

VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON



COMPREHENSIVE OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN

2014

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Abstract

A Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) is a formal document that is designed to assist communities to develop park and open space that will satisfy the needs of its citizens. The CORP provides a means of identifying, analyzing, promoting, and responding to changes in society, both present and future. The document is needed as a prerequisite for participation in outdoor recreation grant programs.

This document is an update of the original Comprehensive Plan prepared by the Brown County Planning Commission and adopted by the Village of Ashwaubenon in 1989. Village staff updated the plan in 1995, 2001, and in August of 2004. The parks have changed considerably since 1989, and the Village has recently annexed approximately one thousand acres that are not included in the original document.

This report begins with the establishment of goals and objectives that the plan will produce. It also provides important information about the social and physical characteristics of Ashwaubenon. These characteristics when applied with guidelines set by National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) provide a basis for understanding the needs for open space and recreation facilities in Ashwaubenon. The NRPA guidelines represent minimum goals for the supply of outdoor recreation space and facilities, and often can not be used as definitive evidence that the needs for open space and recreation in Ashwaubenon are being met. Based on this factor, a current needs assessment was conducted based on input from village staff, and officials, as well as comments received from a survey sent to several park user-groups. Based on this information, a list of recommendations is prepared for various park facilities throughout Ashwaubenon. The recommendations are integrated into a five year Capital Improvements Action Plan, in which each project is described, and given a date (year) for completion. Each project also includes a cost breakdown for funding purposes. A list of funding programs, both existing and potential, is identified for implementation purposes. Adoption of this Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan by the Village of Ashwaubenon and endorsement by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources will maintain the village's eligibility for the next five years to apply for and receive funding from either the state or federal government.



Ashwaubomay Park

Introduction

Parks, recreation facilities, and open space are a tremendous asset to a community. They provide leisure time opportunities for residents and visitors of the community. Public open space and recreation facilities are becoming an increasingly important investment for both municipalities and residents. Parks, recreation, and open space facilities often represent the image and perception of a community. The provision and adequate supply of areas and activities to accommodate the needs of the public has been proven to promote the general health, welfare, and safety of our communities and citizens.

Over the years, the public's desire for recreation and open space has continued to grow in such a manner that local communities across the world need to continue to provide park, open space, and recreational opportunities to their citizens. To assure that these services are provided in an efficient and effective manner, planning principles should be included as an important element of outdoor recreation and open space programs. This process is typically outlined and explained in a comprehensive outdoor recreation plan (corp).

Purpose

This document (2014) is intended to formally update the existing comprehensive park and recreation plan adopted by the Village of Ashwaubenon in 1989, and last updated in 2004. The adoption of this plan is required for the Village of Ashwaubenon to remain eligible for cost sharing aid programs administered through the State of Wisconsin.

This plan involves a cooperative effort based on resources from the original comprehensive park and recreation plan prepared by the Brown County Planning Commission, as well as input from Village staff and citizens. It is intended to guide the Village in continuing to meet open space and recreation needs of its citizens for the next five years.

Goals and Objectives

Goals and objectives are an important component in the planning process. People and groups use open space differently, which complicates the task of defining goals and objectives that apply to a broad spectrum of conditions and programs. These goals and objectives are provided to guide village staff and officials in their decision-making process with regard to open space and recreation matters. The goals set forth in this plan reflect the village's intentions to provide quality park, recreation, and open space opportunities to its citizens.

Goals and Objectives

Goal #1: *To continue to meet and exceed village recreation demands.*

- Objective A: Determine level of service required for each park based on the Smart Growth data and input from public meetings, surveys, village officials, and citizens.
- Objective B: Utilize *Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Guidelines*.
- Objective C: Recognize that different user groups have significant needs throughout the park system.
- Objective D: Recognize the significant influx of non-residential population and it's influence on future park and recreation provision.

Goal #2: *To develop more recreational opportunities, both active and passive.*

- Objective A: Plans should consider changes in land use.
- Objective B: Recreation within the parks should be diverse and applicable to all citizens.
- Objective C: Public open space and parkland should continue to meet the needs of Ashwaubenon's growing population.

Goal #3: *Develop more recreational opportunities on or near the Fox Riverfront.*

- Objective A: Promote the aesthetic value of the Fox River.
- Objective B: Promote the riparian landscape for trails, paths, and walks.
- Objective C: Link amenities located on the riverfront, such as the Railroad Museum, Ashwaubomay Park, and Fairgrounds.

Goal #4: *Provide more trails and trailheads village-wide to build on existing framework.*

- Objective A: Promote the connection of existing trails.
- Objective B: Develop a design standard for trailheads to increase public awareness and promote uniformity along trail network. This may include signage, seating, bicycle racks, and general landscape enhancements.
- Objective C: To pursue opportunities to link existing parks and public facilities by a Village wide trail network.

Goal #5: Provide new parks and amenities, open space, and outdoor recreation along with new development.

Objective A: Update the Village Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan to reflect the needs of the growing community.

Objective B: Preserve and enhance Ashwaubenon's natural resources.

Objective C: Embrace the changes that have taken place in the community, such as an increase in the population, local economy, and the retail sector.

Goal #6: Preserve and maintain all existing parks and public spaces.

Objective A: Department will provide adequate resources and personnel to maintain all parks and public spaces.

Objective B: Provide adequate accessibility to conform to ADA standards.

Objective C: Department will develop a 10 year capital improvement plan for each park site to help with future development.



Community Description

A: Social

Population trends

Ashwaubenon's population grew slowly from 540 people in 1900 to 1,088 in 1950. The next 3 decades brought dramatic increases in population before slowing in the 1980's and 1990's. The Fort Howard Paper Co. can be partially attributed to the growth from 1950 to 1980. Population fluctuation in Ashwaubenon is quite dynamic when considering the

unique mix of residential and non-residential users of park and recreation facilities. Current resident population numbers are just under 17,000 people, which can exceed an estimated 59,000 people during the daytime.

Identifiable User Groups

This document realizes the significance of the various park and recreation service user groups. In addition to permanent residents of Ashwaubenon, there exists a high concentration of non-residential development which plays an important role in planning open space and recreational facilities in the Village. There is a high amount of participation in recreational facilities from both residential and non-residential user groups living and employed in the community. The Village has determined level of use between residential and non-residential use to be 75% to 25% respectively. For example, both residents, and non-residents employed in Ashwaubenon engage in different modes of recreation like trails, picnic areas, and team sports facilities.

Table 1:

Residential Population Growth Table

<u>Year</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Numerical Difference From Previous Census</u>	<u>%change</u>
1900	551	-----	-----
1910	507	-33	-6
1920	534	27	5
1930	685	151	28
1940	900	215	31
1950	1,088	188	20
1960	2,657	1,569	59
1970	10,042	7,385	277
1980	14,490	4,488	44
1990	16,376	1,886	13
2000	17,634	1,258	8
2010	16,963	-671	-3.8
2020	17,699	736	4.3

The population and household figures were obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau. The 2020 estimate was based on information provided by ESRI (a nationally recognized demographics firm) with adjustments made by Maxfield Research Inc. Adjustments were made to reflect current year data. Maxfield Research Inc. arrived at the 2020 forecast by applying ESRI’s five-year annual growth rate projection.

It is important to understand the relationship between age and recreation opportunities when planning and considering recreation activity menus throughout the Village. The 2010 Census prepared by the U.S. Census Bureau provides the latest and most accurate profile of general demographic characteristics. The profile shows that the population of persons under the age of twenty has been slowly decreasing during the past decade, while the senior citizen population is growing quite rapidly. The population group of persons over the age of fifty-five has grown from 3566 in the 2000 census, to 4680 in the 2010 census. This represents a 31 percent increase, and is expected to continue in the coming decades.

Table 2:

Village of Ashwaubenon Census- 2010

<u>Age Group</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Under 5 years	852	5.0 (-.7%)
5 to 9 years	921	5.4 (-1.7%)
10 to 14 years	1,097	6.5 (-1.0%)
15 to 19 years	1,135	6.7 (-.7%)
20 to 24 years	1,156	6.8 (+.1%)
25 to 34 years	2,327	13.7 NC
35 to 44 years	2,052	12.1 (+5.1%)
45 to 54 years	2,743	16.2 (+1.8%)
55 to 64 years	2,201	13.0 (+3.9%)
65 to 74 years	1,298	7.6 (+2.2%)
75+	<u>1,181</u>	7.0 (+1.4%)
	16,963	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010

Historically, the Village of Ashwaubenon has effectively supplied its residents with sufficient open space and recreation opportunities. The exception lies in 1988 when the population of Ashwaubenon was approximately 15,910 people. The amount of village owned parkland was 153.42 acres. This fell short of the recreation standard recommendation of 10 acres per 1,000 and resulted in a deficit of approximately 6 acres of village owned parkland. Today, the Village of Ashwaubenon provides 299.18 acres of parkland for 16,963 residents, which is currently above the minimum standard. However, this document is to be used as a planning tool for the future of recreation and open space in Ashwaubenon. Based on population projections in table 2, the Village of Ashwaubenon should begin a proactive stance to meet the needs of an aging population, which would include in expansion of its' trailway and path system. Other senior facilities could include pickleball courts, adult fitness stations, and an expanded community center for increased senior programming.

B. Physical

As shown on map 1 (page 7), The Village of Ashwaubenon is located in the west central section of Brown County. It is bounded on the north by the City of Green Bay, on the west by the Town of Hobart, on the south by the City of De Pere and the Town of Lawrence, and on the east by the Fox River. The Village of Allouez lies on the eastern bank of the Fox River across from Ashwaubenon. The Village covers an area approximately 12.75 square miles. Seventy-eight percent of the land in the Village is developed and consists of a mixture of residential, commercial, light and heavy industrial, and institutional land uses. Major transportation routes into the village include US Highway 41 and State Highway 172.

The lowest land elevation of approximately 590 feet above sea level lies adjacent to the Fox River on the eastern boundaries of the village. The highest point is located in the westernmost section of the village where the elevation reaches approximately 700 feet. The village slopes gradually from west to east except where it is intersected by Dutchman's Creek and Ashwaubenon Creek.

Water related features remain the major natural recreational resource in Ashwaubenon. The Fox River provides the eastern boundary of the village and supplies a vast opportunity for recreation. Water quality continues to improve following the adoption of the Lower Green Bay Remedial Action Plan. A mix of land uses including industrial, commercial, residential, and park characterizes Ashwaubenon's riverfront. Historically, development occurred as land was purchased and redeveloped with little input or regard from the community. Recent efforts have been made to develop a coordinated strategy for development.

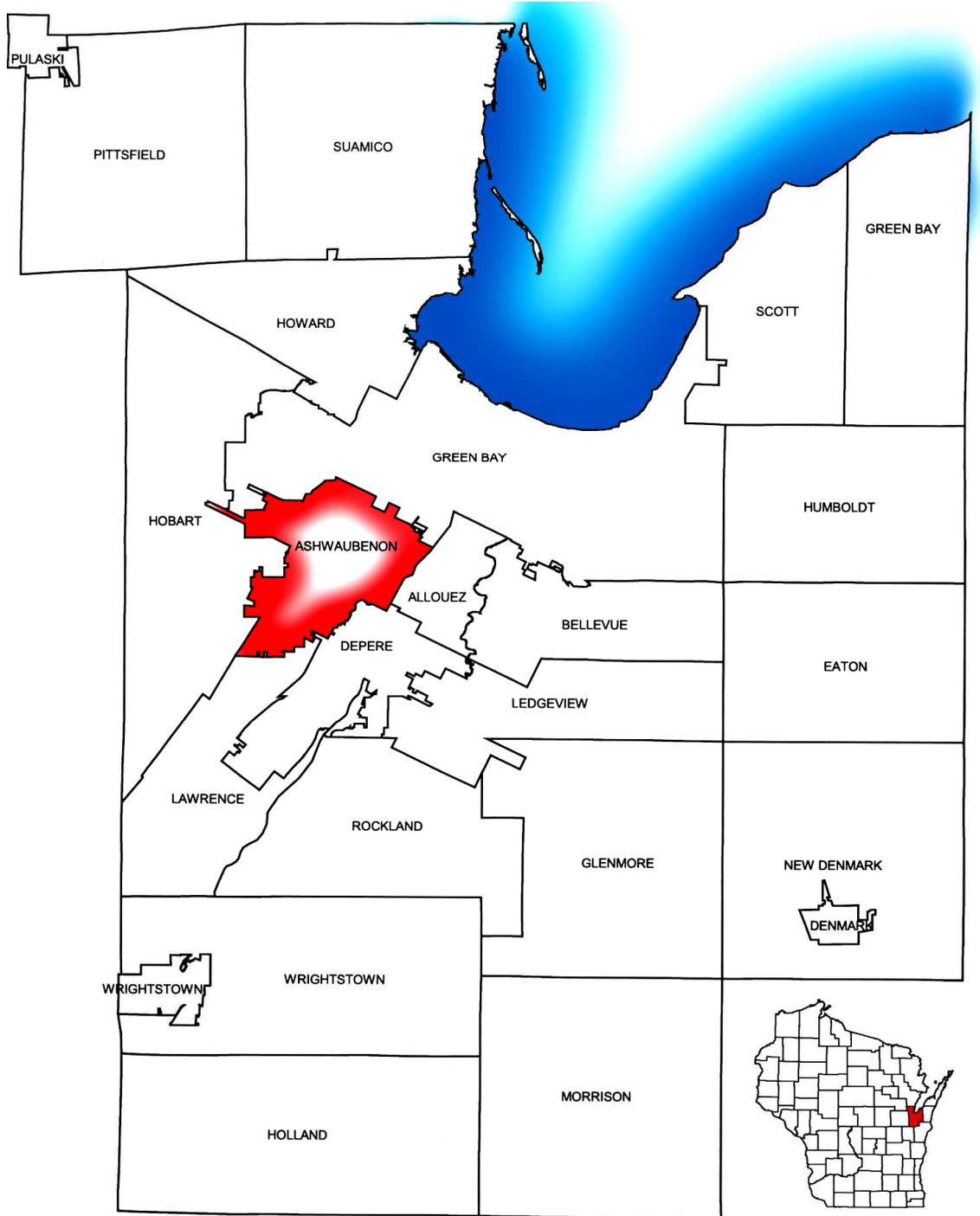
Other important water resources in the village are the Dutchman's Creek and Ashwaubenon Creek. Dutchman's Creek flows through the central section of the village before joining the Fox River at the National Railroad Museum Site. It is the slowest moving stream in Brown County at a gradient of 2.2 feet per mile. Much of Dutchman's Creek has been altered or ditched to accommodate development.

Ashwaubenon Creek forms the border with the city of De Pere before entering the Fox River at Ashwaubomay Park. Ashwaubenon Creek is another slow moving stream that flows through agricultural and developed areas of Brown County. Erosion is a concern due to the lack of vegetation and cover of the stream bank.

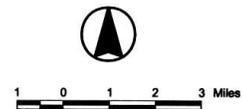


Sherwood Forest Park

Map 1
Village of Ashwaubenon in Relation to Brown County



ASHWAUBENON LOCATION IN BROWN COUNTY, WI



Outdoor Recreation Facilities Terminology

Park Classifications

The following classifications provide an overview for the existing parks in the Village of Ashwaubenon. The classifications can be used as a guideline for understanding what services are typically provided as well as the area that each park typically serves.

Mini-Park

- Used to address limited, isolated or unique recreational needs.
- Smallest Park classification.
- Typically between 2500 SF and 1 acre in size

Location:

Demographics and population play a role in location, but the Mini-Park often services a specific recreational need or takes advantage of unique opportunities. In a residential setting, the service area is usually less than 1/4 mile in radius. Accessibility is by way of interconnecting trails. Sidewalks, or low volume residential streets.

Ashwaubenon Mini-parks:

Canterbury, Gillis, Lois Aubinger, Mike Vann, Pocket Park, Skyline, Veterans

Neighborhood Park

- Remains the basic unit of the park system, which serves as the recreational / social focus of the neighborhood.
- Typically, 5 acres to 10 acres (optimal) in size

Location:

1/4 to 1/2 mile distance and should not be interrupted by non-residential roads and other physical barriers.

Ashwaubenon Neighborhood Parks:

Argonne, Bill Diamond, Ft. Howard, Hidden Valley, Sand Acres, Smith, Waterford

School Park

- Parks associated with or combined with a school site. Many times can fulfill the space requirements for other classes of parks, such as a neighborhood, community or sports complex.

Location:

Determined by location of school district property.

