

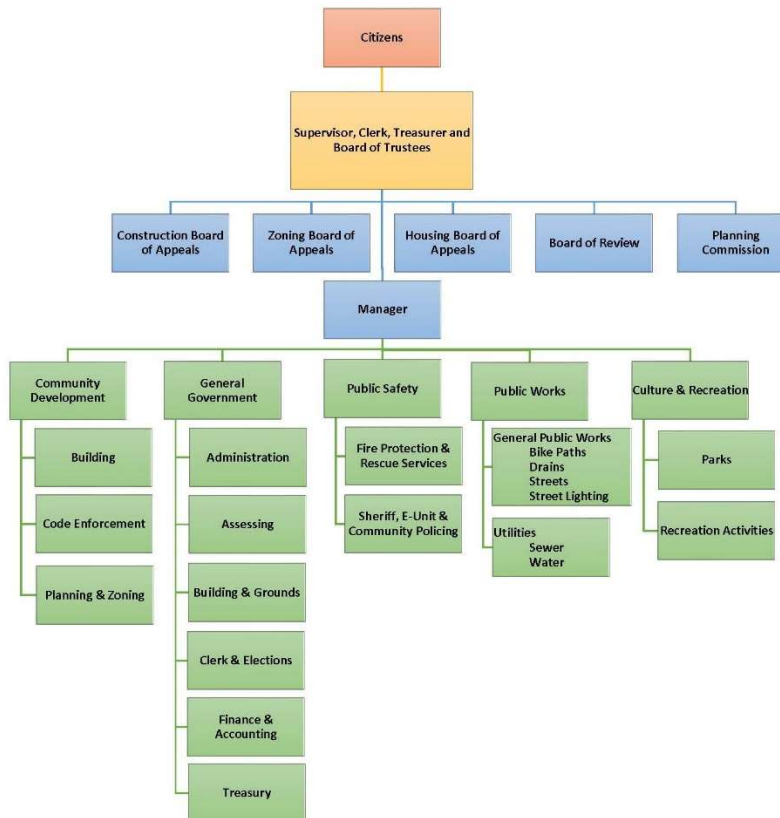
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# HOLLAND CHARTER TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN SECTION 3

## ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE



### PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Holland Charter Township has the following parks: Beechwood Park, Brookwood Park, Hawthorne Pond Natural Area, H.B. Dunton Park, Helder Park, Helder Dog Park, Macatawa Greenway, Quincy Park, and Quincy Dog Park.

The Holland Charter Township Parks Department is comprised of 5 full-time employees and 25 seasonal employees. The Parks Department is responsible for all parks, athletic fields, boat launch, 70 miles of bike path system, Township facilities and two cemeteries. The goal of the Parks Department is to provide well maintained parks and facilities.





## **RECREATIONAL PROGRAMMING**

Holland Charter Township has a full-time Recreation Director who is responsible for development of recreation programs and use of recreation facilities. Many of the recreational programs are jointly sponsored with Park Township and West Ottawa School District.

The programs are held primarily at existing Holland Township parks and Winstrom Park in Park Township. Many of the indoor programs, clinics, and classes, especially swimming, basketball, volleyball, and gymnastics are housed at the West Ottawa Schools. Private venues are also used for some of the classes, including gymnastics, karate, and archery.

Following is a summary of the programs coordinated by Holland Township, including participation numbers. Additional programs offered to residents, but administered by Park Township include, tennis, soccer, golf, gymnastics, jazz dance and nature trails.

In addition to the regular programs, the Township co-hosts several annual events. Most notable is the Hershey Track & Field Meet which attracts approximately 75-200 children from the greater Holland/Zeeland area as well as Michigan ASA Adult Slow Pitch Softball tournament play including state qualifiers and championships featuring teams from all over the state.

The School Districts offer leisure time/community education programming, as well as jointly sponsoring the recreation programs with Holland Charter Township. It is expected this joint recreational programming will continue, as it makes the most effective use of available facilities.

## **PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Holland Charter Township Parks & Recreation Departments exist in order to provide safe and enjoyable parks & recreational opportunities which appeal to citizens of all ages and interests. It is the mission of the officials and staff of the Charter Township of Holland to serve its citizens with courtesy, integrity, and efficiency, and to provide quality municipal services that will help to maintain and improve the overall manner in which its citizens live, work, and play.





### **CURRENT FUNDING SOURCE**

Park is funded by the General Fund. Recreation is a combination of general funds and user fees.

### **ROLE OF VOLUNTEERS**

Holland Charter Township does not utilize volunteers for maintenance or programming with the exception of the annual river cleanup in Dunton.

