

Appendix E
Notices, Resolutions, Letters, Etc.
Heart of the Lakes Area Recreation Plan

Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission Brochure

Recreation Survey

(Circle Your Answers and Return to Your Township/Village Hall)

- 1) Do you believe that adequate recreational opportunities and facilities are provided to Area residents?

Yes No N/A

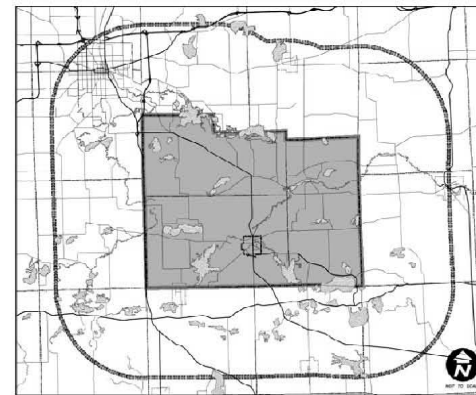
- 2) How many times have you visited an Area park or recreation facility in the past 12 months?

None 1-10 11-20 >20

- 3) What types of recreational facilities and services would you like to see provided to Area residents?

Multiuse Trails	Ice Skating
Field Hockey	Skiing
Basketball/Softball	Swimming
Tennis	Volleyball
Soccer	Frisbee Courses
Tetherball	Obstacle Courses
Rock Climbing Wall	Sledding
Skateboard Park	Other
Water Park	_____
Football	_____

Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission



Help to guide the development of new recreation facilities within the Heart of the Lakes Area:

- ✕ Norvell Township
- ✕ Napoleon Township
- ✕ Columbia Township
- ✕ Village of Brooklyn

The Village of Brooklyn and the Townships of Columbia, Napoleon, and Norvell recently joint together to plan for new recreation opportunities for the people living in the Heart of the Lakes Area.

Area Population Summary

- ✦ The Area is projected to keep growing from 17,118 people in 2000 to 18,388 people in 2010.
- ✦ People of all ages are residents of the Area although a third of the population belongs to the Baby Boom Generation and another quarter belong to older generations.
- ✦ People with a disability comprise more than 17% of Area residents.

Area Recreation Providers

Local governments are not the only providers of recreation facilities in the Heart of the Lakes Area.

- ✦ Local schools provide a number of community-wide facilities.
- ✦ State and County governments provide a variety of regional parks and facilities.
- ✦ Private groups also provide recreational facilities within the Area.
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Your Help Is Needed

Despite those resources, there are still unmet recreation needs in the Heart of the Lakes Area. Your help is needed in developing its first recreation plan. You can do this by:

- ✦ Providing comments to your local government:

Norvell Township

536-4370 or aulbin@bignet.net

Napoleon Township

536-8108 or supervisor@napoleontownship.us

Columbia Township

592-2000 or justbecuz@yahoo.com

Village of Brooklyn

592-2591 or powerproinc@yahoo.com

- ✦ Attending the open house:
 - Saturday, July 8, 2006
 - Napoleon Township Hall
 - One pm to Four pm
- ✦ Reading and commenting on the Plan during its one-month review period from September 1, 2006 to September 30, 2006.
- ✦ Filling out the survey on the next page.

Press Release



Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission

Serving Columbia, Napoleon, & Norvell Townships and
the Village of Brooklyn, Jackson County, Michigan

Staffed by the Region 2 Planning Commission

PRESS RELEASE

The Village of Brooklyn, Columbia Public Schools, and the Townships of Columbia, Napoleon, and Norvell joined together in 2006 to form the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission and to develop a coordinated recreation plan for the Heart of the Lakes Area. The document identifies the recreational needs and desires of Area residents and provides a plan of action for realizing them. The plan also makes Area governments eligible to receive state and federal funding for recreation improvements.

The recreation plan is available for public review and comment prior to adoption by the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission and its member units of local government. The one-month comment period begins on **December 5, 2006** and ends on **January 8, 2007**. The plan may be viewed in the offices for the Townships of Norvell, Napoleon, and Columbia, the Village of Brooklyn, and the Columbia School District, as well as the Brooklyn and Napoleon Branches of the Jackson District Library. The plan is also available for review online at: www.villageofbrooklyn.org (Village of Brooklyn), www.hrb.columbia.mi.us/ (Columbia Township), www.napoleonmi.us/ (Napoleon Township), and <http://scnc.scd.k12.mi.us/> (Columbia School District). Comments may be directed to:

Grant E. Bauman, AICP
R2PC Principal Planner & Secretary
Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission
120 West Michigan Avenue
Jackson, Michigan 49201
phone – (517) 768-6711
facsimile – (517) 768-4635
email – gbauman@co.jackson.mi.us

A public hearing on the recreation plan will also be held before the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission on Thursday, January 11, 2007 at 7:00 pm. The hearing will be held in the boardroom of the:

Napoleon Township Hall
6755 Brooklyn Road
Napoleon, Michigan 49261

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Jackson Citizen Patriot Legal Notice

Jackson Citizen Patriot
214 S. Jackson St., Jackson, MI 49201
AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

State of Michigan,) ss
County of Jackson)
Bonita Tatar being duly sworn, deposes
and says that he/she is principal clerk of the Jackson Citizen Patriot; that
said Jackson Citizen Patriot is a newspaper published and circulated in
the County of Jackson, and the attached notice has been duly published in
said newspaper on the following dates:

01/03/2007

Customer Name:
Region 2 Planning Commission

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ fourth
day of _____ January, 2007

Bonita Tatar

Folio _____

Notary Public in and for the County of Jackson, Michigan
Michael C. LaBrecque
My Commission Expires *OCT. 23, 2012*

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JACKSON CITIZEN PATRIOT
JACKSON, MICHIGAN

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Brooklyn Exponent Legal Notice

<h1>Classifieds</h1>		<p>THE BROOKLYN EXPONENT — TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2007 — PAGE 4C</p> <p>(517) 592-2122 • FAX 592-3241 • E-Mail: exponews@frontiernet.net</p>	
 <p>M-R BUILDER INC.</p> <p>RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL</p> <p>(517) 536-4300</p>		<p><i>Selling the Irish Hills Area — One Home at a Time!</i></p> <p>Killarney Realty</p> <p>1280 W. US-12</p> <p><i>Located in former Dutchman's</i></p>	
<p>NEW HOMES FOR SALE</p> <p>Colbrook Meadows, Brooklyn: Public Water/Sewer, sidewalks, and neighborhood parks. New homes starting in the \$120s on your lot.</p>		<p>Visit us at www.killarneyrealty.com Mary Alice Kozemchak, BROKER/OWNER</p> <p>COUNTRY SETTING IRISH HILLS RANCH WITH VINEYARD LAKE ACCESS, sandy beach & docking. Open floor plan, 3 BR, 2 Bath, basement. Set on your deck and enjoy nature at your back door.</p> <p>Toll-free: (877) 904-SALE • Office (517) 431-3400</p>	
<p>CONDO FOR SALE</p> <p>428 Constitution, Brooklyn. Duplex condo w/over 1400 sq. ft. of luxury living, 2 BR, 2 bath, 2 car garage, fireplace, garden-view basement ready to finish, w/3rd BR/bath and rec room w/wet bar. \$209,900.</p>		<p>Premiere Properties</p> <p>106 S. Main, Brooklyn MI 49230</p> <p>FRAN A. SLAT BROKER</p> <p>(517) 812-1657 or (517) 592-9222</p> <p>LakeColumbia.com or BrooklynMich.com</p> <p>Visit my website: FRANSLAT.COM</p>	
<p>MULTI-FAMILY FOR SALE</p> <p>233/235 Monroe Street, Brooklyn. Three units, 1-2 BR unit and 2-1 BR units. Well maintained, recently updated electrical and plumbing. \$159,900.</p>		<p>LEGAL NOTICES</p>	
<p>COMMERCIAL OFFICE/RETAIL SPACE FOR SALE:</p> <p>449 Marshall St., Brooklyn. Commercial condo, full basement. 780 sq. ft. \$102,900.</p> <p>451 Marshall St., Brooklyn. Commercial condo. Full basement, 780 sq. ft. \$97,900.</p>		<p>LEGAL NOTICES</p>	
<p>VACANT LAND FOR SALE</p> <p>Lot 5, Liberty Woods. Located in Liberty Township's fastest growing community. \$21,900, possible land contract.</p> <p>Lot 63, Tims Lake Preserve. Located in Grass Lake Township</p>		<p>NOTICE</p> <p>The Village of Brooklyn, Columbia School District, and the townships of Columbia, Napoleon, and Norvell joined in 2006 to form the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission and to develop a coordinated recreation plan for the Heart of the Lakes area. The document identifies the recreational needs and desires of area residents and provides a plan of action for realizing them. The plan also makes area governments eligible to receive state and federal funding for recreation improvements. The recreation plan is available for public review and comment prior to adoption by the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission and its member units of local government. The plan may be viewed in the offices for the Townships of Norvell, Napoleon and Columbia, the Village of Brooklyn, and the Columbia School District, as well as the Brooklyn and Napoleon branches of the Jackson District Library. The plan is also for review online at www.villageofbrooklyn.org (Village of Brooklyn), www.twp.columbia.mi.us/ (Columbia Township), www.napoleon-township.us/ (Napoleon Township), and http://iscnc.csd.k12.mi.us/ (Columbia School District). Comments may be directed to:</p> <p>Grant E. Bauman, AICP RZPC Principal Planner & Secretary Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission 120 West Michigan Avenue Jackson, Michigan 49201 Phone: (517) 768-6711 Facsimile: (517) 788-4635 email: gbauman@co-jackson.mi.us</p> <p>A public hearing on the recreation plan will also be held before the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission on Thursday, January 11, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. The hearing will be held in the board room of the:</p> <p>Napoleon Township Hall 6755 Brooklyn Road Napoleon, Michigan 49261</p>	

Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission Resolution



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RESOLUTION
APPROVING THE 2007-2012 HEART OF THE LAKES AREA RECREATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the townships of Columbia, Napoleon, and Norvell, the Village of Brooklyn, and the Columbia School District have joined together to form the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission has prepared a 2007-2012 Parks and Recreation Plan; and

WHEREAS, such Plan has been developed based upon a number of factors and includes planned parks and recreation developments through 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Jackson County Parks and Recreation Commission held a public hearing on January 11, 2007, after providing a legal notice in the Jackson Citizen Patriot and the Brooklyn Exponent, to receive comments on the proposed Plan; and


WHEREAS, the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission wishes to submit the Plan to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for approval and qualification for funding applications for a five-year period; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission approves and adopts the 2007-2012 Heart of the Lakes Area Recreation Plan and authorizes submission of same to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Ron Martin, Chair
Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission
January 11, 2007

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Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes



Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission
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DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 11, 2007

Community Representatives Present: JB Deleu of the Village of Brooklyn, Denise Butler & Ron Martin of Napoleon Township, and John Weaver & Adam Ullin of Norvell Township

Community Representatives Absent: Bob Seighart & Chuck Siroda of the Village of Brooklyn, Roger Gaede, Ray Kuzminski, & Pam Jarvis of Columbia Township, Dick Tallman of Napoleon Township, Claude Messergill of Norvell Township, and Ann Drylach of the Columbia School District

Staff and Others Present: Grant Bauman, Secretary

Item 1
Call to order
Chairman Martin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Item 2
Pledge of allegiance
Commission members participated in the pledge of allegiance.

