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## Community Development Department Report

July 2022

Dear Township Board Members,

During the month of June, the department continued working on various projects. The Parks & Recreation Master update is underway and the Land Use Master Plan update will begin later this year. We still plan to submit a grant application for the construction of the Triangle Trail this summer. The annual update of the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is underway and that finished product will be presented to the Board in September. We look forward to beginning work on the Corridor Improvement Authority (CIA) Plan as well.

There are several active projects under review. The Elizabeth Lake Retail (M-59 & Elizabeth Lake Rd.) had their request for preliminary site plan and rezoning approval tabled by the Planning Commission in June. The Comfort Care plan (Union Lake Rd & Carpathian) received preliminary approval in June and will be on your July agenda for final consideration of their rezoning request. The Avalon project (M-59 & Hill Rd) is requesting Preliminary Site Plan and rezoning approval for both single and multiple family dwellings on their land. This project will be placed on the July Board agenda for consideration. The Black Rock restaurant (M-59 & White Banks) submitted their Preliminary Site Plan for review and will likely be on a Planning Commission agenda in August. Lastly, the rezoning request at 1392 S. Williams Lake Road will be on your July agenda for final consideration.

As for approved projects, the Preserve at Hidden Lake and Trailside Meadow projects continue to progress on their projects. The New Hope White Lake assisted living project (Williams Lake Rd.) is nearing completion on their site work and building construction. The Eagles Landing project (Bogie Lake Rd.) began their site construction this month. The West Valley and Lakepointe projects (near Bocovina on either side of Union Lake Rd.) intend to begin construction this summer. The Pontiac Lake Overlook apartment project (Pontiac Lake Rd.) is moving forward with their site construction. The redevelopment of the former Sonic restaurant (at Fisk Corners) is continuing to move forward. The Oxbow Lake Private Launch (Lakeside Dr. & M-59) will begin work late this summer. The Oakland Harvesters (White Lake Rd.) project received final site plan approval and will hopefully begin construction this fall. The Taco Bell project (Meijer out lot) has received Final Site Plan and Development Agreement approval, and will begin construction this summer. Finally, the Hypershine car wash (M-59 & Fisk) had their Final Site Plan approved by the Planning Commission on July 7<sup>th</sup>.

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 July 2022

Dear Township Board,

The Stanley Park biological assessment (BA) was received by the National Park Service (NPS), and its Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) compliance staff will review the document. Once the BA is reviewed by NPS, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) must review the document to issue its opinion and permit. It is questionable if the USFWS review of the BA will be complete prior to the closing of the current submission window with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). Staff was informed by MDNR the next opportunity to receive a project agreement if the current window is missed is summer 2023. There are factors outside of the Township's control, such as actions and timelines of the NPS and USFWS. For example, the USFWS indicated once receiving a BA it had 135 days to review and issue a determination.

Staff continues to work with Groya Consulting, the group hired to assist the Township with the 5-Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan update. As the project moves along, staff will keep the Board updated on the progress. The consultant will likely be in attendance at the Committee's August meeting. Public engagement is part of the project, and some sort of event to gather public input will be planned in the coming months. An online survey will also be utilized to gather information from residents.

The Committee held a Family Fun Day at Hawley Park on June 25, 2022. White Lake Police Foundation donated hot dogs and bottled water for the event. Approximately 125+ people attended over the course of the afternoon. As this was the first event of its kind planned by the Committee, improvements will be made to build on the success for next year. As White Lake builds traction with its events, the Committee will continue planning other events throughout the year, and, if possible, will work in conjunction with the Historical Society on certain events.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Justin Quagliata

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Staff Planner

