

ACTION PLAN: 2008—2013 PRIORITIES

Priority #1: Improvements to Grace Macdonald Park to include tennis court resurfacing for \$9,000 and new, modern playground with climbing and play structure geared for 5-12 year olds, for \$20,000.

Priority #2: The Pines Park Improvements. Outdoor recreation facilities such as ball diamonds would be a welcome addition to the current facilities in East Bay Township. The pines property on Eikey Road is an 80 acre parcel currently heavily wooded. The park could serve as a geographically central location for the entire County, and would be a local asset to two large residential subdivisions (total residential units; 185) and the Forest Lakes area which has a larger residential base as well. The improvements planned for this park are quite general at this time as most of the recent effort by the Parks Commission has been in the development of Gens Park. The general conceptual plan for the Pines are to include such features as; Utilize 20 acres of the property for 2 baseball diamonds, 2 softball diamonds, one all-purpose field for football and soccer, a parking lot, one paved walking track, vault toilets, and equipment storage. Other items may include skiing trails, playground and picnicking areas.

All improvements would be done using barrier-free designs, as it is desired that the total population of the Township be serviced.

Estimated Cost of each Item-Capital Improvement Program.

Costs are unknown at this time. Estimated costs are expected to exceed \$500,000.

All items listed above are considered high priority, since they all have to be conducted together as required by local codes and ordinances. The project is expected to require a 2-3 year timeline based on funding and contractual services.

Funding Sources:

- Local; Township General Fund via Parks Commission budget, contracted selective removal of trees, volunteer labor, County labor services.
- State and Federal; MNRTF and/or LWCF.
- Private; Donations and/or Private Foundation Grants.

Year Actions will be Undertaken.

Selective timber harvesting may be undertaken on the property both as a means to prepare the site for future development and as a potential means to generate revenue to support the planning and development of the site. As the site is cleared, a rye grass mixture will be established to stabilize the topsoil.

The Parks Commission has also appointed a citizen advisory committee to assist with the design of the park. \$20,000 has been appropriated to help with this work. They plan to conduct public input sessions and hearings on designs for this park. Eventually a site plan with cost estimates will be developed as well.

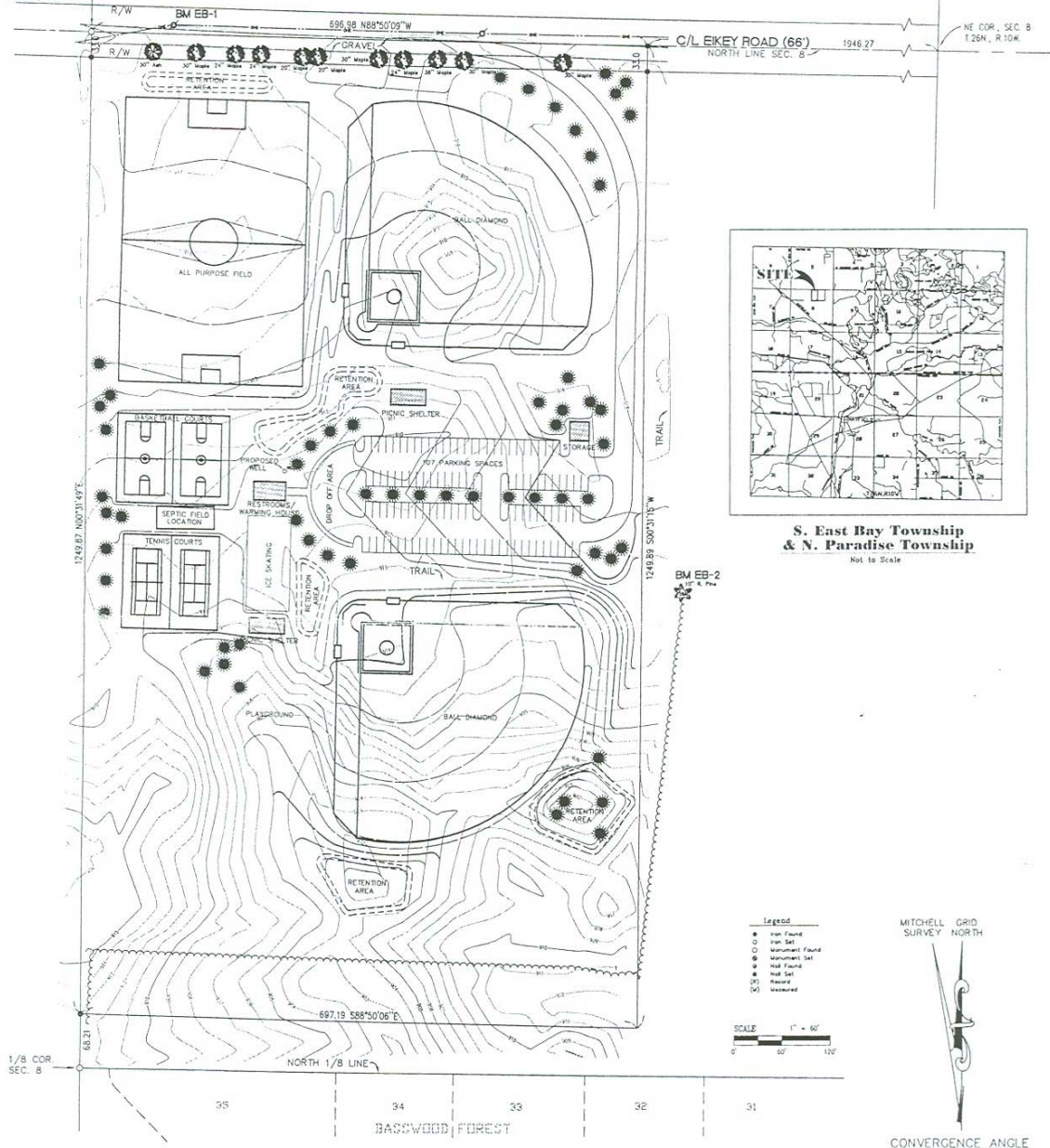
2008-2009: Work with citizens committee to undertake a public fundraising effort to seek pledges and contributions in order to support some or all of the local match needed to implement the park improvements.