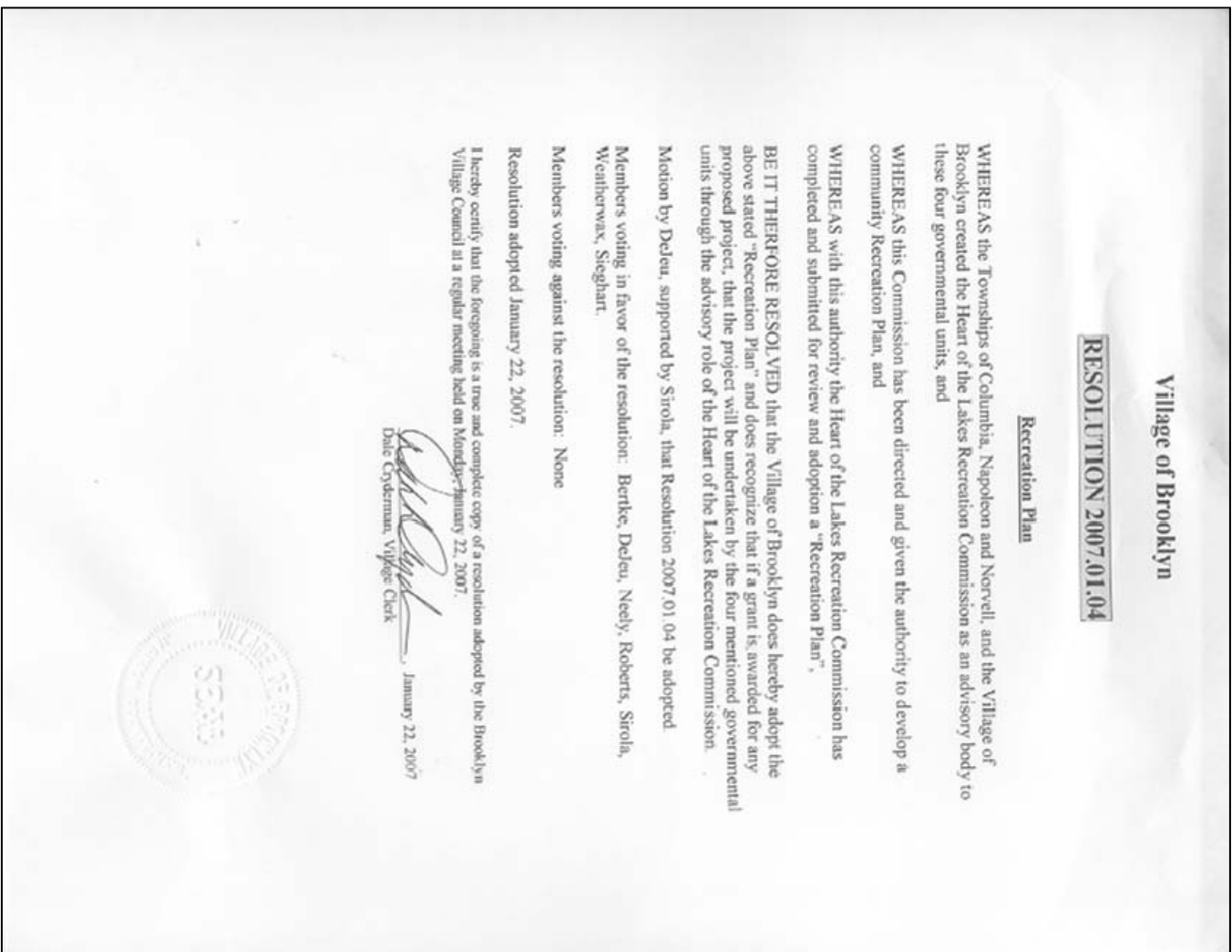
Item 3
Approve the Recreation Plan
Chairman Martin called the Public Hearing to order at 7 p.m. Grant Bauman, Secretary, provided an overview of the project. A copy of the Action Program and Proposed Facilities Map was provided to those present. Bauman asked for public comment. Bob Janson asked if the trails would be compatible for the Americans with disabilities. Judy Reynolds asked if there had been grant research. The public hearing was closed. 7:20 p.m.
Motion by Butler seconded by Deleu, and unanimously approved to adopt the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Plan as amended.
The draft minutes of the June 3, 2006 meeting of the Commission were reviewed by the Commissioners.
A motion was made by Comm. Butler and seconded by Comm. Deleu to approve the Recreation Plan, as amended. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Item 4
Other Business
It was announced that the next action of the Commission would be a special meeting for any local unit of the Commission wishing to apply for grants, unless other business is necessary.

Item 6
Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

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Village of Brooklyn Resolution



Columbia School District Resolution

<h1 style="font-size: 2em; margin: 0;">Resolution</h1>	
<p>WHEREAS, the Columbia Board of Education has reviewed the 2007 Heart of the Lakes Recreational Committee's Recreational Plan and</p>	
<p>BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Columbia Board of Education does support the Plan so that the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Committee may solicit private and public grants for Park and Recreational projects that benefit Columbia School District community students, staff and community.</p>	
<p><i>Michelle Spence</i> _____ President, Board of Education</p> <p><i>Burt Beermann</i> _____ Superintendent</p> <p>Motion offered by <u> Vahr </u></p> <p>Supported by <u> Schedeler </u></p> <p>Roll Call: Aye <u> 7 </u> Nay <u> 0 </u></p> <p>Absent <u> </u></p> <p style="text-align: right; font-size: 0.8em;">April 9, 2007</p>	<p><i>Jeffrey Spence</i> _____ Secretary, Board of Education</p>

Columbia Township Resolution

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: the Columbia township Board has reviewed the 2007 Heart of the lakes
Recreational Committee's Recreational Plan and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED; THAT THE Columbia township Board does
support it so that the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Committee may solicit private and
public grants for Park and Recreational projects that benefit Columbia township residents
and visitors.

