

Appendices

The BAMM Plan— “Hitting a Home Run in Butler”

The Butler Area Multi-Municipal
Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and
Open Space Plan



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BAMM PLAN
COMPREHENSIVE PARK, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE PLAN

STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #1

SEPTEMBER 29, 2008

7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

BUTLER TOWNSHIP RECREATION CENTER
468 South Duffy Road

AGENDA

A. INTRODUCTION TO THE PROJECT, THE STUDY COMMITTEE AND THE CONSULTANTS:

- Study Committee Members
- Consultant Team
- Purpose of the planning process
- What is a Comprehensive Park, Recreation and Open Space Plan

B. PURPOSE AND ROLE OF THE COMMITTEE:

- Provide a structured decision-making resource for the planning process
- Ensure open communication between all interested parties
- Encourage a team environment for solving problems and making decisions
- Encourage viable solutions and "think outside the box"
- Build consensus and support for final planning recommendations

C. STATUS UPDATE – WORK COMPLETED TO DATE:

- Public Input Process
 - Key Person Interviews
 - Public Survey
 - Public Meetings
- Park Inventories

D. BRAIN STORMING EXERCISE:

- Let's think big picture and discuss our regional recreation:
 - strengths
 - weaknesses
 - opportunities
 - needs

E. INITIAL THOUGHTS FROM THE STUDY COMMITTEE

- Selection of a regular meeting time and date

F. HOMEWORK:

1. Mission Statement

- The Mission Statement shall be a guiding phrase, collectively agreed upon, which will act as a baseline to refer to throughout the planning process.

2. Goals

- Goals are open-ended ideas which reflect the known or perceived needs of the community.
- Goals identify what should be accomplished through the planning process.
- These goals shall outline what the municipalities will achieve in the next five to ten years as a result of this planning process.

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STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #2

OCTOBER 22, 2008

7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

MARIDON MUSEUM

322 North McKean Street

AGENDA

A. PROJECT UPDATE

1. What the consultants have been working on since last months meeting.

B. PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS

1. Follow-up on last months brief discussion of the public input process.
 - a. Questions and comments regarding the public input information provided at last months meeting?

C. BRAIN STORMING EXERCISE

1. Continue our discussion from last month regarding the regional recreation strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and needs of the region.

D. RECREATIONAL FACILITIES (PUBLIC & PRIVATE)

1. Last months "homework" assignment was to review the list of recreational resources provided in the meeting minutes. This was a list of public and private facilities known by the consultant.
2. Discuss any additional facilities and add them to our list of recreational facilities.

E. INITIAL THOUGHTS FROM THE STUDY COMMITTEE

1. Select November meeting date

F. HOMEWORK:

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STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #3

NOVEMBER 24, 2008

7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

PENN TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

East Airport Road

AGENDA

A. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS?

B. RECREATIONAL FACILITIES (PUBLIC & PRIVATE)

1. Build on the list of public and private recreational facilities within the five communities.

C. ATHLETIC ASSOCIATIONS

1. Identify athletic associations that serve the five communities.

D. VISION FOR 2020?

1. What is the vision of parks and recreation in the Butler area in the year 2020?

E. PRIORITIZATION OF BRAINSTORMING IDEAS

1. At the last meeting we built on and developed a list of observations from the committee. We will now begin to prioritize these ideas and begin the process of developing goals and objectives.

F. MISSION STATEMENT

1. The consultants will provide sample mission statements for review as a primer for creating a mission statement to serve as the guide for our planning process.

G. NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

1. Our next meeting?

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STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #11
FEBRUARY 10, 2010 – CANCELED DUE TO WEATHER
FEBRUARY 24, 2010 - RESCHEDULED
7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:
BUTLER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

AGENDA

A. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS?

B. RECREATION RESOURCES MAP

1. Review the recreation resources map which identifies existing municipal recreation facilities.
2. Open discussion on future needs/facilities/areas.

C. PRIORITIZATION EXERCISE

1. Prioritize list of project objectives based on urgency of implementation (1-3yrs, 4-6yrs, 7-10yrs)

D. UPCOMING MEETINGS

1. A community wide presentation of the Bamm Plan is scheduled for March 30, 2010. All are encouraged to attend.

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STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #4

DECEMBER 22, 2008

7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

BUTLER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING
South Duffy Road

AGENDA

A. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS?

B. PRIORITIZATION OF BRAINSTORMING IDEAS

1. Are there additional items to add to the lists previously generated?
2. Voting by those not present at the November meeting.

C. VISION FOR 2020?

1. Additions to the list of items begun at the November meeting.

D. MISSION STATEMENT

1. Review and discuss sample mission statements provided at the end of November's meeting.
2. Begin to outline a mission statement for the Bamm Plan's Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan.

E. GOAL DEVELOPMENT

1. Begin to discuss potential goal items that will support the mission statement. Potential goal categories include:
 - Partnerships
 - Programming
 - Financial
 - Publicity
 - Facilities
 - Staffing
 - Open space Preservation
 - Sense of Community
 - Sustainability

F. NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

1. Our January meeting – January 26th?

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STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #5

JANUARY 28, 2009

7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

EAST BUTLER BOROUGH MUNICIPAL BUILDING
1105 Randolph Avenue

AGENDA

MEETING CANCELED DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS

A. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS?

B. PRIORITIZATION OF BRAINSTORMING IDEAS

1. Are there additional items to add to the lists previously generated?
2. Voting by those who have not previously voted.

C. VISION FOR 2020?

1. Additions to the list of items.

D. COMMUNITY SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We have discussed big picture issues and needs as well as some specific recommendations for each community. Are there specific issues, needs and/or recommendations that need to be addressed in your own community?
 - Specific park improvements
 - Programs
 - New facilities in the parks
 - More park space

E. GOAL DEVELOPMENT

1. Based on the discussion and direction of the December meeting, it was agreed to have the consultants craft the initial list of goals and objectives based on the information collected to data via the public input processes and the committee information collected.
2. Review of the draft goals and objectives as consolidated by the consultants.

F. NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

1. Our next meeting – February 23rd.

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STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #5

FEBRUARY 23, 2009

7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

EAST BUTLER BOROUGH MUNICIPAL BUILDING
1105 Randolph Avenue

AGENDA

A. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS?

B. PRIORITIZATION OF BRAINSTORMING IDEAS

1. Are there additional items to add to the lists previously generated?
2. Voting by those who have not previously voted.

C. VISION FOR 2020?

1. Additions to the list of items.

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2. Review of the draft goals and objectives as consolidated by the consultants.

F. NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

1. Our next meeting – March 23rd or March 30th???

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STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #6

MARCH 23, 2009

7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

BUTLER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

AGENDA

A. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS?

B. GOAL DEVELOPMENT

1. Based on the discussion and direction of the December meeting, it was agreed to have the consultants craft the initial list of goals and objectives based on the information collected to data via the public input processes and the committee information collected.
2. Review of the draft goals and objectives as consolidated by the consultants.

C. COMMUNITY SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

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 - Specific park improvements
 - Programs
 - New facilities in the parks
 - More park space

D. PRIORITIZATION OF BRAINSTORMING IDEAS

1. Voting by those who have not previously voted.

E. NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

1. Our next meeting – April 27 or 29???

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STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #7

APRIL 29, 2009

7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

BUTLER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

AGENDA

A. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS?

B. GOAL DEVELOPMENT

1. Review of the draft goals and objectives as revised at the March meeting.

C. COMMUNITY SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Based on the recreation facilities list attached to the meeting minutes from last months meeting, are there additional recommendations for any of the following items:
 - Specific park improvements
 - Programs
 - New facilities in the parks
 - More park space

D. MISSION STATEMENT

1. Based on the preliminary list of goals and objectives developed to date and reviewed at last months meeting, we will outline a draft mission statement.

E. NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

1. Our next meeting – May 28??

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STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #8

MAY 28, 2009

7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

BUTLER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

AGENDA

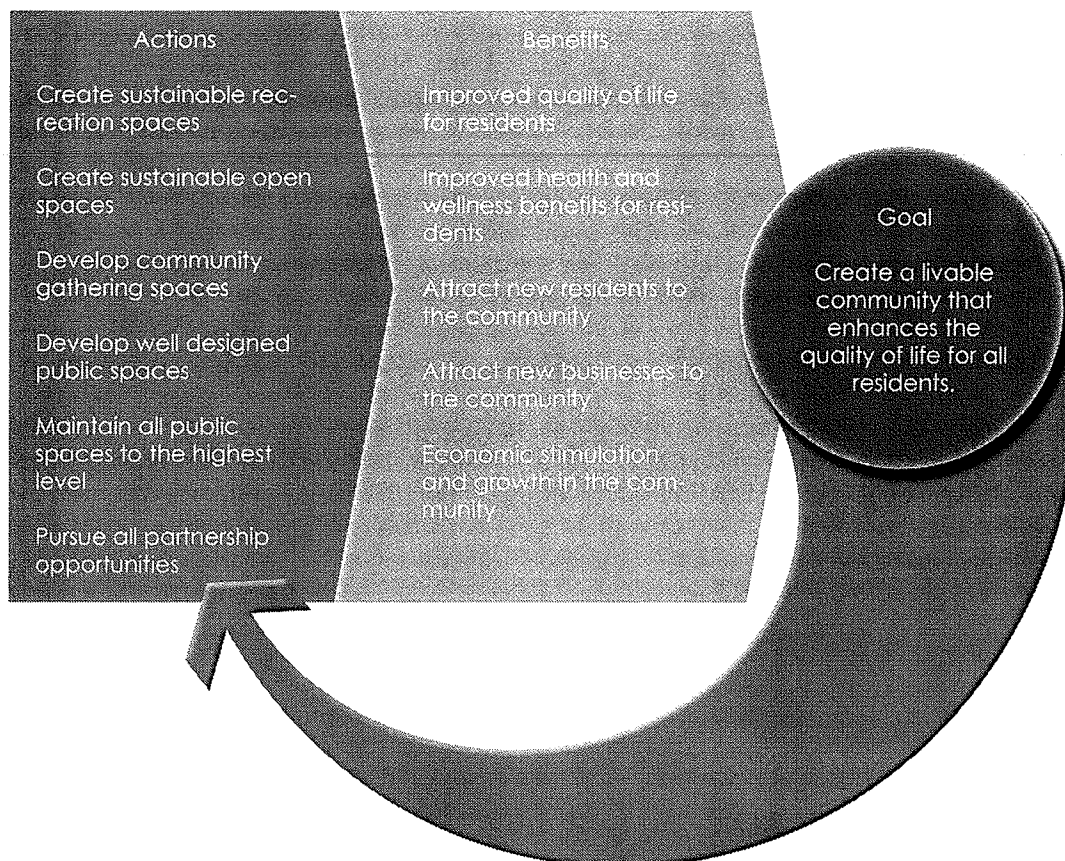
A. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS?

B. COMMUNITY SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Follow-up to last month's discussion – any additional recommendations?

C. MISSION STATEMENT

1. Build upon the discussion at last month's meeting and continue to hone the ideas and framework for our mission.



D. NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

1. Our next meeting – June 24th.

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STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #9

JUNE 24, 2009

7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

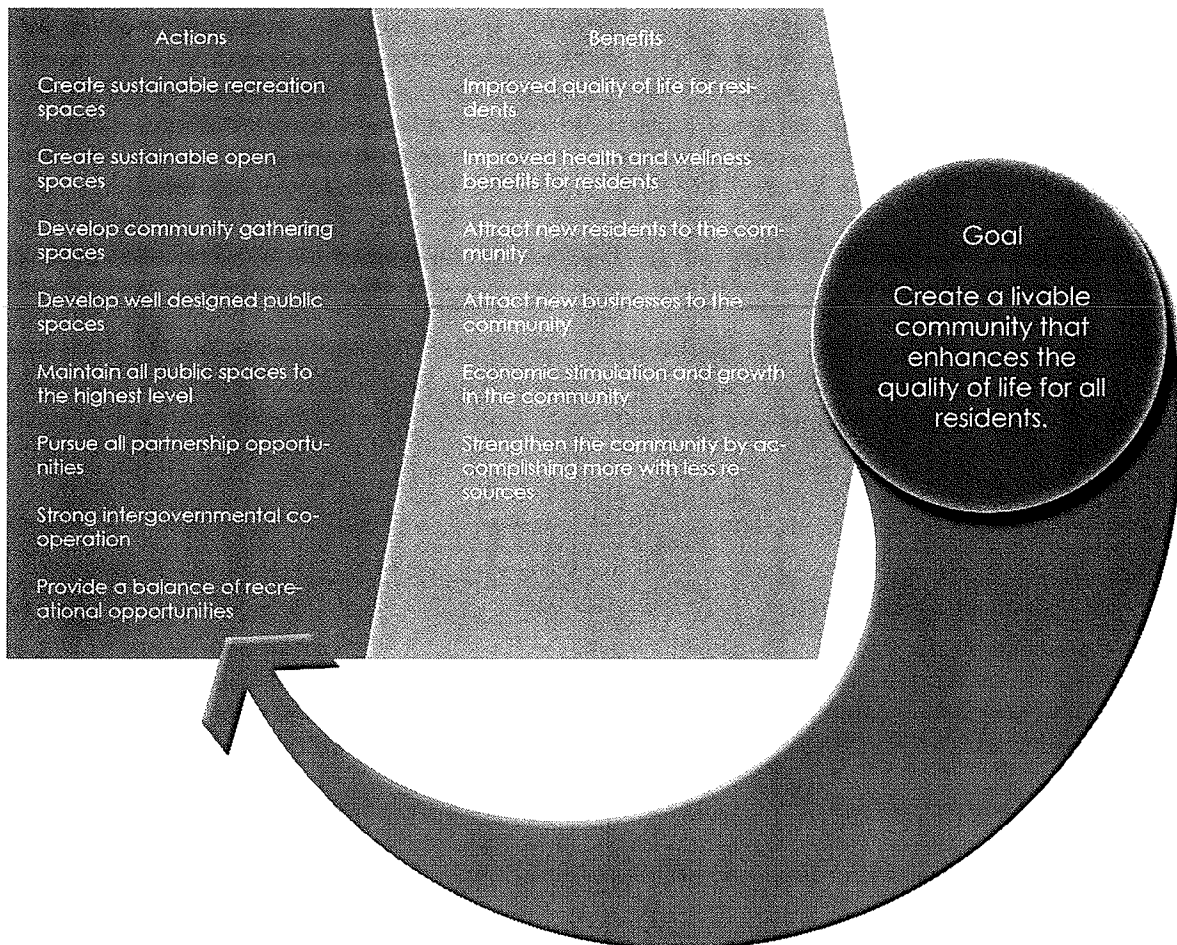
BUTLER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

AGENDA

A. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS?

B. MISSION STATEMENT

1. Brief review and comment on status of mission framework.



C. MANDATORY DEDICATION – FEES IN-LIEU OF ORDINANCE

1. What is a Mandatory Dedication – Fees In-Lieu of Ordinance?
2. How does it work?
3. How can this benefit recreational development in the community?

D. STAFFING

1. We have discussed present and future staffing needs in general terms at prior committee meetings. We now need to narrow our focus and to discuss potential recommendations for the plan.
2. How do we want to staff for parks and recreation in the future:
 - Director(s)
 - Maintenance
 - Programming
 - Summer help
 - Partnerships
 - Interns

E. NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

1. Our next meeting – June 24th.

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STUDY COMMITTEE MEETING #10

AUGUST 26, 2009

7:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

BUTLER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING

AGENDA

A. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS?

B. MANDATORY DEDICATION – FEES IN-LIEU OF ORDINANCE

1. What is a Mandatory Dedication – Fees In-Lieu of Ordinance?
2. How does it work?
3. How can this benefit recreational development in the community?
4. Is this something that should be developed for the greater Butler communities?

C. REVIEW AND UPDATE AS NEEDED:

1. Community Specific Recommendations
2. Specific Project Goals

D. NEXT MONTH'S MEETING

1. Our next meeting – October 28th.

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D. UPCOMING MEETINGS

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Appendix B

MEETING MINUTES

JOB NO.: R004190.0002

PROJECT: **BAMM Plan – Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan
Study Committee Meeting #1**

DATE: Meeting Date: September 29, 2008

ATTENDEES: Bruce Betty
Clinton Bonetti
Chuck Davey
Cindy Davis
Jonathan Dreher
Donna Druga
Kelly English
Quinn Hackwelder
Kathy Kline
Jill Kraus
Doug Sober
Louise Spohn
Jim Feath, HRG
Jim Watenpool, Park and Recreation Consultant

The meeting began at 7:10

Topics of discussion:

A. Introductions

1. The consultants provided a very brief introduction of the project and themselves.
2. Each study committee member was asked to introduce themselves and provide a brief background on who they are and what community they are representing.

B. Purpose and Role of the Committee

1. The consultants provided a very brief review of what the committee is gathered to do and the committee's role in the development of the comprehensive plan.

