#### **AGENDA**

#### **Ingham County Parks & Recreation Commission**

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# Monday, April 28, 2014 6:00pm PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

Human Services Building Conference Room A, Second Floor 5303 S. Cedar Street, Building #3 Lansing, Michigan

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Approval of Minutes
  - Minutes of March 24, 2014 regular meeting will be considered
- 4. Limited Public Comment ~ Limited to 3 minutes with no discussion
- 5. Late Items / Deletions / Consent Items
- 6. ACTION ITEMS
  - **A.** Resolution Recommending Authorization to Utilize Grant Matching Funds for the Lake Lansing Park-South Beach House Renovation Project
- 7. DISCUSSION ITEMS
  - A. March 2014 Financial Report
  - B. 2015 Budget Request
  - C. December Committee Meeting Schedule
  - **D.** Meridian Township Deer Hunt in the Lake Lansing Park-North
  - **E.** Task Force Update
- 8. Director's Report
  - A. Hawk Island Snow Park Status Report
- 9. Correspondence & Citizen Comment
- 10. Board Comments
- 11. Limited Public Comment ~ Limited to 3 minutes with no discussion
- 12. Upcoming Meetings
  - **A.** Date: May 12, 2014; Time: 6:00pm

Planning & Community Outreach Committee Meeting

Date: May 14, 2014; Time 12:00pm

**Budget & Personnel Committee Meeting** 

Date: May 19, 2014; Time: 6:00pm

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting

#### 13. Informational Items - Distributed at Commission Meeting

- **A.** County Services, Finance Committee, and Board of Commissioner Meeting Minutes (Items pertaining to the Parks Department)
- B. Newspaper Articles

#### 14. Adjournment

Official minutes are stored and available for inspection at the address noted at the top of this agenda. The Ingham County Parks & Recreation Commission will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as interpreters for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting for the visually impaired, for individuals with disabilities a the meeting upon five (5) working days notice to the Ingham County Parks & Recreation Commission. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Ingham County Parks & Recreation Commission by writing to the Ingham County Parks Department, P.O. Box 178, Mason, Michigan 48854, or by calling 517.676.2233.

# DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING INGHAM COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION 121 E. Maple Street, Suite 102, Mason, Michigan 48854 March 24, 2014

The Ingham County Parks & Recreation Commission held a Regularly Scheduled Meeting at the Human Services Building, Conference Room A, 5303 S. Cedar Street, Lansing, Michigan.

**Board Members** 

**Present:** Matt Bennett, John Czarnecki, Kevin Duffy, Ralph Monsma, Chair Nicholls, Mike

Rice, Jonathan Schelke, Paul Pratt, and Commissioner Tsernoglou

**Absent:** Commissioner Koenig

**Also Present:** Director of Parks Willis Bennett, Recording Secretary Nicole Wallace, MSU Journalist

Student Kyle Koehler, Park Manager Brian Collins, Financial Coordinator Karen Fraser

Call to Order: Chair Nicholls called the Regularly Scheduled Parks & Recreation Commission

meeting to order at 6:08 pm

Minutes: Moved by Matt Bennett and Supported by Mr. Monsma to approve the Februay 24,

2014 minutes of the regular meeting as written. Yes-8; No-0. MOTION CARRIED.

Limited Public Comment: None.

**Late Items / Deletions:** Resolution Recommending the Termination of the Contract Between Ingham County and Superparks LLC (Planet) for the Management of the Hawk Island Snowpark.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

Willis Bennett provided background information regarding the resolution recommending entering into a contract with Maurer & Parks Well Drilling, Inc.