Resolution offered by Calhoun supported by
Baker

ROLL CALL: AYE: Kuzminski, Calhoun, Owezarski, Baker, Beamish,
Raczkowski

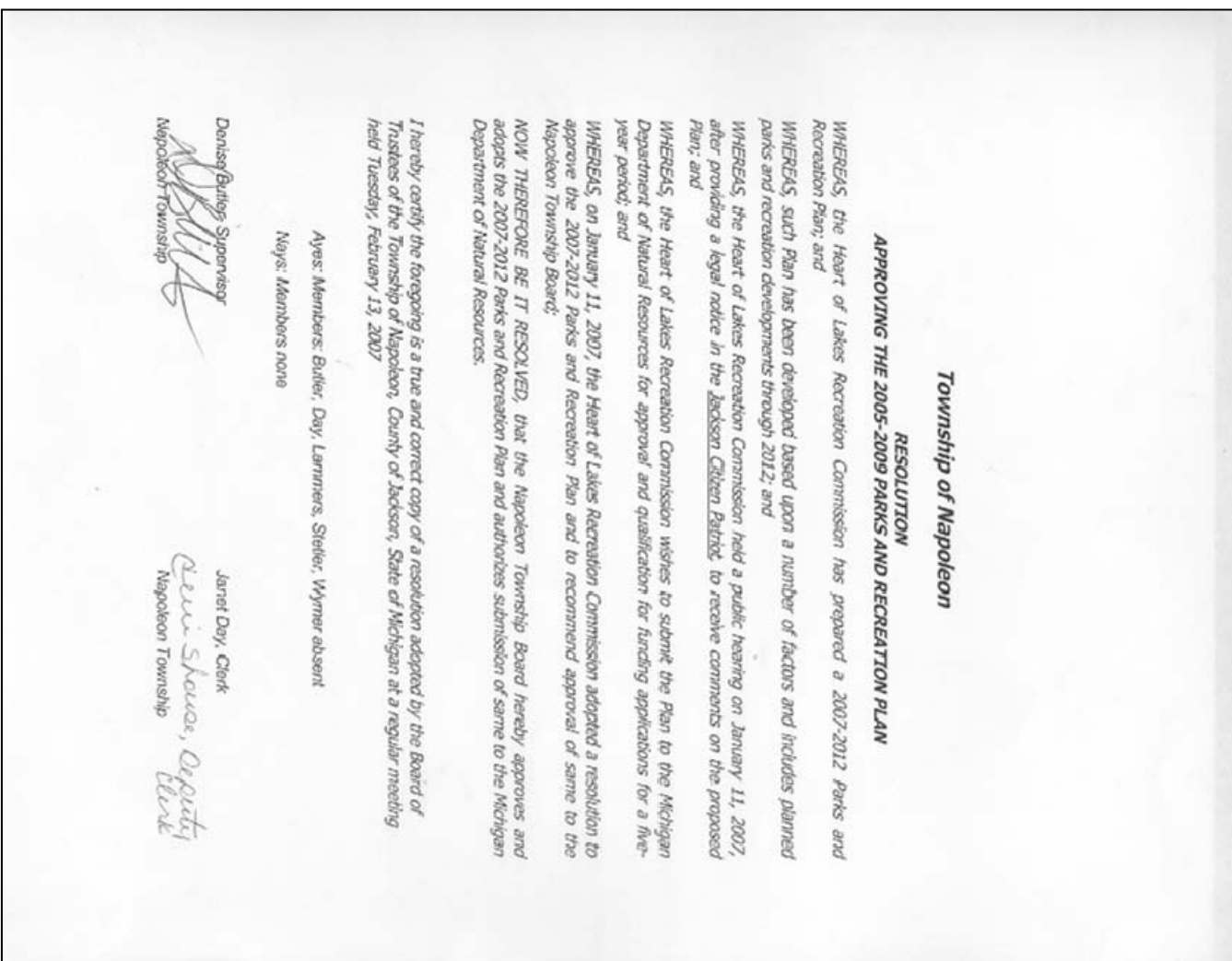
NAY: None

ABSENT: Hulbert

Resolution declared adopted.