C. Status Update – Work Completed to Date

The consultants provided a brief review of where we are in the planning process and what has been completed to date. The following items were discussed:

1. The consultants reviewed the public input processes completed to date which includes the community survey, key person interviews and four public meetings. The draft results, as concerning parks and recreations, from the public survey and the key person interviews were provided to each study committee member for review during the meeting. In light of time constrains, the committee was asked to review the results for discussion at October's meeting.

a. The web link for the results of the key person interviews is as follows:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/sr.aspx?sm=tDdh2EKhX9LPpMJawnV_2bMtllZ6nCE4ebRxaOcOZM8R0_3d

b. The web link for the results of the public survey is as follows:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/sr.aspx?sm=l7MP_2fDkJC0Rd_2b_2bCO52_2baKpyv_2fVv3DCBhiAB1ht5WFIY_3d

c. The results of the public input meetings are still being tabulated. Once these comments have been pulled together we will share them with the committee.

2. The consultants provided a brief review of the "field work" or community inventories which have been completed to date. A map, identifying the facilities in each community that the consultants have reviewed and are aware of was discussed at the meeting.

a. To date, the consultants have conducted a "windshield survey" of the following communities: East Butler Borough, Summit Township, Penn Township and Butler Township. The consultant will be conducting the initial tour of Butler City's facilities within the next two weeks.

b. At the request of the study committee, the following is a list of facilities that the consultants are aware of in each community. The committee was asked to review this list and come prepared for October's meeting to add to this list with both public and private recreational facilities in their community:

i. Butler City:

1. Public Facilities

- Memorial Park
- Rlfts Park
- Emily Brittan Elementary School
- Pullman Park
- Rotary Park
- Island Playground
- Butler Junior High School
- Institute Hill Playground
- Athletic Field
- Center Avenue Elementary School
- Father Marinaro Park
- South Hills Playground

2. Private Facilities

- YMCA
- YWCA
- Butler Catholic School

ii. Butler Township:

1. Public Facilities

- Alameda County Park

- Northwestern School
- Dan Lohner Parklet
- Butler Township Park
- Butler Area High School
- Butler Area Junior High
- BCCC
- McQuiston School
- Whippo Park

2. Private Facilities

- Aubery's Dubbs Dred Golf Course
- Highfield Club and Fields
- Baseball fields (Dutchtown Village Lane – near BC3)

iii. Penn Township:

1. Public Facilities

- Renfrew Park
- Township Park (undeveloped)

2. Private Facilities

- Oak Hill Church
- Butler Country Club
- Penn Christian Academy
- Succop Conservancy
- Penn Valley Athletic Club
- Suncrest Golf Course
- Connley's Golf Course
- Lakevue North Golf Course
- Lions Club
- Soccer Club at Beacon Hill

iv. Summit Township:

1. Public Facilities

- 10 acre Township owned park property (undeveloped)
- Butler – Freeport Trail

2. Private Facilities

- Nothing But Baseball (Private training facility)
- Franklin Fields
- Butler City Sportsmen Club
- Highland Public Golf Course
- Summit School
- St Mary's Academy
- R.C. Club
- Summit Township Sportmens Club

v. East Butler Borough:

1. Public Facilities

- Borough Park/playground – West side of Borough

- Borough Playground – East side of Borough
- Borough Baseball Complex - Home of East Butler Baseball Association

D. Brainstorming Exercise

As a way to begin to think big, the committee began a brainstorming exercise to identify some of the strengths and weaknesses regarding recreation in the five community study area. A half hour long discussion took place and was cut short to be carried over to our October meeting.

1. In light of the meeting coinciding with the Steelers game, it was decided to resume the brainstorming exercise at our next meeting.
2. The following are the comments generated as a result of our brainstorming exercise (this list will be added to at October's meeting):

Strengths

The different parks in the five communities provide a diverse range of facilities
School District facilities – avoid duplication such as new field and Pullman Park
YMCA

Weaknesses

Antiquated Parks – generally in all five communities
Facilities have been let go due to budget cuts, generally in all five communities
Lack of diversity in parks – most of the equipment has been removed and not replaced
Limited youth athletic opportunities outside of organized sports clubs, associations and the schools
Not everyone can afford the YMCA

Needs

Not all families have big yards to play in (City and Borough residents) need safe places for kids to play
Need to promote the parks better (what is here)
Need safe bike routes through the City and surrounding communities
Need to explore linking all parks within the study area with trails
Need staff within the parks
Implementation of the City's pool feasibility study
Need to focus on the financial sustainability of facilities
Need to coordinate the marketing of parks and rec. among the communities in an effort to promote the community, the quality of life and draw new residents into the community
Need to build support for programs – need to develop a model/pilot program to test the desire of the community for such efforts
Need to build community ownership of the parks through outreach and partnering with citizens for building and maintenance
Need to partner with all recreational providers – churches, schools, etc.

E. The Next Committee Meeting

1. The committee selected October 22 for the next committee meeting. The meeting will begin at 7:00.
2. **October's meeting will be held at the Maridon Museum** in downtown Butler.

F. Homework

1. Brainstorming – we will pick up at our next meeting with the brainstorming exercise. Please come prepared to discuss your opinions on the strengths, weaknesses and opportunities regarding parks and recreation within the community.
2. Mission Statement and Goals
 - a. Come prepared to discuss the key elements and ideas you feel are important in shaping the parks and recreational opportunities within the community for the next 10 years.
 - b. We will begin the first steps in creating a mission statement and outlining goals to support the mission statement.

The meeting ended at 8:15.

We believe these minutes accurately reflect the items discussed at the subject meeting. If there are any revisions or corrections to these minutes, please contact the undersigned within ten (10) days of the date of these minutes. If no revisions or corrections are requested, the minutes will stand approved as submitted.

Completed By: _____

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MEETING MINUTES

JOB NO.: R004190.0002

PROJECT: **BAMM Plan – Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan
Study Committee Meeting #2**

DATE: Meeting Date: October 22, 2008

ATTENDEES: Bruce Betty
Clinton Bonetti
Chuck Davey
Donna Druga
Kelly English
Larry Garvin
Quinn Hackwelder
Kathy Kline
Audrey Moore
Doug Sober
Jim Feath, HRG
Jim Watenpool, Park and Recreation Consultant

The meeting began at 7:10

Topics of discussion:

A. Project Update

1. The consultants provided a brief update of work completed since the last study committee meeting. These tasks included a detailed field visit to each of the Butler City Parks. The consultants conducted a facilities inventory and audit at each park.

B. Public Input Process

1. The consultants took an opportunity to entertain question and comments on the information provided at the September meeting.

C. Brainstorming Exercise

As to main area of focus for the October meeting, the consultants kicked-off the discussion picking up where we had left off at the September meeting. The brainstorming exercise focused on the specific areas of the regions recreational strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and needs.

1. The following are the comments generated as a result of our brainstorming exercise (This list includes the information gathered at the September meeting):

Strengths

The different parks in the five communities provide a diverse range of facilities
School District facilities – avoid duplication such as new field and Pullman Park
YMCA

Summer recreation programs in City Parks (ran in 2008, will return for 2009)
County Parks and Recreation Department is located right here
Butler Township Parks - great diversity
Alameda Park

Weaknesses

Antiquated Parks – generally in all five communities
Facilities have been let go due to budget cuts, generally in all five communities
Lack of diversity in parks – most of the equipment has been removed and not replaced
Limited youth athletic opportunities outside of organized sports clubs, associations and the schools
Not everyone can afford the YMCA
Lacks a sense of community in many areas in the region
Lack of communication and coordination between municipalities for recreation
Lack of coordination between municipalities and community based groups for recreation programming
Lack of parking at the Summit Township trailhead to the Butler-Freeport Trail
No recreation directors in any of these five municipalities (Butler Township and the City once had directors – both positions were cut)
No connectivity in region for walking/biking
No gathering places within the Townships – no center of focus (not a walkable scale)
Butler Township's parks are underutilized

Opportunities

Opportunity to develop youth oriented amenities in Ritts Park
The YMCA offers low/no fee memberships for qualified youths and families
The Salvation Army Building has an activity room (located in the City)
The County Parks and Recreation Department – opportunity to work with existing knowledge base/facilities/programs
Work with PennDot on future road improvement projects to get walking and biking lanes on roadways
Municipal planning should emphasis walking routes/sidewalks to work with developers in accommodating walking/biking routes in communities (specifically the Townships)
Existing parks in all of the study communities have great potential
Have a good base of existing facilities
Potential to expand Butler Township Park
Opportunity to link Butler Township Park to Highfield in order to create a large recreation area/open space network

Needs

Not all families have big yards to play in (City and Borough residents) need safe places for kids to play
Need to promote the parks better (what is here)
Need safe bike routes through the City and surrounding communities
Need to explore linking all parks within the study area with trails
Need staff within the parks
Implementation of the City's pool feasibility study
Need to focus on the financial sustainability of facilities
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effort to promote the community, the quality of life and draw new residents into the community
Need to build support for programs – need to develop a model/pilot program to test the desire of the community for such efforts
Need to build community ownership of the parks through outreach and partnering with citizens for building and maintenance
Need to partner with all recreational providers – churches, schools, etc.
Disk Golf Course (Alameda once had a course – not certain it still exists)
Non-competitive youth activities
Neighborhood based youth activities
Neighborhood activities for all ages – build a sense of community
Need to be aware of liability issues in municipal parks
Need for a coordinated effort to provide recreation program opportunities
Need trails to connect facilities within communities and between communities
A public activities center to provide year around activities
Need to establish adequate facilities maintenance programs and matching a budget to keep facilities maintained properly
A balance of "bottom up" and "top down" recreations – foster recreation groups and volunteer groups while also building municipal recreation (cooperation among groups)
Creativity in building recreation partnerships
Need to develop walking/biking routes in the Townships – on street
Need to promote the facilities that we currently have
Provide opportunities for hunting areas/programs - Work with the Game Commission

D. Recreational Facilities (Public & Private)

Due to a great discussion during the brainstorming exercise, the review of recreational facilities was tabled and will be reviewed at the November meeting. To keep this fresh, the list of facilities known to the consultants is provided. Please come prepared to add to this list.

1. Butler City:

a. Public Facilities

- Memorial Park
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- Emily Brittan Elementary School
- Pullman Park
- Rotary Park
- Island Playground
- Butler Junior High School
- Institute Hill Playground
- Athletic Field
- Center Avenue Elementary School
- Father Marinaro Park
- South Hills Playground

b. Private Facilities

- YMCA
- YWCA
- Butler Catholic School

2. Butler Township:

a. Public Facilities

- Alameda County Park
- Northwestern School
- Dan Lohner Parklet
- Butler Township Park
- Butler Area High School
- Butler Area Junior High
- BCCC
- McQuiston School
- Whippo Park

b. Private Facilities

- Aubery's Dubbs Dred Golf Course
- Highfield Club and Fields
- Baseball fields (Dutchtown Village Lane – near BC3)

3. Penn Township:

a. Public Facilities

- Renfrew Park
- Township Park (undeveloped)

b. Private Facilities

- Oak Hill Church
- Butler Country Club
- Penn Christian Academy
- Succop Conservancy
- Penn Valley Athletic Club
- Suncrest Golf Course
- Connley's Golf Course
- Lakevue North Golf Course
- Lions Club
- Soccer Club at Beacon Hill

4. Summit Township:

a. Public Facilities

- 10 acre Township owned park property (undeveloped)
- Butler – Freeport Trail

b. Private Facilities

- Nothing But Baseball (Private training facility)
- Franklin Fields
- Butler City Sportsmen Club
- Highland Public Golf Course
- Summit School
- St Mary's Academy
- R.C. Club
- Summit Township Sportmens Club

5. East Butler Borough:

a. Public Facilities

- Borough Park/playground – West side of Borough
- Borough Playground – East side of Borough
- Borough Baseball Complex - Home of East Butler Baseball Association

E. The Next Committee Meeting

1. The committee selected November 24 for the next committee meeting. The meeting will begin at 7:00.
2. **The November meeting** will be held **at the Penn Township Municipal Building** on West Airport Road.

The meeting ended at 9:20.

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MEETING MINUTES

JOB NO.: R004190.0002

PROJECT: BAMB Plan – Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan
Study Committee Meeting #3

DATE: Meeting Date: November 24, 2008

ATTENDEES: Clinton Bonetti
Chuck Davey
Jonathan Dreher
Donna Druga
Quinn Hackwelder
Doug Sober
Jim Feath, HRG
Jim Watenpool, Park and Recreation Consultant

The meeting began at 7:05

Topics of discussion:

A. Recreational Facilities (Public and Private)

The following list of recreational facilities was reviewed by the committee. A great number of additions were made. The list of public and private facilities for each community is as follows:

1. Butler City:

a. Public Facilities

- Diamond Park (County Park)
- First Baptist Church (potential baseball field?)
- Memorial Park
- Rlts Park
- Emily Brittan Elementary School
- Pullman Park (public/private - not open to general public)
- Rotary Park
- Island Playground
- Butler Junior High School
- Institute Hill Playground
- Athletic Field (School District field – “Old Butler Athletic Field”)
- Center Avenue Elementary School
- Father Marinaro Park
- South Hills Playground (Christie Park)
- Broad Street Elementary School

b. Private Facilities

- YMCA
- YWCA
- Butler Catholic School
- Cubs Hall

- Lee's School of Dance
- Cammis Karate
- Stewarts Karate Center

2. Butler Township:

a. Public Facilities

- Meridian School Playground
- Saint Fidelis Catholic Church
- Church of Latter Day Saints (Gym)
- Clarence Brown School (Playground)
- Alameda County Park
- Northwestern School
- Dan Lohner Parklet (Northwest Park?)
- Butler Township Park
- Butler Area High School
- Butler Area Junior High
- BCCC
- McQuiston School
- Whippo Park

b. Private Facilities

- Tangelwood Senior Center
- Shenor Dance School
- Karate School in Lyndora
- Young Brothers Tia Kwon Do
- Lyndora Legion (27 acres with pavilions and a social hall)
- Vagabond Center (social hall)
- Castle Roller Rink
- Family Bowl Away
- Bonair Bowl
- Meridian Lanes
- Sherwood Lanes
- Butler Fitness Club
- Farm Show Complex (part in Township)
- Vets Club (Meridian)
- Krendale Golf Course
- Aubery's Dubbs Dred Golf Course
- Highfield Club and Fields
- Baseball fields (Dutchtown Village Lane – near BC3)

3. Penn Township:

a. Public Facilities

- Renfrew Park
- Township Park (undeveloped)
- Township Municipal Building

b. Private Facilities

- Oak Hill Church
- Butler Country Club
- Penn Christian Academy

- Succop Conservancy
- Penn Valley Athletic Club
- Suncrest Golf Course
- Connley's Golf Course
- Lakevue North Golf Course
- Lions Club
- Soccer Club at Beacon Hill
- Airport

4. Summit Township:

a. Public Facilities

- 10 acre Township owned park property (undeveloped)
- Butler – Freeport Trail
- Summit Elementary School

b. Private Facilities

- Nothing But Baseball (Private training facility)
- Franklin Fields
- Butler City Sportsmen Club
- Highland Public Golf Course
- Summit School
- St Mary's Academy
- R.C. Club
- Summit Township Sportsmen Club
- Herman V.F.D

5. East Butler Borough:

a. Public Facilities

- Borough Park/playground – West side of Borough
- Borough Playground – East side of Borough
- Borough Baseball Complex - Home of East Butler Baseball Association

b. Private Facilities

- East Butler V.F.D

B. Athletic Associations

The study committee created the following list of athletic associations within the five communities:

Penn Township Baseball/Softball Association
Butler Township Baseball Association (Highfield/Meridian/South Butler all merged)
Butler City Baseball Association
East Butler Borough Baseball Association
Butler Area Midget Football
Deck Hockey League (facility in Butler Twp.)
YMCA Basketball League
Cubs Basketball League
Church Basketball League

Cubs Boxing League
Butler Soccer Association (facility in Center Twp.)
Bocce League (facility in Alameda Park)
Bowling Leagues (numerous in area)
Men's Softball League

C. Vision for 2020?

As this planning effort is a long-range plan that will guide the development of parks and recreational opportunities within the communities for the next 10 to 15 years, the study committee was asked how they would like to see their recreational opportunities grow. The following is a list of ideas generated as part of our visioning exercise:

Promote safe pedestrian and bicycle access routes within and between all five communities.
Have trails that link parks and school.
Open communication and coordination between municipalities.
A communal website which promotes parks and recreational facilities and programs.
Become a regional destination.
Work closely with the County Tourism Agency to market what is here.
Well maintained facilities.
Budgets to support the long-term maintenance of facilities.
Mandatory dedication/fee in-lieu of ordinances established in each community.
Funding mechanism for development and maintenance of facilities.