# RESOLUTION #03-14 RECOMMENDING ENTERING INTO A CONTRACT WITH MAURER & PARKS WELL DRILLING, INC. FOR MATERIALS AND LABOR TO RELOCATE AN IRRIGATION WELL AT LAKE LANSING PARK-SOUTH

**WHEREAS**, the Ingham County Parks Department owns and maintains the grounds and facilities at Lake Lansing Park-South; and

**WHEREAS**, the irrigation well within the picnic area at Lake Lansing Park-South needs to be relocated to an above ground location; and

**WHEREAS**, \$15,000 of funding for this project was appropriated in line 245-75299-974000 of the 2013 Parks Capital Improvement Budget and was carried forward to the 2014 Budget; and

**WHEREAS**, quotes were solicited and evaluated by Parks and Purchasing Department staff, and it is their recommendation to award the contract to Maurer & Parks Well Drilling, Inc.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Ingham County Parks & Recreation Commission recommends the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorize entering into a contract with Maurer & Parks Well Drilling, Inc. of Lansing, Michigan for the materials and labor to relocate the irrigation well at Lake Lansing Park-South, in an amount not to exceed \$11,105.50.

**Moved by** Mr. Czarnecki and **Supported by** Matt Bennett that Resolution #03-14 be approved. **Yes-8**; **No-0**; **MOTION CARRIED.** 

Commissioner Tsernoglou entered the meeting at 6:11pm.

Willis Bennett provided background information regarding the resolution to authorize submitting a grant application for an accessible playground at Potter Park. CASE CARES has \$70,000 dedicated to this project, with an overall project cost of approximately \$200,000. The accessible playground would be built adjacent to the current playground.

# RESOLUTION #04-14 RECOMMENDING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND FOR AN ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND AT POTTER PARK

**WHEREAS**, the Ingham County Parks Facility Master Plan was developed under the direction of the Ingham County Board of Commissioners to establish a systematic plan to meet the goal of providing adequate recreational facilities for the residents of Ingham County; and

**WHEREAS**, constructing an accessible playground at Potter Park was included in the 2012-2016 Parks Facility Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, CASE CARES, a community based foundation of the Case Credit Union, offered to construct an accessible playground at Potter Park at no cost to the County; and

**WHEREAS**, CASE CARES has held several fundraising events and secured donations and grants towards the construction of the playground and supports the Ingham County Parks Department's application of a Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) Trust Fund Grant for Potter Park; and

WHEREAS, CASE CARES has agreed to donate \$70,000 as the necessary 25% match for the grant; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ingham County Parks Department will be the recipient of the grant funds and will assist in the administration of the grant, thus limiting staff time of the Potter Park Zoo management team; and

**WHEREAS**, the playground construction oversight will be provided by Miracle Recreation Equipment Company staff and volunteers; and

**WHEREAS**, if the grant application is approved, construction of the playground will take place during 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Potter Park Zoo Board supported this resolution at their March 2014 meeting.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Ingham County Parks and Recreation Commission recommends that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes a grant application be

submitted to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund for the construction of an accessible playground at Potter Park.

**Moved by** Mr. Czarnecki and **Supported by** Mr. Schelke that Resolution #04-14 be approved. **Yes-9: No-0. MOTION CARRIED.** 

Willis Bennett provided background information regarding the resolution to authorize submitting a grant application for repairs to the non-motorized trail at Hawk Island. The trail was put in place in 2000 and it needs a considerable amount of work.

# RESOLUTION #05-14 REQUESTING AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES RECREATION PASSPORT GRANT PROGRAM FOR REPAIRS AND RESURFACING OF THE ACCESSIBLE NON-MOTORIZED TRAIL AT HAWK ISLAND COUNTY PARK

**WHEREAS**, the Ingham County Parks Facility Master Plan was developed under the direction of the Ingham County Board of Commissioners to establish a systematic plan to meet the goal of providing adequate recreational facilities for the residents of Ingham County; and

**WHEREAS**, maintaining and improving existing park facilities and features was listed as the number one goal in the 2012-2016 Parks Facility Master Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, over 519,000 visitors frequent Hawk Island County Park on an annual basis, including many running, biking, and walking groups that utilize the trail system; and

**WHEREAS**, the asphalt trail provides accessible opportunities to other recreational opportunities within Hawk Island County Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the asphalt trail around Hawk Island County Park is an essential link on the overall River Trail system; and

**WHEREAS**, the asphalt trail at Hawk Island County Park was originally constructed in 2001, and is need of repairs and resurfacing; and

**WHEREAS**, \$15,000 has been allocated through Ingham County 2014 Capital Improvement funds to be matching grant funds for this project; and

**WHEREAS**, a request of \$45,000 will provide a total project of \$60,000 if the grant application is approved; and

WHEREAS, construction would be completed in 2015; and

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Ingham County Parks and Recreation Commission recommends to the Ingham County Board of Commissioners that a grant application be submitted to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Passport Grant Program for the repair and resurfacing of the accessible non-motorized trail at Hawk Island County Park.