Size: Variable and depends on function.

Ashwaubenon School Parks:

Cormier, Klipstine, Pioneer, Valley View

Community Park

- Broader service than neighborhood park. Focus is on meeting the community based recreation needs, as well as preserving unique landscapes and open spaces.

Location:

Usually serves two or more neighborhoods and 1/2 to 3-mile distance.

Size:

As needed to accommodate desired uses. Usually between 30 and 50 acres.

Ashwaubenon Community Parks:

Ashwaubenon Sports Complex, Sherwood Forest, Ashwaubomay Park

Recreational Facilities Inventory

Mini Parks

Canterbury

Canterbury Park is located at 1154 Canterbury. The park is approximately 1 acre in size and houses the following park services: *one basketball court, two tennis courts, playground area, and picnic areas.*

Gillis

Gillis Park is located at 2174 Gilson Court. The park is 1.5 acres in size and offers the following services: *one baseball field, playground area, and picnic areas.*

Lois Aubinger

Lois Aubinger Park is located at 2201 South Ridge Road. The park is just over ½ acre in size and offers the following services: *playground area, picnic areas, and a shelter.*

Mike Vann

Mike Vann Park is located at 620 Morris Avenue. It is just over 3 acres in size and provides the following park services: *basketball court, horseshoe pits, playground area, and picnic areas.*

Pocket Park

Pocket park is located at 2300 Packerland Drive. At only .08 acres, it serves as the trailhead for the Packerland Trail. It has a rest area and bike rack.

Skyline

Skyline Park is located at 951 Park Ridge Drive. The park is nearly 1.5 acres in size and offers the following services: *one basketball / game court, playground area, picnic areas, shelter.*

Veterans

Veterans Park is located at 1292 Cormier Road. The park is approximately 1 acre in size and serves as a memorial site honoring local veterans.

Neighborhood Parks

Argonne

Argonne Park is located at 2020 Argonne Street. The park is just over 8 acres in size and offers the following services: *one soccer field, playground area, and picnic area.*

Bill Diamond

Bill Diamond is located at 2150 South Ashland Avenue. The Park is 6 acres in size and offers the following services: *two soccer fields, and the Ashwaubenon Community Gardens.*

Ft. Howard

Ft. Howard Park is located at 2172 South Broadway. The park is approximately 13 acres in size and offers the following services: *one basketball court, three soccer fields, two tennis courts, playground area, picnic areas, shelter, and walking/biking trails.*

Hidden Valley

Hidden Valley Park is located at 3001 South Packerland Drive. The park is 19 acres in size and offers the following services: *picnic areas, two volleyball courts, and walking/biking paths.*

Sand Acres

Sand Acres Park is located at 3605 South Ridge Road. The park is 6.7 acres in size and offers the following services: *playground areas, picnic areas, shelter, basketball / game court, walking paths and a sledding hill.*

Smith

Smith Park is located at 2331 Shady Lane. The 4-acre park offers the following services: *one softball field, two basketball court, two tennis courts, playground area, picnic areas and a shelter.*

Waterford

Waterford Park is located at 2890 Pioneer Drive. The park is nearly 4 acres in size and offers the following services: *playground area, picnic areas, volleyball court, sledding hill and walking/biking paths.*

School Parks

Cormier

Cormier Park is located at 2280 South Broadway. The park is over 3 acres in size and shares a school site. The following services are provided: *One baseball/softball field.*

Klipstine

Klipstine Park is located at 936 Anderson Drive. The park is 15 acres in size and offers the following services: *one baseball field, one basketball court, batting cage, horseshoe*

+*pits, playground area, picnic areas, and volleyball court.* The community center is also located at the site.

Pioneer

Pioneer Park is located at 2750 Timber Lane. The 17 acre park offers the following services: *five baseball/softball fields, one basketball court, batting cages, two soccer fields, seven tennis courts, playground area, picnic areas, and a shelter.*

Valley View

Valley View Park is located at 2200 True Lane. The park is 8 acres in size and offers the following services: *playground area and picnic areas.*

Community Parks

Ashwaubenon Sports Complex

The Ashwaubenon Sports Complex is located at 1680 Fernando Drive. The park is 42 acres in size and offers the following services: *four softball fields, two ½ court basketball courts, two soccer fields, seven tennis courts, playground area, picnic areas, shelters, restrooms, skate board park, and a three sheet hockey arena.*

Sherwood Forest

Sherwood Forest is located at 2200 Shady Lane. The 46-acre park offers the following services: *picnic/rest areas, a natural pond, tree arboretum and a walking/biking trail.*

Ashwaubomay

Ashwaubomay Park is located at 2881 So. Broadway. The park is 85 acres in size and offers the following services: *four softball/baseball fields, horseshoe pits, 2 soccer fields, picnic areas, four shelters, swimming lake, and walking/biking trails.*



Ashwaubenon Sports Complex



Ashwaubomay Park

Facilities inventory spreadsheet

	ACRES	BASKETBALL FIELDS	SOFTBALL FIELDS	BASKETBALL COURTS	PLAYING FIELD	HORSHOE DISC	SWING SET	TENNIS	TOILETS AREA	PICNIC AREA	BARBECUE	WALKWAY COURT	SPRINKLER SYSTEM	WALKING OR BIKING TRAILS	SWIMMING POOL
VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON PARKS															
Argonne	8.07						X		X	X					
Ashwaubomay	81.51	X				X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ash. Sports Complex	47.20		X	X			X	X	X	X	X				X
Bill Diamond Fields	6.00						X								
Canterbury	39			X				X	X	X					
Cormier	1.17	X													
Fl. Howard	42.00			X			X	X	X	X	X			X	
Gillis	1.39	X							X	X					
Hidden Valley	49.01									X	X	X		X	
Klipstine	15.05	X		X		X			X	X	X	X			
Mike Vann	1.17			X		X			X	X					
Pioneer	16.58		X	X			X	X	X	X	X				
Sand Acres	7.1			X	X				X	X	X				
Sherwood Forest	11.40									X				X	
Skyline	1.45			X					X	X	X	X			
Smith	1.39		X	X		X		X	X	X	X				
Lois Aubinger	8.1								X	X	X				
Valley View	4.89								X	X					
Veteran's	.63														
Waterford	1.89				X			X	X		X			X	

* Memorial Park - Monument site to honor local Veterans *

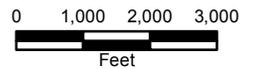
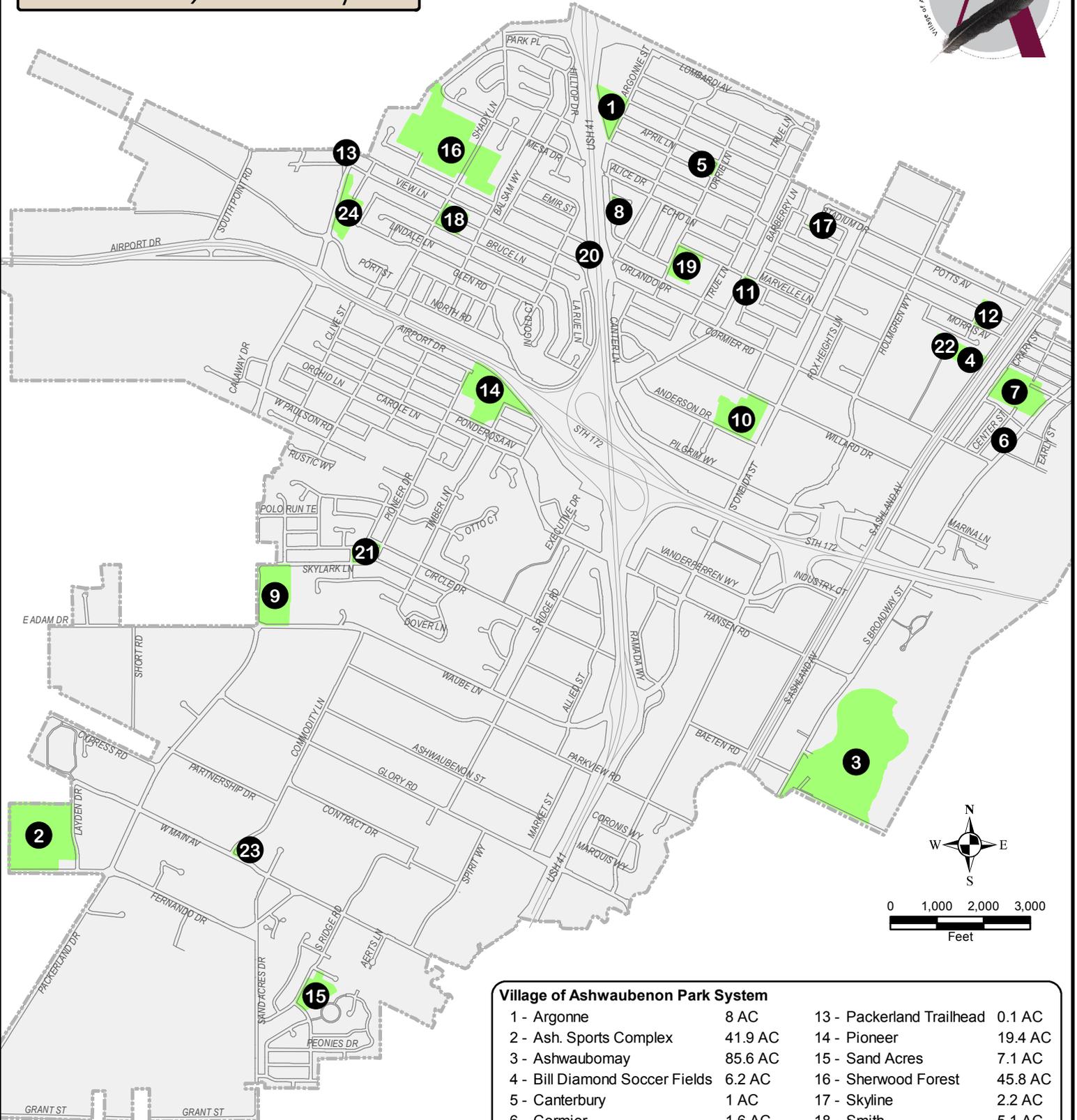
VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON - Trail System

PARK NAME	ADDRESS	MILEAGE
ASC	1680 Fernando Dr	0.199
Ashwaubomay - River	2881 S Broadway Av	0.91
Hidden Valley	3001 S Packerland Dr	0.85
Industrial Park	W Main Av @ Commodity/Waube Ln	1.26
Main Ave	Packerland/Commodity	0.43
Packerland Trail	Cormier/Fernando	3.2
Pioneer Park	2570 Timber Ln	0.31
Sherwood Forest	2200 Shady Ln	1.04
Waterford Park	2890 Pioneer Dr	0.38
Waube	Packerland/Ridge	1.08
Sand Acres Trail	3605 S Ridge Rd	0.42
		10.079

**6.88 of "stand-alone" trail (paved)

VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON
COMPREHENSIVE OUTDOOR RECREATION PLAN

Village of Ashwaubenon Park System Map



Legend

- Village Streets
- Municipal Boundary
- Park Land

Village of Ashwaubenon Park System

1 - Argonne	8 AC	13 - Packerland Trailhead	0.1 AC
2 - Ash. Sports Complex	41.9 AC	14 - Pioneer	19.4 AC
3 - Ashwaubomay	85.6 AC	15 - Sand Acres	7.1 AC
4 - Bill Diamond Soccer Fields	6.2 AC	16 - Sherwood Forest	45.8 AC
5 - Canterbury	1 AC	17 - Skyline	2.2 AC
6 - Cormier	1.6 AC	18 - Smith	5.1 AC
7 - Fort Howard	14.7 AC	19 - Valley View	7 AC
8 - Gillis	1.7 AC	20 - Veteran's Memorial	0.8 AC
9 - Hidden Valley	18 AC	21 - Waterford	3.8 AC
10 - Klipstine	14.4 AC	22 - Community Garden	1.1 AC
11 - Lois Aubinger	0.9 AC	23 - West Main Trailhead	1.3 AC
12 - Mike Vann	2.3 AC	24 - Village Tree Nursery	7.8 AC

Current Conditions

There are 22 park sites in Ashwaubenon that range dynamically in size and service. The parks are distributed somewhat unevenly due to land use patterns and zoning, with much of the open space occurring in the northern half of the village, which is mainly residential.

Determining if a community's open space needs are being met can often be a challenging task. The process is often not methodical and depends heavily on input from community residents, officials, and staff. The best guide available for use in this plan update includes standards from the National Park and Recreation Association. These standards represent minimum goals and are not applicable to all locations universally. It is also important to understand that each community has unique social, cultural, economic, and geographic factors that may limit the legitimacy of the standards being applied.

Recreation Standards

Jurisdictional Standards

- Recreational Lands Provided by the State-----70 acres/1,000
- Recreational Lands Provided by the County-----15 acres/1,000
- Recreational Lands Provided by the Local Community-10 acres/1,000
- Recreational Lands Provided by the Private Sector----- 5 acres/1,000

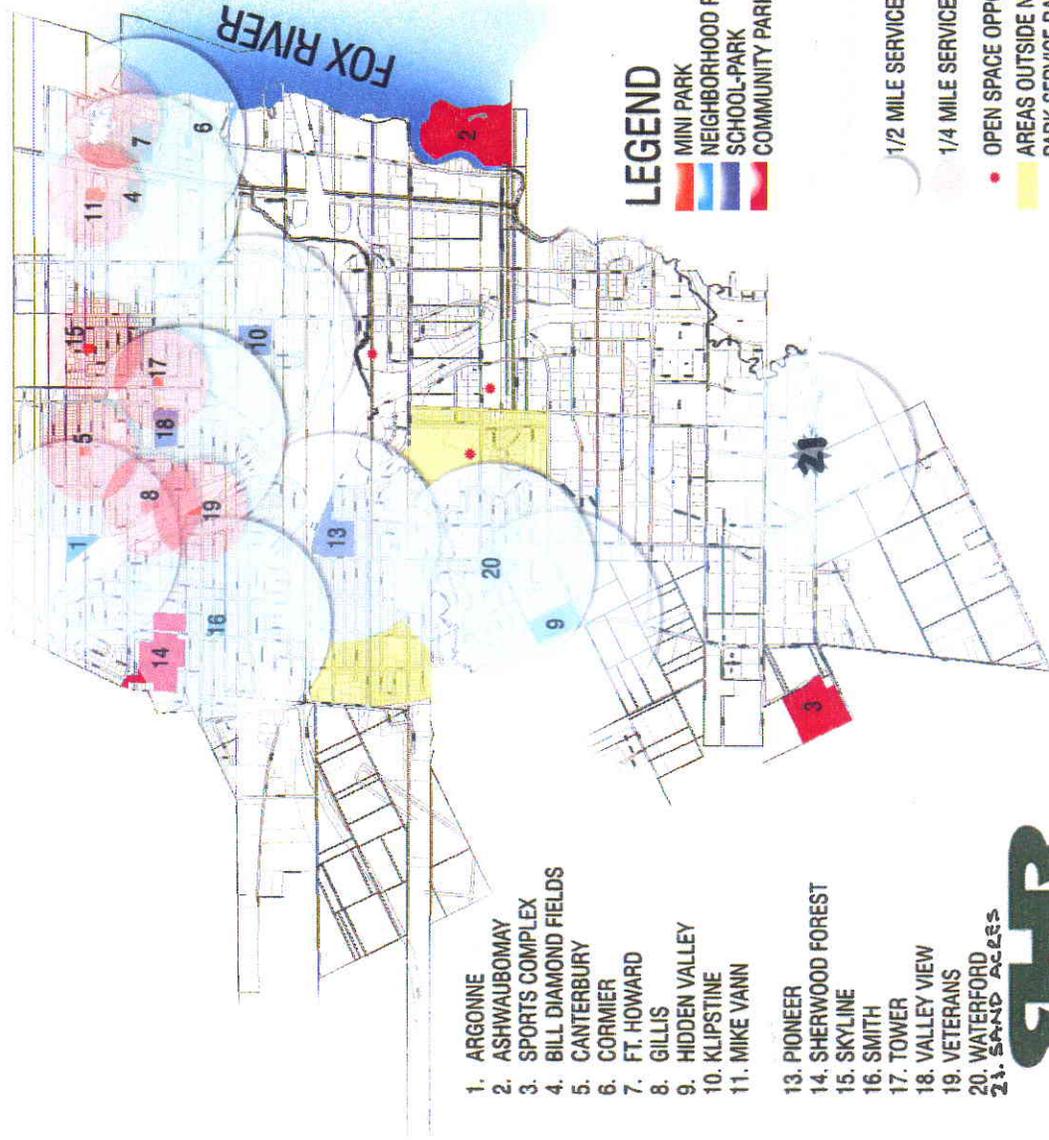
Local communities should provide between 6.25 and 10.5 acres per 1,000 persons.