D. Prioritization of Brainstorming Ideas

In an effort to begin to develop a preliminary set of goals and objectives, the committee began to prioritize the issues previously developed during the brainstorming exercise. Each committee member was provided five "dots" (stickers) for each of the brainstorming categories. The stickers were to be placed adjacent to the comments that each person felt most important. This was completed by each committee member in attendance. Those not in attendance will be allowed to vote at the December meeting. At that time the results of prioritization exercise will be recorded into the meeting minutes.

E. Mission Statement

Building on what has been completed to date, the development of a mission statement will begin to pull together the various ideas and provide focus to the planning process. As the first step in creating a draft mission statement the consultants provided copies of various mission statements as samples for review. The committee members were asked to review these sample mission statements for our next meeting. For those not in attendance, copies of these mission statements have been included with these minutes for review.

F. The Next Committee Meeting

1. Our next meeting will be held December 22nd at 7:00.
2. **The December meeting** will be held **at the Butler Township Municipal Building** on South Duffy Road.

The meeting ended at 8:55.

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MEETING MINUTES

JOB NO.: R004190.0002

PROJECT: **BAMM Plan – Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan
Study Committee Meeting #4**

DATE: Meeting Date: December 22, 2008

ATTENDEES: Chuck Davey
Jonathan Dreher
Donna Druga
Jill Kraus
Doug Sober
Louise Spohn
Chris Ziegler
Jim Feath, HRG
Jim Watenpool, Park and Recreation Consultant

The meeting began at 7:05

Topics of discussion:

A. Prioritization of Brainstorming Ideas

This item was tabled and will be addressed at the January meeting. At that time, those who have not yet had the opportunity to vote will be allowed to do so.

B. Vision for 2020?

Building on the list of vision items initially developed at the November meeting, committee made the following additions. The vision items added to the November list are in *italicized* text:

- Promote safe pedestrian and bicycle access routes within and between all five communities.
- Have trails that link parks and school.
- Open communication and coordination between municipalities.
- A communal website which promotes parks and recreational facilities and programs.
- Become a regional destination.
- Work closely with the County Tourism Agency to market what is here.
- Well maintained facilities.
- Budgets to support the long-term maintenance of facilities.
- Mandatory dedication/fee in-lieu of ordinances established in each community.
- Established funding mechanism for development and maintenance of facilities.
- *Butler City, Butler Township, East Butler Borough, Penn Township and Summit Township will work together in a joint partnership to advance recreational opportunities in the greater Butler area.*
- *Promote landowner incentives (tax based and development rights based incentives) as a way ensure the preservation of valuable open spaces.*
- *Municipalities shall be vigilant in the acquisition of land for open space preservation.*

- o *Municipalities shall be vigilant in the acquisition of land for the expansion of recreational spaces.*
- o *Create a balance of active and passive recreational areas in the greater Butler area.*
- o *Aim to not overdevelop existing parks with active use facilities within the parks.*
- o *Maintain facilities to the highest level of acceptable standards.*
- o *Ensure maintenance budgets allow for facilities to be developed to the highest level of acceptable standards.*
- o *Establish a multi-municipal parks and recreation board for the greater Butler area.*
- o *Have a parks and recreation director for the greater Butler area.*
- o *Develop and operate facilities to be financially sustainable.*
- o *Establish a broad base of partnerships with local municipalities, organizations, schools/colleges and the County.*

C. Mission Statement

Due to the limited attendance, a detailed discussion of the mission statement was tabled. However, a general discussion of the mission statement took place with the following suggestion being made and agreed to be the committee members in attendance:

- Develop the project goals and objectives and then develop a mission statement that is born from the goals of the study.

D. Goal Development

1. The consultants provided a sample list, from a neighboring community's recreation plan, of goals and objectives for review by the committee. This sample is attached to these minutes.
2. It was discussed that the consultants will develop a draft list of goals and objectives based on the common ideas from the public input process and the various exercises facilitated in the committee meetings. The information collected to date will begin to paint a picture of the direction needed to move toward. The draft goals and objectives developed by the consultants will be provided at the next meeting for review, comment, revision and addition by the committee.

F. The Next Committee Meeting

1. Our next meeting will be held **January 28** at 7:00. We will meet at the **East Butler Borough Municipal Building** located at 1105 Randolph Avenue.

The meeting ended at 8:35.

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MEETING MINUTES

JOB NO.: R004190.0002

PROJECT: BAMB Plan – Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan
Study Committee Meeting #5

DATE: Meeting Date: February 23, 2009

ATTENDEES: Donna Druga
Jill Kraus
Doug Sober
Louise Spohn
Jim Feath, HRG
Jim Watenpool, Park and Recreation Consultant

The meeting began at 7:10

Topics of discussion:

A. Vision for 2020?

Building on the list of vision items initially developed at the November and December meetings, the committee made the following additions. The vision items added to the at the February meeting are listed in *italicized text*:

- Promote safe pedestrian and bicycle access routes within and between all five communities.
- Have trails that link parks and school.
- Open communication and coordination between municipalities.
- A communal website which promotes parks and recreational facilities and programs.
- Become a regional destination.
- Work closely with the County Tourism Agency to market what is here.
- Well maintained facilities.
- Budgets to support the long-term maintenance of facilities.
- Mandatory dedication/fee in-lieu of ordinances established in each community.
- Established funding mechanism for development and maintenance of facilities.
- Butler City, Butler Township, East Butler Borough, Penn Township and Summit Township will work together in a joint partnership to advance recreational opportunities in the greater Butler area.
- Promote landowner incentives (tax based and development rights based incentives) as a way ensure the preservation of valuable open spaces.
- Municipalities shall be vigilant in the acquisition of land for open space preservation.
- Municipalities shall be vigilant in the acquisition of land for the expansion of recreational spaces.
- Create a balance of active and passive recreational areas in the greater Butler area.
- Aim to not overdevelop existing parks with active use facilities within the parks.
- Maintain facilities to the highest level of acceptable standards.
- Ensure maintenance budgets allow for facilities to be developed to the highest level of acceptable standards.
- Establish a multi-municipal parks and recreation board for the greater Butler area.

- Have a parks and recreation director for the greater Butler area.
- Develop and operate facilities to be financially sustainable.
- Establish a broad base of partnerships with local municipalities, organizations, schools/colleges and the County.
- *Develop a common way finding system for the greater Butler area*
- *Promote and foster community wide events that will draw people to the greater Butler area (examples: a downtown Butler car cruise, a Butler Township craft show, a Summit Township Equestrian event, etc.)*

B. Community Specific Recommendations

To date we have looked at broad issues for the greater Butler area and the study communities in general. An important part of this study will look at recommendations that are specific to one community. Thus, the committee was asked to discuss needs specific to their municipality. These needs focus on existing facilities, maintenance, needed park improvements, programming needs, etc. The following is the initial list of ideas generated by the study committee at the February meeting:

- **East Butler Borough:**
 - Prepare a master plan for park property at 5th Avenue and Broadway.
 - Need to obtain funding for improvements for park at 5th Avenue and Broadway.
- **Butler City:**
 - General improvements needed at all existing parks
 - Need a pocket park along Main Street downtown
 - Upgrade the existing skate park to a skate plaza in order to become a regional destination spot
 - Need to establish usage agreements with all athletic associations for use of City owned facilities
- **Butler Township:**
 - Improve existing trails within the park
 - Need to develop trail maps for each park
 - Improved lighting on sled riding hill in Butler Township Park
 - Need picnic shelters in the parks
 - Stream clean-up needed in Butler Township Park
- **Penn Township**
 - Implement the recommendations of the park master plan
- **Summit Township**
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- **Any of the communities:**
 - A water/splash park (privately owned) like what is in Erie PA, to become a regional destination/attraction.

C. Goal Development

1. At the December meeting, it was decided that a preliminary list of goals be determined prior to developing the mission statement for this study that. The intent is to allow the goals of the plan to aid in the development of mission statement. As such, the consultants put together a list of goals and objectives which was built from the various public input processes and discussion of the study committee to date. This initial list of goals and objectives is only preliminary and is anticipated to be an evolving list of ideas.
2. The consultants provided a copy of the goals and objectives to the committee and a very brief discussion took place. The committee was asked to review the document for discussion at the March meeting.
3. Attached with these minutes is a copy of the preliminary goals and objectives for review and discussion at our March meeting.

F. The Next Committee Meeting

1. Our next meeting will be held **March 23** at 7:00. We will meet at the **Butler Township Municipal Building**.

The meeting ended at 8:30.

We believe these minutes accurately reflect the items discussed at the subject meeting. If there are any revisions or corrections to these minutes, please contact the undersigned within ten (10) days of the date of these minutes. If no revisions or corrections are requested, the minutes will stand approved as submitted.

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MEETING MINUTES

JOB NO.: R004190.0002

PROJECT: BAMB Plan – Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan
Study Committee Meeting #6

DATE: Meeting Date: March 23, 2009

ATTENDEES: Clinton Bonetti
Chuck Davey
Donna Druga
Quinn Hackwelder
Kathy Kline
Gary Pinkerton
Doug Sober
Louise Spohn
Chris Ziegler
Jim Feath, HRG
Jim Watenpool, Park and Recreation Consultant

The meeting began at 7:00 and ended at 8:35.

Topics of discussion:

A. Goal Development

1. At the February meeting the consultant distributed a preliminary list of goals and objectives that was representative of the information collected through the public input process, needs assessment and study committee discussions. The intent of this initial list is to provide a beginning point for the discussion and refinement of the projects final list of goals and objectives.
2. A detailed discussion of the preliminary list of goals and objectives took place. A number of revisions and additions to the list were discussed reviewed by the committee. The consultant recorded the suggested changes for inclusion into the preliminary list.
3. It was further noted by the consultant that this list initial list is only preliminary and reflects the issues discussed to date. As the planning process moves forward we will periodically review and update this list to reflect issues as they become apparent. Additionally, the consultant s will also add to this list as needed for specific recommendations which are noted through the discussion with municipal staff and officials, observation of existing facilities and equipment, etc.
4. Attached for review, is a copy of the preliminary goals and objectives as revised per comments recorded at the committee meeting.

B. Community Specific Recommendations

We took the opportunity to review and add to the list of community specific recommendations which was started at the February committee meeting. The items listed in standard font are from the

initial list of ideas generated by the study committee at the February meeting. The items listed in *italic font* are items added at the March committee meeting.

- **East Butler Borough:**
 - Prepare a master plan for park property at 5th Avenue and Broadway.
 - Need to obtain funding for improvements for park at 5th Avenue and Broadway.
 - *Obtain funding to prepare a master plan for the Borough Park Baseball Complex.*
 - *Obtain funding for the construction of a playground at the Borough Baseball Complex.*

- **Butler City:**
 - General improvements needed at all existing parks
 - Need a pocket park along Main Street downtown
 - Upgrade the existing skate park to a skate plaza in order to become a regional destination spot
 - Need to establish usage agreements with all athletic associations for use of City owned facilities
 - *A seasonal (portable) ice skating rink for use in a City Park.*

- **Butler Township:**
 - Improve existing trails within the park
 - Need to develop trail maps for each park
 - Improved lighting on sled riding hill in Butler Township Park
 - Need picnic shelters in the parks
 - Stream clean-up needed in Butler Township Park
 - *Install a rope-tow for the sled riding hill in Butler Township Park.*
 - *Develop cross county trails in the Butler Township Park.*

- **Penn Township:**
 - Implement the recommendations of the park master plan for Penn Community Park.
 - *Need picnic shelters at Penn Community Park.*

- **Summit Township:**
 - *Prepare a master plan for the ten acre Butler-Freeport Trail property.*
 - *Develop the ten acre Butler-Freeport Trail property.*

- **Any of the communities:**
 - A water/splash park (privately owned) like what is in Erie PA, to become a regional destination/attraction.
 - Develop boat launch areas in accordance with the Connoquenessing watershed study.
 - Develop a disk golf course at Alameda Park.

C. Public and Private Recreational Resources List

1. At the request of the committee, attached with the meeting minutes is a list, by community, of the public and private recreational facilities located within each of the municipalities participating in this project.

2. Please note that this list includes all of the facilities that we are aware of. If you note recreational facilities not included on this list, we will add to this list at the April meeting.

D. Next Month's Committee Meeting

1. Our next meeting will be held at the Butler Township Municipal Building on **April 29** at 7:00 pm.

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MEETING MINUTES

JOB NO.: R004190.0002

PROJECT: **BAMM Plan – Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan
Study Committee Meeting #7**

DATE: Meeting Date: April 29, 2009

ATTENDEES: Clinton Bonetti
Chuck Davey
Jonathan Dreher
Donna Druga
Chris Ziegler
Jim Feath, HRG
Jim Watenpool, Park and Recreation Consultant

The meeting began at 7:20 and ended at 8:35.

Topics of discussion:

A. Goal Development

1. No additional comments were presented to the list of goals and objectives.

B. Community Specific Recommendations

A few additions were added to the evolving list of community specific recommendations. The items listed in standard font represent the list to date. The items listed in *italic* font are items added at the April committee meeting.

- **East Butler Borough:**
 - Prepare a master plan for park property at 5th Avenue and Broadway.
 - Need to obtain funding for improvements for park at 5th Avenue and Broadway.
 - Obtain funding to prepare a master plan for the Borough Park Baseball Complex.
 - Obtain funding for the construction of a playground at the Borough Baseball Complex.
- **Butler City:**
 - General improvements needed at all existing parks
 - Need a pocket park along Main Street downtown
 - Upgrade the existing skate park to a skate plaza in order to become a regional destination spot
 - Need to establish usage agreements with all athletic associations for use of City owned facilities
 - A seasonal (portable) ice skating rink for use in a City Park.
 - *Develop a splash park/playground in Butler Memorial Park.*
 - *Connect Memorial Park to Alameda Park with a multi-use trail.*
 - *Redevelop the tennis courts in Ritts Park.*
 - *Develop a pickleball court in Ritts Park.*

- **Butler Township:**
 - Improve existing trails within the park
 - Need to develop trail maps for each park
 - Improved lighting on sled riding hill in Butler Township Park
 - Need picnic shelters in the parks
 - Stream clean-up needed in Butler Township Park
 - Install a rope-tow for the sled riding hill in Butler Township Park.
 - Develop cross county trails in the Butler Township Park.

- **Penn Township:**
 - Implement the recommendations of the park master plan for Penn Community Park.
 - Need picnic shelters at Penn Community Park.

- **Summit Township:**
 - Prepare a master plan for the ten acre Butler-Freeport Trail property.
 - Develop the ten acre Butler-Freeport Trail property.

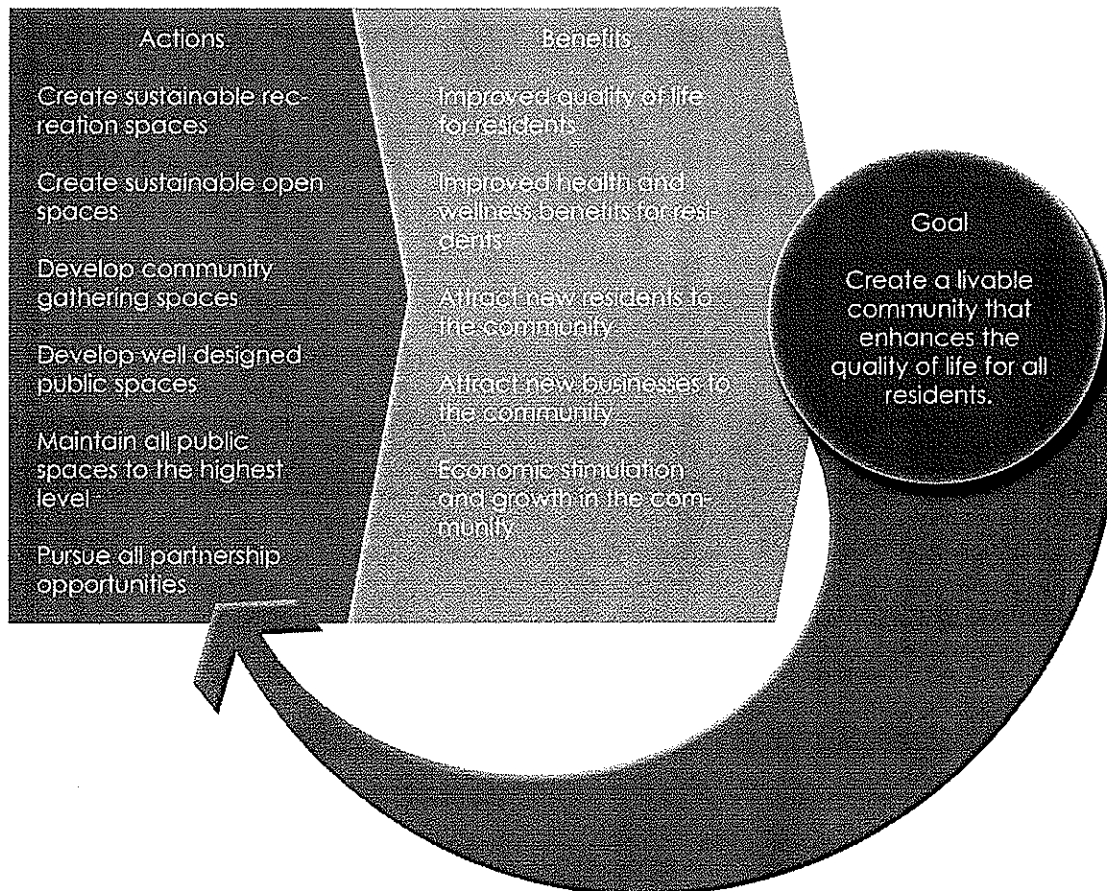
- **Any of the communities:**
 - A water/splash park (privately owned) like what is in Erie PA, to become a regional destination/attraction.
 - Develop boat launch areas in accordance with the Connoquenessing watershed study.
 - Develop a disk golf course at Alameda Park.
 - *Develop public soccer fields.*
 - *Develop a forest management plan for all municipal parks/open spaces/trails with a tree canopy.*
 - *Develop a storm damage recovery plan for parks and open spaces.*

C. Mission Statement

The committee agreed to building on the preliminary list of goals and objectives as a base upon which to construct the project mission statement. A general discussion on what should be included into and how the committee should view and/or structure the framework of a mission statement took place.