**Moved by** Mr. Czarnecki and **Supported by** Mr. Pratt that Resolution #05-14 be approved. **Yes-9; No-0**. **MOTION CARRIED.** 

Willis Bennett provided background information regarding the resolution recommending the termination of the contract between Ingham County and Superparks LLC (Planet) for the management of the Hawk Island Snowpark. Discussion ensued about the issues with the contractor. Willis Bennett reported the contractor did not fulfill a number of items in the contract. The contractor did not provide a marketing plan, with the exception of a Groupon coupon. Visitation at the park has not increased and revenue is down. Willis Bennett stated he and Park Manager Brian Collins made a presentation at the County Services meeting on March 18<sup>th</sup> about the status of the snowpark. A resolution to terminate the contract will be put forward by the Board of Commissioners at the March 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Chair Nicholls inquired who will pay for the Magic Carpet®. Willis Bennett stated the County would be responsible if the County keeps the Magic Carpet®. Discussion ensued about next year, whether or not the County has the capability to groom the terrain side of the hill. Commissioner Tsernoglou stated the Parks Department is not in a position to operate the boarding side, but we are open to the possibility of another company operating the terrain park. Mr. Schelke and Chair Nicholls stated it is too soon to give up on the snowboarding side of the hill, since we have only had two full seasons. Willis Bennett stated the snowpark should be open for another month depending on the weather.

# RESOLUTION #06-14 RECOMMENDING THE TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN INGHAM COUNTY AND SUPERPARKS LLC (PLANET) FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE HAWK ISLAND SNOWPARK

**WHEREAS**, the Ingham County Board of Commissioners adopted resolution #12-254 and #13-411 and entered into a contract with Superparks LLC (Planet) for the management of the Hawk Island Snowpark; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract identified various responsibilities of the operation of the Hawk Island Snowpark for both parties; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract with Superparks LLC (Planet) provides for termination by the County during the annual review period; and

**WHEREAS**, County staff has identified multiples issues with Superparks LLC (Planet) performance, per contract language, including but not limited to, failure to supply or implement a marketing plan, provide lessons/training, and failure to properly provide adequate customer service for season pass sales; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the recommendation of County staff to ensure the best interest of the County to terminate the contract with Superparks LLC (Planet) at the end of the 2013/14 snowpark season.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Ingham County Parks & Recreation Commission recommends to the Ingham County Board of Commissioners that the contract with Superparks LLC (Planet) be terminated at the end of the 2013/14 snowpark season.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Controller/Administrator is authorized to negotiate the purchase price of venue property improvements pursuant to contract language.

**Moved by** Matt Bennett and **Supported by** Mr. Monsma that Resolution #06-14 be approved. **Yes-8**; **No-1** (Chair Nicholls). **MOTION CARRIED.** 

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

<u>Friends of Ingham County Parks Monthly Reports</u> ~ Ms. Fraser reported the current board is interested in gaining new members and having more activities. They are looking at the Friends of Grand Rapids Parks as a model for their group.

<u>Final 2013 Parks Financial Report</u> ~ Willis Bennett referenced the report in the packet. Discussion ensued about the 2013 report. Mr. Czarnecki inquired about the controlled capital items. Ms. Fraser clarified there was a \$12,000 purchase for lounge chairs and a purchase of a grinder pump. These items were under capital improvements and were transferred to the operating budget. Mr. Czarnecki stated we are in the red for the most part and pointed out the deficit for Hawk Island Snowpark.

Mr. Pratt left the meeting at 6:39 pm.