- The Village of Ashwaubenon currently provides 15.57 acres of park, recreation, and open space lands per 1,000 residents.

Specific Standards

- Community Parks-----5 - 8 acres/1,000
Ashwaubenon Community Parks----- **9.65 acres/1,000** (permanent residents)
- Neighborhood Parks-----1 - 2 acres/1,000
Ashwaubenon Neighborhood Parks-----**5.25 acres/1,000** (permanent residents)
- Mini-Parks ----- 0.25 - 0.5 acres/1,000
Ashwaubenon Mini-Parks----- **.67 acres/1,000** (permanent residents)

PARK LOCATION /SERVICE ANALYSIS VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON



1. ARGONNE
2. ASHWAUBOMAY
3. SPORTS COMPLEX
4. BILL DIAMOND FIELDS
5. CANTERBURY
6. CORMIER
7. FT. HOWARD
8. GILLIS
9. HIDDEN VALLEY
10. KLIPSTINE
11. MIKE VANN
13. PIONEER
14. SHERWOOD FOREST
15. SKYLINE
16. SMITH
17. TOWER
18. VALLEY VIEW
19. VETERANS
20. WATERFORD
21. SAND ACRES



Accessibility Guidelines

Accessible: Describes a site, building, facility, or portion thereof that complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG) as interpreted by the Department of Commerce in the Wisconsin Administrative Code and Register for Barrier-Free Design.

Newly designed or newly constructed and altered recreation facilities shall comply with the applicable requirements for accessibility to buildings and facilities by individuals with disabilities under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, including revisions and updates (2010). The Village of Ashwaubenon has developed an ADA facility & audit plan which addresses areas of improvement for Ashwaubenon park facilities.

Outdoor Recreation Needs Assessment

Public Input

An important part of the planning process includes input from the public. Seven neighborhood public input meetings were held in 2012, and over 125 additional questionnaires were received from a user survey distributed to residents by mail, with on-line availability. Citizens were given the opportunity to comment on what types of recreation facilities and activities were needed and where. Public Input meetings were held as follows:

June 27 – Skyline Park
June 18 – Fort Howard Park
August 1 – Canterbury Park
August 15 – Lois Aubinger Park
August 29 – Smith Park
September 12 – Pioneer Park
October 3 Sand Acres Park

The following is a list of comments received. A survey form is included on page 55.

Argonne Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- I do not use the park – I am 72 years old. All of my children are grown and live elsewhere but I drive by it often and it looks very nice and clean.
- I have lived here for 20 years and it does not look like you have put any money into this park.
- Open space
- Restroom

Provide information regarding *requested* village facilities or amenities (i.e. playground equipment, court area, trails, athletic fields, benches, etc.) or potential *changes/additions* you would like to see. Be sure to like the park(s).

- More equipment to play on at Argonne Park (2)
- Equipment is old. Needs equipment for older (than toddlers) kids.
- More picnic tables (2)
- Needs major upgrade!
- Need items/toys for older kids too in addition to swings.
- A basketball pole and area would be nice. (2)
- Tennis court or volleyball area (2)
- Restroom
- Picnic shelter
- Football Field and goal posts

If you are representing a specific *user* group, please list the specific size facility, field(s) needed, and any amenities for proposed facilities.

- a) What are the projected dates your group would use the facility?
 - Weekends
- b) What is the approximate number of participants?
 - Ourselves (2) and grandson and maybe some friends

Additional comments:

- My grandchildren enjoy Argonne Park. Playing in the sand is fun for them. May increase this.
- Just a thought, lots of kids enjoy park, think they would use a lot.
- Something new that would hold attention of youngsters such as teeter-totter.
- Grandchildren love the digger slide, swings, climbing apparatus. Soccer field is well cared for.
- Keep the summer Park program at all the parks, don't make them walk or bike to other neighborhoods.

Maintenance comments:

- Existing spring toys are in need of work – some are slanted and worn.

Ashwaubomay Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- Swimming area is terrific.
- Ashwaubomay Park Baseball complex is excellent! (2)
- Ashwaubomay Park Baseball Complex is a terrific facility that receives "rave" reviews from visiting teams. PR&F and

AYB have worked well together to continue to upgrade the facility.

- Excellent lake and river views

- Need a boat landing
- Very nice
- Baseball facilities at is excellent with good parking, concession stand, restrooms.
- The lake is great for the teens. Love all the swing seats along the riverfront—a walking path would be nice along the river
- Beautiful plantings at entrance. Nice plant composition—very striking
- Walking Paths around perimeter (take advantage of water view at Ash.)
- Ashwaubomay is a wonderful facility for all of our village to be proud of. Thank you Parks Dept.

Provide information regarding *requested* village facilities or amenities (i.e. playground equipment, court area, trails, athletic fields, benches, etc.) or potential *changes/additions* you would like to see. Be sure to like the park(s).

- Needs more grass/shade!
- Maybe some huge slides and more water toys.
- I would like to see consideration given to building a covered pavilion within the grounds of the baseball complex. An area that has picnic tables where people can gather to eat, converse, or seek shelter from rain. Currently there isn't a place to do that. I've been to several complexes that provide this and it really is a nice compliment.
- Sprinkler Pad
- Wish sledding hill higher, but sure a lot of fun
- Basketball facilities great at Ash. Park
- Extend river walk system, make longer, access points need marking, bike trails around village may not be obvious
- Awesome – nice to have covers over the bleachers. Well maintained diamonds and excellent concession stand.
- Provides all – no need for more restrooms at other parks
- Love walking in the hickory tree area and along the creek and the river, sitting on the swing and relaxing. Hope the river gets cleaned up and offers more shoreline to walk in the sand. Enjoy x-country skiing there on occasion. Pools and athletic fields are gorgeous.
- Playground equipment needs to be enhanced. With all the family reunions tournaments, etc. held there the playground equip is very sparse at best.
- Would be nice to have more trails. Like the Fox River trail, but need to go farther to get on it.
- Walking trail around the entire property.
- How about an enclosed pavilion with electricity for family reunions etc. Rain or shine rental.
- How about shaded areas with picnic tables and grills for family and friends to gather. This would open up the park and is so needed.
- Security nets are needed to prevent foul balls from the big diamond hitting fans at the other three diamonds

If you are representing a specific *user* group, please list the specific size facility, field(s) needed, and any amenities for proposed facilities.

- a) What are the projected dates your group would use the facility?
 - Summers
- b) Ashwaubomay needs an additional small baseball field to bring all AYB games and practices to that park. It would be for 5-8 year olds, so it would not have to be elaborate; skinned infield with backstop and wing fencing (no outfield fence needed)
 - April – July yearly. 280 practices, 282 league games, 98 tournament games, 54 league tournament games over 300 Ashwaubenon families. Funding contribution an option.

Additional Comments:

- Listed as a facility that is adequate or successful.
- I served on the park board and everything seems to be running well. My wife and many other people including myself were successful in getting our “man-made lake” and that also seems to be operating well. Keep up the good work.
- Like how you always keep us informed, Ashwaubenon is great for all parks and improving rec. facilities
- Paved multi use trails—currently runners and bikers share road with cars
- Adequate for our needs
- Love the shelter with electric and restrooms we rent.
- Although our children are grown and we don’t use them ourselves, we think the baseball diamonds are a wonderful part of our community.
- A great park that serves multiple purposes and sports
- Attend baseball – grandchildren play there
- The entrance to the park is dated and does not reflect the beauty or excellent facilities at the park.
- Great place to walk, bike—enjoy always clean
- Lake is very nice/playground equip. good
- Good set up/parking, concessions
- All OK other than Ash. Lake—see very little usage.
- Dugouts for the high school field are grossly undersized for more than 4 athletes to a team plus 4 coaches and equipment.

Maintenance Comments:

- Don’t use the lake because every time I have, I have gotten a rash.
Does anyone test the water?
- Geese control, too much feces – you can hardly get to the river’s edge

Ashwaubenon Sports Complex

(Cornerstone)

Provide Information regarding **existing** facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- Thanks for adding the 7th court
- New surface on tennis courts must be budgeted or some type of cleaning mold off during season. Dangerous liability to slipping and falling occurs.

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- Tennis storage appreciated
- 7 courts are used for match play. We have six at Pioneer and could hope Pioneer would improve soon.
- Girls High School Tennis program –more benches needed for viewing.

If you are representing a specific **user group**, please list the specific size facility, field(s) needed, and any amenities for proposed facilities.

Additional comments:

- Like variety of facilities at **Cornerstone**
- I like **Cornerstone** Baseball Facilities
- New backboards needed

Canterbury Park

Provide information regarding **existing** facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- I use the tennis courts, they are great! (2)
- I like the playground opportunities. (2)
- The swings are a big hit with my granddaughter as is the merry go round.
- The playground equipment is fine and is used a lot by neighborhood kids and people who come by car.
- The basketball court is frequently occupied.
- Canterbury needs equipment upgrades and more monitoring at night.

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- Newer and more playground equipment. (2)
- Different and more swings.
- An idea to increase utilization would be to give the neighborhood kids somewhere to inline skate besides the road.
- Provide a skate track or flat pad suitable for hockey. No jumps, not a skate park for boards.
- Due to location of swings, they can be too hot to use. Shade for swings.
- Grandchildren enjoy basketball area, sandbox, swings, bars, slide, fire truck, merry-go-round, have attended time with parkies on occasion.
- Nice to have port-a-poty and drinking fountain
- It would be nice if there were a trail on this side of the river like the Fox River Trail

Additional comments:

- Used when children were small
- More picnic tables during Packers games – highly used, leave port a potty longer for games.

- There are some who will practice hockey on the tennis courts.
While this is not good for the tennis court, alternatives are not handy.
- More monitoring at night. Lots of older kids there in the evening (2)
- Great tennis courts
- Nice to take grandchildren to

Maintenance comments:

- New sand in the sandbox. It is rock hard.

Fort Howard Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- Fort Howard does have good variety for the children.
- I love the playground at Fort Howard!

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- It would be nice to let dogs be allowed on the trail around the park – if on leash, licensed and have shots up to date. It would be something easy and no charge.
- I think Fort Howard needs to be cleaned up a little – less vandalizing.
- I would like to see more at Fort Howard Park, like a toddler station.
- A small shelter building with restrooms, especially because of the sports that go on. (2)
- A bench swing for parents/grandparents.
- More benches
- Two more regular swings and a disability swing
- Another drinking fountain.

Additional comments:

- I actually do not use the park anymore or the walking trail because it says no dogs, although some walk their down on the trails.
- Nice job to see the schools using the park for competitions. Visitors appear to respect the facilities.
- Nice job keeping the parks clean!
- I noticed some of the kids groups will actually do a “trash” pick up as part of their program. What a neat idea!

Maintenance comments:

- Could we get rid of the Canadian Geese? What a mess they make!

Gillis Park

Provide information regarding *requested* village facilities or amenities (i.e. playground equipment, court area, trails, athletic fields, benches, etc.) or potential *changes/additions* you would like to see. Be sure to like the park(s).

- Redo baseball diamond with fence or remove and install basketball court and tennis court.
- A sidewalk around the park would be nice to use to skate on.
- New equipment.

Hidden Valley Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- Keep Hidden Valley rustic. A great place to walk, summer or winter.

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If you are representing a specific *user* group, please list the specific size facility, field(s) needed, and any amenities for proposed facilities.

- a) Paved trail (currently gravel) between Pioneer Dr. and Waube Ln—currently it is extremely difficult for bikes to travel on gravel.
- b) There is no safe crossing of Packerland to get to Packerland trail, except lights at Waube and Packerland, and it's hard to get to that point on a bike
- c) Love the trail. Looking forward to x-country skiing. Do you groom the trails? Gravel is less than ideal and may scratch my skis
- d) Need more lighting in parking area – somewhat creepy in the early evening or at least has that aura.
- e) Drinking fountain
- f) Trails are nice, paved would be an improvement. (2)
- g) Any bike lanes and trails would make Ashwaubenon even more bike friendly
- h) Paved walking trails—unsure footing and ruts caused by bikes and wash outs
- i) Needs a portable toilet

Additional comments:

- Trails and park is nice but due to its “hidden nature”, I get the sense that the park is being used for illicit purposes (i.e. drug deals). Please consider how to maintain this facility, but also to address how this park appears to be used or misused.
- **Hidden Valley** was allowed to proceed with development and build structures because Schneider Employees used the park for lunch-and healthy physical activities. After that Sherwood Forest got forgotten. **Hidden Valley** has got most of resources. They are

different types of parks but still deserve equal resources. Check the minutes of those meetings. (Sorry I see this has been done!)

- Have heard nasty rumors about what people do at that park. I won't walk in these unless I am with another person.
- Like to walk trails (3)
- Need to be patrolled more often (strange sex things go on at that park)

Maintenance comments:

- Need to be mowed more often

Klipstine Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- Summer concerts are a wonderful treat with access to restrooms and the concession food stand.
- Playground equipment.
- Enjoy music in the park and look forward to breakfast with the experts.
- A new Community Center (building) would be nice as ours is so old and smells old
- Like the music in the park

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- Around the equipment by the school it stays wet too long and weeds are all over the grounds.
- Playground equipment
- Bathrooms
- The Community Center could really use many facility updates like newer meeting rooms, computers, more furniture, more welcoming amenities, and carpeting. It needs to be more comfortable and inviting to truly be a Community Center.
- Needs paint interior—needs updating
- It would be nice to have more benches at Klipstine Park especially for the concerts. A stage would be nice for the bands so we could see them.
- Enjoy the swings in the park. Pumping up high is more fun than doing sit ups in the living room, when swings are adjustable to proper height for adults. Also chin up bars etc, some could be adjusted to adult height.
- Could use water at Community Center
- Concession stand and bathroom facilities need to be improved
- Lighting at Krcmar field needs an upgrade since it was installed in 1972. Lights are needed at the field for maximum usage for parking lots, high school games and for delays due to rain. Baseball is not a day game any longer. Little league fans have lights for fans

to be present and Babe Ruth and/or high school J.V. or freshman games should likewise be able to have a lighted field to play on.

- Ed Krcmar Field is adequate for AYB's current use, but could use improvements.
- A campfire pit @ the community center

If you are representing a specific *user* group, please list the specific size facility, field(s) needed, and any amenities for proposed facilities.

- Merely a group of senior ladies who meet for lunch regularly and look forward to the summer concerts.
- Klipstine Park needs/Ed Krcmar Field needs lighting, permanent restrooms and an upgraded concession stand. Blacktop around the seating area would also be preferred.

Additional comments:

- Have only used the Community Center and everything was okay for anniversary party and graduation party.
- Hope that the concerts will continue since I have enjoyed them every year.
- The pre-school story time and craft preceding the music is a great thing for little once.
- We used the Community Center in 2010 for a family reunion and everything was very well taken care of.
- I used the Community Center seven years ago and it was very nice. Time limits were a little tight but it worked out well.
- When concerts are going on there is not enough handicapped parking.
- Do enjoy music in the park and "senior lunch day"
- Concerts are beautiful (2)
- Breakfast with the experts – very interesting. Please keep it going.
- Adequate for our needs
- We have attended Klipstine park music – wonderful
- A year ago we rented the Rec Center for a rehearsal dinner—it was perfect for our needs
- Nice shaded park suitable for enjoying music in the park
- When can we do a survey on **Rec Center** (I would never book an event there— antiquated and let's ask the Packers for \$\$ to improve our community Center as we have surely given them enough funding/ Support for whatever they want
- VFW group is satisfied with park. Well kept up
- Don't have ability to visit other parks
- Great job on Wednesdays at Klipstine Park.
- We enjoyed the music. Very good food.

Lois Aubinger Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- I was glad to see that the park got new "riders" and new woodchips.
- Love the new equipment and maintenance.
- Merry go round is great!
- Teeter totter does not teeter nor does it totter it just sits there and barely jiggles.

