



Parks and Recreation Rules Committee

Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 6:30 PM

Parks and Recreation: Enhance community and quality of life through people, parks and programs.

Senior Center Network: makes longer lives, better lives.

General Meeting Policies:

- Please turn off all cell phones or switch them to silent mode.
- Any person may make a video, audio or other record of this meeting. Standing equipment, cords, or portable microphones must be located so as not to block audience view.
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A. CALL TO ORDER:

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

C. ROLL CALL:

D. FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT:

Rules: Any person shall be permitted to address the Parks and Recreation Commission, which is required to be open to the public under the provision of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, as amended (MCLA 15.261, et. seq.). Public comment shall be carried out in accordance with the following Board Rules and Procedures.

1. Any person wishing to address the Commission may state his or her name and address.
2. No person shall be allowed to speak more than once on the same matter, excluding Commissioners' questions. The President shall control the amount of time each person shall be allowed to speak, which shall not exceed three (3) minutes. The President may, at his or her discretion, extend the amount of time any person is allowed to speak. No member of the Commission or staff shall respond to public comment. All commenters must refrain from any personal or political attacks on any member of the public, staff, or board. No profanity, harassment, or bullying will be tolerated, and will provide just cause to be removed from the meeting.

E. APPROVALS

1. Agenda
2. Draft Rules Committee Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2021
[2021-3-16 Rules Committee Draft MINUTES](#)

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F. PROPOSED ORDINANCE

1. Maple Bay Ordinance
[Sept Draft Maple Bay Ordinance](#)
[Maple Bay Hunting Resolutions & Map](#)
[Final Draft BBQ Rules](#)

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[2021-9-24 E-mail from CF RE Draft Ordinance for MB](#)

[2021-9-14 E-mail from KT RE Draft Ordinance for MB](#)

[2021-9-1 E-mail from Gordone La Pointe RE Maple Bay](#)

G. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT (REFER TO ITEM C ON AGENDA FOR RULES)

H. NOTICES AND COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

I. ADJOURNMENT



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Rules Committee of the Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Commission

Tuesday, March 16, 2021, 4 p.m.

Remote (Virtual) Meeting

MINUTES

A. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 4:02 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was not recited.

C. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: William Mouser, Rodney Kivell, and Jalen Provo.

Others Present: Kristine Erickson, Director, Katelynn Brown, Office Coordinator, Ian Kramer, Caretaker, Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation

D. First Public Comment

There was no public comment.

E. Approvals

1. Agenda

MOTION by Mouser, second by Provo, to approve the agenda, as presented. Motion carried.

2. Draft Rules Committee Meeting Minutes of June 22, 2020

MOTION by Kivell, second by Mouser, to approve the minutes, as written and presented. Motion carried.

F. Park Rules and Policies Related to Use of Alcohol at Civic Center Park (Review and Discussion;

Attachments: *Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Commission Rules* [Park Rules] with Pertinent Rule 18 Highlighted, Parks and Recreation Alcohol Policy, Guide for Reserving Grand Traverse County Parks-Civic Center, and Rules/Policies from Other Municipalities for Alcohol Use in Parks)

MOTION by Mouser, second by Kivell, to ask Civil Counsel to draft rules language to stipulate civil law regarding behavior due to regulated substances; to ban glass containers at Civic Center Park; to state that all local, state, and municipal laws will be enforced; and to update Section 3 of rules.

Roll Call Vote

Yea: Mouser, Kivell, Provo (3)

Nay: (0)

Absent: (0)

Motion passed, 3 to 0.

G. Enforcement of Park Rule Prohibiting Unauthorized Business in Parks (Discussion; Attachments: *Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Commission Rules* [Park Rules] with Pertinent Rule 9 Highlighted, March 5, 2020 E-mail with Legal Opinion about Conducting Business in Medalie Park without Permission)

Commissioners discussed the current rule regarding unauthorized business in Medalie Park and having signs in all parks stating so.

MOTION by Mouser, second by Kivell, to give staff approval to work with Civil Counsel to draft signage language for commercial business conducted at parks to bring back to the rules committee. Motion carried.

F. Second Public Comment

There was no public comment.

H. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

**GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY MAPLE BAY PARK AND
NATURAL AREA ORDINANCE,
ORDINANCE NO. __**

PREAMBLE

The Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Commission and the Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners have determined that certain regulations are necessary for the protection, regulation, and control of parkland known as Maple Bay Park and Natural Area. Consequently, pursuant to MCL 46.364 and MCL 46.11, the following is adopted.

Section I: Name

This ordinance shall be known and cited as the "Maple Bay Park and Natural Area Ordinance Number ____."

Section II: Purpose

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish regulations for the public's use of county land known as the Maple Bay Park and Natural Area.

Section III: Definitions

- A. "Authorized local official" shall mean a Sheriff's Deputy or a Grand Traverse County Park Ranger (also known as a "Park Attendant").
- B. "Beach Area" shall mean the shoreline zone which is comprised of unconsolidated sandy material and is between the ordinary high water mark—as defined by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy—and East Grand Traverse Bay.
- C. "Camping" shall mean the overnight lodging or sleeping of a person or persons in a tent, trailer-coach, vehicle camper, motor vehicle, or in any other conveyance erected, parked, or placed on the premises.
- D. "Director" shall mean the Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Director.
- E. "Noise Disturbance" shall mean sound created by human activity with or without the use of any device, which by reason of its volume, intensity, location, or time of day, impairs or disturbs the health, welfare, or peace of another person of normal human sensibilities. "Noise disturbance" shall include, but not be limited to:
 1. The playing of any radio, television, phonograph, other sound production/reproduction device, or musical instrument in such a manner or at such a volume as to be sufficiently audible to annoy or disturb the

quiet, comfort, or repose of another person in the vicinity.

2. The keeping of any animal which, by causing frequent or long continued noise, shall disturb the comfort and repose of another person in the vicinity.
3. The use of any motorized vehicle in such a manner as to create a disturbing noise including, but not limited to, the screeching of tires and the discharge into the open air of exhaust from the engine without a sufficient muffler.
4. Shouting or other raucous or boisterous behavior for an unreasonable length of time.
5. The use of a loudspeaker or public address system without a permit issued by Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Department.

F. "Park Property" shall mean the Maple Bay Park and Natural Area.

G. "Person" or "persons" shall mean individual(s), firm(s), corporation(s), or any group or gathering of individuals.

Section IV: Regulations

A. It is unlawful for a person or persons to do any of the following at Park Property:

1. To knowingly dump, deposit, place, throw, leave, or cause or permit the dumping, depositing, placing, throwing, or leaving of litter outside of trash receptacles located on Park Property.
2. To ignite any fire, except within any fireplace, receptacle, or space designated on Park Property and as approved and permitted for such purposes by the Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Department.
3. To place or burn garbage anywhere on Park Property, including within any fireplace, receptacle, or open space designated for the building of fires, or to bury refuse, rubbish, trash, or garbage anywhere on Park Property.
4. To cause a noise disturbance.
5. To place or erect a fence or barrier, to construct or occupy a structure, to construct or erect a deer blind, or to otherwise enclose the lands or obstruct the passage of another person or persons in any way from entering, exiting, or fully using Park Property—without permission of the Director.

6. To peddle or systematically solicit business of any nature, to distribute or post any handbills or other advertising matter, or to post signs—without permission from the Director.
7. To paint, mark, or otherwise apply any substance on any tree, rock, or any other land, water, structure, or property—without permission from the Director.
8. To park vehicles of any type in areas posted as “No Parking” or, where designated parking areas exist, to park vehicles of any type in an area other than the designated parking areas. If a motor vehicle is found parked on Park Property, then the license plate displayed on the motor vehicle shall constitute *prima facie* evidence that the registered owner of the vehicle is the person who parked it there.
9. To camp on Park Property, unless approved and designated for such purpose by the Director, and with an approved permit issued by the Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Department.
10. To store or leave personal property on Park Property for more than 24 hours without written permission of the Director. This subdivision does not apply to lawfully occupied, designated camping sites when camping with a permit, as authorized by the Director.
11. To ride or lead a horse, pack animal, or other riding animal, or any animal-driven vehicle, on any area, except on roads that are open to use by motor vehicles, trails, bridle paths, and campgrounds designated for such use by the Director.
12. To possess a dog without a leash or on a leash greater than six feet in length.
13. To enter or remain on Park Property between dusk and 6 a.m., unless Park Property is open for an event between these hours, as approved by the Director.
14. To possess a firearm, bow and arrow, crossbow, trap, or other instrument used for hunting or trapping of animals, or to hunt or trap on Park Property.
15. To possess, consume, or offer alcoholic beverages—except on dates, times, and at locations on Park Property as permitted and authorized by the Director.