<u>2015 Fee Adjustments</u> ~ Willis Bennett stated there will not be any changes to park user fees for 2015. The only new fee is the snowboarding rental equipment fees.

<u>2015 Budget Recommendations</u> ~ Willis Bennett stated for 2015 he is interested in having deputized officers in the park, an increase in seasonal labor, or an increase for maintenance supplies.

<u>2015 Strategic Planning Documents</u> ~ Willis Bennett reported there is a new format for the strategic planning documents. Instead of showing the last 10 years, it shows the last three years and quantitative goals are a new focus. Chair Nicholls inquired why the return rate is down on the surveys we mail to customers with shelter reservations. Willis Bennett stated customers just don't mail the surveys back. This year we have an online survey. Chair Nicholls stated to have a goal to increase the number of hardship passes issued is counterintuitive. Ms. Fraser stated that 75-80% of school children in the area get free lunches and the mission of the Ingham County Parks Department is to provide quality outdoor recreation opportunities for all segments of the population. Discussion ensued if it is an appropriate goal to increase the number of hardship passes issued.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

<u>Lake Lansing Park-North Prescribed Burn</u> ~ Willis Bennett stated there is an upcoming prescribed burn at Lake Lansing Park-North. It will be in early spring, and the date of the burn is weather dependent.

<u>Other</u> ~ Eaton County inquired if Ingham County would be interested in transferring Bunker Road Landing to Eaton County. Willis Bennett stated that Bunker Road Landing is an integral part of the Parks Department budget and he will let Eaton County know we are not interested.

Meridian Township would like to pave Perry Road which is near Lake Lansing Park-North. There are six other landowners other than Lake Lansing Park-North by this road. They are asking for ~\$10-12,000 from

the County. Willis Bennett stated there is not money within the Parks Department budget for this, but he will inquire with the Board of Commissioners if this is something that could be funded in 2014. If not, it could be put in the 2015 budget request.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE & CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None.

#### **BOARD COMMENTS**

None.

#### **LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

#### **Adjournment:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 pm.

Meeting adjourned

Minutes submitted by:

Nicole Wallace, Recording Secretary

#### INGHAM COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

#### Meeting of April 28, 2014 RESOLUTION #

# RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE GRANT MATCHING FUNDS FOR THE LAKE LANSING PARK-SOUTH BEACH HOUSE RENOVATION PROJECT

**WHEREAS**, Park staff applied for a 2013 DNR Recreation Passport Grant for renovations to the Lake Lansing Park-South Beach House and the grant was not approved by the DNR; and

**WHEREAS**, the existing building is over 35 years old, serves over 200,000 park visitors each year and requires structural and mechanical upgrading to protect the integrity of the building and ensure visitor safety; and

**WHEREAS**, in the Parks 2013 Capital Improvement Budget, \$15,000 was approved as matching funds for the Recreation Passport Grant; and

**WHEREAS,** Park staff desires to complete a portion of the renovation project in 2014 and recommends that approved matching funds still be used for the renovations.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Ingham County Parks & Recreation Commission recommends that the Ingham County Board of Commissioners authorizes the \$15,000.00 approved for the match for the 2013 Lake Lansing Park-South Recreation Passport grant application be utilized for the project.

