ Watch Birds

☐ Other _____

In the Future . . .

3. Starting with #1 being your *first* choice, please number the following items based on what you would like to see in the Village Park in the future.

☐ Basketball Courts ☐ Tennis Court ☐ Fitness Walk ☐ Universal Accessibility

☐ Beach ☐ Bath House ☐ Bath House with Showers ☐ Restrooms ☐ Public Art

☐ Boat Launch ☐ Boat Wash Station ☐ Shore Fishing Area ☐ Public Marina

☐ New Playground Equipment ☐ Climbing tower for tots ☐ More Benches

☐ Entertainment Stage ☐ Picnic Pavilion ☐ Vending Area ☐ Gardens

☐ More Parking ☐ Less Parking ☐ Overnight RV Parking Area ☐ Non-Resident User Fee

☐ Other _____

Please use the back of the survey for additional comments, suggestions, or questions.

The following information is *optional* but will be appreciated.

It should be completed by the person filling out the survey and will be used for statistical purposes only.

☐ Female ☐ Male Your age: _____ Number of Family Members: _____

Their Ages (Please circle) 6-8 9-12 13-15 16-18 19-25 26-40 41-50 51-65 66 & Over

Where do you live? ☐ Onekama Township ☐ Village of Onekama ☐ Other

☐ Permanent Resident ☐ Seasonal Resident