16. To refuse to comply with the above rules upon the demand of an authorized local official; to interfere with the official's enforcement of this ordinance; to retaliate against another who has made complaint of a violation of a park rule; or, to interfere with an employee or agent of the Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Department while performing his or her official duties.
- B. All provisions of Section IV. A. apply to the Beach Area of Park Property. It is additionally unlawful for a person or persons to do any of the following at the Beach Area of Park Property:
 1. Bring or keep glass bottles or any other glass containers on the beach.
 2. Remove or throw life rings or ropes other than in case of emergency.

Section V: Enforcement

- A. Enforcement Officers: An authorized local official is authorized to enforce this ordinance and issue a municipal civil infraction citation pursuant to Section 8703 of PA 1961, No. 236, MCL 600.8703, *et. Seq.*, and Section V. B. of this ordinance.
- B. Fines: Any person violating any provision of Section IV of this ordinance shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction and subject to a maximum fine of \$100 for each offense. Each day that a violation continues is a separate municipal civil infraction violation.

Section VI: Miscellaneous:

- A. This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after publication as required by law. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with any of the provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed.
- B. The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and, if any clause, sentence, word, section, or provision is declared void or unenforceable for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, then the remaining portions of this ordinance shall remain in force.

Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners of Grand Traverse County

Published in the Record Eagle: _____
Effective Date: _____

R E S O L U T I O N

343-02

Elimination of Hunting Rifles from Maple Bay Park

WHEREAS, The Physical Resources Committee met in regular session on October 9, 2002, and reviewed the request from Parks & Recreation to eliminate the use of hunting rifles from Maple Bay Park on the land located West of US-31 North for the 2002-2003 season only; and,

WHEREAS, the Parks & Recreation Director, Tim Schreiner, met with residents at the property just South of Maple Bay Park who expressed safety concerns regarding the allowing of hunting on the Maple Bay Property; and,

WHEREAS, the elimination of hunting rifles is consistent with DNR rules for more densely populated areas of the State; and,

WHEREAS, the elimination of hunting rifles will still allow for hunting of waterfowl and deer, by shotgun or bow, West of US-31 North; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THIS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, THAT Grand Traverse County approve eliminating the use of hunting rifles from the property at Maple Bay Park located West of US-31 North for the 2002-2003 season only.

APPROVED: October 30, 2002

RESOLUTION

189-2005

Safe Zone at Maple Bay Park

WHEREAS, The Physical Resources Committee met in regular session on September 21, 2005, and reviewed request of the Director of Parks & Recreation to extend the previous provision at Maple Bay Park regarding the use of firearms; and,

WHEREAS, an agreement was reached on November 7, 2002, by the Parks & Recreation Commission to approve a "safe zone" at Maple Bay which is south of a line and west of US 31 where all firearms will be banned; and,

WHEREAS, although this practice continues for the most part, formalization by resolution is requested by Parks & Recreation to ensure the ability to enforce this "Safe Zone" especially during future hunting seasons; and,

WHEREAS, Physical Resources recommends approval of the extension of the "safe zone" provision regarding hunting boundaries until and unless addressed differently upon completion of the Maple Bay Master Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT APPROVED, That Grand Traverse County authorize of the extension of the "safe zone" provision regarding hunting boundaries until and unless addressed differently upon completion of the Maple Bay Master Plan.

APPROVED: September 28, 2005



**City of Traverse City
Brown Bridge Quiet Area
Rules**

PURPOSE

The purpose of these rules is to regulate the City's property commonly known as the "Brown Bridge Quiet Area" in order to preserve it in its predominantly natural, scenic, forested and open space consistent with the management plan which has been adopted by the City Commission. The primary objectives of the management plan are to restore, preserve and protect the integrity of the natural environment while allowing public access to the property; protect natural resources and watersheds; maintain and enhance biodiversity, serenity and solitude; retain quality habitat for native plants and animals and enhance natural features.