#### **Ingham County Parks Department**

### Financial Report

March 31, 2014



2014 - 208 Operating Budget Report

as of March 31, 2014	Original Budget	Revised Budget 2014	YTD Total	Admin	Burch	Lk Lan	Hawk Is
REVENUE							
Special Event Fees	3,500	-	-	-	-	-	-
Parking Fees	308,000	290,000	36,010	-	10,162	-	25,848
Donations / Friends	20,000	10,000					
Passport Fees	14,000	15,000	4,885	4,885	_	_	_
Misc Revenue	5,856	5,856	525	525	_	_	-
Capital Improvement trs in	0		1,700	1,700			
Revenue Trf In - F-101	1,445,577	1,445,577	361,394	361,394	_	_	_
TOTAL REVENUE	1,796,933		404,514	368,504	10,162	0	25,848
PERSONNEL SERVICES							
Salaries & Wages Perm	639,154	639,154	150,835	150,835			
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Overtime Permanent	1,687	4,000	1,854	1,454	2,000	0,300	5,044
Overtime Seasonals	4,783	700	295	1,054			295
FICA County Share	49,503	55,851	12,576	11,375	205	525	471
Meeting Fees	14,000	10,000	12,370	-	203	J2J -	471
Fringe Benefits	342,872	342,472	77,192	76,348	61	_	_
TOTAL PERSONNEL SERVICES	1,319,386	1,291,829	259,016	241,846	2946	6831	6610
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CONTROLLABLE EXPENSES							
Office/Printing/Postage/Copying	17,980	15,150	465	465	-	-	-
Non-Cap Equipment	4,900	3,750	-626	-626	-	-	-
Controlled Capital Items	-	6,800	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance Supplies	71,500	75,000	5,678	43	1,864	969	2,802
Other Supplies	21,111	19,148	2,159	476	199	1,484	-
Small Tools	1,500	1,500	376	0	8	0	368
Uniforms/Cleaning/Clothing	6,100	6,100	1,109	1,109	-	-	-
Gas-Grease-Oil	57,600	48,000	10,896	10,896	-	-	-
Med Services - Physicals	1,000	1,000	-	- 0	-	-	-
Memberships/Subscriptions/Adver	2,700	2,390	665	665	-	-	-
Contractual Services / Consultants	6,260	11,100	1,004	307	70 0	70	557
Travel - Local / Training	3,100	3,850	436	-114	-	-	-
Telephone	7,484	7,484	2,117	1,752	193	172	-
Maintenance Contractual	19,900	19,800	1,204	560	644	-	-
Equipmnet Repair/Maint	30,400	30,400	4,591	1,108	2,209	421	853
Equipment Rental	3,038	3,038	225	<del>-</del> -	<del></del> -		225
TOTAL CONTROLLABLE EXPENSES	254,773	254,510	30,299	16,641	5,187	3,116	4,805
NON-CONTOLLABLE EXPENSE							
Insurance	29,341	30,056	80	57	0 0	23	0
Utilities	57,916	61,141	14,712	2,036	3,137	3,066	6,473
Courier Service	1,576	1,576	394	394 0	-	-	-
Telephone Allocation Costs	3,247	3,247	206	206	-	-	-
MIS Support	84,089	84,269	9,783	9,783 0	-	-	-
Vehicle Service Charge	46,605	46,605	0	0 0			_
TOTAL NON-CONTROLLABLE EXPENSES	222,774	226,894	25,175	12,476	3,137	3,089	6,473
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	1,796,933	1,773,233	404,514				
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,796,933	1,773,233	314,490				

208 Fund - Parking Revenue and Expenses - YTD	ing Reven	ue and	Expens	es - YTI						Mont	hly Reve	Monthly Revenue Report	ort			
March 31, 2014		2014	4		TOTAL		2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	204	2013	2014	2013	2014
	Burchfield	STT	NTT	Hawk Is	ALL		Burch	Burch	STT	STT	LLN	LLN	Hawk Is	Hawk Is		
	Parking	Parking	Parking	Parking	Parks		Parking	Parking	Parking	Parking	Parking	Parking	Parking	Parking	TOTAL	TOTAL
Revenue YTD Date	10,162	0	0	25,848	36,010	Jan	3,047	4,702	904	•	•	•	24,525	11,673	28,476	16,375
						Feb	3,969	4,000	-	•	-	-	5,052	8,242	9,021	12,242
Expenditures						Mar	707	1,460	-	-	-	-	4,362	5,933	2,069	7,393
Personnel	3,188	0	0	8	3,196	Apr	1,201	•	06	-	45	-	11,259	-	12,595	•
Operating Supplies	0	0	0	5	5	May	4,100	•	6,787	•	6,728	-	27,147	-	44,762	•
						Jun	8,296	•	5,337	-	1,702	•	31,231	•	46,566	•
Expenditures YTD Date	3,188	0	0	13	3,201	Jul	9,339	•	25,669	•	4,559	-	27,509	-	920,29	•
						Aug	8,513	•	10,299	•	2,817	•	30,627	•	52,256	•
Total Revenue	10,162	0	0	25,848	36,010	Sep	2,385	-	4,785	-	957	•	9,298	-	17,425	•
Total Expenditures	3,188	0	0	13	3,201	Oct	2,663	-	1,643	_	2,253	-	2,761	-	9,320	•
						Nov	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
% Expenditures to Revenue	31.37%	#DIV/0i	%00.0	0.05%	8.89%	Dec	1	•	•	•	•	'	-	•	•	•
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YTD Balance	6,974	0	0	25,835	32,809	ΛΤΣ	44,220	10,162	55,514	•	19,061	•	173,771	25,848	292,566	36,010