It was discussed that our over arching "mission statement" may not be a statement at all, but rather a guiding framework or structure upon which the goals and objectives are set. The general framework which emerged from the discussion reflected a cause and effect scenario such as: *"Municipal recreation opportunities (facilities and programs) promote a good quality of life that benefits all residents."* This cause and effect framework may be a method which can structure the mission statement and craft something that is beyond a generic "feel good" statement.

The graphic on the following page reflects the line of thought, which emerged from the meeting, on how the framework for a guiding mission may be structured.



D. Next Month's Committee Meeting

1. Our next meeting will be held at the Butler Township Municipal Building on **May 28** at 7:00 pm.

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JOB NO.: R004190.0002

PROJECT: **BAMM Plan – Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan
Study Committee Meeting #8**

DATE: Meeting Date: May 28, 2009

ATTENDEES: Jonathan Dreher
Donna Druga
Kat Kennan
Gary Pinkerton
Doug Sober
Jim Feath, HRG
Jim Watenpool, Park and Recreation Consultant

The meeting began at 7:00 and ended at 8:40.

Topics of discussion:

A. Comments and Questions

A variety of comments we shared regarding general recreation items and specific facility issues and updates:

1. DEP is in the process of preparing an action plan for the remediation of Father Marinaro Park and the surround lands contaminated by the former glass plant. Up to date status information on the status of this process is available on the DEP website at the following link: <http://www.depweb.state.pa.us/northwestregion/cwp/view.asp?a=3&Q=546766&northwestregionNav=|38071|>.
2. The Butler City trailhead of the Butler-Freeport Trail has been impacted by the soil contamination issues at Father Marinaro Park. As a result, the trail committee has identified a new route for the trail into the City. This proposed realignment will follow a former rail spur. Once remediation has been completed at Father Marinaro, the trail will be connected into the park as originally intended.
3. The ten acre site, that is part of the Butler-Freeport Trail, located in Summit Township was also a glass site which operated at the same time as the glass plant which was once located at what is now Father Marinaro Park. This may be an important fact to include in the comprehensive plan. The consultant will be conducting a field inventory of this site and will make sure that the history of the site is noted.
4. A general discussion took place regarding the importance of having all potential recommendations included in the plan, regardless of how ambitious the recommendation may be. This will ensure that if an opportunity were ever to arise the opportunity will be supported as a recommendation of the comprehensive plan.
5. The importance of limiting development within the parks took place. It was discussed that the parks should not be over developed, but rather the communities must strive to provide

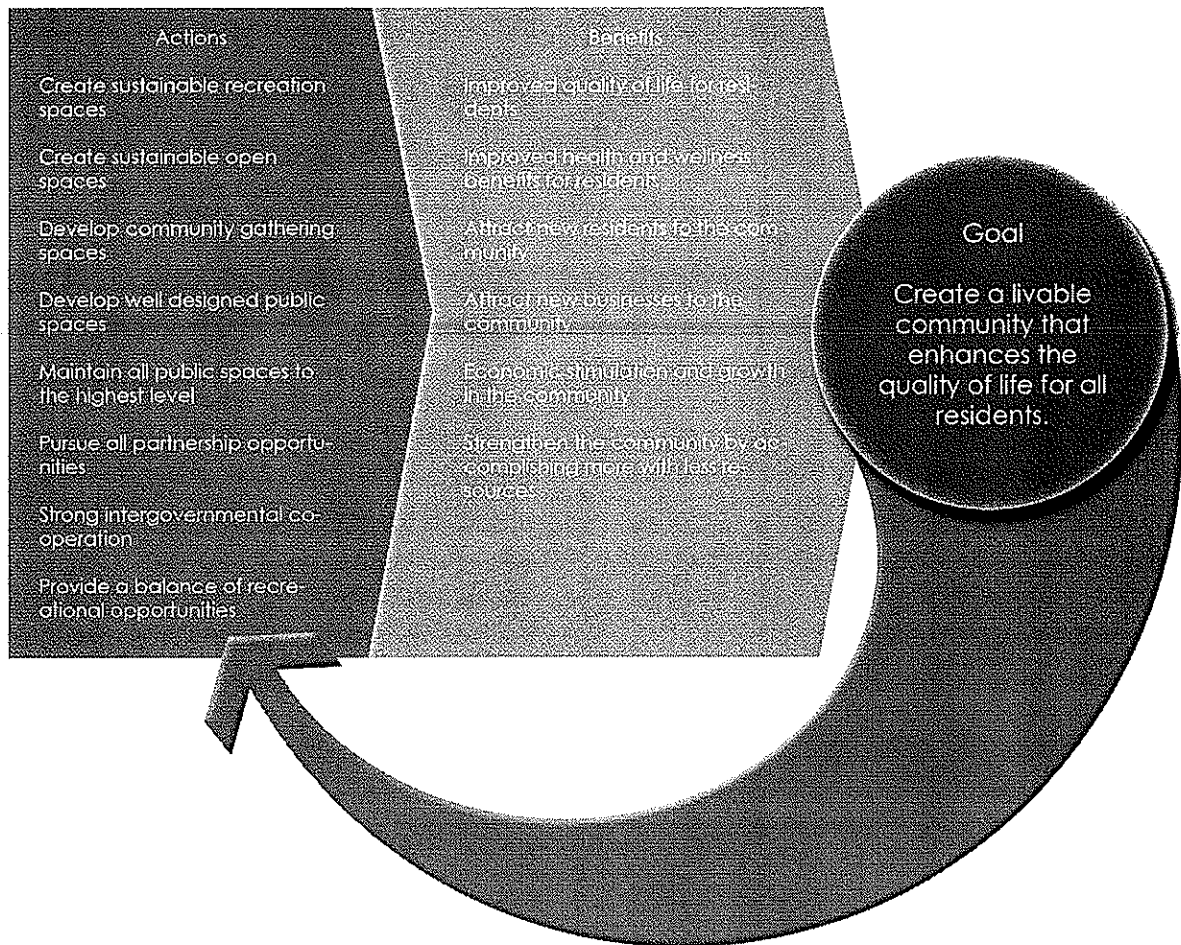
well balanced recreational opportunities while protecting open spaces. It was discussed that planning for recreational facilities on a multi-municipal level is an opportunity to plan regionally and will strive to prevent duplication of facilities and thus the over development of parks, or any one particular park.

B. Community Specific Recommendations

No additions were made to the list of community specific recommendations generated at the March and April meetings. We will periodically review this list

C. Mission Statement

Further discussion of the mission statement framework took place. The revisions are included in the mission graphic below.



D. Next Month's Committee Meeting

1. Our next meeting will be held at the Butler Township Municipal Building on **June 24** at 7:00 pm.

We believe these minutes accurately reflect the items discussed at the subject meeting. If there are any revisions or corrections to these minutes, please contact the undersigned within ten (10) days of the date of these minutes. If no revisions or corrections are requested, the minutes will stand approved as submitted.

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MEETING MINUTES

JOB NO.: R004190.0002

PROJECT: BAMB Plan – Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan
Study Committee Meeting #9

DATE: Meeting Date: June 24, 2009

ATTENDEES: Chuck Davey
Donna Druga
Audrey Moore
Chris Ziegler
Jim Feath, HRG
Jim Watenpool, Park and Recreation Consultant

The meeting began at 7:05 and ended at 8:35.

Topics of discussion:

A. Comments and Questions

A variety of comments we shared regarding general recreation items and specific facility issues and updates:

1. Butler Township Baseball Association is looking to construct their own fields. They would like to be able to host tournaments and will need a facility that will allow this to happen. Currently, the Association's fields are all located on private property (the Catholic Church in Meridian) and are leased by the Association. Further, the Association is partnering with Highfield for use of their fields.

B. Mission Statement

No further comments were made regarding the Mission Outline. As we move forward, we will periodically review and revise the Mission Outline as needed.

C. Mandatory Dedication – Fees In-Lieu of Ordinance

An effective tool to provide a stream on income for recreation facility development, an ordinance of this type will allow a community to mandate recreation land dedication or the collection of fees in-lieu of land dedication for all new residential developments. To outline what this ordinance is all about and what it can do for your community, a sample was provided for review and discussion. Currently, none of the five participating municipalities has such an ordinance.

A copy of the sample ordinance distributed for discussion purposes is attached to these meeting minutes. At our next meeting, we will further discuss what this type of ordinance can do for your municipality.

D. Staffing

A detailed discussion of future staffing needs took place. It was generally agreed that a multi-municipal recreation director position will be the logical first step in this process. Specific interest resides with having one central organization to act as the clearing house for the development and administration of recreation programs. Each municipality that is a member of the multi-municipal recreation organization will retain the maintenance responsibilities of their respective facilities.

Recreational Programming - The goal, as defined by the committee, is to provide recreation programs to the residents of the greater Butler region. This will be completed in the following method:

1. Conduct a Peer-to-Peer study to assess the interest and practicalities associated with developing a multi-municipal recreation organization.
2. Apply for a Circuit Rider to assist with funding a recreation director.
3. Establish a multi-municipal recreation organization with a Board of Directors made up of representatives from each participating municipality. The recreation director will be responsible to and report to the Board.

Facility maintenance - Each municipality will retain the responsibility for facility maintenance in their respective municipality. Staffing will be critical to ensure facilities are maintained to the appropriate levels.

Volunteers – Establish a "Friends of the Park" organization in each municipality and/or for each respective park (recreation) facility.

E. Our Next Committee Meeting

1. Our next meeting will be held at the Butler Township Municipal Building on **August 26** at 7:00 pm.

We believe these minutes accurately reflect the items discussed at the subject meeting. If there are any revisions or corrections to these minutes, please contact the undersigned within ten (10) days of the date of these minutes. If no revisions or corrections are requested, the minutes will stand approved as submitted.

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MEETING MINUTES

JOB NO.: R004190.0002

PROJECT: BMM Plan – Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan
Study Committee Meeting #10

DATE: Meeting Date: August 26, 2009

ATTENDEES: Bruce Betty
Chuck Davey
Donna Druga
Doug Sober
Chris Ziegler
Jim Feath, HRG
Jim Watenpool, Park and Recreation Consultant

The meeting began at 7:00 and ended at 8:30.

Topics of discussion:

A. Comments and Questions

A variety of comments we shared regarding general recreation items and specific facility issues and updates:

1. The public announcement of the Preston property donation was discussed by the committee.
2. It was mentioned that Butler Township requested Kathy Frankel visit the Preston Property in August. Cindy Davis accompanied Kathy on a tour of the property.

B. Mandatory Dedication – Fees In-Lieu of Ordinance

An extensive discussion of the application of a mandatory dedication/fee-in-lieu of ordinance took place. The discussion with the committee reviewed the following:

- What is a Mandatory Dedication – Fees In-Lieu of Ordinance?
- How does it work?
- How can this benefit recreational development in the community?
- Is this something that should be developed for the greater Butler communities?

The following items, comments and concerns were discussed relating to an ordinance:

1. It was agreed that an ordinance such as this will have a benefit to the communities of the greater Butler area.
2. A discussion of the potential fee range took place. It was generally agreed that fees should be regionally competitive and fall in the range of \$800 to \$1000/dwelling unit.
3. The suggestion to establish an ordinance with out fees and set fees via resolution will allow communities to more effectively update the fee as needed.
4. Attention must be paid to the long-term maintenance of facilities, one day the revenue from such an ordinance will stop when the subdivisions stop.
5. It is important to keep strong Land Development Ordinances to preserve open space - there can not be a substitution of fees-in-lieu for open space.

6. It was discussed that such an ordinance should be crafted to include areas of redevelopment in order to capture future units developed on previously occupied sites. This will have significant impact on the collection of fees in the City and Butler Township.

C. Updates

1. Community Specific Recommendations
 - a. The committee was provided the opportunity to review, comment on and revise the list of community specific recommendations.
 - b. One additional item was discussed and added to the list previously prepared. This item is for Butler City to have a direct bicycle route and connection to the larger regional trail systems via the Butler-Freeport Trail.
2. Specific Project Goals:
 - a. The committee was provided the opportunity to review, comment on and revise the list of goals prepared to date.
 - b. One suggested revision was discussed for inclusion; that being the preparation of a master site plan for the Preston Property.
 - c. As discussed, the consultants will begin to add specific items to the list of goals and objectives based on the technical aspects of the plan, i.e., budgets, maintenance, organizational items, etc.

D. Our Next Committee Meeting

1. Our next meeting will be held at the Butler Township Municipal Building on **October 28** at 7:00 pm.

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MEETING MINUTES

JOB NO.: R004190.0002

PROJECT: BAMB Plan – Comprehensive Recreation, Parks and Open Space Plan
Study Committee Meeting #11

DATE: Meeting Date: February 24, 2010

ATTENDEES: Bruce Betty
Jonathan Dreher
Donna Druga
Daryl Patten
Gary Pinkerton
Doug Sober
Chris Ziegler
Jim Feath, HRG
Jim Watenpool, Park and Recreation Consultant

The meeting began at 7:10 and ended at 9:45.

Topics of discussion:

A. Comments and Questions

Mr. Daryl Patten was at the meeting this evening at the request of Cindy Davis to discuss the proposed sports complex at Highfield baseball complex. Mr. Patten provided a description of the facility, to be privately developed and owned, which will be developed as a premier baseball training and tournament complex. The proposal at this time includes the development of a domed training complex as well as additional support facilities and fields.

Mr. Patten also heads up the Butler Township-Meridian Youth Baseball Association which owns the existing baseball fields near BC3. Mr. Patten discussed that there is a potential that the association may utilize the proposed facilities at Highfield and could consider donating the property near BC3 to the Township. These details are very preliminary.

B. Recreation Resource Map

The consultants prepared a map which shows all of the public recreation facilities within the study area. Further, the map also indicated the service area of each facility based on the facility type, i.e. a neighborhood park has a service area of ¼ mile versus a community park with a service area of 2 miles.

The resulting map provides a clear picture of which portions of the study area are adequately serviced by nearby recreation space and those areas that are not. The resulting discussion created the following recommendations:

1. Butler Township:
 - a. Add additional lands to the Butler Township/Preston Park properties as land becomes available.

- b. Look for potential recreation land in the south eastern portion of the Township near the Butler Community College campus.
2. Penn Township:
 - a. Develop the open land behind the Township Building for passive use recreational area.
 - b. Look for potential park land in the north-central portion of the Township.
 - c. Look for potential land acquisition for the protection and preservation of natural and historically significant areas.
3. City of Butler:
 - a. Look for potential acquisition opportunities to expand existing parks.
 - b. Look for potential opportunities for trail development and water trail trailheads.
4. East Butler Borough:
 - a. Look for potential acquisition opportunities to expand existing parks.
5. Summit Township:
 - a. Work with the Butler Freeport Trail Association on the development of the 'Y' property.
 - b. Look for land acquisition opportunities for the expansion of existing parks.
 - c. Look for potential land acquisition for the protection and preservation of natural and historically significant areas.

C. Prioritization Exercise

A general discussion of the prioritization of the proposed plan objectives took place. The committee began to review each item, but given the number of plan objectives and the hour of the meeting, it was decided that each committee member will send their selections to Jim Feath. Once received, Mr. Feath will compile the results and make the selection based on the majority rule of the returned results.

The draft list will be emailed to the committee for final review and comment once Mr. Feath has compiled the returned results.