SECTION I- DEFINITIONS

- 1) "Authorized Representative" shall mean any agency or individual authorized by the City.
- 2) "Brown Bridge Quiet Area" shall mean all lands, waters, and property so dedicated by the City of Traverse City (See Map).
- 3) "Camping" means the overnight lodging or sleeping of a person or persons on the ground or in a tent, trailer-coach, vehicle camper, motor vehicle, or in any other conveyance erected, parked, or placed on the premises within the Brown Bridge Quiet Area.
- 4) "City Clerk" shall mean the City Clerk of Traverse City or his/her designee.
- 5) "City Manager" shall mean the City Manager of Traverse City or his/her designee.
- 6) "Commercial Use" shall mean any use that has a commercial or for-profit financial benefit.
- 7) "Commission" shall mean the City Commission of Traverse City.
- 8) "Core Area" shall mean all City-owned land south of Hobbs Highway and Ranch Rudolf Road and north of Brown Bridge Road, extending to the east and west property lines of the Quiet Area not including the Grasshopper Ranch property (See Attached Map).
- 9) "Person" or "persons" shall mean individuals, firms, corporations, or any group or gathering of individuals.
- 10) "Rules" shall mean the rules adopted by the East Bay Township Board of Trustees applicable to the Brown Bridge Quiet Area.
- 11) "Township" shall mean East Bay Township.
- 12) "Unmanned Aerial Vehicle" (UAV), commonly known as a drone, shall mean any aircraft without a human pilot aboard.

SECTION II- APPLICABILITY

This policy applies to the Brown Bridge Quiet Area owned by the City of Traverse City.

SECTION III- HOURS

No person shall remain upon the Brown Bridge Quiet Area property between 10:30 p.m. and 4:00 a.m. unless authorized by an Authorized Representative.

SECTION IV- TRESPASS

It shall be prohibited for any person to enter upon any portion of the Brown Bridge Quiet Area which has been designated as closed to public use or entry unless with permission by the City Manager or an Authorized Representative.

SECTION V- VANDALISM

No person shall, upon the Brown Bridge Quiet Area property destroy, damage, injure, deface, or remove or plant any tree, shrub, wildflower, or other vegetation, or destroy, damage, injure, deface, or remove any publicly owned property unless approval is granted by an Authorized Representative.

SECTION VI- FIRES AND FIREWORKS

No person shall build any fire or ignite or discharge fireworks or paper sky lanterns upon Brown Bridge Quiet Area Property. Open flames of any kind are prohibited.

SECTION VII- FISH AND WILDLIFE

Except for research, educational functions, and wildlife control, and upon the approval of the Commission, no person shall attempt to hunt, bait, trap, catch, wound, kill, or treat cruelly any bird or animal; molest or rob any nest of any bird or any lair, den or burrow of any animal in or upon any land or waters of the Brown Bridge Quiet Area. Provided, however that hunting outside the "Core Area" and fishing will be permitted in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan and the rules of the Department of Natural Resources of the State of Michigan in areas designated for such purposes.

SECTION VIII- CONTRABAND

Except for research, educational functions, and wildlife control, and upon the approval of the City Manager or Authorized Representative, all game animals, fowl, birds, fish, and other aquatic life, trees, shrubs, wildflowers, or other vegetation taken or in possession of any person contrary to any of the provision hereof shall be subject to seizure and confiscation and shall be turned over to an Authorized Representative or the City of Traverse City for disposal.

SECTION IX- FIREARMS

No person shall at any time discharge within the Core Area of the Brown Bridge Quiet Area any firearm, revolver, pistol, shotgun, rifle, air rifle, air gun, bow or other weapon that discharges projectiles either by air, explosive substance or any other force, unless for wildlife management purposes, then only with written permission from the City Manager or Authorized Representative. This section shall not apply to any peace officer or other duly appointed law enforcement officer while carrying out the duties and responsibilities of their position.

SECTION X- CAMPING

There shall be no camping in the Brown Bridge Quiet Area without written permission from an Authorized Representative.

SECTION XI- PARKING IN PROHIBITED AREAS

It shall be prohibited for any person to:

- (a) Stop, stand, or park any vehicle in any place marked as a passenger or loading zone, other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of passengers or for the unloading and delivery or pick up and loading of materials.
- (b) Stop, stand, or park any vehicle upon any roadway or in any parking area in such manner as to form an obstruction to traffic thereon.
- (c) Leave a parked vehicle in the Brown Bridge Quiet Area between the hours of 10:30 p.m. and 4:00 a.m. unless authorized by an Authorized Representative.