- Restrooms
- Picnic tables
- Drinking fountain
- Shelter
- Play area

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- A few more benches and tables would be nice.
- 1-2 charcoal grills
- Porta potty (male and female)
- Volleyball/badminton net
- A-2 more picnic tables

Additional comments:

- Aubinger Park could use a port a potty/Water

Mike Vann Park

Provide information regarding *requested* village facilities or amenities (i.e. playground equipment, court area, trails, athletic fields, benches, etc.) or potential *changes/additions* you would like to see. Be sure to like the park(s).

- Put a baseball field back in at Mike Van Park! Then kids wouldn't have to cross Ashland Ave.

Additional comments:

- It has taken years and a lot of complaining to get it where it is today. Too bad this wasn't done until our kids grew up and left. I must say you have done a good job since.
- Mike Vann Park is small however it would encourage young couples to buy first time home close to the park.

Morris Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- Currently equipment is just fine and need not be upgraded.

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- Move equipment to another park.
- Instead of “retiring” Morris Park, make it a dog park, so we don’t have to go all the way to NWTC area.

Additional comments:

- I think Morris needs to be retired; it seems to never be used.
- In time, it should be retired and just become a green space.
- I believe that Morris Park should be closed.
- Possible to sell lot for home building and father some tax dollars.

Pioneer Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- Would like to see 1 or 2 benches near playground for us older people to sit and watch our grandchildren play.
- Excellent athletic facilities for softball
- Love tennis, soccer, baseball and softball
- Sometimes poop on slide
- Would love splash pad
- Enjoy family night in August
- Restrooms updated/more
- Very nice
- Love the paved paths – great for walking or biking
- Walking paths around perimeter

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- Need tennis backboards. This allows for people to practice when no partner is available.
- Proposed walking trail and small snow sledding hill.
- I suggest adding 2 more basketball poles/goals adjacent to the existing basketball court near the tennis courts
- Shade shelters are needed at both parks
- Benches are needed – they should be comfortable
- Restrooms that are permanently open.
- Lights at Basketball/Tennis courts
- Redo tennis court surfaces
- Like the adult equipment for workouts
- More shade at ball diamonds, benches in shaded areas and more restrooms
- Drinking fountain
- Accessible toilet facilities
- AHS girls tennis high school program – more benches needed for viewing
- A campfire pit at Pioneer Park or the community center.

Additional comments:

- Adequate for our needs
- Since the ordinance changes allowing dogs on a pass-through basis, I have seen an increase in dogs off leash at Pioneer Park. The majority of the time, I observe the owners not picking up after their pets. Perhaps the addition of signs reminding owners, that dogs must be leashed!! Then again, some owners just don't care about others.
- Pioneer Park has met my family's needs for 30 years. I raised 3 daughters using that park and now a grandson. The horse swings are a favorite.
- We attend baseball –grandchildren play at both
- New backboards needed
- My daughters were involved in Ash. Girl's softball in the 90's. Pioneer facilities are something for the residents to be proud of.
- I would like to see outhouses that have sanitizer in them

Sand Acres Park

Provide information regarding **existing** facilities that are adequate or successful for you use. (i.e. playground equipment, lake, restrooms, trails, athlete fields, etc.)

- We love Sand Acres Park. The playground is wonderful. Our grandkids love it. We also like the trails.
- Playground, industrial park trail
- Walking trail or tike trail around park and would be great if we could extend trail all the way to Main Street trail. Also would be great if Main Street trail parking lot could have snow removal so we could park to use the trail for snow showing in winter.
- Very good – beautiful park
- No restrooms for winter sledding problems
- For the safety of children, there should be “No Parking” across the street both west and south of the park
- Great neighborhood park
- Playground equipment, benches for seating, picnic tables are all great (2)
- Sledding Hill, shelter
- Bike/walking path from Sand Acres to the bike path on W. Main. Currently there is no safe way to bike outside this area. With Sand Acres in the process of being resurfaced this would be a great time to add a bike/walk path.

Provide any information regarding **requested** village facilities or amenities (i.e. playground equipment, court area, trails, athletic fields, benches, etc.) or potential **changes/additions** you would like to see. Be sure to list the parks(s)

- Bathrooms at Sand Acres park pavilion/shelter for parkees and restrooms would be ideal.
- Poor parking areas when cars are parked on both sides of Ridge and Misty Meadow Lane. One is not able to see any children who may be between cars. Through traffic is limited. Off street parking is necessary.
- 2 planters – weeds and shrubs that have never been trimmed – overgrown.

- Would like to see a blacktop trail around the park (similar to the one at Waterford Park)
- A trail for walking (2)
- An accident waiting to happen- - Sand Acres Park due to very high usage at park and only on street parking available now, there is a great potential of injury or worse with all of the children crossing(or darting in and around) cars. An off street parking lot is an ABSOLUTE NECESSITY to alleviate some of the problems.
- Parking needs to be improved either by only permitting parking on the side of the street adjacent to the park or with parking spaces
- Tennis court if room allows.
- Belong to a bike and snowshoe club. Would be great if we could get more trails. We like to bike at least 20 miles and usually always bike the Fox River trail, but is getting so busy.
- Need more sitting equip for parents and seniors near equip-shaded-canopy, shelter
- Would like to see the paved bike trail that turns north at Main Ave and Commodity extended from that intersection along Main Ave to the intersection of Main Ave and Ridge Rd. The Sand Acres neighborhood is isolated and it is dangerous to bike down to the trail with children along Main Ave.

Additional comments:

- Grandkids love equipment, especially spider web, climbing rocks, and apparatus. Port a potty ok. Good for little and larger kids. Only street parking. No adult activities, walking, stretching, etc
- Facilities and equip are well maintained
- The playground equipment at **Sand Acres Park** is awesome. I take my grandchildren there when they visit. I wish we had similar quality equip at more parks like Smith
- Never used, but live near it, drive past it and walk past it. It is unfortunate that a parking lot was not included in this park's design. (2) When cars are parked on both sides at Ridge Road there is not much room for other cars to pass and at times dangerous when people are getting in and out of their vehicles.
- Playground equipment is wonderful. We have taken our great granddaughter there quite often and she loves it.
- We just email and show up and go. Great exercise
- I believe Ashwaubenon's Sand Acres park is one of the BEST!! Also love the Main Street walking trail. LOVE IT.
- Are the two families whose names are on the park signs still actively doing anything or do we need new volunteers?
- Sand Acres is a great park. We are thankful we live so close!
- Doggy bags located on Main Street. Walking trails with disposable garbage cans along Main Street walking trail and on Packerland. Seeing way too much dog poop right on trail. I own a dog and always pick-up after. But I think a lot of people forget their bags.

Maintenance comments:

- Garbage cans frequently over full, could be emptied more often.

Sherwood Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- a) Dirty scummy pond
- b) Trails are great (3)
- c) Possible solar lights, walking trails since this park is so large.
- d) Trash barrel at parking lot entrances (3)
- e) Love taking walks through Sherwood Forest (2)
- f) Signs outside of Sherwood indicate dogs not allowed in any village park, but can that be removed for Sherwood Forest? People bring their dogs through there and I have an issue. Having one dog friendly park (even with a leash requirement) isn't asking too much.
- g) Enjoy the use of trails for walking and biking.
- h) The pond needs immediate attention. Not a pleasant sight to see scum all summer on the water. This park upkeep seems to be lacking compared to other parks. Would be nice not to walk thru weeds.
- i) Wonderful for walking
- j) Trails are comfortable for walking and biking in some areas are "tricky" for 6-10 year olds.
- k) Green pond—How do you improve this? (5)
- l) I enjoy the nature/undeveloped (except for trails)
- m) Dog walk – would like to enjoy the park with pets (we all own it and should show accountability to clean up after pets)
- n) WE NEED THIS PARK FOR ELDERLY AND THEIR PETS.
- o) More trails, better brush clean up, more garbage cans, snow plowing in winter, something so boardwalks aren't so slippery (2)
- p) Some picnic tables
- q) New benches
- r) Bio diversity (balance/care)
- s) Love, love Sherwood forest
- t) A rest room would be great or a water fountain
- u) Love the benches (3)
- v) I use the park a few times a week
- w) Trails are great (3)
- x) Some areas of trail are low and need gravel
- y) Boardwalk is in poor condition (2)
- z) Neat to see a park informational sign.
- aa) Loved to walk the restful are with family
- bb) Love the trails. The different pine trees with labels are very educational.

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- Would like to see an aerator in the pond (5)

- The path parallel to Shady Lane needs to be built up. It gets very wet and a part is under water after a rain. Also some standing water is around the path. Maybe fill in those parts too. (2)
- It would be good to have an aeration system (i.e. fountain or similar system for the pond to cut down on algae.)
- Would like to see more walking trails at Sherwood Forest Park

Additional comments:

- Like those trails and greatly appreciate the trees planted there and identified with markers. Very educational. Like seeing the ducks in the pond. Enjoy the flowers planted at each park and volunteers who care for them. Outstanding job.
- I like the updated playground equip to ensure safety at our parks. I would like Sherwood to be maintained at its present state for great nature walks.
- Please put signs in Sherwood forest that say you will be fined for not picking up doggie do and also throwing rubbish
- Retaining pond is in dire need of attention (6)
- Initiate a buckhorn control effort
- We have contacted our village trustee multiple times about cleaning up the pond in Sherwood Forest and were told every time there have been multiple requests for this but no money. We continue to spend money on playground equip for other parks, why can't we spend money to clean up a beautiful resource we have. Not all residents have children that would use the playground equipment we continue to spend money on. We have an aging community who would also like to enjoy natural parks such as Sherwood Forest. Because of the lack of attention this pond has received, instead of being something we could be proud of, it's embarrassing. Recently we were told some chemicals were added to the pond to assist with the green slime, but it doesn't appear to have made much of an improvement. I work at Thrivent Financial in Appleton where we have 2 ponds and we recently spent the time and money to develop them and refill them when they started to form a similar green slime. I would be more than happy to put the Ashwaubenon Village in touch with one facilities group at work to gain more knowledge on this effort. Please spend some time, effort, and money on a natural resource we have in this park and not only on playground equip, etc. in other parks.
- This is our largest park and it seems to be maintained the least.
- Sherwood Forest is a beautiful, beautiful place to walk. I walk through there 4-5 times per week and appreciate how well kept up it is. Thank you for providing such an outstanding "respite in the village" for the residents. Please know that it is appreciated.
- That terrible run off gravity drains, if it is storm water runoff from Green Bay, they should be responsible for some of the clean up and take corrective actions. There may be State or Federal funds to assist.
- The village may be able to get help from the DNR or Core of Engineers. Navy CBS-Army or marine Engineers (local Reserve Units). Assisting communities is good PR
- There is a lot of dead fall and brush in some parts of the park. This should get cleaned up. I think work parties—volunteer groups maybe Boy Scouts. Maybe neighbors. No or little cost to the village. Winter is a great time to do it. Some area should be left natural. Trees down-brush for habitat.

- Sherwood Park and Hidden Valley were initiated at the same time—same grant or fund—they were supposed to be developed and maintained equally
- Signs at all entrances to the Sherwood park say no dogs so am unclear as to village policy. But as stated we encounter dogs daily and at least half are unleashed. I understand it would be hard to watch, but police are seen in cars on Shady, they must see some pets and owners. Thanks.
- I see no more ducks/can't take the grandkids to enjoy.
- I am concerned about the deteriorating in the lying area that leads to the open area where the pine trees were planted. Also concerned about the murky pond—could a water spout be installed? The ducks would love it (2)
- Love the ducks

Maintenance comments:

- Clean up the walk/very, very bad (2)

Skyline Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- Pickle ball court and basketball hoop.
- Shelter
- Taking care of trees, grass, and weeds
- Benches
- Swings
- Kids play areas have good items for kids to play on.

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- Instead of tennis court; two half-court basketball. (3)
- Full court basketball court. New pavement in that area. (3)
- Remove tennis court
- Maybe on the east side of the park add a soccer net so young kids can practice.
- Remove the volleyball court, it never gets used. (3)
- Upgrade children's equipment, it looks run down.
- I would like to see park benches flanking the pay area for adults to use while children are playing. (3)
- Be sure to consider a safe ground covering.
- More shade.
- A toddler pool or sprinkler like at Fisk Park.
- A solid building toilet so older citizens can use park more comfortably in a park somewhere in the village.
- Keep fence up!

- Needs 2 or more port a potties for park (2)
- A lot of close parks seem to be for toddlers. Would like to see equipment for school age children.
- A bench at the playground area would be nice. The picnic tables are too far from the kids playing.

Additional comments:

- Slides become too hot during the day as pick up all day sunlight until late afternoon.
- Volleyball court is mostly used as a sandbox.
- I wish there was a port a potty from the end of May through football season.
- Police need to patrol more.
- My biggest concern is with the Packers buying property that it will not remain a park.
- The park should have a fence to border all private property. This would protect the park from people parking in it on game days. (2)
- I really appreciate the fact that there are so many parks in Wisconsin. People really use them and it is a wonderful resource that needs to be maintained.
- Hedge shrubs to deter cross-the-park traffic during packer games would be great! (at top of the park)
- Light could be better. Light in the tree obstructs light.
- We could use containers for coals after Packer games. We have put out fires.

Maintenance comments:

- More woodchips. (2)
- Monkey Bars are rusty.

Smith Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- Playground/Courts remembered as favorite of non-grown child
- Like having tennis courts there
- The orange bridge, the red climbing rope-like spider web, the tunnel slides
- Surface looks good
- Playground equipment, athletic fields, no restrooms
- Playground equipment used for 2-3year old grandsons
- Love the tennis courts.

Provide information regarding *requested* village facilities or amenities (i.e. playground equipment, court area, trails, athletic fields, benches, etc.) or potential *changes/additions* you would like to see. Be sure to like the park(s).

- It would be nice to have bathrooms and benches. (4)
- Love the summer parkees, swings squeak, park can be boring, could we have rock climbing. Like the bark and pathway to the playground. We use Smith Park when we are at Grandma's and take walks to Sherwood.
- Needs updating Same as 25 years ago (2)—add new and redo old.
- Wide open field with nothing there – Need new restrooms instead of port a potties or an ice rink (2)

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- Some shade over the sandbox and place the black bench in a shaded area—it gets so hot in the sun no one can sit on it. More regular black sling swings. More gym- more things to climb on two-four more green young youth, swing like the one that were taken. What’s going on where the merry go round was? (2)
- Would like one of the courts changed into a pickle ball court. Need help promoting the game (i.e. your spring and summer catalog.)
- A fence along the shady lane side of the basketball court-many times I’ve seen balls rolling into the street.
- Would love splash pad.

Additional comments:

- Clean and wide open to view (sometimes I feel like a minority) very safe.
- The young shade trees in Smith Park are a good idea-maybe a few more that give even more shade. Summers are getting hotter.
- It seems to me it should be part of the parks dept. to promote activities to ensure the parks are used to their fullest.
- Outdoor winter ice rink (open free skating)—volleyball
- The weather is still nice out in Sept to use the parks (Smith) but the port a potties are gone. Extend the time they are at the park into Oct.
- Wonderful place to bring our grandchildren.
- Toys at the park are wonderful.

Valley View Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- Great climbing activities.
- Provide information regarding *requested* village facilities or amenities (i.e. playground equipment, court area, trails, athletic fields, benches, etc.) or potential *changes/additions* you would like to see. Be sure to like the park(s).
- Shrubbery or trees planted along park on street side by Marvelle Lane.
- Outdoor bathrooms and running water.
- Swings
- I would like to see some swings.

Additional comments:

- The tree added by walkway was not watered, so it died. A five gallon pail with a small hole at bottom would have watered it and saved it.
- Summer park programs awesome! Thank you all and students in charge awesome job.
- Please have ice water at all parks for Park Programs during real hot humid weather and cancel if real hot humid.
- Concerned about # of vehicles that do not stop at stop signs by Valley View Park.
- Could a flashing red light be installed at North/ and sound stop signs?
- Used when children were small
- Well supervised but after hours kids climb trees and break branches off.
- Leave soccer net out in summer.
- A toilet for people sledding in the winter. (2)

Maintenance comments:

- Trees on south hill need trimming on lower branches. Kids hand on and trim them.
- Girdling roots should be removed.
- Some soil could be added to depression features to “round” out the surface.

Veterans Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

Provide information regarding *requested* village facilities or amenities (i.e. playground equipment, court area, trails, athletic fields, benches, etc.) or potential *changes/additions* you would like to see. Be sure to like the park(s).

Additional comments:

- Vets Park was badly placed. It has turned into a children's playground. Put Vets Park in a section overlooking the river in Ashwaubenon Park. How can a Vet Park be memorialized when there is no parking on curb and visitations. It would be much more space and like atmosphere for Memorial Day services.