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Napoleon Township Resolution



Norvell Township Resolution

The Township of Norvell

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Norvell Michigan, 49763
(517) 536-4370
Fax (517) 536-0110

ADAM G. ELIJAH, SUPERVISOR ANNE M. HAGGARDEN, CLERK DEBBIE SAHREN, TREASURER
TAM JOHNSON, TRUSTEE ROSE SMITH, TREASURER

Resolution 07-02

A Resolution Approving the 2007-2012 Parks and Recreation Plan

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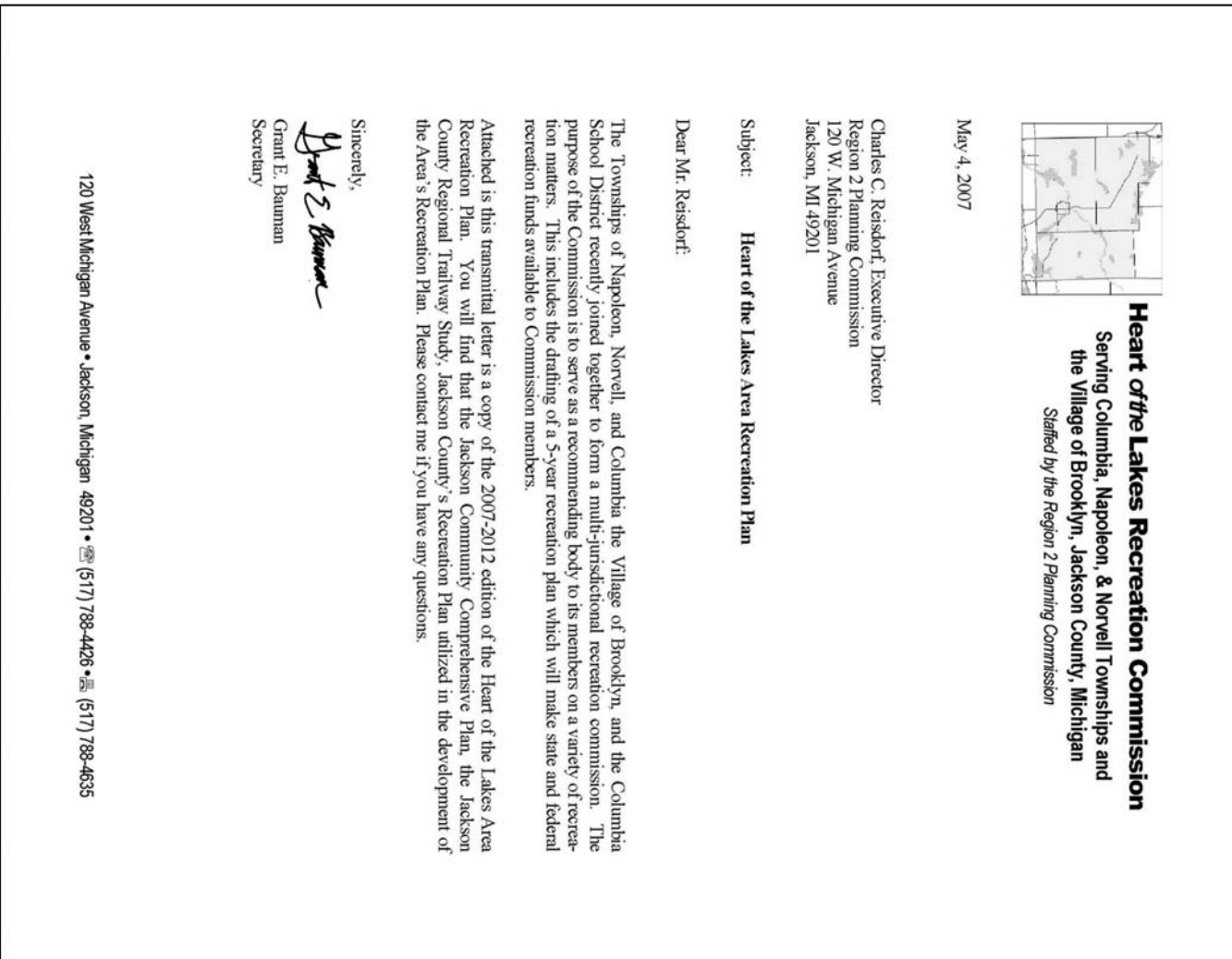
WHEREAS, on January 11, 2007, the Heart of the Lakes Recreation Commission adopted a resolution to approve the 2007-2012 Parks and Recreation Plan and to recommend approval of the same to the Norvell Township Board;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Norvell Township Board hereby approves and adopts the 2007 - 2012 Parks and Recreation Plan and authorizes submission of same to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources

I hereby certify the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Township of Norvell, County of Jackson, State of Michigan at a regular meeting held Wednesday, April 11, 2007.

Ayes: Johnson, Haggarden, Smith, Ullin, Savers.
Nays: None
Anne M. Haggarden
Anne M. Haggarden, Norvell Township Clerk

Region 2 Planning Commission Transmittal Letter



Jackson County Transmittal Letter