SECTION XII- MOTOR DRIVEN VEHICLES

It shall be prohibited for any person to operate a motor-driven, tracked, or wheeled vehicle of any kind or nature anywhere in the Brown Bridge Quiet Area *except* on designated County Roads, Well Site Access roads, or in designated parking areas without permission from an Authorized Representative.

SECTION XIII- OPERATION OF BICYCLES

It shall be prohibited for a bicyclist to operate a bicycle upon any path or trail other than those designated for bicycles in the Brown Bridge Quiet Area.

SECTION XIV- HINDERING EMPLOYEES

No person shall interfere with or in any manner hinder any employee or Authorized Representative while performing official duties, including the enforcement of these rules.

SECTION XV- PERSONAL CONDUCT

It shall be prohibited for any person to create a disturbance which will unreasonably impair the quiet enjoyment of other members of the public using the premises.

SECTION XVI- LITTERING AND POLLUTION OF WATERS

It shall be prohibited:

- (a) To discard or deposit refuse of any kind or description in or upon the Brown Bridge Quiet Area, except by placing refuse in containers provided for such purpose.
- (b) To discard refuse, garbage, or other materials of any kind or description from areas outside of the Brown Bridge Quiet Area in or upon the Brown Bridge Quiet Area.

SECTION XVII- DOGS, PETS, OR OTHER ANIMALS

It shall be prohibited for any persons while in the Brown Bridge Quiet Area to:

- (a) Have any dog or other animal which is not under the immediate control of a competent person.
- (b) Ride, lead, or cause a horse to be upon the property except by written permission of an Authorized Representative or on trails posted for such activities.

SECTION XVIII- UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLES (UAV)/DRONES

No Person shall operate, fly, take off, land, or permit or authorize the operation of a UAV/drone over or in the Brown Bridge Quiet Area property unless expressly permitted by law or by written permission from the City of Traverse City or an authorized agent. All expressly permitted exceptions shall be in strict compliance with applicable laws governing such flight, including rules promulgated by the Federal Aviation Administration.

SECTION XIX- USES PROHIBITED

(a) Commercial Uses in the Brown Bridge Quiet Area are prohibited unless a waiver is granted by the City Manager and a Park and Public Land Usage Permit is issued by the City Clerk.

(b) Any use which causes a disturbance or has an impact on the trails or infrastructure of Brown Bridge Quiet Area, or is incompatible with the intended purpose of the Brown Bridge Quiet area is prohibited unless specifically approved in writing by an Authorized Representative.

SECTION XX- ENFORCEMENT

These rules shall be enforceable by any Authorized Representative including but not limited to the Grand Traverse Conservation District, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and officers of any authorized governmental agency having jurisdiction.

SECTION XXI- PENALTY

The City shall have the right to pursue any remedy available under these Rules or any other local, State, or Federal regulation against any person violating any provision of these Rules.



Kristine Erickson <kerickson@gtcountymi.gov>

RE: Request for Assistance: Maple Bay Park and Natural Area Ordinance

1 message

Christopher Forsyth <cforsyth@gtcountymi.gov>
To: Kit Tholen <ktholen@gtcountymi.gov>, Kristine Erickson <kerickson@grandtraverse.org>
Cc: Kristine Erickson <kerickson@grandtraverse.org>, Alisa Kroupa <alisakroupa@gmail.com>

Fri, Sep 24, 2021 at 1:28 PM

Kit

I reviewed this again and have no concerns. Thanks

Chris

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Deputy County Administrator

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From: Kit Tholen <ktholen@gtcountymi.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 14, 2021 3:15 PM
To: Kristine Erickson <kerickson@grandtraverse.org>; Christopher Forsyth <cforsyth@gtcountymi.gov>
Cc: Kristine Erickson <kerickson@grandtraverse.org>; Alisa Kroupa <alisakroupa@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: Request for Assistance: Maple Bay Park and Natural Area Ordinance

Hello everyone-

Please see attached.