Waterford Park

Provide information regarding *existing* facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.)

- Sand volley ball court is very nice
- Playground equip is excellent (3)
- Could use more trees (2)
- Facilities and equip are well maintained
- Enjoy the separate playground areas and teeter totters
- Nice central neighborhood
- Walking paths are good
- Loving the walking path there.

Provide information regarding *requested* village facilities or amenities (i.e. playground equipment, court area, trails, athletic fields, benches, etc.) or potential *changes/additions* you would like to see. Be sure to like the park(s).

- Playground good—restroom poor—would like to see picnic area for families
- Could use more equipment. Hill OK for sledding. (2)
- Nice, but should have a basketball hoop. (2)
- Can't play at the park too small for (my son)
- Small park area, medium equip. (adequate)
- Permanent bathroom, more picnic tables, shelter, working bubbler
- Comfortable benches are needed
- Shade shelters are needed (3)
- More sitting equip for parents and seniors near equip- shade-canopy, shelter (2)

- Would like to explore the possibility of a community pool similar to Kaukauna’s pool or the Resch Aquatic Center by West High in Green Bay. If a pool is not feasible, a splash pool for those hot summer days.
- While at the park I asked the children there what they would like different. They thought some “horse” type of swings would be great and a cooling off fountain that sprayed water up in the air (mist type) when you stepped on a button. As an adult, a covered area near the playground would be wonderful. Also if more wood chips could be placed in early spring to help with the mud.
- Would love splash pad - -Travel to Red Smith Park near UWGB – currently have a splash pad. Very far away but great set up. Also love the covered pavilion there.
- Love the idea of a gazebo! That park needs a shaded area to congregate on hot summer days. Could use even more walking paths to connect back out to Pioneer Drive or to Waterford Dr. (or whatever that boulevard street into the subdivision is called)

Additional comments:

- Always kept up and looks nice. Think this is the nicest of all.
- My daughter loves the volleyball. Very nice. Kids love basketball.
- Adequate facilities, well maintained, OK
- Great to live in a community where resident input is requested.
- Accessible toilet facilities
- A great place to walk summer or winter.
- We love going to the park and bought our home specifically because of its close proximity. Our children are 13, 2 ½ and 4 months and we look forward to many more years enjoying Waterford park.
- We travel the streets on Skylark and Pioneer daily. This route takes up past Waterford park. The bermed areas around the park are in poor shape. The bushes are over grown, some dead, full of weeds and the bark that is on the ground is also covered by weeds. If possible a treatment by a professional to trim the bushes, remove the dead shrubs, remove the weeds and spray a weed killer on the bark (if possible) before adding new bark would be very appropriate. We think it is a simple fix that would add much to the attractiveness of the park.
- Loved the park program with Austi @ Waterford this summer too
- Need bike rack
- Retired group adequate for grandchildren (3)
- I would like to see outhouses that have sanitizers in them.

Maintenance comments:

- Needs to be mowed more often

General comments – Park System in general:

- We need a dog park in Ashwaubenon.
- Good soccer fields at **Bill Diamond Park and Cornerstone**
- More trees on bike trail on Packerland—really hot
- Dog friendly parks/trails
- More bike trails that connect with Green Bay/Howard trails
- Need more water and toilets in parks. Green Bay trails have nicer facilities
- I never go to the parks and don't use none of them. Will NOT fund any of them
- 70 and 74 years old-not using very much
- Unable to comment—don't utilize any Ashwaubenon parks. Did read in Ash Press that population getting older, you should seek info from us seniors.
- Rec programs at parks such craft classes and exercises classes
- More bus trips offered all year around to door county, plays and festivals, parks
- Because of my age and no family don't use, however things look good
- Why do dogs need to be on a leash? (in the parks) All house dogs are well behaved. Nice to let them run a little. Try it then revisit the issue. (2)
- Never heard complaints – heard a lot of praise
- More smaller bus trips
- Great parks system. Make it a priority to develop parks by water-places to relax and enjoy the outdoors.
- Don't use parks very often-everything is fine
- Would like to see better maintenance of town property in the creek area bordered by Kimberly, Balsam Way, Buffalo and Glen. Area became unsightly over the summer with overgrown weeds and brush promoting mice and rats. Trees in area need maintenance of dead and broken branches.
- I think it would be a wise move for the town to provide Japanese Beetle Traps to the residents for a reduced rate to encourage use. The damage this year to plants and trees was horrific. It would probably be financially feasible to encourage using traps as to waiting for the trees to lose any more trees to another invasive species.
- Need more dog friendly area. Look into getting an Ashwaubenon dog park. There are a lot of dog owners in the area. Would be nice to have a place to let them run. A dog park would bring the community together.
- Should have a free wading park like Green Bay.
- Would like to see a curb opening @ Vercauteren and Waube trail, would be very useful as it is somewhat dangerous having to navigate up and down the curb.
- Love the bike trail
- Need a healthier (air quality) pool
- Wonderful place to live
- Like trail along Packerland to walk to Cornerstone also trail on Waube
- Mainly use when grandchildren are with me. They enjoy the variety of playground equipment and sports areas they can play on i.e. baseball field, basketball hoops
- Family fun-athalon really great event
- Should have included map/listings of parks-don't know all names

- Put benches for bus riders along Oneida St – it is a shame people have to sit on ground or stand in rain when moving in and out of our community
- Visit Howard Suamico and see the blacktop/ nice walking parks
- Disillusioned senior citizen/taxpayer for 20 years—always waiting for quality of life issues to be addressed (library, community, arts)
- Please allow dogs on leash to those owners who pick up waste from their dog. Stiff fines are OK to those few who do not clean up.
- All parks are very clean, well kept up, restrooms are very clean. Grass is always mowed.
- More adult exercise items at all parks
- Love all the parks and use them for a picnic lunch and to play
- Thanks for all you do to make our parks safe and fun
- Would use facilities May to Oct.
- Thank you for the extensive bike lanes and trails
- Rarely use the parks (we're old), but we're grateful that you do such a good job with them. They add a lot in the value of the village.
- Current trails need repaving. Trails are becoming very uneven and weeds are growing in
- The new park on South Ridge is awesome
- Use every and all of the parks. Children are very young so do not use athletic fields.
- Some rooms could use a baby changing station.
- Due to the slight change in seasons in the recent years, it would be an ideal idea to create a playground with a cover and rubber mat on the ground for extra support for the youngest users. The recent rise in skin cancer is a concern to me and sunscreen, hats, sunglasses are not always enough. I believe a covered playground will attract many families and keep children active. Picnic tables would be provided for adults to congregate and children can play with no concern of sun exposure. I personally would be willing to make donations, and the facility could also be rented for birthday parties. You would be surprised the kind of support that can be behind such an effort. Possibly at Ashwaubomay at the existing park. I have provided some examples. I believe that with an option like this, we can all be happy and safer.
- Ashwaubenon has an excellent park program/system. Upgrade of children's play equipment over the years is commendable.
- Wife and I are in our sixties and don't utilize the park system like we did in the past, but now have grandchildren that will. Always felt that Ash. Village always provided a quality park program. Really don't have any complaints or suggestions. Know with the economy situation it will be a challenge in the future to continue the quality we have come to appreciate in the past. I have all the faith in our community and village board that they will do their best to maintain what we have and make improvements through a limited budget. Thanks to all!
- All parks need picnic tables and benches
- I feel these parks are kept clean and updated with asphalt, paint, benches.
- Need more shade in the parks
- Loved the tennis program with Coach Kevin @ Pioneer Park this summer. It was affordable and was very well run. Loved soccer too the parkies did a great job making it fun for the little ones and the older (5-6) soccer was great too. Thanks you very much for running a great park program.

- Would like to see a path/bike trail on East side of Packerland from Skylark to Waube. It is very hard to cross Packerland at intersection of Skylark to get to Bike trail on Waube. I really enjoy riding and walking trail on Waube to Main St in De Pere.
- We enjoy taking our grandchildren to the parks. That's the first place they ask to go when visiting. Parks are needed for the citizens of Ashwaubenon. Keep up the continued development and improvement
- I don't like having dogs in the parks. Too many dog owners don't pick up after their dogs. I've even seen dog owners lift up other dogs so the dogs can drink out of the bubbler. The parks are not for dogs. They leave a mess and some kids are afraid of dogs.
- Playground equip is adequate and well kept.
- Potential of dog park at the sports complex.
- We have lived in 2 other homes outside Ashwaubenon and both villages/town/city provided an ice rink and or hockey rink
- We feel that this would provide residents and children an outside family winter activity as well as daily exercise in winter.
- We don't use the park system as we did with our children and grandchildren so can no longer comment on soccer fields basegall diamonds, etc. All of the parks were more than adequate when we were using them.
- Shoreline fishing needs improvement too much algae in the water. Realize not really a park request, but even clearing areas of Fox Rivers little streams would be great in aiding pre-teens fishing experience without having to fish in the Fox River itself as to avoid the larger fish.
- Regarding walking trail on Packerland Drive. The trail on Packerland ends abruptly. Could it be extended? The trail through the industrial park is not as open and visible in the evenings/weekends. Our parks look nice, our trails could use some thought.
- Open the park trails to dogs.
- Thanks for sending the survey
- I think each park of any size should have a permanent building, allowing shelter from rain and a bathroom. Why are we using these plastic rentals that can be tipped over and fill up?
- I haven't used parks for several years
- Ashwaubenon is land locked, too bad we can't have a mountain bike trail similar to the camp or Baird.
- The new park on Ridge is very nice. Need a tennis court with a board so we can practice by ourselves.
- Grandchildren love it.
- Keep the Packerland trail open it is great. Wish it could be plowed when there is a lot of snow on it, especially when the weather is getting nice enough to walk in the March and April.
- Would like to see an indoor walking track that residents can use when unable to walk outside.
- In Ashwaubenon we really miss not having both a skating and outdoor hockey rink. I hate driving my boys over to a couple of different Green Bay locations to use their facilities. I believe it would be great if we could get another rink or two in the village.

- A “winter” durable trash receptacle with a lid would be helpful to keep the park clean—it would have to be fairly curbed accessible for trash pickup.
- Ashwaubenon is doing a great job with our parks. I have noticed an increase in garbage container and varied placement throughout the parks, helps keep the parks cleaner. I also appreciate the changes allowing pass through with our dog on a leash. I often will pick up bottles, paper, etc., as we pass through and always pick up after our dog. I see landscape additions occurring as budget funds allow and appreciate those as well. Ashwaubomay Lake is a treasure that offers a unique social experience, so I hope with all the talk of a new pool at the high school that it can survive and be maintained.
- Bike trails: bike trails between W Main and Waube and along Packerland Dr. Extend bike trail along W. Main Ave, Sand Acres Rd to Sand Acres Park.
- Actually we have more park areas than what is needed
- Most residents use their own yards—think parks used mostly by renters
- I feel the village has always done an outstanding job on park upkeep. You make sure needed repairs and upgrades are done in a timely fashion preventing unsightly messes. I would hate to see any kind of budget cut that would keep the parks department from continuing this. Our parks never look shabby!!
- Bill Diamond field could be utilized much more if there were lights and bleachers. Lights on over half of the field to start with would be fantastic. Our volunteer football coaches sometimes cannot begin practice until 5:30.
- Bill Diamond field is adequate for football practice.
- Any trails that can be added in the Village would be great.
- Next time – include costs!

Village Staff Input

Village staff was an important resource in the needs analysis component of this plan. They have the ability to provide useful information with their direct involvement in the park system, their training, and their daily interface with village residents. Although planning standards provide a general basis for recreation provision, village staff and officials have the ability to provide very specific suggestions and or solutions based on this direct experience.

Introduction

The fundamental purpose of this comprehensive outdoor recreation plan is to guide the Village in the development of lands and facilities, both existing and future, and to satisfy the outdoor recreation and open space needs of the residents and visitors of Ashwaubenon. The recommendations listed below are based on information gathered from the outdoor recreation needs assessment survey and meetings. This includes public input from the neighborhood meetings, needs assessment surveys, on-line surveys, and discussion at park board meetings. Need standards are often also addressed in preparing recommendations for outdoor recreation provision. In this case, the need standards did not play a major role in the influence of recommendations due to the level of service and

abundance of outdoor recreation currently being supplied in Ashwaubenon. These standards, however, express minimum suggestions for outdoor recreation provision, and should not hinder the future acquisition of lands or facilities for outdoor recreation. Many of the public comments received involved maintenance issues or requests that can be handled the normal Park & Recreation maintenance operations. The focus of this plan is to address new trails, amenities and facilities, which cannot be provided through normal Department expenditures.

Proposals

Argonne Park

Argonne Park is a neighborhood park located adjacent to US Highway 41 to the east. The park has a soccer field, playground area, and a small parking lot. The northwest section of the park primarily consists of woodland with some wetland area as well. There is a privately owned parcel directly north of Argonne Park (Cabellas), which may offer the opportunity for a public/private partnership. This parcel is heavily wooded and contains extensive wetland areas and Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA). A trail or path from the existing parking lot and playground area could extend north through the park development area and return to create a loop. The path should involve minimal clearing if possible and should not encroach ESA areas. A pedestrian path from Morris to Cabellas winding along the curb side of the park is also proposed. This would keep pedestrians and bikers off Argonne Street, which has become busier due to increased retail traffic, as well as being a feeder to retail for the western subdivisions. Additional playground equipment is also recommended.

Ashwaubenon Sports Complex

The ASC was built in 2000 to help service many of the athletic needs of the area. This community Park is 42+ acres in size and is a very “active” park with ample parking. The Village owns land immediately north of the complex, of which 5 acres is proposed to be developed into a cricket field.

Looking into the future, a pathway system around the exterior of the park, as well as improved access between the major parking lots has been discussed.

Ashwaubomay Park

Ashwaubomay Park is Ashwaubenon’s largest park at 85 acres in size. It serves the entire Ashwaubenon community, and is a regional destination with open space, Ashwaubomay Lake, and Fox River frontage. It is proposed that a portion of this site be re-developed to include an expanded picnic shelter area and amenities (tables, restroom, PG equipment) with the ability to hold 200+ people. This would allow for larger gatherings, special events and corporate functions. An exterior trail pathway system should be developed, with a bridge crossing on the north side of the park to the old “Schneider National” truck yard. The proposed trail would be built along the Schneider National Fox River frontage (with a connector to Broadway), connecting to the current Ashwaubomay River Trail, going north to the Ashwaubenon Marina, and greatly benefit both residential and non-residential districts in Ashwaubenon. A diagram of the proposed trail system and an example of a type of bridge which could be proposed is attached. As part of this trail, rehabbing the northern and eastern shoreline of the park is recommended, as well as a connector to Broadway along the southern border of the park.. A pathway should be

developed to connect Ashwaubomay Park and the nearby DePere/Brown County Fairgrounds, going behind the De Pere Sewage Plant. An additional pathway should be developed in the opposite direction (north) from the Ashwaubenon Marina to Bosar Street. This path would include the construction of a footbridge across the mouth of Dutchman's Creek. The village conducted a feasibility study for the bridge, which produced two design alternatives. Alternative 1 consists of creating a cantilevered path using the existing railway bridge which may require reinforcement of the existing bridge infrastructure. Alternative 2 consists of erecting a prefabricated bridge supported by abutments on each side of the creek.

In addition to the trail extensions @ Ashwaubomay, the timber "entrance" structure on South Broadway should be replaced with a structure that is in keeping with the Village's revitalization image. The park maintenance area should be visually screened to improve overall appearance and appeal of the park in general. The maintenance shed should be fenced for protection of Village property. The old boat launch area may be developed into a kayak/canoe launch, and a gazebo/shelter installed to serve as a trailhead with a map board.

Ashwaubomay Lake

Ashwaubomay Lake is a regional attraction in Brown County, drawing in 25-33,000 users yearly. The Department's goal is to be a self-sufficient operation, of which it has been for several years. With the high user visits, it is recommended that additional water attractions be installed for the younger age groups. More shade areas are also proposed. The updates and additional amenities will continue to draw both new and repeat users to the Lake.

Canterbury Park

One of the Villages smaller mini-parks, this facility is well used year-round with 2 tennis courts and a playground. It is proposed to add a picnic shelter to the site. This shaded addition will play an important role, as several of the park's old-growth shade trees are ash, which are threatened by the Emerald Ash Borer.