D. Upcoming Meetings

1. A community wide presentation of the BAMM Plan is scheduled for **March 30**.

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Appendix C

BAMM Plan Key Persons Interview

4/22-23/08

(Highlight – Parks & Recreation Focus Interview)

Name	Organization
At-Large:	
Jack Cohen	ED County Tourism
Larry Garvin	YMCA
Dave Johnston	County Planning Dir.
Stan Kosciuszko	ED Chamber
Patricia Nealon*	ED Butler VA
Ron Olsen	Olsen Assoc.
Perry O'Malley	County Housing
John Paul	Exec Dir Transit Auth.
Dale Pinkerton	County Commissioner
City:	
Carol Achezinski	NexTier
John Brock (724-477-1242)	Burt Hill
Bob Dandoy	Teacher – Ret. Slippery Rock/LaRoche
Chuck Davey	Atty.
Jill Kraus	Shade Tree Assoc.
Dale Markle	Principal
Dave Panther*	Pastor
Gary Pinkerton	County Dir. Parks & Rec
Vince Tavolario	Natili Restaurant
Michael Teresi	Newbury Realty

Butler Twp:	
Rose Conyers	Pastor's wife, resident
Ken DeFurio	Pres. Butler Health Syst.
Doug Ford	Teacher – Jr. High
Joe Gray	Gateway Eng.
Bill McCarrier	CDC, Fmr Cnty Comm.
Nick Neupauer	Pres. BC3
Jana Panther*	Butler Hosp.
Millie Pinkerton	Resident
Diane Mintus Sheets	Exec Dir CDC
Pat Stone	Proj. Mgr. Massaro
David Todd	Ret Pres. Armco
Penn Twp:	
Jeff Crede	St. Police
Frank Dickson	
Larry Galbreath	
Patty Kanterman	Tax Acct.
Jeffrey Kennedy	Farmer
Cathy Loeffler	Habitat


Robert Noah	Retired
John Schuster	
Jack Sirkoch*	
Michael Walsh	Equipment Sales


Summit/E. Butler:	
Robert Beilstein	Tax Accountant
Jeff Cottage	
Ryan Daniels*	Young family
Edward Etzel*	Developer
Mary Etzel	
Tony Gagliardi	Land Owner/Businesses
Richard Green	Nurseries
Lonnie Myers	
Jesse Raabe	Retired (AK Steel)
Dale Simmons	Ret. Farmer
Dave Weichey*	
Robert Wolf Jr/Sr*	Camper Sales (Kathy) (Schedule later)

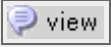
Appendix D

Key Person Interview Results As Concerning to Parks and Recreation

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8. Your Municipality needs to be continually expanding and improving its parks.							
	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree/Disagree	21.1% (8)	44.7% (17)	15.8% (6)	13.2% (5)	5.3% (2)	3.63	38
 view Comments:							30
<i>answered question</i>							38
<i>skipped question</i>							0

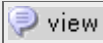
12. In your municipality, how important is preservation of:								
	Very Important	Important	Neutral	Not very important	Not at all important	DK	Rating Average	Response Count
Agricultural Land	45.9% (17)	21.6% (8)	10.8% (4)	5.4% (2)	10.8% (4)	5.4% (2)	3.91	37
Open Space	36.8% (14)	39.5% (15)	10.5% (4)	2.6% (1)	5.3% (2)	5.3% (2)	4.06	38
Tree Stands	47.2% (17)	22.2% (8)	16.7% (6)	0.0% (0)	5.6% (2)	8.3% (3)	4.15	36
Historic sites/areas	51.4% (19)	32.4% (12)	8.1% (3)	5.4% (2)	2.7% (1)	0.0% (0)	4.24	37
Neighborhoods	44.7% (17)	39.5% (15)	7.9% (3)	5.3% (2)	2.6% (1)	0.0% (0)	4.18	38
Natural Resources	56.8% (21)	35.1% (13)	5.4% (2)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	2.7% (1)	4.53	37
 view Comments:							15	
<i>answered question</i>							38	
<i>skipped question</i>							0	




13. Should it be a priority to create a network of trails and bike paths throughout the Greater Butler Area?		Response Count
 view		38
answered question		38
skipped question		0

Comment Text	Response Date
1. Yes!	Fri, 7/11/08 10:35 AM
2. Yes	Wed, 6/25/08 4:10 PM
3. Yes	Wed, 6/25/08 3:58 PM
4. YES, Experience shows that these are used when present. Community assets that make a municipality attractive. May be a necessary with price of gas on the rise.	Wed, 6/25/08 2:52 PM
5. YES! Recreation/Transportation/Tourism.	Wed, 6/25/08 1:51 PM
6. May be convenient for commuting.	Wed, 6/25/08 1:39 PM
7. On Public land yes. Against Rails to Trails.	Wed, 6/25/08 12:55 PM
8. Good idea, Practical?	Tue, 6/24/08 5:48 PM
9. Yes	Tue, 6/24/08 5:25 PM
10. No	Tue, 6/24/08 5:03 PM
11. Yes	Wed, 6/18/08 3:59 PM
12. No, Not a priority, but with Washington Trail - neat idea.	Wed, 6/18/08 2:53 PM
13. No - Have enough; but, if done, do it right with regard to property owners.	Wed, 6/18/08 2:31 PM
14. Yes, would be nice. Bikers on 2-lane roads create congestion.	Wed, 6/18/08 12:25 PM
15. Not big priority for Economic Development. Yes for Recreation.	Wed, 6/18/08 10:18 AM
16. No.	Mon, 6/16/08 6:05 PM
17. Not a priority.	Mon, 6/16/08 5:35 PM
18. No. Plenty of opportunities such as 12 miles in Moraine, Herman to Freeport - eventually to Oil City. None though in Penn Twp.	Mon, 6/16/08 5:22 PM
19. Current stuff is adequate.	Mon, 6/16/08 4:54 PM
20. Yes	Mon, 6/16/08 4:18 PM
21. Rails to trails	Mon, 6/16/08 4:01 PM
22. NO	Mon, 6/16/08 3:36 PM
23. Yes. Like to see it.	Mon, 6/16/08 2:59 PM
24. Already have rails to trails.	Mon, 6/16/08 2:35 PM
25. I would love to see it.	Thu, 6/12/08 10:02 AM
26. Yes	Thu, 6/12/08 9:24 AM
27. Huge!! Biggest quality of life issue	Wed, 6/11/08 7:37 PM
28. Need to link City with surrounding municipalities. Use old RR right of way - Harmony.	Wed, 6/11/08 6:37 PM
29. Not a priority but would be a very nice asset to community.	Wed, 6/11/08 5:59 PM
30. Yes! For recreation as well as alternative mode of transportation.	Wed, 6/11/08 5:35 PM
31. Yes - definitely connect Butler, Freeport trail into Butler Need separate bike / walk trails and lanes from road / Street traffic.	Wed, 6/11/08 5:14 PM



- 32. Yes on rails to trails
- 33. Yes
- 34. Sure.
- 35. Yes! Good thing! Anything that get people active Pet trails.
- 36. Yes
- 37. Yes
- 38. Yes - Safety off street, Rails to Trails.

Wed, 6/11/08 5:06 PM
 Wed, 6/11/08 4:26 PM
 Tue, 6/10/08 3:38 PM
 Mon, 6/2/08 9:54 AM
 Fri, 5/9/08 1:33 PM
 Thu, 5/8/08 3:27 PM
 Thu, 5/8/08 1:53 PM

24. Recreationally, in your municipality, what age groups are being served the best/worst?								
	Best	Good	OK	Not so Good	Worst	DK	Rating Average	Response Count
Preschoolers	6.1% (2)	27.3% (9)	24.2% (8)	9.1% (3)	3.0% (1)	30.3% (10)	3.35	33
Youths	5.9% (2)	35.3% (12)	20.6% (7)	11.8% (4)	5.9% (2)	20.6% (7)	3.30	34
Teens	2.9% (1)	11.8% (4)	23.5% (8)	23.5% (8)	17.6% (6)	20.6% (7)	2.48	34
Adults	6.1% (2)	18.2% (6)	36.4% (12)	18.2% (6)	3.0% (1)	18.2% (6)	3.07	33
Seniors	12.1% (4)	21.2% (7)	27.3% (9)	9.1% (3)	3.0% (1)	27.3% (9)	3.42	33
Families	3.0% (1)	21.2% (7)	36.4% (12)	15.2% (5)	6.1% (2)	18.2% (6)	3.00	33
 view							Comments:	4
<i>answered question</i>								34
<i>skipped question</i>								4

25. What future Recreational/Park opportunities or improvements would you like to see occur to better serve the recreational needs of your municipality?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Facilities		87.5%	21
Programs		41.7%	10
Maintenance		33.3%	8

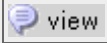
25. What future Recreational/Park opportunities or improvements would you like to see occur to better serve the recreational needs of your municipality?

Other amenities		25.0%	6
		 Suggestions/Comments:	30
		answered question	24
		skipped question	14

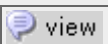
Comment Text	Response Date
1. Bike and walking trails. Playground and playground equipment for youngsters. Skateboard and Bike parks. BMX track. Programs for seniors and young adults. Maintenance - Develop community group assistance to help maintain parks (Adopt-A-Park).	Fri, 7/11/08 10:50 AM
2. If there is a need private entity would do it. Public not responsible for entertainment.	Wed, 6/25/08 4:10 PM
3. Facilities- BC3 - provide more opportunities. Maintenance - Memorial Park	Wed, 6/25/08 4:02 PM
4. This has been pretty well addressed with the City's comprehensive plan for parks and recreation.	Wed, 6/25/08 3:01 PM
5. Public pool with volleyball/basketball - in Summit Twp or further from existing pools, perhaps jointly with other Townships.	Wed, 6/25/08 1:45 PM
6. Re-open Butler Pool and fix it up for teens. Programs - for teens.	Wed, 6/25/08 1:04 PM
7. Sidewalks connecting commercial to residential areas.	Tue, 6/24/08 5:36 PM
8. Make sure they are sustainable.	Tue, 6/24/08 5:13 PM
9. Facilities - Have nice need improvements. Memorial park pool- reopen. Alameda needs better maintenance.	Wed, 6/18/08 4:06 PM
10. Programs - Teens and younger Facilities - Walking trail (maybe not priority). Maintenance - Moraine not very clean.	Wed, 6/18/08 3:06 PM
11. None - concentrate on jobs.	Wed, 6/18/08 2:37 PM
12. Facilities - Bike trails, upgrade park. Maintenance - improve.	Wed, 6/18/08 12:34 PM
13. Not interested - GET BUSINESSES!	Mon, 6/16/08 6:16 PM
14. New park coming into Penn Twp - we'll see after that.	Mon, 6/16/08 5:37 PM
15. Facilities: Overlapping of pools - Better use of space where pool is. City pool has been closed for 3 years. Donations to County for parks are good. Programs : Baseball excellent. But Twp is lighting slopes for sledding.	Mon, 6/16/08 5:08 PM
16. Facilities - Park with pavilion.	Mon, 6/16/08 4:05 PM
17. Don't need any (Summit).	Mon, 6/16/08 3:43 PM
18. Facilities: Trails for joggers/bikers/walkers. Ball field/play area/Gathering places (Summit).	Mon, 6/16/08 3:11 PM
19. Facilities: Slowly increase new facilities.	Mon, 6/16/08 2:42 PM
20. Facilities: City parks are deteriorating. City parks are not a focus of city. City needs to work with County Parks Director to obtain grant money to rehab City parks.	Thu, 6/12/08 9:31 AM
21. Facilities: City parks are old and need updates; Reopen City pool; Memorial park is up to City but competes with YMCA and County pool; Money to rehab and maintain are not available to keep pool open. Maintenance: Only 3 maintenance people - hire more staff. Parks are adequately maintained; need more storage for EQ and supplies. Other Amenities: Recreational network of trails around city; Tennis courts need rehab; need trails for walking and biking; need plan for a walkable City; No real good place in City to walk except Memorial Park; walkability throughout DT. YMCA does a good job.	Wed, 6/11/08 7:37 PM
22. Maintenance: Improve and provide new facilities at County park.	Wed, 6/11/08 6:43 PM
23. Facilities: Do a better job with what we have; Rehab what we have Programs: More family oriented programs Maintenance; Must provide to keep good attractive facilities Other amenities: Restrooms - good / clean; Plan for families	Wed, 6/11/08 6:05 PM
24. Facilities: Multi municipal rec center - combine w/ seniors Trails / green ways Neighborhood parks (DT) E.Butler; need renovation of parks with added facilities playground Programs: Not adequate. Townships and County need to do more. Have a Peer-to-Peer meeting of five study communities plus the County Rec Department at Alameda.	Wed, 6/11/08 5:42 PM
25. Facilities: Trails; outdoor - multi seasonal facilities Programs: All age groups must be served.	Wed, 6/11/08 5:15 PM
26. Continue to maintain the existing facilities and programs well.	Tue, 6/10/08 3:47 PM
27. Better use of YMCA	Mon, 6/2/08 10:00 AM
28. More walking and bike paths.	Fri, 5/9/08 1:33 PM
29. Civic Center in DT. Penn theater restoration. Memorial park pool reopened.	Thu, 5/8/08 3:27 PM

26. What are the key issues hampering the development of parks and recreation opportunities in your municipality?	
	Response Count
 view	28
<i>answered question</i>	28
<i>skipped question</i>	10

Comment Text	Response Date
1. Funding	Fri, 7/11/08 10:50 AM
2. Available land - income generating land vs. parks and rec. Funding. Who runs it - public vs. private? In Cranberry, Dick's subsidized park.	Wed, 6/25/08 4:10 PM
3. In the past it was funding. Money is availability now but we are complacent and lack leadership. BC3 could be more teen/recreation oriented, with concerts, dances, events.	Wed, 6/25/08 4:02 PM
4. Lack of vision and perception of benefits of such amenities (e.g "What do we need bike paths for?) . Funding.	Wed, 6/25/08 3:01 PM
5. Probably funding.	Wed, 6/25/08 1:45 PM
6. County could do better, Summit Twp has no money.	Wed, 6/25/08 1:04 PM
7. Funds.	Tue, 6/24/08 5:57 PM
8. Funding.	Tue, 6/24/08 5:36 PM
9. Funding and sustainability.	Tue, 6/24/08 5:13 PM
10. Tax base, leadersip, knowledge regarding grants. Need to hire local!!	Wed, 6/18/08 4:06 PM
11. Funding	Wed, 6/18/08 3:06 PM
12. Price of land in Penn Twp.	Wed, 6/18/08 12:34 PM
13. Money	Wed, 6/18/08 10:27 AM
14. Cost of land.	Mon, 6/16/08 6:16 PM
15. Duplication - Pools and Baseball. Not working together. County -Twp cooperation could be better.	Mon, 6/16/08 5:08 PM
16. Why assess home owners for parks that are not needed or will be used by very few.	Mon, 6/16/08 3:43 PM
17. People don't want them. People even continue to fight Rails to Trails (Summit).	Mon, 6/16/08 3:11 PM
18. Money.	Mon, 6/16/08 2:42 PM
19. \$\$\$ - vision and master planning Revenues	Wed, 6/11/08 7:37 PM
20. Available ground.	Wed, 6/11/08 6:43 PM
21. \$'s.	Wed, 6/11/08 6:05 PM
22. \$\$ Ag. comm. is reluctant to development and may protest loss of Ag land for parks / rec areas.	Wed, 6/11/08 5:15 PM
23. If open youth place, becomes "low class" place; good kids don't go "Unchurched" kids take over programs - "Churched" kids leave	Wed, 6/11/08 5:08 PM
24. They are neglected and not properly maintained. They become a hang-out place.	Wed, 6/11/08 4:40 PM
25. None	Tue, 6/10/08 3:47 PM
26. \$ constraints	Mon, 6/2/08 10:00 AM
27. Funding. Moraine State Park - hard to tell you are at a Park, should permit bigger boats on the Lake.	Fri, 5/9/08 1:33 PM
28. Funding. Coordination among interested parties.	Thu, 5/8/08 3:27 PM

27. How important do you think the cooperation between local municipalities, school districts, athletic associations, churches, businesses and other organizations is to the development of quality parks and recreational opportunities?								
	Very Important	Important	Somewhat important	Not very important	Not at all important	Rating Average	Response Count	
Importance	75.0% (27)	22.2% (8)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	2.8% (1)	4.67	36	
						 view	Comments:	17
<i>answered question</i>								36
<i>skipped question</i>								2

