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### *Community Development Department Report*

*February 2023*

Dear Township Board Members,

During the month of January, the department continued working on a variety of projects. The Parks & Recreation Master plan update was completed. The Planning Commission continued work on the Land Use Master Plan update, with Beckett & Raeder. A community survey, regarding the Master Plan, will be going out this month. The Corridor Improvement Authority (CIA) Board is in place and will meet next month to bring their work on the Tax Increment Financing Plan.

There are several active projects under review. The Comfort Care developer (Union Lake Rd & Carpathian) is currently working on their Final Site Plan. The Avalon project (M-59 & Hill Rd), Black Rock restaurant (M-59 & White Banks), and Cosmo's Car Wash (Meijer out lot, M-59 & Bogie Lake Rd) are all working on their Final Site Plans as well. We recently received a site plan application for a project called Gateway Commons, which is located at the southwest corner of M-59 & Bogie Lake Road, and will include a new Culver's Restaurant.

As for approved projects, the Preserve at Hidden Lake and Trailside Meadow projects continue construction on their projects. The Eagles Landing project (Bogie Lake Rd.) has their site construction underway. The West Valley and Lakepointe projects (near Bocovina on either side of Union Lake Rd.) still intend to begin construction in the coming months, though no activity has taken place. The Pontiac Lake Overlook apartment project (Pontiac Lake Rd.) is slowly moving forward with their site work. The redevelopment of the former Sonic restaurant (at Fisk Corners) is continuing to move forward. The Oakland Harvesters (White Lake Rd.) project received Final Site Plan and Special Land Use approval and will hopefully begin construction in the coming months. The Hypershine car wash (M-59 & Fisk) continues to move forward with construction. The Taco Bell project (Meijer out lot) is now open for business though they have quite a bit of landscaping work to complete in the Spring.

Please find included in this monthly report the parks and recreation update as well as the permit and inspection activity report for building. If you have any questions or require any additional information from the Community Development Department, please contact us.

Respectfully,

  
Sean O'Neil

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### *Parks and Recreation February 2023*

Dear Township Board,

The 2023-2027 Parks and Recreation Master Plan was submitted to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) on January 31. All final deliverables were received from the consultant on February 9. The Plan update was completed in eight months, on-time and slightly under-budget. The Board should be commended for adopting the Plan prior to the MDNR's February 1 submittal deadline. White Lake maintained its grant eligibility in 2023 with an on-time Plan submittal.

In December staff submitted a Spark Grant application to the MDNR. Unfortunately, the project (Stanley Park block structure renovation) was not funded. The MDNR stated over 460 applicants requesting more than \$280 million in grant funds (\$15 million available in Round 1) were submitted. Less than five percent of applications submitted were successful (21 of 460 applications). Staff will resubmit the project for funding in the next round.

Bids were solicited for tree removal necessary to facilitate Phase 1 construction at Stanley Park. The project approval from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) requires tree removal to take place during bat inactive periods (now until March 31). Awarding the tree removal contract will be on the Board's regular February meeting agenda. Bidding contractors have committed to completing tree removal by March 31. Note staff was able to save additional trees by walking the site to identify areas where the scope of removal could be reduced.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Justin Quagliata  
Staff Planner

Breakdown of Permits by Permit Type

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Permits by Permit Type