Fort Howard Park

Ft. Howard Park is located between Crary St. and South Broadway, 2 blocks west of the Fox Riverfront. The park is functioning well in respect to service and amenities provided. An internal park pathway exists for bicycle and pedestrian use. It is proposed that the existing trail system within the park be connected to Broadway to utilize existing sidewalks and bike lanes. Construction of pickleball courts is proposed, which is

becoming a popular sport for the area's aging population. A splashpad with restroom/changing area is also proposed, as is replacement of several of the playground equipment structures.

Gillis Park

Gillis Park is a triangular shaped park surrounded on all three sides by residential development, both single and multi-family. The park consists of a ball field that is used for girls league (AGSA) practices, and local pick-up games. The existing backstop fence should be maintained for general use. Replacement of the playground structures (1992)

is recommended. Long range, a small picnic shelter area could be developed along with additional landscape plantings throughout the park

Pioneer Park

Pioneer is one of our busier facilities in the park system, due to the neighboring school location, 7 tennis courts, and a busy youth softball complex. It is proposed that additional walking paths be put in to create better access from amenity to amenity, parking lots, and for neighborhood/park user fitness opportunities.

Sherwood Forest

Sherwood Forest is a large community park located in the northwest corner of Ashwaubenon. The park provides much opportunity for passive recreation with trails for walking and biking within the park. The west side of the park currently houses the majority of the pathway leaving the east side somewhat undeveloped. It is proposed that there be more trails added to both the west and the east side of the park for walking and biking. The existing pond should be dredged and a boardwalk / bridge should be installed for access and use as a fishing pier. The pond should be maintained with a water treatment schedule to minimize algae growth and unsightly conditions. A design concept plan for the proposal is shown in appendix 7.

Sand Acres Park

Sand Acres Park was built in 2008 / 2009 for the new area subdivisions. Due to the park popularity, additional parking is recommended along the western side of the park, possibly as cut-outs. Additional pathways can be constructed around the park, as well as an extension of the Sand Acres Park Trail to Aerts lane, on the eastern side of the park. Adult fitness stations are proposed along the trail/proposed pathway, or by the current basketball court due to several nearby growing condominium developments.

Smith Park

Smith Park is a 4 acre neighborhood Park which serves several subdivisions. It has a ball diamond which is recommended for refurbishment. Due to people accessing the park from various directions, it is recommended that a simple pathway system be put in allowing easy access to the various park amenities. The major playground structure is from 1992, and recommended for replacement. Additional fencing is also recommended along the basketball court for safety purposes.

Valley View Park

Valley View Park is a neighborhood park that is located adjacent to the Valley View School site. The school uses the park for recess and physical education classes. There is playground equipment in between the park and school, used by the student body and residents. The lower end of the park is closest to the neighboring residential area and remains void of any recreation facilities. It is proposed that there be additional planting of trees throughout the site. It has been discussed that the park topography could be well suited for the construction of an amphitheater that would benefit both the community and adjacent school, but is not a priority at this time. A multi-purpose trail was recently installed as part of a "Safe Routes to School" grant in 2013.

Waterford Park

Surrounded by residential property, the 4 acre Waterford is a busy meeting spot for several subdivisions. A picnic shelter which can be used as a “gathering point” for the park and neighborhood activities has been proposed, as well as the replacement of its well used playground equipment.

Pathways in the Sand Acres Development

The 1,000 acres of annexed land has the potential for the development of pathways in both the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA), and the high-pressured gas line easement. These pathways would provide recreation opportunity for both residential and non-residential areas near the Sand Acres Development. A crusher-dust pathway is proposed on the gas line easement from Aerts Ln. to Sand Acres Park. A multi-use trail is proposed from Grant St. to West Main, connecting to the Industrial Park trailhead. See proposed trail addition map

Trail Heads

Trailheads are an important part of a trail system. They identify where a trail is, and how to access it. Trailheads normally provide parking, a bicycle rack, signage, and sometimes restrooms facilities. Upgrades to the trailhead at the corner of Main and Commodity are recommended as funding allows.

Trails and Connections

It is proposed that the existing bicycle and pedestrian pathway on Packerland Drive be extended to the south from Fernando Dr. to Grant Street, then east on Grant connecting to the Sand Acres Trail.

Capital Improvements: Action Program

The following section provides a plan for implementing the recommendations over a five year period. Cost estimates are provided to assist the village in preparing for funding.

Estimates are based on 2013 costs and do not reflect future price increases. Estimates are for total project cost, and do not take into account potential funding assistance, even though several projects may be available for funding programs.

Project Priority

In order to provide a concise action plan for the recommended projects, a priority year for each project was established with input from the Ashwaubenon Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department. The projects are listed in the following Capital Improvements Schedule in the order of their priority year.



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Capital Improvements Schedule: 2014 – 2018

2014 Projects

Cost

Smith	Ball Diamond Refurbishment (to replace Cormier diamond)	30,000
Sand Acres	Add diagonal parking stalls & curb sidewalk (200')	75,000
Fort Howard	Install Pickleball Courts on refurbished slab	27,000
Waterford	Repair path/trail entrance off of Pioneer	4,500
ASC	Athletic field grading and planting - cricket	30,000
Argonne	Install pathway from Morris to Cabellas (TIF?)	50,000
Fort Howard	Replace toddler Playground Equipment (1992) and add 10' swings	35,000
Smith	Basketball fencing along Shady	10,000
Lake	Install water slide and additional toddler/elementary features in shallow end	15,000
Lake	Lake Sun shelters (3)	16,000

2014 Total-----**\$292,500**

2015 Projects

Smith	Install pathway from View to PG area, spur to RR	35,000
Pioneer	Pathway(s) behind D2 to shelter; from D5 W, S to school.	50,000
Canterbury	Picnic shelter & accessible path	34,000
Sherwood	Path/bridge around pond	65,000
Ashwaubomay	Large picnic shelter w/ electricity & water	95,000

2015 Total-----**\$279,000**

2016 Projects

Waterford	Shelter w/ electricity - center of park, accessed w/ path from current trail	48,000
Gillis	Replacement of playground equipment structure (1992)	40,000
Fort Howard	Install pathway on east side of park off Broadway to PG/shelter	35,000
Fort Howard	Install restrooms and Splash Pad	250,000

2016 Total-----**\$373,000**

2017 Projects

Cost

Argonne	Replace playground equipment (main structure 1993) & layout	50,000
Smith	Replace Playground main structure	50,000

2017 Total-----**\$100,000**

2018 Projects

Waterford	Replace playground equipment main and toddler structures	85,000
Argonne	Install walking path along west side of park into woods, then to Argonne (wetland)	50,000
Sand Acres	Install Adult Fitness Stations (4-5) on pads	17,500
Sherwood	Install additional trail along northern park border, W of Shady	100,000

Cost

2018 Total-----**\$252,500**

Future Projects

Future TBD	Sherwood	Trail on East side of Shady	50,000
	Aubinger	Accessible path to shelter	7500
	Ashwaubomay	Trail system & bridge connection - "Fox River west"	1,500,000
	ASC	Exterior walking trail - west side of park (crusher dust)	20,000
	Bill Diamond	Accessible Bleacher slabs and bleachers for viewing	12,000
	Pioneer	Asphalt walking path from E parking lot to W lot, along 172	30,000
	Klipstine	Bandshell and accessible pathways	125,000
	ASC	Establish pass-through between parking lots	100,000



Other Park System Additions

It is important to include projects for further investigation that may or may not be proposed for public funding. These projects are listed in this section because there is no current need identified but should be considered as development and growth in Ashwaubenon continues.

Neighborhood Park Site

Upon analysis of the existing park service radii within the village of Ashwaubenon (Comprehensive Plan 2004), it was apparent that there were two small areas that fell outside the ½ mile neighborhood park service area (see map 3, p.17). It should be considered, that if an opportunity and funding were available, the Village of Ashwaubenon acquire land for the development of a neighborhood park to service future development within the area currently zoned multi-family residential. The parkland provision should be approximately 5 acres in size with an activity menu that will require further study and analysis. This study should be based on input from local residents. It is proposed that this park includes the minimum facilities/services: Open space, playground area, and picnic area.

Riparian Trails

The Village should utilize water resources such as Dutchman's Creek and Ashwaubenon Creek to explore the possibility of developing a linking element for a village-wide trail system. The streams and creeks are important corridors that will remain, regardless of development throughout the village.

Funding Programs

The identification of existing and potential funding programs is included to help village officials in the implementation phase of the plan. Funding sources are available in a variety of forms such as, bonds, donations, and federal and state grants and loans. Further information can be obtained from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Community Services Specialist for the Lake Michigan District.

Potential funding sources

- **Aids For the Acquisition and Development of Local Parks (ADLP)**
Helps to buy land or easements and develop or renovate local park and recreation area facilities for nature-based outdoor recreation purposes (e.g., trails, fishing access, and park support facilities). Applicants compete for funds on a regional basis.
- **Urban Green Space Grants (UGS)**
Helps to buy land or easements in urban or urbanizing areas to preserve the scenic and ecological values of natural open spaces for nature-based outdoor recreation,

including non-commercial gardening. Applicants compete for funds on a statewide basis.

- **Urban Rivers Grants (UR)**
Helps to buy land on or adjacent to rivers flowing through urban or urbanizing areas to preserve or restore the scenic and environmental values of riverways for nature-based outdoor recreation. The Urban Rivers Program has a cap per applicant based on 20% of the total funds allocated to the program each fiscal year. Applicants compete for funds on a statewide basis.
- **Acquisition Of Development Rights Grants (ADR)**
Helps to buy development rights (easements) for the protection of natural, agricultural, or forestry values, that would enhance nature-based outdoor recreation. Applicants compete for funds on a statewide basis.
- **Land and Water Conservation Fund**
Provides funds for the acquisition and development of land and facilities for public outdoor recreation and open space. Eligible items include engineering, site preparation, landscaping, underground electricity, sewage system, restrooms, water system, sports fields, campgrounds, picnic/playground areas, trails, outdoor swimming pool, bathhouses, boat launch ramps, tennis or multi-purpose courts, bank fishing, nature study areas, safety fencing, roads, parking, shelters, and signs. Cost sharing is at the 50 percent level and is administered through the WDNR, Bureau of Aid Programs. Funded facilities must be open to the public and not limited to special groups. Funds are not available for the operation and maintenance of facilities.
- **Community Development Block Grant Program**
Provides up to 100 percent funding to local governments for acquisition, development, and rehabilitation of land improvements for recreation and open space projects, where the projects are part of an overall community development program. Various administrative costs may also be financed by the grant. Applicant competes for funds on a statewide basis.

Other Funding Sources

There are numerous sources available for funding besides state and federal programs. Substantial funding has come from private foundations, donations, trust funds, and civic organizations in the past for the development of outdoor recreation.

Eligibility

“Eligible local governments are only those towns, villages, cities, counties, and tribal governments that have a Department approved comprehensive outdoor recreation plan or master plan which has been approved by resolution by the local governing unit or a plan of a higher unit of government. Local governments with qualifying plans receive eligibility to apply for grants for five years. “

Source: (<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us>)

Eligible Projects

“In general, land acquisition, development, and renovation projects for “nature- based outdoor recreation” purposes. Decisions by the department (DNR) as to whether a particular project activity is "nature-based outdoor recreation" are made on a case by case basis.

1. Acquisition of a conservation easement (including the acquisition of development rights) that enhances or provides nature-based outdoor recreation. Because of the complexity of easements, the department has developed separate guidelines, including a model easement to explain the requirements for eligibility for Stewardship funding. Contact your DNR region Community Service Specialist for additional information.
2. Land purchases
 - to preserve scenic or natural areas, including areas of physical or biological importance and wildlife areas. These areas shall be open to the general public for outdoor recreation use to the extent that the natural attributes of the areas will not be seriously impaired or lost.
 - within urban areas for such uses as open natural space, undeveloped play areas, bicycling trails, walking and horseback riding trails, and day-use picnic areas.
 - that preserve or restore urban rivers or riverfronts for the purposes of economic revitalization and nature based outdoor recreation activities.
3. Development and renovation projects for the purpose of nature-based outdoor recreation - e.g., trails, camping areas, picnic areas, water recreation areas, and educational facilities where there is a permanent professional naturalist staff and the facilities are for nature interpretation, etc.
4. Development and renovation of support facilities for the above - e.g., access roads, parking areas, restroom facilities, utility and sanitation systems, permanent landscaping, park signs, fences and lighting for the protection of park users, etc.
5. Shoreline habitat restoration projects that serve public recreation or resource conservation purposes and is dependent on being on a shoreline.
6. Riparian buffer rehabilitation_including establishment of native vegetation, which may include slope and site preparation, and control of exotic plant species.
7. Shoreline stabilization, which may employ bioengineering practices, and other environmentally beneficial stabilization techniques.”

Source: (<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us>)

Ineligible Projects

- “Land acquired through condemnation by the applicant; development of facilities on lands that were acquired through condemnation by the applicant.
- Purchasing land for and development of recreation areas that are not related to nature-based outdoor recreation - e.g., sports that require extensively developed open space such as dedicated sports fields, swimming pools, tennis courts, playgrounds, skateboard parks, hockey rinks, indoor horse arenas, golf courses, and motorized recreation.
- Lands dedicated through a local park land dedication ordinance.
- Restoration or preservation of historic structures.
- Buildings primarily devoted to operation and maintenance.
- Indoor recreation facilities.
- Construction or repair of seawalls, dams and lagoons.
- Construction of lodges, motels, luxury cabins or similar facilities.
- Environmental remediation or clean-up of site contamination “

Source: (<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us>)

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This publication provides current recommended guidelines and standards for parks, recreation, and open space. It serves as an important reference tool for determining park type, size, and services provided. The authors also provide historical information and current trends in the planning process for park, recreation, and open space.

2. Brown County Planning Commission, *Village of Ashwaubenon Comprehensive Park and Recreation Plan*. Brown County Planning Commission, 1989, 2004.

The original comprehensive plan provided a useful comparison to the current supply of recreation facilities in Ashwaubenon. Historical population data, natural resource data, funding sources, and overall document layout were utilized in the preparation of this current document.

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The WDNR website provides information on funding sources for the provision of outdoor recreation.

4. Mehlberg, Rex. Director of Parks, Recreation and Forestry, Village of Ashwaubenon.

Provided information regarding the current needs and recommendations for the Village of Ashwaubenon based on seven community meetings, written survey results (125+), and Park Board discussion.

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The Comprehensive Smart Growth Plan provided demographic information for the Village of Ashwaubenon from a historical standpoint as well as the existing community profile and population trends.

Village of Ashwaubenon – Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) and Village Parks Survey

The Village of Ashwaubenon is currently in the process of updating its' Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP). To assist the Village in determining community wide park and recreation needs, please provide information in the following survey. Upon review of the completed survey, the Park Board will prioritize the gathered information. Thank you for your time; your input is greatly appreciated.