Comment Text	Response Date
1. Very optimistic - many changes for better in last 6 years. Cindy does a phenomenal job.	Wed, 6/25/08 4:10 PM
2. Get churches involved.	Wed, 6/25/08 4:02 PM
3. Too much is done in a vacuum.	Tue, 6/24/08 5:57 PM
4. Why is Butler HS building new fields when Pullman Park is being built?	Tue, 6/24/08 5:36 PM
5. Master plan that ties these all together would help.	Wed, 6/18/08 3:06 PM
6. Encourage kids to improve grades. Put \$'s there, not parks.	Wed, 6/18/08 2:37 PM
7. Cooperation on opinions is easy, when it comes to funding - tough.	Wed, 6/18/08 12:34 PM
8. People have worked together in past - Butler Twp - no city problems; Penn Twp - No Butler Twp problems.	Mon, 6/16/08 6:16 PM
9. Schools - Libraries should be more available to kids - year-round. Basketball courts should not be available year-round and not locked. Schools - Pools could be available to public. Special needs kids could be using school facilities after hours/summers.	Mon, 6/16/08 5:08 PM
10. Lots of fighting among schools/churches/Municipalities. School board gets blank check to do whatever they want. It comes down to money or shared debt.	Mon, 6/16/08 3:43 PM
11. Meridian/Butler Twp Merging baseball program.	Thu, 6/12/08 10:04 AM
12. City/County rails to trails.	Wed, 6/11/08 7:37 PM
13. Need cooperation; it is a must. Much cooperation between organizations is already in place.	Wed, 6/11/08 6:43 PM
14. Everyone needs to buy in Shared services for a shared population.	Wed, 6/11/08 6:05 PM
15. Easier said than done! Too many agenda's currently Need one strong person to overcome issues and spearhead efforts	Wed, 6/11/08 5:15 PM
16. Fix the Basketball courts in conjunction with the County. Gary Pinkerton very helpful.	Tue, 6/10/08 3:47 PM
17. Need a leader - Maybe Co. park and rec director These 5 municipalities (Project communities) must work with co. to improve Rec opp's Too much adult influence in youth recreation	

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1. Have more discussion, including with the schools. Start talking about use of school playgrounds after hours and in the summers, providing space for evening programs. Involve groups like Rotary to maintain/enhance parks.	Fri, 7/11/08 10:50 AM
2. Getting them to understand that with park and Rec they are not islands entire of themselves. They are assets whose use and attraction cuts across municipal boundaries.	Wed, 6/25/08 3:01 PM
3. Summit, Oakland and Clearfield are fairly small municipalities with no parks or recreational facilities. Possibly this is something they could work on.	Wed, 6/25/08 1:45 PM
4. South Butler school district bought 60 acres contiguous to campus. Doing master plan now discussing fields/recreation. What about Penn Township park plan? Need to coordinate.	Tue, 6/24/08 5:57 PM
5. Talk to each other, learn from each other.	Tue, 6/24/08 5:13 PM
6. New leadership - one company's PR guy totally against an ice rink - undermined the group promoting it.	Wed, 6/18/08 4:06 PM
7. If the County and City were somehow a joint taxing district, that would be the best chance to help the City. Tax base in the City is limited.	Wed, 6/18/08 12:34 PM
8. Not just parks and Recreation, would be better served but every segment of our community would be better served if we merged the City with the Townships - made it all the City of Butler.	Wed, 6/18/08 10:27 AM
9. Why are we promoting parks?	Mon, 6/16/08 3:43 PM
10. Communication. Reduce overlapping.	Mon, 6/16/08 3:11 PM
11. Need better advertisements of Rec Facilities and programs in proper media format for audience. Future depends on open communication Change starts small - take a few small tasks and work together as one entity (COG)	Wed, 6/11/08 6:05 PM
12. Small steps must be taken in order to grow into larger steps. Pick a project and build cooperation to achieve objective. - baby steps Buils slow and steady Consolidation of Butler city and Butler Twp. is something that must happen.	Wed, 6/11/08 5:15 PM
13. There is a huge volunteer force in town. Need to figure our how to organize/corral the volunteers to get something to happen. Need leaders who cn gather and motivate a group.	Wed, 6/11/08 4:40 PM
14. Meet periodically with Gary Pinkerton regarding opportunities and funding. Find people who work in the field that know sources and programs.	Tue, 6/10/08 3:47 PM
15. Dedicated Staff people to leader to drive effort!	Mon, 6/2/08 10:00 AM
16. The County is writing grants to do this.	Fri, 5/9/08 1:33 PM
17. People at activities/facilities help solve issues. share facilities. Coordinate activities and events.	Thu, 5/8/08 3:27 PM

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Appendix E

Public Meeting Input Collection Results

City of Butler Tour and Public Meeting – 9/11/08

(Prior to touring the City, PDG met in the City offices with JoAnn Snyder, Assistant Zoning Officer, Paul Snyder, City Building Code Enforcement Officer (mostly does housing inspections), and John Evans, City Zoning Officer, who heads this Department of 3.5 people with responsibility for Zoning, Code Management, Engineering coordination, Housing and other building inspections, etc. throughout the City.)

Notes from pre-tour meeting:

1. Cleaning up or razing residential properties with no known (or readily identified) ownership is a huge issue in the City.
 - a. Can demolish buildings after the Health Department condemns them.
 - b. CDBG requires that the City have the deed to the property, so don't use CDBG dollars for demolition of vacant housing.
2. Do not utilize CDBG rental rehab program.
 - a. Requires significant local personnel and City only has one person to do inspections and issue permits City-wide.
 - i. City is exploring if members of the Fire Dept. could be used for inspections.
 - b. Utilize the International Residential Code.
 - i. Almost everything requires a permit, except carpet and painting.
3. Paul Snyder is also responsible for inspecting and writing up bad sidewalks and curbs.
 - a. Doing them one block at a time.
 - b. As a 3rd Class City, the streets between the curbs are the City's responsibility
 - i. Property owners are responsible for maintaining curbs and sidewalks.
4. Lots of unopened alleys in the City that could be used.
 - a. After twenty-one years, if not reopened, the alley use reverts to property owners who must then maintain them.
5. Empty lots are being purchased by neighbors and combined with their lots.
6. Commercial inspections are being subcontracted to 3rd parties and coordinated with the Fire Department's inspections.
7. There is a \$4.1 million flood control project for Sullivan Run area.
 - a. 100% State funding for construction. (The City must fund acquisition.)
 - b. Construction begins this winter.
 - c. Project involves containing Sullivan Run with retaining walls and widening the creek bed to reduce the floodplain area.
 - d. This is Phase 2.
 - i. Phase 1 was done 14 years ago from Miller Avenue to Brady Street.
 - ii. Phase 2 is from Brady to Connoquenessing Creek.
8. There is an estimated \$2.1 million project to replace the Monroe Street bridge.
 - a. Funding – 80% - Federal, 15% - State, 5% - City/County/RR.
 - b. Bids due October 9; project start this Fall.
 - c. The Buffalo & Pittsburgh RR owns the bridge but wants nothing to do with it.
 - i. PUC never enforced inspections.
 - ii. Was put on the County's bridge inspection program.
9. The Redevelopment Authority now owns the buildings near Pullman Park that will be demolished. Demolitions to start within 60 days.
10. Butler Township has weight limits on its roads, so they don't have a problem with trucks.
 - a. If the City put a truck scale on Main Street in the DT, it would probably reduce truck traffic on Rte 8 considerably.
11. The Social Security Office is moving from the DT to Pullman Park.
12. City Schools.

- a. The Senior High School building (grades 11 & 12) and the Intermediate High School building are just west of the City in Butler Twp.
 - b. The Jr. High School is in the updated original Butler HS (built in 1917) on East North Street adjacent to DT Butler.
 - c. Average about 900 per graduating class.
13. The City's Zoning Code was adopted in 1969 and is antiquated.
- a. It doesn't reflect what exists today.
 - b. 75% of the lots in the City are substandard to existing zoning, usually with regard to front footage.
 - i. Consequently, additions cannot be permitted.
 - c. Commercial zoning along corridors is also an issue.
 - d. Zoning Code update strongly recommended.
14. There are 6,000 parcels within the City.
- a. 4,000 are residential.
 - i. 55% rentals.
 - ii. 200+ vacant buildings.
15. Major problem with mortgage foreclosures.
- a. Many owners just walk away.
 - b. Mortgage companies won't foreclose and takeover the properties because there is no real equity in the property.
 - c. Sometimes the mortgage companies demand that the owners vacate property but again, won't foreclose and take title to the property.
 - i. No one maintains the property because the owner is not allowed on the property and the mortgage company refuses to assume ownership.
16. Regarding demolition of abandoned, dilapidated properties.
- a. The Redevelopment Authority, using CDBG funding, is doing a great job.
 - i. One condition of the funding is that after a property is demolished, they are required to build something on that site.
 - 1. Sometimes difficult to comply with zoning front footage requirements unless they are able to combine lots.
 - ii. Also, the RDA must have the deed to the property in order to demolish.
 - b. The City can demolish property if it has been condemned and it has a lien on the property.
 - i. The City can request a judicial sale which eliminates all debt on the property so it can be sold more easily.
 - ii. If the City had a bigger budget, it could be doing more demolitions.
 - iii. Controlled burns are not permitted by DEP.
17. The City has 1 centrally-located Fire Dept. with 18 paid volunteers.
- a. Housed in the same building as the Police Department.

Walking and Driving tour of Area – Accompanied by JoAnn Snyder
Notes and Summary:

- 1. The Lighthouse Foundation is renovating a multi-story building on West New Castle Street (across from the Butler County Heritage Center/Museum) for commercial uses on the ground floor and residential in the upper floors.
- 2. The YWCA is now more a social services than recreational facility.
 - a. Provides housing for elderly and frail residents.
 - b. Still has a gym and offers fitness classes.
- 3. Penn Theater – ready to start renovations by the Redevelopment Authority.
 - a. Used to seat 1,100; new (previously installed) seating for 495.

- i. Chairs and carpeting are new, similar to size and style of today's movie theaters.
 - ii. Original stage is intact.
 - iii. Parts of the ceiling and sidewall panels are gone.
 - b. Newer small theater upstairs (in former area for private parties/gatherings) seats 114.
 - c. Private balconies with view of the stage intact but have been used for storage.
 - d. Appears to be structurally sound.
 - e. Should be tremendous DT asset.
- 4. Center City project.
 - a. In four-block area between Main and McKean Streets and East Cunningham and East Jefferson Streets.
 - b. Includes new Rite Aid building with off-street parking in NW quadrant of the project area.
 - i. Rite Aid moving from current location on west side of Main Street.
 - ii. Rite Aid architects worked with City to develop a look designed to compliment the DT and planned development.
 - c. Redevelopment Authority controls these two blocks except for two parcels.
 - i. Has a proposed site plan for the property including
 - 1. A hotel on Main Street in the SE quadrant of the site.
 - 2. An event center with commercial space and a tiered parking garage in the SW quadrant.
 - 3. Condominiums with additional commercial space facing E. Jefferson Street in the NE quadrant.
 - d. Requesting proposals from prospective developers.
- 5. There are new benches, trash receptacles, hanging flower pots and street lighting in the DT.
- 6. The City is trying to develop a design ordinance.
- 7. City Parking Garage
 - a. Being renovated.
 - i. The first floor houses offices for jail administration as well as housing for low-risk inmates.
 - b. Government Center employees and visitors use all of the parking spaces in the garage now.
 - i. During jury selection periods, impossible to find a parking spot in the garage.
 - c. The jail is adding a small parking lot on the west side of the new jail.
 - i. City Council approved a modification of the Parking Ordinance to include parking requirements for correctional institutions, but reduced the number of spaces from that which had been recommended by the Planning Commission.
- 8. There is a frequent complaint about the lack of a police presence on Main Street.
- 9. Ritts Park – City-maintained park that meanders through a hilly area with stream, tennis courts, playground, and picnic tables.
- 10. Father Marinaro Park – Former industrial site. Includes skateboard area on old tennis courts.
 - a. Needs maintenance, sidewalks and paths.
 - b. Adjacent housing area includes many single-story units.
 - i. County in the process of rehabbing all units.
- 11. Wayne Street Viaduct.
 - a. Three buildings are being demolished to provide space to straighten the approaches to the Bridge, as are three buildings under the Bridge.

- b. New bridge to be built parallel to the existing bridge; then the old one will be torn down.
12. The "Island".
- a. Deemed a blighted area; probably the worst area in the City.
 - i. High crime area.
 - ii. LMI housing – high percentage of rentals.
 - iii. The Redevelopment Authority is purchasing and rehabbing houses in this area.
 - iv. Also, home owners can apply for funds to rehab their houses, with the rehab then coordinated and administered by the Redevelopment Authority.
 - b. A part of the West End Revitalization.
 - c. Island Playground
 - i. Owned by Redevelopment Authority
 - ii. Desire to provide a community center facility here.
13. Rotary Park
- a. Includes area northeast of swinging pedestrian bridge.
 - i. United Way volunteers doing clean-up and trimming of brush and bushes around swinging bridge area.
 - ii. Swinging bridge provides back entrance to Pullman Park.
 - b. Park needs maintenance.
 - c. Could be an good location work a multi-use path around the perimeter of the park and connecting to the swinging bridge.
14. Pullman Park – Redevelopment area.
- a. Plans for a multi-modal facility on 7 acres in southwest area.
 - i. To include:
 - 1. Garage for busses.
 - 2. Service area for maintenance and cleaning of busses.
 - 3. Terminal and offices.
 - 4. Park & Ride.
 - b. The historic Pullman office building is privately owned
 - i. Owner hopes to rehab the building.
15. Memorial Park.
- a. Has multiple facilities including midget football fields, a former bocce ball court, picnic areas, restrooms, and shelters that can be rented.
 - i. Could use more shelters – reservations for rentals all taken very quickly each year.
 - ii. Multi-use pathways throughout the park needed.
 - b. Swimming pool was closed due to lack of funding to operate and maintain it.
 - c. The Musical/Theater Guild building located in Park area.
16. Sullivan Run bank stabilization and flood control program Phase 2 scheduled for later this year.
- a. Bridges also need attention.
17. Drugs are an issue in apartments near Broad Street School.
18. YMCA
- a. Houses Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program.
 - b. Has several pools and gyms – large, active athletic and recreational facility.
19. Excellent Public Library – also has Bookmobile program.

**Public Meeting Summary
(Held at St Paul's, attended by 20+ residents and visitors.)**

- 1. We need better code enforcement, especially with regard to property maintenance.

- a. Housing is 55% rental/45% owner-occupied in the City, although some at the meeting feel it is closer to 70% rental.
- 2. High potential for crime in DT area – perceived and real.
 - a. Transients, renters, unemployed, and “negative image groups” very visible in the DT.
 - b. People are leaving the DT to shop, eat, and for recreation/entertainment.
 - c. Suggested solutions:
 - i. Need more police walking or biking in the DT.
 - ii. Stronger neighborhoods.
 - iii. Need the DT to be more walkable – more eyes on the street.
 - iv. Need more things to do in DT.
 - v. Synchronize traffic lights better – drivers try to avoid DT.
- 3. There are 1400 HUD homes in the County – at least 800 are in the City.
- 4. There is a commercial façade improvement/restoration program in the City.
- 5. There is a County home ownership program.
 - a. 300 new home owners in the County.
- 6. There are three major senior housing options in the City.
 - a. Cliff Side
 - b. Terrace
 - c. Historic Lafayette
- 7. Where and how are other cities doing well?
 - a. Is there a template? Need to attract desired people to the City.
 - b. Low-cost rentals are available – commercial and residential.
- 8. The key to revitalization is Safety.
 - a. Remove blight.
 - b. Have more police presence – hire Rent-A-Cops if necessary.
 - c. Promote pride in the community.
 - d. Enforce existing curfew.
 - e. Block Watch program.
 - i. There is a “Neighbors that Care” program in the Island area.
 - ii. Put on porch lights.
- 9. Communications between City and residents is poor.
 - a. City Council meetings are televised – add community announcements to each meeting.
 - b. Get Armstrong Cable to come to meetings like these.
 - c. When you are put on hold calling City offices, have current recorded announcements/messages play.
- 10. Landlords are required to have agreement with Waste Management.
- 11. We could be training and using others employed by the City (such as Firemen) to help with Code inspections.
- 12. Tax-exempt properties are becoming an epidemic in Butler.
 - a. Needs to be addressed through legislators.
 - b. Some tax-exempt property owners are encouraged to make voluntary donations to their City, especially those benefitting greatly from City services.
- 13. Discussion about how to approach possible consolidation with Township(s).
 - a. Baby steps – sharing of services and/or facilities.
 - b. Difficult political and practical (mostly financial and taxes) issues.
- 14. There are several disincentives for people to locate businesses in the City/DT.
 - a. Business Privilege tax is higher in the City.
 - i. Council needs to reevaluate and reduce this tax.
 - b. The Mercantile tax is a major disincentive.
 - i. Should give incentive tax reductions to new businesses first, then look at reducing this tax on existing businesses.