Kris & Alisa: this is similar to the Twin Lakes Ordinance. Your request form mentions fires and camping as particular concerns and this ordinance would prohibit both of those activities. You may want to add or delete other things as necessary to meet your particular needs in managing this property. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Chris: I believe that it is properly formatted and consistent with the new ordinance format.

Respectfully,
Kit

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Subject: Re: Request for Assistance: Maple Bay Park and Natural Area Ordinance

Thank you so much, Kit and Chris!

Please let me know if you need anything further from me for this project.

Sincerely,

Kris

Kristine Erickson, Director

Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation and Senior Center Network

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Get out today and play in one of YOUR county parks!

On Thu, Sep 9, 2021 at 11:26 AM Christopher Forsyth <cforsyth@gtcountymi.gov<mailto:cforsyth@gtcountymi.gov>>>

wrote:

Kit

I have no concerns. I only ask that the ordinance formatting follow the layout and style that we agreed upon as part of the larger ordinance cleanup project. Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks

Chris

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Subject: Re: Request for Assistance: Maple Bay Park and Natural Area Ordinance

Hello all-

I wanted to let you know that I did receive this and will begin working on it soon. Please let me know if something comes up and you need a more immediate response.

Respectfully,

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Hello, Kit.

I have attached a review request to develop an ordinance for Maple Bay Park and Natural Area. Also attached are supporting e-mails with Acme Township ordinance language that might serve as a model and current Parks and Recreation Commission Park Rules for your reference.

Would you please recommend some language (with fines) to include in an ordinance to manage illegal camping, fires, and overnight parking?

Several years ago, the county board approved an ordinance for Twin Lakes Park to increase the capability of enforcement. Most of the rules remained the same. My thought is that we retain most of the rules in the ordinance, then include new language from you where you recommend.

Thank you for your assistance.

Have a great day!

Sincerely,

Kris

Kristine Erickson, Director
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Get out today and play in one of YOUR county parks!



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Subject: Re: Request for Assistance: Maple Bay Park and Natural Area Ordinance

Thank you so much, Kit and Chris!

Please let me know if you need anything further from me for this project.

Sincerely,

Kris

Kristine Erickson, Director
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On Thu, Sep 9, 2021 at 11:26 AM Christopher Forsyth <cforsyth@gtcountymi.gov><mailto:cforsyth@gtcountymi.gov>>
wrote:

Kit

I have no concerns. I only ask that the ordinance formatting follow the layout and style that we agreed upon as part of the larger ordinance cleanup project. Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks

Chris

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Subject: Re: Request for Assistance: Maple Bay Park and Natural Area Ordinance

Hello all-
I wanted to let you know that I did receive this and will begin working on it soon. Please let me know if something comes up and you need a more immediate response.
Respectfully,
Kit

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Hello, Kit.

I have attached a review request to develop an ordinance for Maple Bay Park and Natural Area. Also attached are supporting e-mails with Acme Township ordinance language that might serve as a model and current Parks and Recreation Commission Park Rules for your reference.

Would you please recommend some language (with fines) to include in an ordinance to manage illegal camping, fires, and overnight parking?

Several years ago, the county board approved an ordinance for Twin Lakes Park to increase the capability of enforcement. Most of the rules remained the same. My thought is that we retain most of the rules in the ordinance, then include new language from you where you recommend.

Thank you for your assistance.

Have a great day!

Sincerely,
Kris
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Maple Bay

1 message

Gordie La Pointe <gordie.lapointe@gmail.com>
To: kerickson@gtcountymi.gov

Wed, Sep 1, 2021 at 10:02 PM

Kris

I hope you plan on following through with the Parks board on ways in which we can address some of the issues at Maple Bay that were detailed in the Record Eagle. I think the first step is a review of the rules governing the usage of the park and instituting a police ordinance covering those rules. As you know without a police ordinance, such as you have in place for Twin Lakes, a sheriff deputy can not issue a citation nor can they legally stop someone from violating a "park rule" such as camping overnight or having a beach fire.

All of Acmes parks have rules posted which are covered by a police ordinance which the deputies are able to enforce.

The Orchard Shores HOA adjacent to the south on Maple Bay, comprising 75 acres and 23 homeowners, strongly supports a police ordinance covering the rules governing the usage of Maple Bay. Having a somewhat consistent police ordinance covering all of the Parks in Acme Township would assist the Township's community deputy in his duties.

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