	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014
	Burch	Hawk	LLN	Lk Lan	Office	Total
Hardship Passes						0

Hardship	Passes	1,215	1,332	1,527
		\$292,566	\$302,644	\$292,533
		2011	2012	2013

#### **2015 Capital Improvement Request**

#### **Equipment Request**

Zero turn mulching mower – Burchfield	\$14,000
Zero turn mulching mower – Lake Lansing	\$14,000
Cab & chassis truck w/dump body, snow plow & salt spreader - Burchfield	\$42,000
Pick-up truck – Burchfield	\$27,000
Utility tractor w/4WD & loader – Burchfield	\$35,000
Utility vehicle – Burchfield	\$12,500
Electric utility vehicle – Hawk Island	\$10,000

#### **Project Funding Request**

Master Plan revision	\$15,000
Playground safety surfacing – all parks	\$15,000
Asphalt pathway repair – Hawk Island	\$10,000
Asphalt parking lot repair – Hawk Island	\$10,000
Roof replacement – White restroom – Lake Lansing Park-North	\$8,000
Roof replacement – Picnic area restroom – Lake Lansing Park-South	\$7,000
Gravel road maintenance – Lake Lansing Park-North	\$7,500
Gravel road maintenance – Burchfield	\$7,500
Buoys & swim area ropes – all parks	\$7,500
Roof replacement – shelters at various parks	\$39,000
White Shelter 93%, Sandhill Shelter 90%, Overlook Shelter 92%	
Kestrel Shelter 74%, Peregrine Shelter 79%	

#### **508 Enterprise Fund Request**

Roof replacement – Boat rental building	\$4,000
Roof replacement – shelters at various parks	\$6,000
White Shelter 7%, Sandhill Shelter 10%, Overlook Shelter 8%	
Kestrel Shelter 26%, Peregrine Shelter 21%	
Pedal Boat replacements (4)	\$7,000
Canoe/Kayak replacements – Burchfield	\$5,000

#### **IT Request**

1 Printer – Park Office	\$1,600
1 CPU – Park Office	\$800

#### 2015 Budget Discussion

2014 appropriation	\$1,445,577
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Additional appropriation options:

Add funding to	508 to offset	t full-time wages	currently charged	\$45,000
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Add Sheriff Deputy patrols to all parks
Scheduled patrols at appropriate times and locations
\$30,000

Add additional funding for maintenance supplies \$20,000 Fertilizer, weed control, paint, etc.

Add additional funding for seasonal maintenance labor
Funds spread between the three park centers
5-6 seasonals at 29 hrs./week
\$20,000

**From:** Jane Greenway

**Sent:** Friday, March 28, 2014 1:29 PM

To: Bennett, Willis

**Cc:** Witte, Patrick; Nicholas Sanchez **Subject:** FW: Deer hunt information

Dear Willis,

Thank you for contacting us regarding Commissioner's concerns over the deer management program. Over the last several years staff has received numerous complaints from residents in Meridian Township regarding deer damage to landscaping and concerns about deer crossing the road; many of these calls come from residents in the neighborhoods around Lake Lansing Park – North.