15. Need to get through truck traffic out of DT.
 - a. Employ traffic calming techniques.
 - b. Divert trucks to Wayne Street?
 - c. There were 2 or 3 PennDot by-pass studies; but there is no available funding.
16. Parks & Recreation issues.
 - a. Little playground equipment in existing parks.
 - b. Typically, no supervision in parks.
 - i. Did have supervision in three parks this summer.
 - a) Structured activities from 9-4.
 - c. Should provide bike lanes to connect parks to Rails-to-Trails, and between Ritts, Memorial, Alameda and Fr. Marinaro Parks.
 - i. Link to North Country Trail.
 - ii. Provide connection from Cold Run to Marinaro Park.
 - d. Need more for little kids in Memorial Park.
 - e. It would cost \$250,000 to reopen swimming pool in Memorial Park.
 - i. \$40-50,000 per year to operate it.
 - ii. Should consider a splash park as an alternative.
17. Emphasis on Economic Development is critical to growth of the City as a whole.
 - a. Need big Public Relations campaign as part of a planning effort.
 - b. Team with BC3 on a business incubator program.
 - c. Utilize the alleys in the DT.
 - i. Have stores on the back streets.
 - ii. Make them walkable – safe, lighted, etc.
 - d. Create a Youth Center with Friday night activities.
 - e. Construct a SkatePark.

18. Related Information from the recent key person interviews:

- a. Major Issues:
 - i. BASA – huge priority.
 - ii. DT revitalization is critical to the entire area.
 - iii. Business and Economic Development.
 - a) Recruit desired businesses to the DT.
 - iv. DT parking.
 - v. Maintenance of private properties.
 - vi. More and better parks.
- b. Housing needs prioritized:
 - i. Singles
 - ii. Young families
 - iii. In the DT
 - iv. Pet-friendly
- c. Infrastructure needs prioritized:
 - i. Streets
 - ii. Sidewalks
 - iii. Wastewater
- d. Where the City should spend more:
 - i. Streets
 - ii. Snow removal
 - iii. Infrastructure
 - iv. Parks & Recreation
- e. Those groups least served regarding entertainment:
 - i. Teens
 - ii. Young adults
 - iii. Families

- f. Those groups least served regarding Parks & Rec:
 - i. Teens
 - ii. Families
- g. Desired Parks & Rec facilities:
 - i. Reopen the pool at Memorial Park.
 - ii. Walking and Bike paths.
 - iii. More restrooms.
 - iv. Better maintenance.

19. Related Information from the recent resident survey:

- a. Prioritized listing of issues needing the most attention:
 - i. Revitalize the DT.
 - a) Listed as a major issue by residents of all BMM Plan municipalities, and non-residents who answered the survey.
 - ii. Revitalize the neighborhoods.
 - iii. Preserve open space.
 - iv. Improve local government's communications with residents.
 - v. Enforce property maintenance.
 - vi. Diversify the economic base.
 - vii. Consolidation and sharing of services among municipalities.
 - viii. Require walkways in new developments.
 - ix. Sidewalks.
 - x. Promote "Green" development.
 - xi. Increase home ownership.
- b. Importance of Parks & Recreation to you and your family – ranked 4.01 on a scale of 1-5 – the highest of all 5 municipalities.
 - i. 73% agreed with the statement "The municipality need recreation programs for all ages, abilities and interests."
 - ii. 22% agreed with "The municipality should provide a few basic programs."
- c. Those least served recreationally:
 - i. Teens
 - ii. Young adults
 - iii. Families
- d. 75% support improving existing parks.
- e. 58% support improving existing recreational facilities.
- f. 43% support expanding recreational facilities.
- g. Regarding which facilities would your family use:
 - i. Walking trails (82%)
 - ii. Restrooms (67%)
 - iii. Nature trails (48%)
 - iv. Bike trails (43%)
- h. 70-87% would support allocating resources toward developing new trails of all types – walking, bike, multi-purpose trails between parks, neighborhoods and schools, and trails along key commercial corridors.
- i. 96% want the local municipalities to partner in the development of parks and recreational programs and facilities.
- j. Regarding DT Butler:
 - i. 43% visit the DT daily (71% at least 2 times a week).
 - ii. Main reasons for visiting the DT:
 - a) Post Office
 - b) Banking/financial
 - c) Grocery
 - d) Library

- e) Restaurants/Bars
- f) Doctor/Dentist/Optometrlist
- g) Retail shopping
- h) Events/Festivals
- iii. 63% thing DT parking is a problem.
- iv. Places where they typically shop:
 - a) Moraine Point Plaza (79%)
 - b) Clearview Mall (78%)
 - c) Butler Commons (76%)
 - d) Downtown Butler (57%)
 - e) Greater Butler Mart (42%)
- v. Importance of various issues regarding DT shopping – priority order:
 - a) Safe environment.
 - b) General clean-up of DT.
 - c) More stores and services.
 - d) Clean, attractive stores.
 - e) Supporting local businesses.
 - f) Pleasant atmosphere.
 - g) Variety of goods.
- vi. Kinds of stores/services they would like to have or have more of in DT – prioritized:
 - a) Family restaurant.
 - b) Theater – current movies.
 - c) Department store.
 - d) Clothing store.
 - e) Event center.
 - f) Bakery.
 - g) Coffee shop.
 - h) Ice cream shop.
 - i) Restaurant – upscale.
 - j) Take-home food.
 - a. 6 of top 10 involve food or dining in the DT.
- vii. 72% of those responding are home owners.
- viii. 98% have a HS diploma or higher.
 - a) 42% have a college degree or higher.

Butler Township Tour and Public Meeting – 9/10/08

Driving tour of Area – Accompanied by Cindy Davis Notes and Summary:

1. Recreational facilities in Butler Twp:
 - a. Highfield Community Center and Baseball Association.
 - i. Baseball fields and open space.
 - b. Butler Twp Park west of South Duffy Road (96 acres), includes:
 - i. Deck hockey rink
 - ii. Playground
 - iii. Basketball court
 - iv. Volleyball/badminton
 - v. Horse shoes
 - vi. Walking trails
 - vii. Lighted slopes for sledding
 - viii. Park building, available for rent.
 - c. Rear entrance to park site
 - i. BASA sanitary sewer pump station on site.
 - a) 2 equalization tanks to be installed here as well.
 - ii. Township Road Department buildings and storage site.
 - iii. Access to lighted sledding slopes
 - iv. Needs to be more accessible to the public
 - v. No hiking trails.
 - vi. Need master site plan of this park as part of BAMB Plan
 - d. Opportunity to continue/develop trail connecting:
 - i. Father Marinaro Park
 - ii. Butler Twp Park
 - iii. Alameda Park
 - iv. Renfrew/Penn Twp.
2. Butler Road and into Lyndora:
 - a. Farm land prime for development south of Butler Road..
 - b. Kohler Avenue and Main Street – turning into mostly rental housing.
 - c. Bessemer – Former housing for mills, small lots, parking problem area.
 - i. Could deteriorate rapidly.
 - ii. Need planning tools to prevent deterioration.
 - iii. Buffer area between housing and industrial.
 - d. Lyndora – has neighborhood development/retail/housing overlay zone.
 - i. Safe area.
 - e. Whitestown Road/Hansen Avenue Intersection needs to be fixed with appropriate traffic lights and/or realignment of several intersecting streets.
 - i. Area west of Hansen Avenue – potential Elm Street program area?
3. New Castle Road
 - a. Signage controls way too liberal.
 - b. Streetscaping needed.
 - c. Reuse of buildings requires a highway access permit from PennDot.
 - d. Entrance to Alameda Park.
 - e. New commercial development west of Alameda Plaza to include Kohl's, Applebee's, IHOP, McDonalds, Quiznos, Michaels, Ross Dress, 5 banks.
4. Rte 8 area north of City
 - a. Clearview Mall
 - i. Includes Bonton, Sears, Penny's, Dicks, Texas Roadhouse, McDonalds, NextTier Bank.

- ii. Mall officials are frustrated with Center Twp's refusal to rezone adjacent areas to attract more commercial activity to immediate area.
 - a) Area across from the mall should probably be zoned commercial.
 - b. Bon Aire Plaza area
 - i. 4-5 gas stations closed.
 - ii. Michaels moving out.
 - iii. Shopping Center will be vacant soon.
 - c. Landscaping at intersection of 422 and Rte 8 provided by local PA Conservancy group.
 - d. Zoning issues along 422 east of Rte 8.
- 5. Belmont Road in residential neighborhood is frequently used as a shortcut to the hospital – traffic and safety problem for the neighborhood.
- 6. Residential area immediately north of hospital.
 - a. Very steep and/or narrow streets.
 - b. Structures within street's right of way.
 - c. Needs attention in the Plan.
 - i. Potential land bank area?
- 7. Hospital is adding a new main entrance on SR 68.
 - a. Should help reduce traffic on Belmont and other residential streets.
 - b. Most of the hospital buildings are in the Twp, including the new construction.
- 8. The Twp owns 10-acre parcel behind the Comfort Inn on Rte 8.
 - a. Was to have been site for ice rink, but a market study concluded it wouldn't work, so the owners donated the land to the Twp.
 - b. Potential site for soccer field(s).
- 9. Meridian Road area in SW area of Twp.
 - a. Development of large single-family homes keeps expanding south along Meridian Road into land currently zoned Agricultural.
 - i. Farmers against this expansion.
 - b. Possible alternative route to I-79?
 - i. Evans City (on SR 68) is bottleneck area.
 - a) 3-4 traffic lights and at-grade RR crossing.
 - 1) RR overpass needed.
- 10. Most of the other townships along 68 are not developed and have limited funds to pay for any improvements.
 - a. Should we propose a Transportation Improvement District (TID)?

**Butler Township Public Meeting Summary
(Held at Twp Building, attended by 15-20 residents and visitors.)**

- 1. Safety after dark.
 - a. No police in sight – Townships and the City.
 - b. Kids hanging out in the middle of the street.
 - i. Kids have nowhere to go.
 - ii. Need activities for kids.
 - iii. Need to develop programs and promote them on cable.
 - a) Like "The Wall" at the old Atlas Hotel in DT on Center Ave.
 - 1) Is it used?
 - iv. Used to have DJ and dances at YMCA.
 - v. This is the "Entertain Me" generation.
 - c. Can't walk anywhere in Twp safely.
 - i. Opportunity for multi-use trails for both recreation and transportation.
- 2. Parks & Recreation should be a greater Butler area cooperative effort.

- a. Alameda Park.
 - i. Is it underutilized or not?
 - ii. Can it be expanded as a cooperative, multi-municipal effort?
 - b. Open the new Pullman Park to the public and area teams.
 - i. Need to have more events there.
 - c. Need better publicity of available programs.
 - d. Hold "Madden" tournaments – cater to this generation of kids.
 - e. Have had several programs that were well-attended, but not repeated for some reason.
 - i. Deck hockey is popular.
 - ii. Baseball clinics.
 - f. The City has closed down parks and programs.
 - i. City has no funding, closed City Pool – saved \$250,000/year.
 - ii. The City doesn't have the resources; Butler Twp does.
 - g. The Dunbar Center in Lyndora is great.
 - i. Youth center.
 - ii. Over-crowded.
 - iii. Non-profit owner.
 - h. Need to get back to basics.
 - i. Less government
 - ii. Pay as you go.
 - iii. Take care of kids.
 - i. Part of the problem is poor publicity/communications.
 - i. Onion Fest, for example; it was over before I heard about it.
 - ii. Newspaper, radio and TV stations don't cooperate.
 - j. No personal responsibility taught by parents.
 - i. No teens or parents here at this meeting!
 - k. Boredom = Drugs.
 - i. DARE – doesn't work.
 - ii. Anti-drug programs in some churches.
 - iii. Schools promote programs like:
 - 1. Standing Tall.
 - 2. Prom Promise.
 - 3. Teen programs.
 - 4. Intramurals.
 - l. Need more/affordable activities for kids and families.
 - m. Revitalization of the DT is critical.
 - n. Take advantage of Slippery Rock's presence in the County.
 - i. Internships for recreational programs. (Athletic college!)
 - ii. Americore.
 - o. Local schools have facilities – opportunity to share with public.
 - p. Need political leadership – local and State level.
 - q. Need more activities that involve parents and kids.
 - i. First Night
 - ii. Fishing Days
 - iii. 4th of July
3. Transportation
- a. Potential for regional mass transportation.
 - i. Need to be talking more about it.
 - b. SR 68 corridor is major problem area.
 - i. Need an Evans City by-pass.
 - 1. Presented to SW Planning Commission 16 years ago.
 - c. In general, need better connections to 79.

- d. Why not trains for people?
- e. We have busses, but I don't know where and when they go.
 - i. Busses are being used – schedule is available on-line.
 - ii. BAT – Free to seniors.
 - iii. Bus to Pittsburgh DT.
 - iv. Regular busses between DT and BC3.
- f. Moving the busses to Pullman Center.
 - i. Multi-modal facility planned.
- g. Park & Ride areas are being used.
 - i. The one at 528 is always filled.
- h. Need local communities unified to develop any transportation changes.
- 4. Need to involve the next generation.
 - a. Need to set-up meetings with BC3 and High School officials.
 - b. Involve class officers and others that are interested
 - c. Hold public meetings at the HS.
- 5. Rediscover/Redevelop 422-New Castle Road area.
- 6. Look at City of Beaver as model for revitalization of DT Butler.
 - a. Taxes are a major issue for businesses in the DT.
 - b. Tighten up incentives for businesses in DT.
 - c. Need to get trucks off of Main Street.
 - i. After 6 PM, Main is like a racetrack!
 - d. Monroe Street Bridge area needs to be fixed.
 - i. Bridge is scheduled to be replaced.
 - e. City housing is in bad shape – need financial incentives/rehab funding.
 - i. High rises in DT losing occupants.
 - f. City is standardizing parking meters.
 - i. Merchants can provide tokens
 - 1. Issuing warnings instead of tickets.
- 7. Opportunities for consolidation of services.
 - a. Should be voluntary; start with recreational programs.
 - i. First step in having shared services.
 - b. Where can sharing of services work?
 - i. Pittsburgh and Allegheny County are consolidating services.
 - c. Merge City and Township.
 - i. Township wants to go one way; City another.
 - ii. "Never say never."
 - d. Merge Police departments?
 - i. Wont' work.
 - ii. Why not?
- 8. Butler Twp doesn't paint lines on the roads.
 - a. Cost issue.
 - b. Spent money on street lights.
- 9. Need affordable senior housing in the Twp.
 - a. Have buildings.
- 10. Slum landlords are buying houses in DT and Lyndora.
 - a. Need property maintenance code in Twp.
 - b. Have annual inspection program for rental units only.
- 11. Need taxi service in Butler area.
- 12. Need to conserve (not "preserve") open space.
 - a. Promote "green" development.
- 13. From the recent residential survey:**
 - a. Butler Twp residents identified key issues in the Twp in the following priority order:

- i. Revitalization of DT Butler.
 - ii. Revitalization of neighborhoods.
 - iii. Enforce property maintenance codes.
 - iv. Diversify the economic base.
 - v. Improve local government communications with residents.
 - vi. Preserve open space, floodplains, habitat areas, and natural resources.
 - vii. Historic preservation.
 - viii. Preservation of Agricultural land.
 - ix. Enforce commercial design standards.
 - x. Promote "Green" development.
 - xi. Consolidation of organizations and services.
 - xii. Promote tourism.
 - xiii. Focus commercial development along existing commercial corridors, not green field sites.
- b. With regard to Parks & Recreation:
- i. Age groups least served:
 - 1. Teens
 - 2. Young adults
 - 3. Adults
 - 4. Seniors
 - 5. Families
 - ii. Facilities they would use if available:
 - 1. Walking trails (72%)
 - 2. Restrooms (62%)
 - 3. Nature trails (51%)
 - 4. Bike trails (47%)
 - 5. Picnic area/tables (45%)
 - iii. 71% would support increased local funding for parks and recreation.
 - 1. 27% would like it to remain at the same level.

88% are in favor of partnering with other municipalities in the development of programs and facilities.

Penn Township Tour and Public Meeting – 9/9/08

Driving Tour of Area – Accompanied by Bert Mowry and Chuck McCall Notes and Summary:

1. Park & Ride lot on east side of Rte 8, south of Old Plank Road.
2. Commercial area along and to west of Rte 8 at north end of Twp.
 - a. Car dealership.
 - b. WalMart had been slated for the area west of the car dealership but fell through.
3. Large 500+ acre area between Rte 8 commercial area and Renfrew, north of Renfrew Road, is zoned Light Industrial.
4. Renfrew Village
 - a. Mostly in the floodplain.
 - i. 5-6 years ago, waters were half way up Post Office walls.
 - b. Small public park.
 - c. Old school house building – vacant.
 - d. No new construction permitted.
 - e. Trying to encourage residents to move out.
 - f. Narrow bridges over the river.
 - g. Saxonburg Area Authority wastewater treatment plant in Village.
 - h. Once land is clear, a possible use could be as a wetlands mitigation area.
5. Balance of land west of Rte 8 in Twp is zoned One Family Residential or Residential Estate, including the land containing the airport..
 - a. Current land uses are primarily agricultural, single-family residential and golf courses.
 - b. Greenhouse and Nursery along Valencia Road.
 - c. Private soccer fields at Beacon Road/Valencia Road intersection.
 - d. Convenience store in Brownsdale.
 - e. Twp owns 48 acres along Brownsdale Road at 3 Degree Road.
 - i. Potential for Twp Park.
 - f. Several areas/farms noted as potential places for future residential development.
 - g. Airport is very important asset for the Twp and the County.
6. No more elementary schools in Penn Twp – all students, including high school, are bused to Saxonburg schools.
 - a. With closing of local schools, there are no significant places or activities that bring all Twp residents together.
 - i. Perhaps the planned new park at Brownsdale and 3 Degree Road could fill that void.
7. Mobile Home Park west of Rte 8 at south end of Twp.
8. Due to amount of traffic and hilly terrain, residents think there should be a traffic light at the intersection of Brownsdale Road and Rte 8.
 - a. A recent traffic study recommended a traffic light at Renfrew Road and Rte 8.
 - b. No other sites along Rte 8 in Penn Twp were deemed to warrant a traffic light.
9. The areas on both sides of Rte 8 in southern half of the Twp is zoned Highway Commercial.
 - a. There are several vacant commercial buildings in this area.
 - i. Very little access management in design of commercial parking areas.
 - ii. Several parking areas in poor shape and/or unattractive.
 - iii. Major gateway area into the Twp from the South.
 - b. The area around The (old Phillips) Mansion is also zoned Highway Commercial.
 - i. Significant asset for the Twp and the area.
 - ii. Very attractive open and wooded areas around the Mansion.
 1. Banquet facilities in The Mansion.