2010: Apply for MNRTF and LWCF funding to develop park. Seek additional local share for funding program.

2009-2012: Undertake fundraising and planning with the goal to construct park by 2012. Construct outdoor park.

PROPOSED PLAN, submitted Oct. 7, 02

N 1/4 COR. SEC. 8
T.26N., R.10W.



S. East Bay Township
& N. Paradise Township
Not to Scale



CONVERGENCE ANGLE
01°09'54"
(AT CENTER OF SHEET)
MICHIGAN STATE PLANE ZONE
2112
(MICHIGAN CENTRAL)
US SURVEY FEET (111)

BM EB-2
SPIKE IN 10" R. PINE
ELEV=914.87
BM EB-1
SPIKE IN P. POLE
ELEV=917.72

GRADING & DRAINAGE PLAN

	Sheet Title: GRADING & DRAINAGE PLAN Pines Park - East Bay Township	Location: PART OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 8, T. 26 N., R. 10 W., EAST BAY TOWNSHIP, GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY, MICHIGAN	Date: 09/16/2002 Scale: 1" = 60'	Drawn By: EJE/FA Checked By: KLE	No.: Date: Series: By:	Hosling Crubak ENGINEERS 1000 S. HAWK CREEK DRIVE GRAND TRAVERSE, MI 49735 TEL: 231-867-8822	Engineers Planners Environmental Architects
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Priority #3: Killingsworth Park Expansion and Improvement.

The Township has an opportunity to acquire lands to expand this community park facility. The owner of approximately 70 acres located at the Northwest corner of the existing Killingsworth Park, has indicated an interest in conveying this site to the Township. The addition of this land will enable the development of the facility for passive outdoor recreation.

Estimated Cost of each Item-Capital Improvement Program.

Costs associated with the property acquisition are estimated at \$487,950. Development of passive recreation facilities are estimated at \$100,000.

Acquisition of the land is considered high priority as the owner is intent of disposing of the lands and the opportunity to add this site to the park may be lost without a determined effort to acquire it. Acquisition should be accomplished in 2009 and improvements will occur in 2009 - 2011.

Funding Sources:

- Local; Township General Fund via Parks Commission budget.
- State and Federal; MNRTF and/or LWCF.
- Private; Donations and/or Private Foundation Grants.

Priority #4. Property Acquisition. An important goal of the Township through this Plan is to seek out opportunities to improve public access to trails and key natural features in the community, such as Grand Traverse Bay, inland lakes and streams and woodland areas. While no particular sites are committed for acquisition, the Township will remain attentive to opportunities to acquire bayfront lands, trail connections and trailhead facilities or other lands for this purpose or to assist in such acquisition through other public or quasi-public entities.

Priority of Actions.

High priority should be given to trail links and trailhead facilities and to areas on Grand Traverse Bay first. Other potential acquisition sites may include waterfront lands on inland lakes or streams or

within important woodlands with good connectivity to existing or proposed trails or park lands.

Estimated Cost.

The cost of land acquisition will vary depending on the nature of the lands, any improvements that may be present, its accessibility and land area. Current estimates for a trailhead facility, including improvements are \$554,000.

Funding Sources.

- Local; Township General Fund via Parks Commission budget.
- State and Federal; MNRTF and/or LWCF.
- Private: Donations or partial donations and/or Private Foundation Grants

Priority #5. Trails Study and Site Acquisition. As a part of the Township's goal to provide convenient access to all recreational facilities, a study should be undertaken to examine the feasibility and cost of connecting some or all of the recreational parks to surrounding population centers, as well as to one another, via an extended network of non-motorized trails. A regional trails system is anticipated and desired, both within this plan and in the Township Master Plan. Most trail segments will be developed in conjunction with private development or as part of new roadway development. In some instances, however, property acquisition for trail head facilities, gathering places or connecting trail links will be needed. Some trails may be much more difficult to establish than others as easements must be granted by private property owners. However, for the purposes of this priority, it is important to assemble an advisory committee which will develop both short-term and long-term plans for trails throughout the Township.

Priority of Actions.

Priority should be given to those areas where demand is significant, connections to sidewalks or regional trails are possible and current property owners are receptive to granting an easement.

Estimated Cost.

The cost of each trail segment may vary significantly depending on the length of the trail and the cost of land acquisition.

Funding Sources.

- Local; Township General Fund via Parks Commission budget, contracted selective removal of trees, volunteer labor, County labor services.
- State and Federal; MNRTF and/or LWCF.
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