1. Name _____ Address _____

2. Phone Number: _____ Email _____

3. Park(s) you are commenting on (you may comment on **any** number of Ashwaubenon Parks):

4. Provide information regarding **existing** facilities that are adequate or successful for your use. (i.e. playground equipment, Lake, restrooms, trails, athletic fields, etc.) _____

5. Provide any information regarding **requested** Village facilities or amenities (i.e. playground equipment, court area, trails, athletic fields, benches, etc.) or potential **changes/additions** you would like to see. Be sure to list the park(s). _____

6. *If you are representing a specific **user group**, please list the specific size facility, field(s) needed, and any amenities for proposed facilities.*

a. What are the projected dates your group would use the facility? _____

b. How many events per season does your group host? _____

c. What is the approximate number of participants? _____

d. Would your group be willing to financially contribute funds towards the construction of your facilities? _____

7. Additional comments (**Attach additional sheets as necessary**): _____

Please return this form by October 26th, 2012 to:
Village of Ashwaubenon Department of Parks, Recreation and Forestry
2155 Holmgren Way
Ashwaubenon, WI 54304
www.ashwaubenon.com

Argonne Park

Proposed improvements

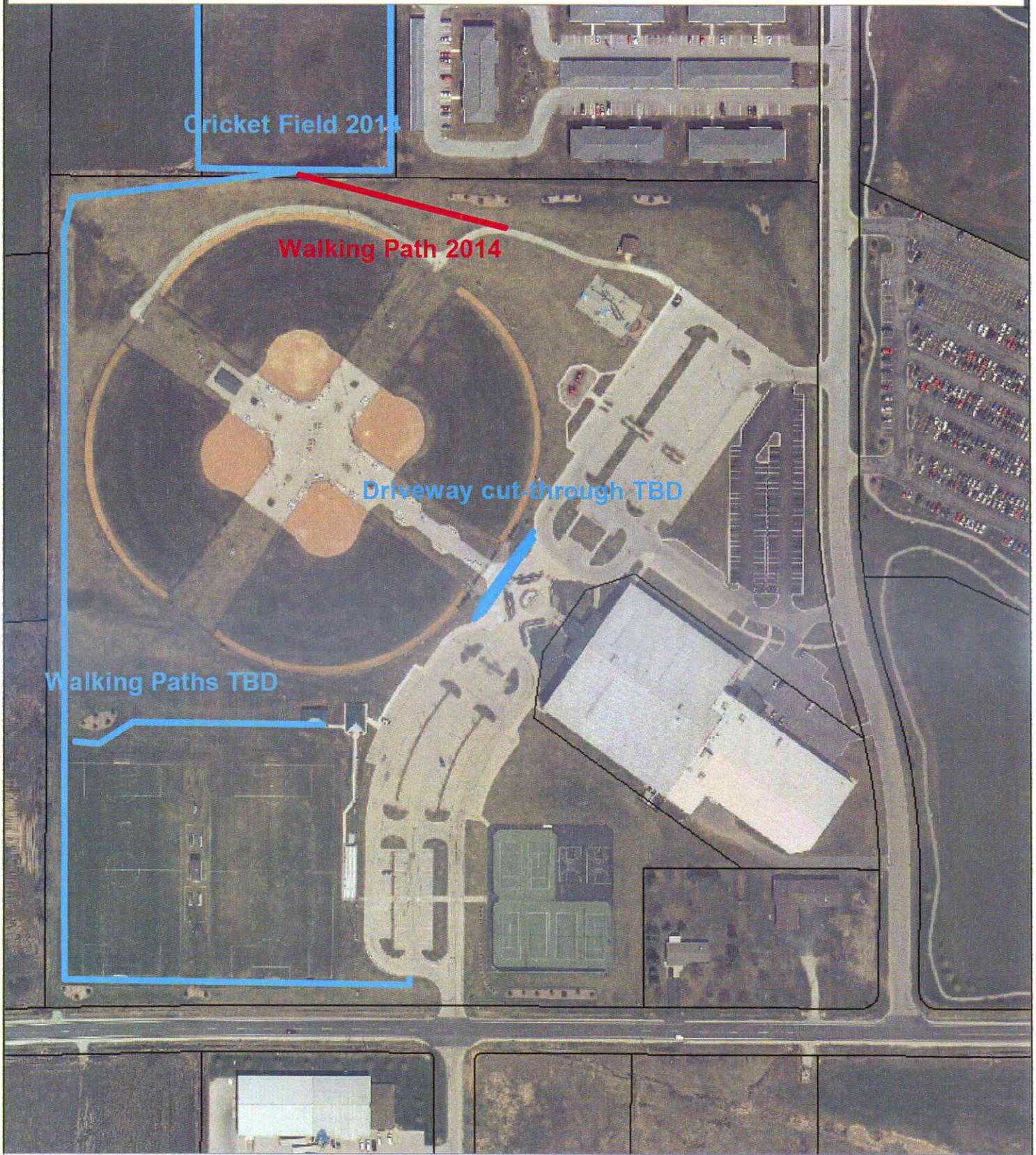


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Ashwaubenon Sports Complex

proposed improvements

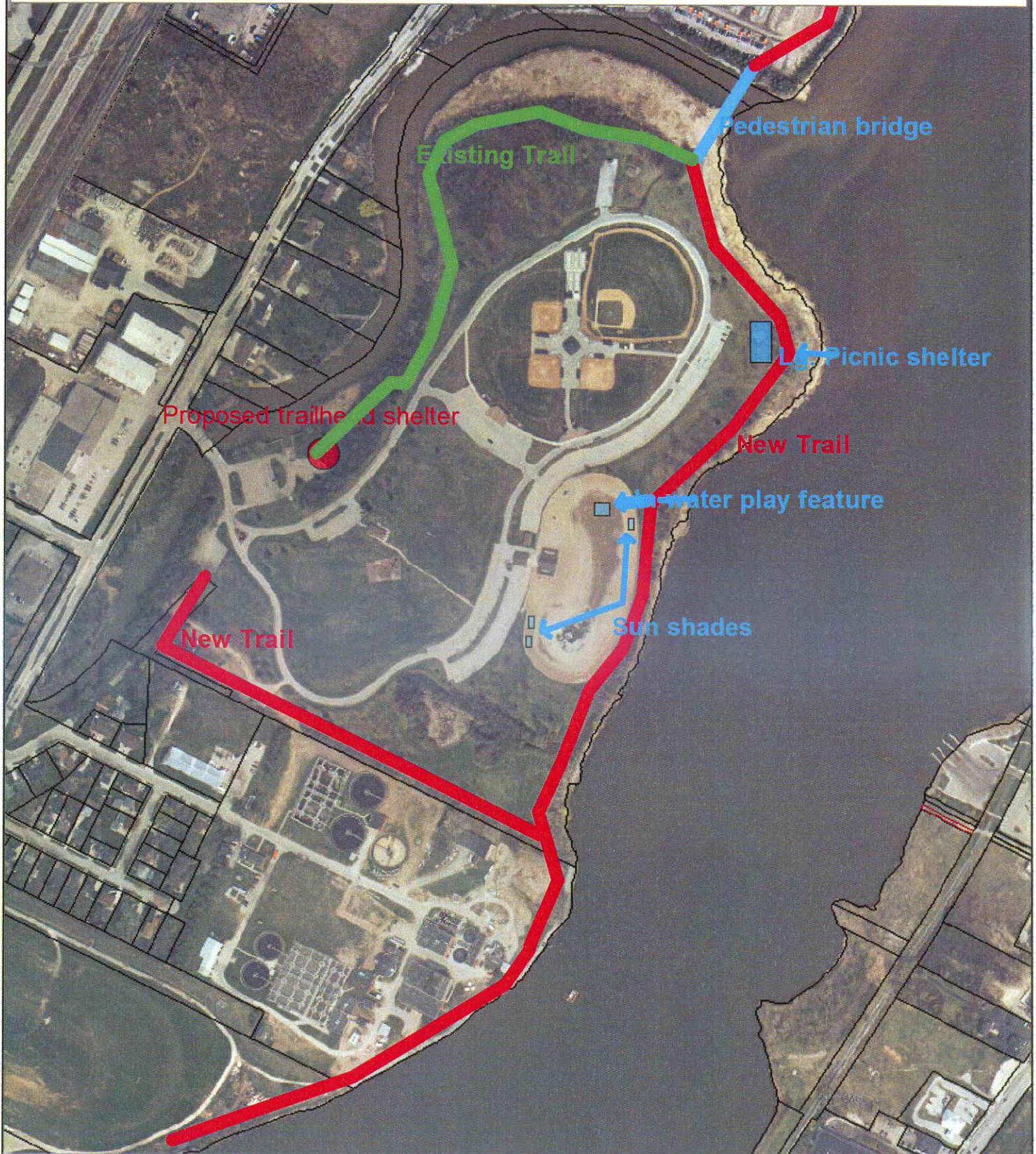


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Ashwaubomay Park

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Bill Diamond Park proposed improvements



Accessible sidewalk and slabs for bleacher placement



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Canterbury Park

proposed improvements



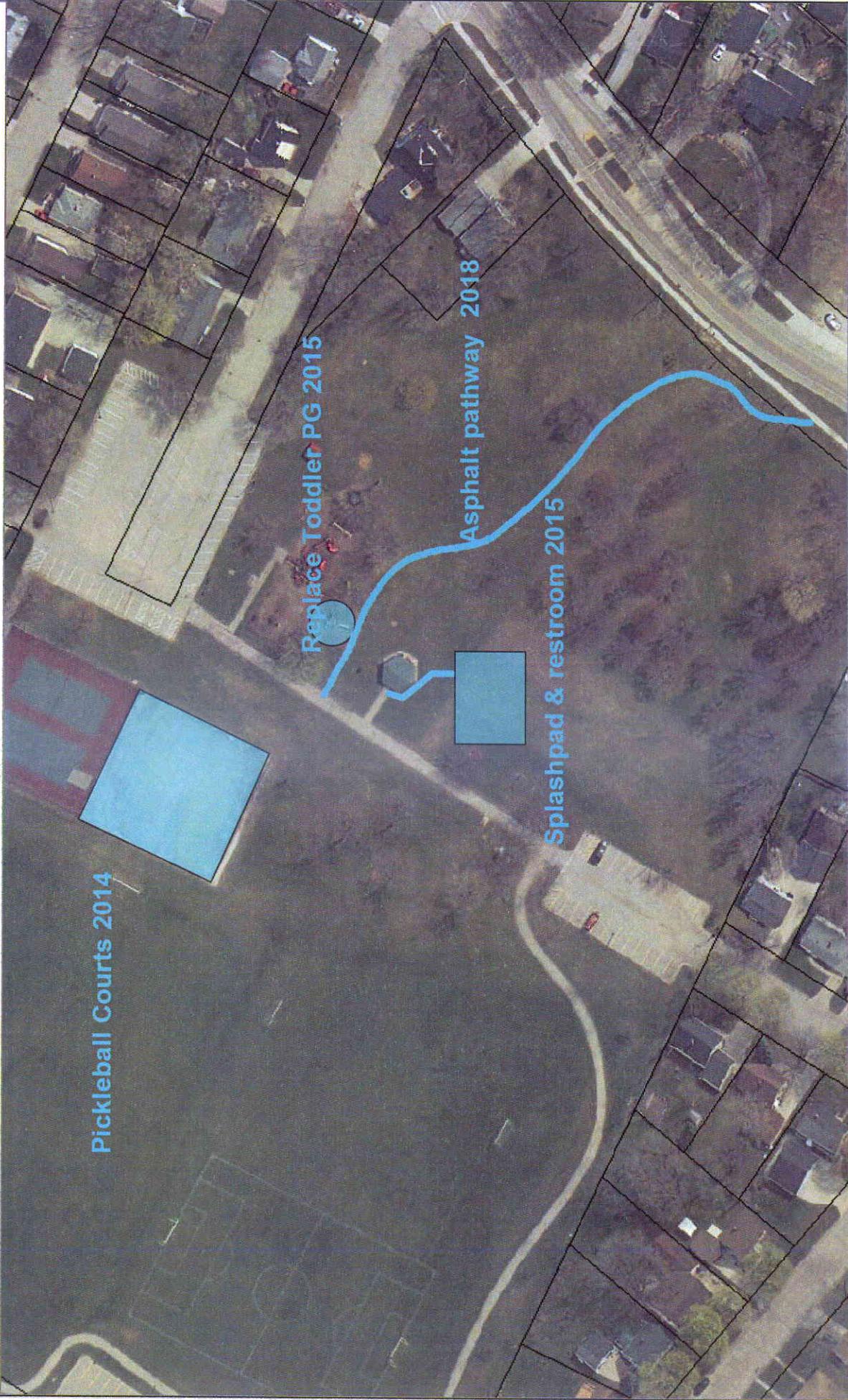
Shelter & path 2017
Clear ash: replace w/ under plantings



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Fort Howard Park proposed improvements



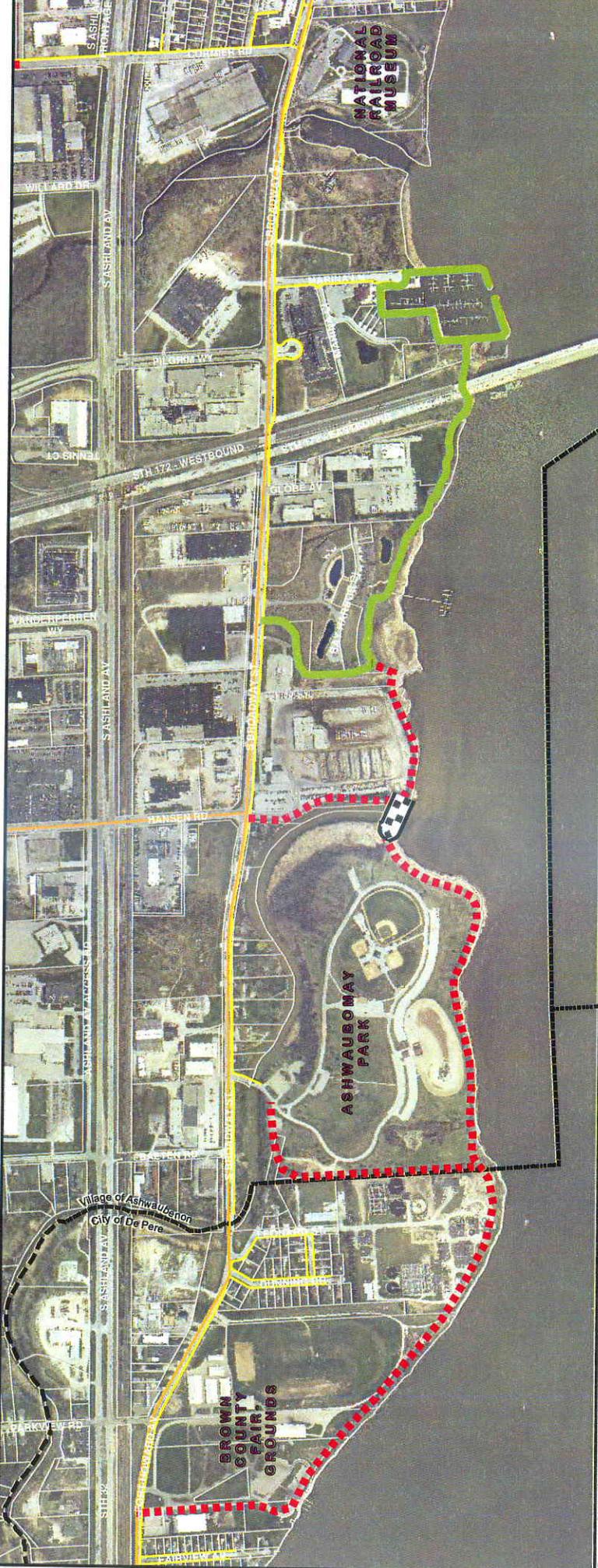
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Village of Ashwaubenon FOX RIVER TRAIL WEST

Date: 12/17/2013



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Legend

-  Proposed Fox River Trail West
-  Existing Fox River Trail West
-  Bike Lane
-  Proposed Pedestrian Bridge
-  Sidewalk
-  Municipal Boundary
-  Tax Parcel

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Gillis Park

proposed improvements



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Klipstine Park

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Lois Aubinger Park

Timeframe TBD



Accessible Path to Shelter

220

80



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Pioneer Park proposed improvements