Deer harvesting is a recognized effective tool for reducing deer car collisions. Our deer car collisions report does not reflect a decrease in the overall herd which is not uncommon in the early stages of a deer management program. In January we met with the DNR to go over our numbers and discuss changes that could be made to improve the program. The DNR recommended that we continue to; expand deer harvesting on public lands, monitor the deer exclosures within Lake Lansing Park — North, encourage hunting on private lands and educate residents about the importance of deer resistant landscaping. The DNR also stressed that a long-term sustained effort is key to success in reducing the deer population to more acceptable levels.

The Meridian Township Board has encouraged staff to expand our hunting program as much as possible in an effort to reduce the local car accidents. It is our hope that our relationship with Ingham County Parks will continue for years to come.

Thank you, Jane

Jane L. Greenway, RLA
Parks and Land Management Coordinator
Meridian Charter Township



#### **Holt Band Boosters**

March 31, 2014

Dear Friends of Burchfield Ingham County Parks Department,

The generous donation of a 2014 Disc Golf Permit for Burchfield Park contributed to the enormous success of the 2014 Holt Band Booster Band Aid Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction. In fact, this year's event was an even bigger success than last year. Because of your support, the Holt Band Boosters can in turn be more supportive to the Holt band programs.

Please know that every time you enjoy the concerts our sixth grade, junior and senior high school ensembles; the energy and excitement the Holt Marching Band brings to every home football game; sing Christmas carols while the Township's tree is lit; or find yourself moving in rhythm to our unique drum cadence at a parades, you were a part of these performances. We can now more generously assist in funding summer band camp, band uniforms, instruments, equipment, solo and ensemble music for our students, and transportation to and from events. Each and every one of these efforts contributes to the music education of our band students and success of our band programs.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

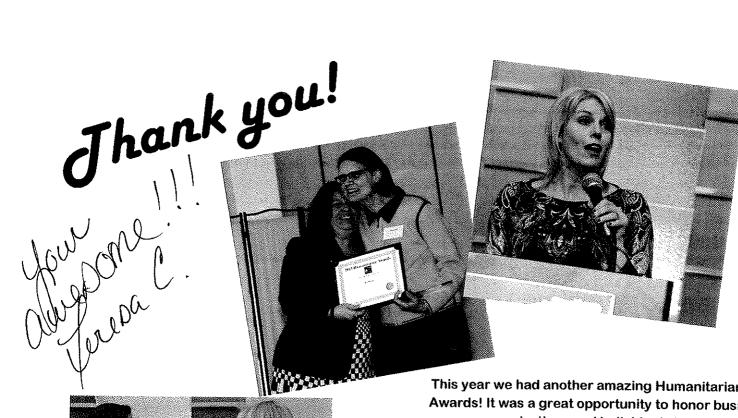
**Darrell Wiles** 

President, Holt Band Boosters

Federal Tax ID 38-6001589

Holt Band Boosters Board Members

Darrell Wiles – President Sara Wiles – Vice President Colleen Hammond – Treasurer Sarah Blanck – Secretary





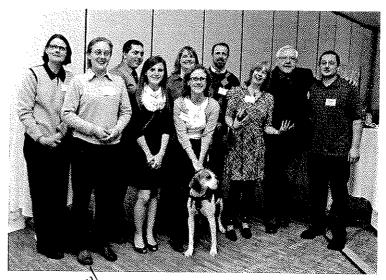
This year we had another amazing Humanitarian Awards! It was a great opportunity to honor businesses, organizations and individuals in the community who have selflessly donated time, resources and financial support to help animals in Ingham County!

We also celebrated a year of amazing success, including the opening of our Outreach Center and no euthansias due to space in 2013!

On top of all of that, the Humanitarian Awards raised over \$5000 for the Animal Care Fund. This money will go toward continuing our mission to love and support the animals of Ingham County!

not have
happened without your
support! This event is
completely funded by
sponsors and donors like
yourself!
Your continued
support has had a huge
impact on the lives of the
shelter animals. We can't
thank you enough!

This amazing event would



Many July

# CUILTUIRAL DIVERSITY COMMITTIEE CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION INGHIAM COUNTY



This Certificate of Appreciation for Donations is hereby awarded to

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