

Fraser Township

Community Description

Fraser Township is located on Saginaw Bay approximately 10 miles north of Bay City. It contains the northern portion of the community of Linwood. The township lands are largely used for agricultural purposes. According to the 2000 Census, Fraser Township has 3,375 people.

Administrative Structure

Parks and recreation functions in Fraser Township are administered by the Township Board. It contracts out grass cutting for the township park. The township does no recreation programming of its own. Volunteers coach the soccer teams in the community. The local school district uses the soccer fields in the park.

Budgets

The source of **funding** for the park and recreation budget in Fraser Township is the township general fund. The current and prior year parks and recreation budgets are shown below.

FRASER TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION BUDGETS		
	2008	2009
Operation & Maintenance	\$3,000	\$3,000
Programming (leagues, special events, etc.)	N.A.	N.A.
Capital Expenditures*	N.A.	N.A.

*The Township has \$25,000 to \$30,000 available for capital expenditures but has no specific improvements planned.

Recreation Inventory

The planning consultants supplied inventory forms for each participating community to complete as part of the overall Bay County Recreation Plan. Fraser Township has two parks which are inventoried in the chart on the following page. It should be noted that the Linwood Road Scenic Park is owned partly by Fraser Township and partly by Kawkawlin Township. The portion north of Linwood Road belongs to Fraser Township and the portion south of Linwood Road belongs to Kawkawlin Township. A location map for the parks is contained at the end of this section.

Fraser Township received one past grant from the DNR. TF95-253 was a development grant for \$53,000 for the Linwood Road Scenic Point.

FRASER TOWNSHIP RECREATION INVENTORY

	Township Park	Linwood Road Scenic Park
Park type*	Community Park	Special Use Park
Acreage	40	.8
Accessibility*	4	N.A.
Service Area	Entire Township	Bay County
Boat Launch		Yes
Football/Soccer Fields	1	
Ball Diamonds	2	
Pavilion	1	
Grills	2	
Horseshoes	2	
Picnic Area	1	
Restrooms	2	
Playground	Yes	
Playfield (open space)	Yes	
Waterfront Property		Yes (500')

*See County inventory section for definitions of park type and accessibility.

Goals and Objectives

Fraser Township developed the following goals and objectives for parks and recreation in the community.

GOAL 1

Provide a safe place for children to play.

Objective: Provide recreational playground equipment for children aged 2 – 12 that complies with current safety standards.

GOAL 2

Improve the health and fitness of township residents.

Objective: Add multi-use paths within the township.

GOAL 3

Improve existing park facilities so as to provide recreational facilities that the entire community can be proud of and thereby increase usage.

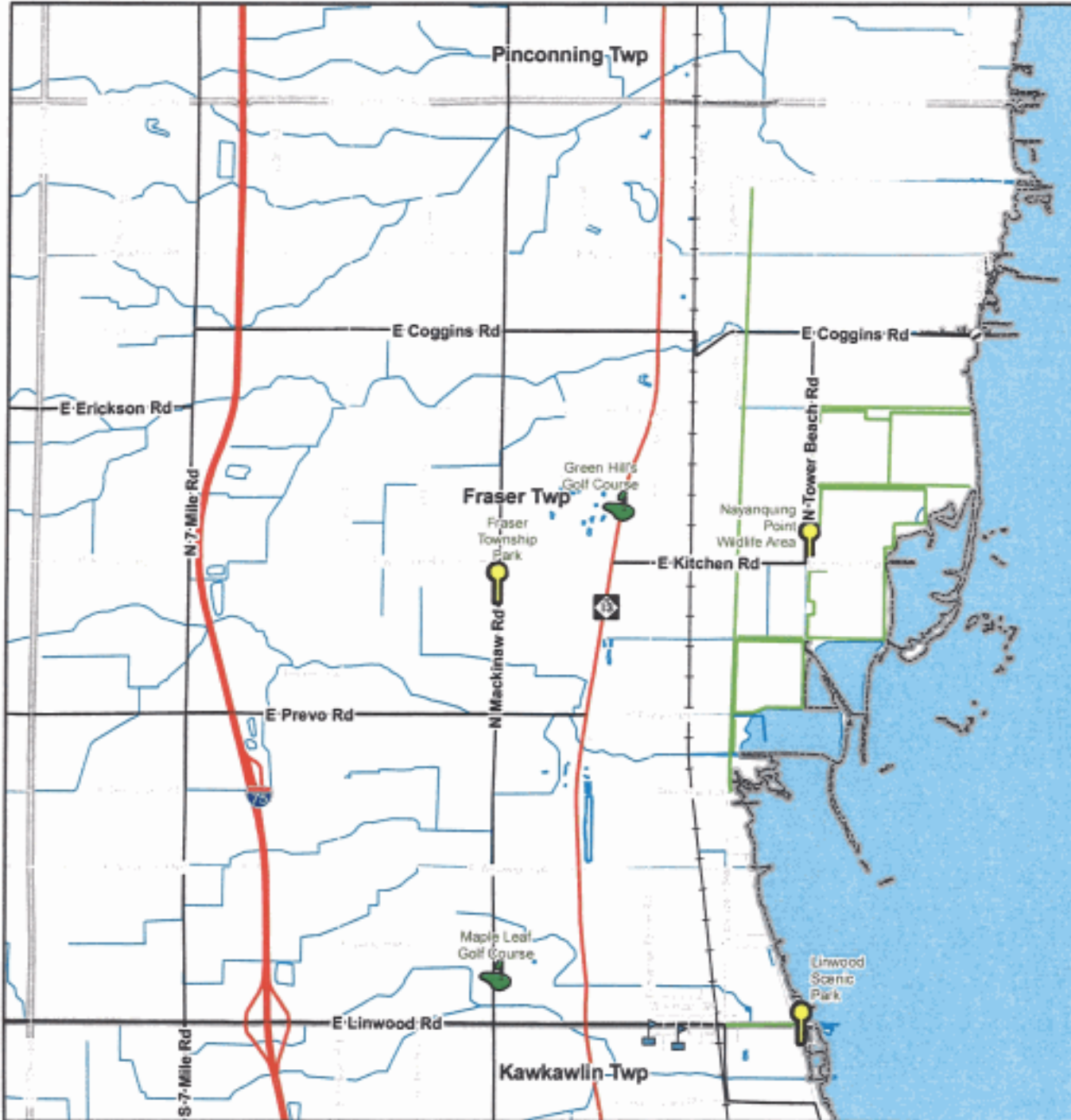
Objective: Improve and upgrade existing ball fields.

Action Items

1. Develop a non-motorized trail network on township 80-acre parcel and make the entire park more accessible.
2. Upgrade ball diamonds with diamond dust.
3. Plant shade trees around pavilion.
4. Install basketball court.

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Park & Trail Locations

Legend

- Parks
- Golf Courses
- Schools
- Boat Ramps
- Existing Trails
- Railroad
- Local Roads
- State Trunklines
- Major Roads
- Streams & Drains
- Township City Boundaries
- Saginaw Bay



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