

**By-Laws of the Grand Traverse County
Natural Education Reserve
Advisory Committee**

**Article I.
NAME AND DESIGNATION**

The name of the Committee shall be the Grand Traverse Natural Education Reserve Advisory Committee. (The Committee) The Committee shall make recommendations on the City and County property dedicated as a Natural Education Reserve by the Board of Commissioners by Resolution No. 3-74 and on surrounding passive recreational parklands.

**Article II.
PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the County Parks and Recreation Commission on the ecological and recreational management of the Natural Education Reserve and surrounding passive recreation parkland and corridors.

**Article III.
MEMBERSHIP**

All appointments are three-year terms expiring the first Monday in October with 1/3 of memberships staggered for each year. Members shall be appointed by the Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Commission.

The Committee shall consist of members representing Grand Traverse County, the City of Traverse City, Garfield Charter Township and the community at large and shall include:

1. One member of the County Parks and Recreation Commission.
2. One member nominated by the City manager.
3. One member nominated by the Garfield Township Supervisor.
4. Six members representing the community at large.

Article IV.
MEETINGS

- Section 1. Meetings will be held monthly or as deemed necessary by the Committee.
- Section 2. Five or more of the membership shall constitute a quorum.
- Section 3. If a quorum of members is not present, no official business of the Advisory Committee shall be conducted until such a time when a quorum is present.

Article V.
OFFICERS

- Section 1. The officers of this Committee shall consist of the Chairman and Vice Chairman.
- Section 2. The Chairman shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Committee and shall perform all acts and duties required of the office, including presiding at all meetings of the members.
- Section 3. The Vice Chairman, in the absence of the Chairman, shall have the power and authority to perform all the functions and duties of the Chairman.
- Section 4. Any office vacancy may be filled for the balance of the term by a majority vote of the Committee as a whole.
- Section 5. Members, including officers, shall serve without compensation.
- Section 6. All appointments are 1 year expiring the first Monday in October of each year.

Article VI.
COMMITTEES

The Chairman may establish standing committees, as he/she deems necessary.

Article VII.
DECISION MAKING

Business of the Committee shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

Article VIII.
AMENDMENTS

These by-laws may be altered, supplemented, amended, or repealed at any meeting of the members at which a quorum is present; provided that notice of such amendment is provided in the meeting notice sent to members.