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Sand Acres Park

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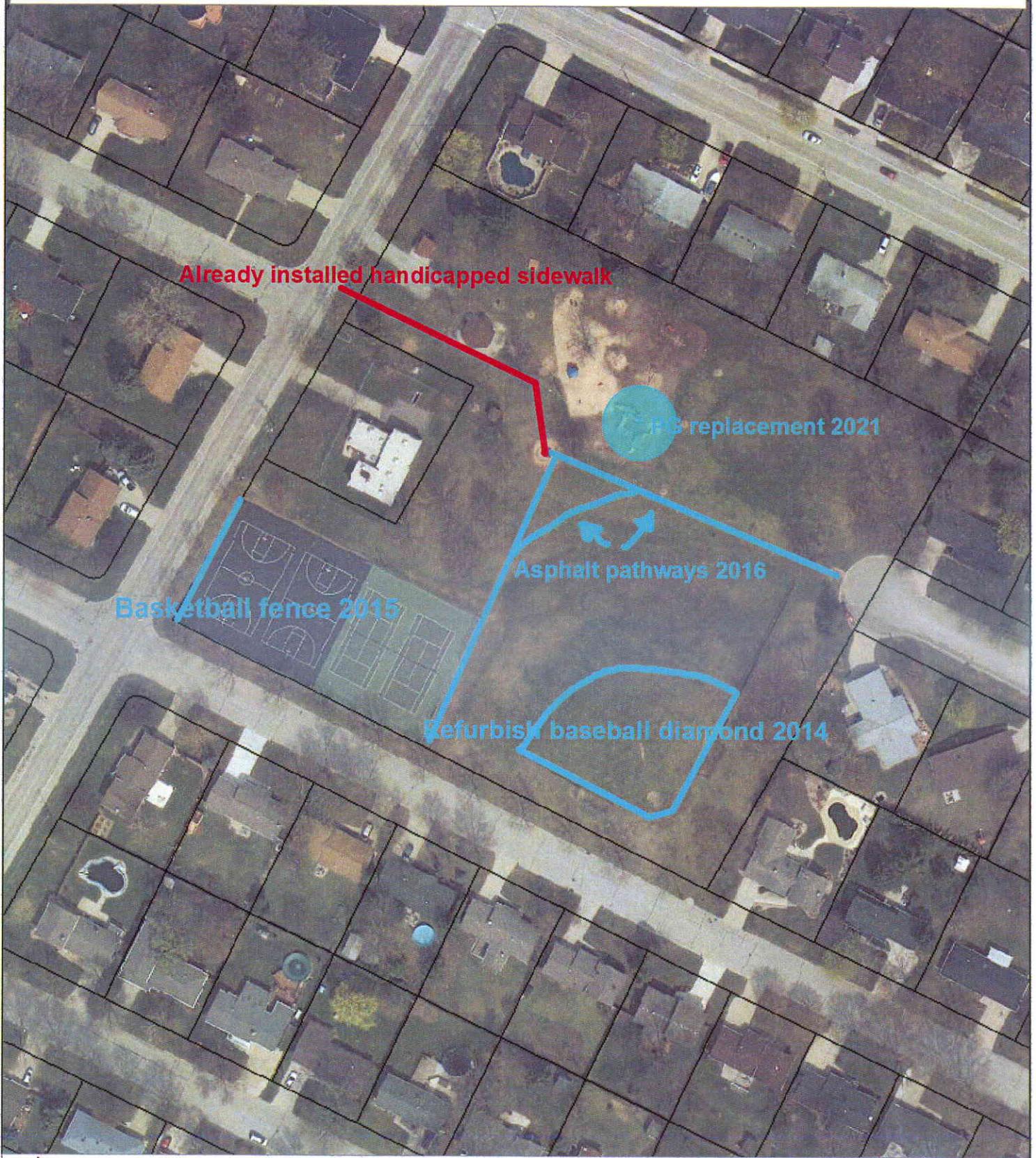


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Smith Park

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Sherwood Forest Park

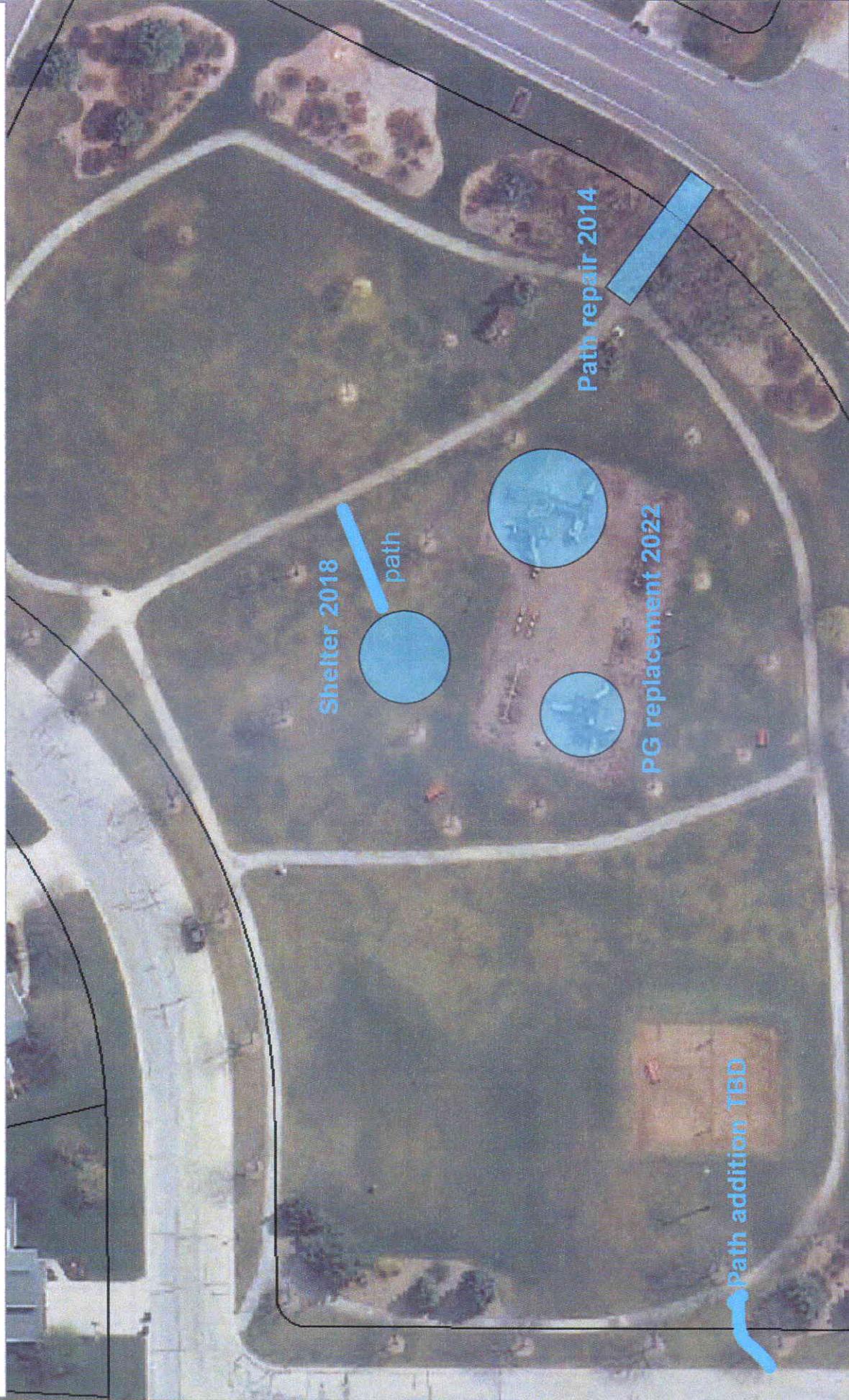
Proposed bridge and trail additions 2017-2023



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Waterford Park proposed improvements



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Village of Ashwaubenon
PARK BOARD
February 18, 2014

- MEMBERS:** Mark Williams, Justin Miner, Mark Castonia, Tom Kohlbeck, Beth Pless, Deborah Lundberg, Mike Malcheski.
- CALL TO ORDER:** Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- ROLL CALL:** Present: Williams, Castonia, Kohlbeck, Lundberg, Malcheski.
- OTHERS:** Rex Mehlberg, David Roehrig, Melody Escoto, Jim Weinmann, Cellcom.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- APPROVE THE AGENDA:** MOTION: (Malcheski/Lundberg) to approve the proposed agenda. Motion carried.
- COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None.
- WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None.
- APPROVE MINUTES FROM JANUARY 21, 2014:** MOTION: (Kohlbeck/Lundberg) to approve minutes. Motion carried.
- INTRODUCTION OF DAVID ROHRIG:** Mehlberg introduced the new Recreation Program Supervisor, David Roehrig, who started at this position on 2/3/2014. The Board welcomed Mr. Roehrig.
- CELLCOM REQUEST TO CONSIDER CELL TOWER @ ARGONNE PARK:** Mehlberg stated Mr. Jim Weinmann, of Cellcom, contacted staff 1-2 months prior regarding the placement of a cell tower.
- Williams stated when a previous request was made of the Board, in spite of the favorable results from a canvas of 150-200 residents, the Board felt there were too many utilities in the parks at the time.
- Weinmann fielded questions from the Board. Discussion followed regarding tower design, aesthetics, function, location, public versus private, multiple carriers and revenue.
- M. Aubinger stated the VOA has been criticized for the tower atop Kroll's Restaurant (private); when the VOA had no control over that placement. Aubinger stated he would prefer any potential tower be hidden/covered.
- MOTION: (Kohlbeck/Lundberg) to instruct staff to work with Cellcom on the design, height, electrical load and feasibility of a tower; bringing it back to Park Board. Motion carried.

2-10-14

ACTION ON PERMISSION TO USE ASHWAUBOMANY FOR COMBINED 2015 FAMILY FUNATHALON/AHS 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION:

Mehlberg requested approval for the use of Ashwaubomay Park for the combined AHS 50th anniversary and 2015 Family Funathalon. Mehlberg explained the potential events and participating local groups; asking the Board for their thoughts.

Williams stated the celebration is in the preliminary stages. He pointed out that the school grounds are very busy. Castonia and Lundberg stated they felt it was a good idea. Lundberg inquired of any lodging issues. Aubinger did not want to ruin fun-athalon's intimate family feel for the future.

MOTION: (Castonia/Lundberg) to approve the Ashwaubomay Park as the site for the potential 50th Anniversary celebration. Motion carried.

ACTION ON CORP VERBIAGE:



Mehlberg stated the Board has been working on the Ten (10) Year Capital Project Plan for the last 1 ½ years. The Five (5) Year CORP plan needs to be developed in order to be eligible to apply for any potential DNR grants. Mehlberg stated he condensed the 10 year projects into a 5 year plan (pp 46, 47 and 48), revised the numbers and statistics from the 2004 CORP Plan per the current needs and presented that plan, asking for Board input; hence approval of the verbiage of the 5 year plan, with the mapping yet to be included. Mehlberg stated although it was not discussed in the process, he kept the verbiage of the unmet NRP Standards pertaining to the national park to park distance requirements, in the plan.

Williams asked if the survey results could be placed at the end of the Plan, as supporting documents. Mehlberg stated they could.

Malcheski inquired of Mehlberg whether the DNR requires a copy of the Board's approval. Mehlberg stated they do; he will submit a copy of the Park Board and Village Board official minutes showing approval dates, to the DNR.

MOTION: (Malcheski/Castonia) to approve the CORP Plan as presented for final approval to the Village Board and the DNR. Motion carried.

2013 POOL REPORT:

Melody Escoto, VOA Aquatics Coordinator, presented the 2013 pool report. She stated the report does not include staff nor administrative costs. She also noted that the operational costs born by the Ashwaubenon School District, were not in the report.

APPROVAL OF THE BILLS:

MOTION: (Malcheski/Lundberg) to approve the bills. Motion carried.

DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Mehlberg stated the summer employee return letters have been sent out with a return request date of February 28, 2014. Aquatics has 96 participants in the current session. Forester is pruning in the Misty Meadow, Sand Acres area.

VOA together with De Pere and Allouez with financial assistance from a DNR grant, performed an aerial deer population survey. In the seven (7) surveyed miles (Hwy 41-west border, Lombardi Ave-Grant Street) in Ashwaubenon, there was a total of 134 deer surveyed. This

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

information will be taken to the Public Works and Protection Board.
Call Mehlberg, Williams or the office with any items.

ADJOURN:

MOTION: (Kohlbeck/Castonia) to adjourn at 7:31PM. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned.

Minutes by:
Susan Anderson
Recording Secretary

VILLAGE OF ASHWAUBENON
Village Hall – 2155 Holmgren Way
Village Board Minutes – March 25, 2014

BOARD MEMBERS: Trustees: Mary Kardoskee, Gary Paul, Charlotte Nelson, Mark Williams, Ken Bukowski, Michael Malcheski. President: Michael Aubinger

OTHERS PRESENT: Jan Pomprowitz, Rick Lamal, John Deckert, Jonathan Graham, Joshua Graham, Jeff Pritzl, Nicholas Vande Hey, Doug Martin, Greg Wenholz, Steve Birr, Rex Mehlberg, Allison Swanson, Eric Dunning.

CALL TO ORDER: President Aubinger called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Aubinger, Bukowski, Kardoskee, Malcheski, Paul, Williams.
Excused: Nelson

ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Section 19.85(1) (e), Wis. Stats., for discussion of the Wholesale Water Agreements between the Village Water Utility and the Green Bay Water Utility and the acquisition and sale of real estate, redevelopment proposal where competitive and bargaining reasons require a closed session.

PLEDGE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Eagle Scouts, John Deckert, Jonathan Graham and Joshua Graham. A proclamation of honor was read and presented to each of them by President Aubinger. Also honored with a proclamation was Eagle Scout, Tarl Knight, who was not in attendance.

AGENDA: MOTION (Williams, Paul) to approve the agenda, with item #14 to be #9a and #17 to be #13a. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: None.

ACTION ON CONSENT AGENDA: MOTION (Bukowski, Kardoskee) to approve the consent agenda including: open and closed Village Board minutes from February 25, 2014 and open minutes from March 11, 2014; operator licenses contingent upon approval of the Director of Public Safety; Resolution R3-4-14, disallowing claim on excessive assessment Associated Banc Corp; accept and file – Potts Avenue Redevelopment plan; department reports; and budgeted expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

STATE OF COURT ADDRESS: Municipal Judge Gary Wickert was recognized for his 25 years of service to the Village. Judge Wickert provided statistics and explained procedure in his annual municipal court report.

SHERWOOD FOREST
PARK POND
DREDGING:

Steve Birr reported three responsible bids were received for the pond dredging project. MOTION (Bukowski, Williams) to award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder, Triple P., Inc. dba Peters Concrete Company, for the contract amount of \$59,545.00. Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA:

MOTION (Bukowski, Kardoskee) to move item #17 to #9b. Motion carried unanimously.

2014 AERIAL DEER
SURVEY RESULTS:

Rex Mehlberg reported that 134 deer were sighted in the recent aerial survey. Jeff Pritzl, NE Region Wildlife Specialist from the DNR, explained available options to control the deer population. A discussion was held. MOTION (Bukowski, Malcheski) to open the floor to the public. Motion carried unanimously. Rick Lamal, Otto Ct., and Jan Pomprowitz, Lumber Ln., both spoke in favor of culling the herd. Jan Pomprowitz asked what the cost would be to have someone come in and cull the herd. Mr. Pritzl explained the process of having this done professionally. MOTION (Bukowski, Kardoskee) to return to regular order of business. Motion carried unanimously. MOTION (Bukowski, Kardoskee) to refer this issue to the Public Works & Protection Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

STORM WATER
INFORMATIONAL
UPDATE:

Nick Vande Hey, McMahon Associates, discussed updates to WDNR regulations and the affect to the Village, the status of the Village's storm water planning efforts, and potential future projects of the Storm Water Utility. He reported on grants to secure money for the acquisition of land and the construction of two future storm water ponds. Discussion was held. Informational only.

ACTION ON R3-1-14
COST SHARING
GRANT:

MOTION (Bukowski, Kardoskee) to approve R3-1-14, Urban Non-Point Source & Stormwater Grant Program (Cost Sharing Grant). Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ON R3-2-14
ASHLAND POND
PROJECT:

MOTION (Williams, Paul) to approve R3-2-14, Urban Non-Point Source & Stormwater Grant Program (Ashland Pond Project). Motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ON R3-3-14
HOLMGREN POND
PROJECT:

MOTION (Kardoskee, Malcheski) to approve R3-3-14, Urban Non-Point Source & Stormwater Grant Program (Holmgren Pond Project). Motion carried unanimously.

UPDATE DOT
SCHEDULE USH 41
CORRIDOR:

Doug Martin reported that the most recent work schedule from WDOT states the scheduled 30 day closures of Morris Avenue and Cormier Road are no longer necessary; instead, there will be an overnight closure during bridge demolition. Pilgrim Way, between Cormier and Ridge will be closed for roadway reconstruction sometime during the summer of 2014. He also reported that reconstruction of Oneida St., between Lombardi and

Stadium Drive will begin in April.

**ACTION ON
CONTRACT WITH
BRAY ARCHITECTS:**

Village Attorney Dennis Duffy asked to approve the contract subject to modification of 8.2.4 Litigation, by the Village Attorney. MOTION (Williams, Bukowski) to approve the contract with Bray Architects, with the stipulation that 8.2.4, Litigation, is modified per the Village Attorney for general construction contract. Motion carried unanimously.

**UPDATED
COMPREHENSIVE
OUTDOOR
RECREATION PLAN
(CORP):**

Rex Mehlberg reported on the updated CORP, which Park Board approved at their February 18, 2014 meeting. He stated that, to be eligible for DNR grants, it is required that the CORP be approved by the Village Board. MOTION (Malcheski, Williams) to approve the Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan. Motion carried unanimously.

**ITEMS FOR NEXT
AGENDA:**

None.

**CONVENE TO CLOSED
SESSION:**

MOTION (Bukowski, Paul) to convene into closed session at 8:20 p.m. Roll call taken. Ayes – Aubinger, Bukowski, Kardoskee, Malcheski, Paul, Williams. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES BY: Lynn M. Follett, Deputy Clerk