2. Potential public area/tourist attraction.
 - a. Would probably need public water.
10. Except for three small areas that are zoned Planned Light Industrial (one east of Winters Road, another at Rockdale and Reamer Road, and the stone quarry between Rte 8 and Township Lane) the area of the Twp east of Rte 8 is zoned either Residential Estate, One Family Residential, or Conservancy.
 - a. Most of current land use in this half of the Twp is either agricultural or single-family residential.
 - b. Much of the land is wooded and rolling terrain with several areas of steep slopes.
 - c. There is old junk yard east of South Dutchtown Road and south of Mushrush Road that is gradually being cleaned up.
 - d. There is a Monastery in the NE portion of the Twp that owns a significant amount of mostly agricultural acreage.
11. The Saxonburg Area Authority has installed sanitary sewer lines throughout much of the Twp, opening the area up for significant future development.

Public Meeting Summary:

(Held at Penn Township Municipal Building, attended by 15-20 residents and visitors.)

1. Several roads in the Twp need to be upgraded; many are less than 16' wide, which is too narrow for existing traffic and will only get worse with continued development, especially:
 - a. Fairway Lane
 - b. Beacon Light Road
 - c. Hamel Road
 - d. South Dutchtown Road
 - e. Woodland Road
 - f. Stewart
 - g. Reamer Road
 - h. Creek
 - i. Smith
 - j. Brown
2. Residents question the notion of locating more industrial sites in the Twp with the existing roads.
3. A limited number of additional commercial businesses are desired, primarily along Rte 8.
 - a. Address access management issues on Rte 8.
4. Need continuity of zoning with adjacent municipalities.
5. Need more housing options for seniors.
 - a. Need public water.
6. No LERTA anywhere in Twp.
 - a. No clawbacks allowed without legislative approval.
7. Local creeks provide fishing, canoeing and kayaking opportunities.
 - a. A portion of Thorn Creek, a State Stream, may become a fishery.
 - b. Connoquenessing Creek has been one of the most polluted creeks in the US.
 - i. Clean-up project underway.
 - ii. 2 dams, one on private property in Penn Twp (Franklin Glass Co.)
 1. Dams should be maintained or removed.
 2. Contribute to flooding problems in Renfrew.
 - iii. On PA list of canoeable waters.
8. The County airport is underutilized – needs more/better promotion of events such as:
 - a. Hot Air Balloon meets.
 - b. Annual Fly-ins.
 - c. The existence of the Aviation 101 class and pilot simulator.
 - d. Senior Expo

9. The loss of the schools from the Twp has had a big impact with regard to a sense of community and the loss of regular contact among families in the Twp.
 - a. Potential Twp Park on 48 acres at Brownsdale and 3 Degree Road could provide a place for Twp families to gather and come together for special events and various recreational activities.
 - b. Suggestions for potential facilities include:
 - i. Destination playgrounds – intergenerational interaction opportunities
 - ii. Baseball fields
 - iii. Tennis courts
 - iv. Soccer fields
 - v. Nature areas
 - vi. Pavilions (for scheduled rentals)
 - vii. Amphitheater
 - viii. Sand Volleyball
 - ix. Horseshoes
 - x. Softball fields
 - xi. Deck Hockey
 - xii. Ice Hockey
 - xiii. Dog Park
 - xiv. “Green” parking and walking areas
 - xv. Restrooms
 - xvi. Revenue-generating items such as memorial benches, picnic tables, etc.
 - xvii. The existing on-site barn could provide some unique opportunities for indoor recreational facilities.
 - c. Suggestions for potential programs and activities include:
 - i. Penn Township Days at the Park.
 - ii. Music in the Park.
 - iii. Daycare – summers in the Park.
 - iv. Programs for all ages, including seniors.
 - v. Hangar dance at the airport.
 - vi. Organized sports leagues.
10. Other Parks & Recreational discussions.
 - a. Would like to have a bikeway/walkway multi-use path
 - i. Possibly along Airport Road west of Rte 8
 1. There is a wide right-of-way on south side of Airport Road
 2. Could eventually connect with new Park area.
 - ii. Possibly along Old Plank Road to BC3.
 - iii. In the Days Inn area east of Rte 8. (In Butler Twp)
 1. People walk in the commercial area in front of the Days Inn.
 - a. Have to jump over guard rails in bridge area.
 2. Butler Twp owns property north of Days Inn, for potential soccer fields.
 - b. The Penn Valley Athletic club is close to the new Park area (Monroe Road/Penn Drive area).
 - c. Penn Glade Lions Club Park (on Church Road on southern border of Penn Twp) is open to the public and has baseball fields and banquet facilities for weddings, etc.
 - d. Center Twp has 13-15 soccer fields.
 - e. Jefferson Twp has Little League and soccer programs.
11. The Mansion.
 - a. Existing trails, open space and nature preserve.
 - b. Have (or had) basketball and tennis courts.
 - c. Needs to be preserved.

- d. Potential to become a public area.
 - i. Nature and walking trails.
 - ii. Tours of The Mansion and grounds.
 - iii. Host facility for conferences, etc.
 - iv. Would probably need public water.
12. Succup Conservancy.
- a. Great asset for the Township.
 - b. Have existing and developing trails (+/- 2 miles).
 - c. Ball Park in long range plan.
13. The Township has a web site and produces a municipal flyer.

14. From the recent residential survey.

- a. Penn Twp residents identified key issues for the Twp in the following priority order:
 - i. Preservation of open space.
 - ii. Improved communications from local government.
 - iii. Historic preservation.
 - iv. Agricultural land preservation.
 - v. Revitalization of Downtown Butler.
 - vi. Enforce property maintenance codes.
 - vii. Diversify the economic base.
 - viii. Revitalize the neighborhoods.
 - ix. Enforce commercial design standards.
 - x. Consolidation of services with adjacent municipalities.
 - xi. Public transportation.
- b. With regard to Parks & Recreation.
 - i. Age groups least served:
 - 1. Seniors
 - 2. Young Adults
 - 3. Teens
 - 4. Families
 - ii. Facilities they would use the most if available:
 - 1. Walking trails (71%)
 - 2. Bike Trails (62%)
 - 3. Restrooms (62%)
 - 4. Picnic areas (47%)
 - 5. Playgrounds (44%)
 - iii. 56% would support increased local funding for parks and recreation.
 - 1. 39% would like it to remain the same.

East Butler/Summit Township Tour and Public Meeting – 9/8/08

Driving Tour of Area – Accompanied by Joe Canel, Dan Hay, Lana Dero and Louise Spohn Summary:

1. 10 Acres just NW of the Township building, purchased earlier by Township for \$110,000.
 - a. Board wants to sell and use proceeds to build a Township garage.
 - b. Have no park in the Twp; could make a great park.
 - i. Adjacent to Rails-to-Trails site.
 - ii. Central to the Twp.
 - iii. Near the Elementary School.
 - iv. No water or sewer at site or through much of Summit Twp.
 - v. Need ball fields in the Twp.
2. Elementary school built in 1958. All kids then go to Butler HS.
3. BonnieBrook Road was originally a State Road.
 - a. Turned over to the Twp 35 years ago.
 - b. Considering a 10-ton limit.
 - c. Being used as a connector/City by-pass between 422 and 356.
 - i. Heavy traffic, especially morning and late afternoon.
 - ii. 45 mph speed limit mostly ignored.
 - d. Should revert to being a State Route.
4. 422 east of East Butler.
 - a. Currently zoned Industrial on south and residential on north of 422.
 - i. Summit Twp did its own zoning.
 - b. Most people would prefer to see strip commercial development there.
 - c. Difficult area to develop with 2 active RR tracks immediately north of the highway and river to south, and rolling terrain.
 - d. Need water and sewer services.
 - e. Highland Golf Course (public) is north of 422 in NE quadrant of Summit Twp.
5. East Butler Borough
 - a. Zoning in East Butler was done by the County.
 - b. Has water and sewer.
 - c. Great baseball complex on north edge of Borough.
 - d. Small playground at Fifth & Broadway.
 - i. Could use more benches and playground equipment.
 - e. Small playground behind the Fire Hall on Broadway & Ninth.
 - i. Could also use more benches and new playground equipment.
 - f. Industrial Park
 - i. Some changes of ownership of facilities over the years.
 - ii. Employment down at some plants, but generally active operations.
6. Area along East Butler Road and 422 east of East Butler.
 - a. Mostly Industrial, some commercial.
 - b. Health Clinic.
 - c. New Hospital facility.
7. Portman Road and Protzman Road areas – zoned residential.
 - a. Mostly nice, newer homes with underground electric.
 - b. Junkyard south of Protzman Road, east of Herman Road.
8. Herman Road
 - a. From Butler Twp line to Stutz Road – zoned Commercial.
 - b. East of Stutz Road, except for Herman Village, zoned Agricultural and Residential.
 - c. Golf course and mix of agricultural and residential east of Herman.
 - d. Need to provide water to Herman. Engineer needs to make application.

9. Freeport Road (SR356) – Zoned commercial in area closest to Butler Twp, then Agricultural.
 - a. Western area has water and sewer and substantial mixed development.
 - b. Heasley Nursery (Stutz Road & 356), is largest property owner in the Township.
 - i. 700+ acres
 - ii. Potential for commercial development once no longer a Nursery.
10. Summary of identified issues:
 - a. Issues with zoning codes and zoning map.
 - i. Actual and preferred uses differ from zoning map in several locations, especially along 422.
 - b. Lack of Parks in Twp.
 - c. Future of Twp-owned 10 acres near Twp Building and School.
 - d. Increased revenues needed both in Twp and East Butler.
 - i. Infrastructure needed (primarily water and sewer)
 - e. Ag land preservation
 - f. Improved communications between elected officials and residents.
 - g. BonnieBrook Road traffic and safety, and potential return to State Road.
 - h. Water and Sewer to Herman Village.

Public Meeting Summary:

(Held at Herman Fire Hall, attended by over 55 residents and visitors.)

1. Recycling in both the Borough and the Twp – not enough, not mandatory.
 - a. Need more frequent pick-up.
2. Pavilions and restrooms needed at the Borough's Parks.
3. Need enforced speed limit on Keck Road – traffic going 60-70 mph now.
4. Zoning in the Twp needs to be updated.
 - a. College students did a land use survey.
 - b. Recommended changes approved by Planning Commission
 - c. Tabled by Supervisors.
5. Commercial development needed to improve quality of life and increase Twp revenues.
 - a. Development driven by water and sewer availability and controlled by zoning.
 - b. No sanitary sewer.
 - c. Types of stores desired:
 - i. Don't want Sheetz-type of stores.
 - ii. Need grocery and "daily-items" store.
 - iii. Gas station
 - d. Recommended locations:
 - i. 422 & BonnieBrook.
 1. Old home there; Sheetz wanted to buy, owner didn't want to sell.
 - ii. Along any of the main arteries.
 - iii. Old Pizza Place building on 422.
 - iv. Caspers on Grant in East Butler.
 - v. BonnieBrook & Herman Road
 - e. Some sentiment expressed to "Leave it like it is."
 - f. Need to separate "needs" and "wants".
 - g. Need development to pay for existing infrastructure (mostly streets and roads)
6. No Twp police force to enforce rules and speed limits in the Twp.
7. Don't raise taxes to have parks in Twp.
 - a. Lots of organized recreational activities outside the Twp.
 - b. Don't need parks in Twp; have farms, large lots, sledding, hunting, fishing, etc. – plenty of places for our kids to play.
8. The park behind Summit Academy was not maintained and fell apart.

9. The land behind the Herman Fire Department building is available for a park.
10. The Twp should have a walking trail and a pavilion.
 - a. The County has funds for parks.
 - i. \$300,000 last year.
 - ii. We should apply for some of those funds.
 - b. Consider Twp-owned 10 acres adjacent to planned Rails-to-Trails.
11. East Butler wants more facilities at its parks.
 - a. The Baseball complex is owned by the Borough and managed by the Baseball Association.
12. Franklin Fields
 - a. Needs some work.
 - b. Are privately owned.
13. Should the Twp have "Conservation Design Standards" for subdivisions?
14. Traffic issues:
 - a. Need turn lanes on 422 at Keck Road.
 - b. People also using Headland Road to get to BonnieBrook and then to 422.
 - c. Cars going 80mph on all of BonnieBrook.
15. Residents pay a Fire Hydrant Tax even though there is not enough pressure to fight fires.
 - a. Revenues go the Pennsylvania-American Water Company.
16. Should have a combined community newsletter and/or magazine including East Butler, Summit Twp, City of Butler, Butler Twp and Penn Twp (BAMM Plan area).
 - a. Communications are key for future cooperation.
 - b. County Commissioners established a 22-member Board to create a County Plan.
 - i. We should plug into this.
17. There are failed septic systems at the Hinchberger Road/356 intersection area.
 - a. Need sewer there and the old Saxonburg-Butler Road.
 - b. Need alternatives and assistance funding
 - i. Consider experimental/alternative systems.

18. Highlights from the recent resident survey:

- a. Summit Twp residents identified key issues for the Twp in the following priority order:
 - i. The local government needs to improve communications with the public.
 - ii. Neighborhood revitalization.
 - iii. Diversify the economic base.
 - iv. Commercial development/redevelopment should be focused in the DT and along key commercial corridors, as opposed to green field sites.
 - v. Preserve prime agricultural lands in the Twp.
 - vi. Revitalize DT Butler.
 - vii. Various (listed) redevelopment projects in the City are important to the revitalization of the area.
 - viii. Open space, floodplains, habitat areas and natural resources should be preserved.
 - ix. Better maintenance of private properties should be required and enforced.
 - x. Consolidation of organizations and services, and sharing of services among municipalities should be considered to reduce costs and eliminate duplications.
 - xi. Increased home ownership should be promoted.
 - xii. Walkways should be required in new developments.
- b. With regard to Parks & Recreation:
 - i. Age groups least served:
 1. Seniors

2. Teens
 3. Families
 4. Adults
- ii. Facilities they would use most if available:
 1. Walking trails (71%)
 2. Picnic Areas/Tables (57%)
 3. Restrooms (54%)
 4. Bike Trails (50%)
 5. Nature Trails (50%)
 - iii. 58% would support increasing funding for parks and recreation.
 1. 39% would like it to remain the same.
 - iv. 89% think the municipalities in the Butler area should partner in the development of parks and recreational programs and facilities.

Appendix F

What is YOUR vision for the future of the Greater Butler Area?

Please complete this **Residential Survey** and record **your** personal views regarding the future of the Greater Butler Area.

As you do so, be thinking of how you would like the City, East Butler Borough, and Butler, Penn and Summit Townships to look in the next 15-20 years and what steps should be taken to make that vision a reality. The collective comments from all respondents will be used to help develop the foundation for the Greater Butler Area Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan planning process.

The questions in this survey have been grouped into the following categories for your convenience: General/Quality of Life, Housing/Neighborhoods, Economic Development/Tourism, Parks & Recreation, Downtown Butler, and your Demographic Information.

All of your responses will remain confidential. This cover sheet will be removed and will only be used to select the winners of some very nice prizes being provided by local businesses and organizations. The committee will randomly draw names for prizes and advise each of the winners. In order to be eligible for the prizes, you must provide your name and phone number on this page.

Please return this survey form by **Thursday, July 31**, either by mail or to one of the following sites:
(Insert sites)

(Alternatively, this survey may be completed on-line between now and July 31. Go to www.xxx and click on the link to the Comprehensive Plan Resident Survey.)

We look forward to receiving your thoughts. Thank you for participating in this critical planning process.

The Greater Butler Area Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee

Your Name: _____ Phone: _____

In the following groups of questions, please indicate whether you **strongly agree (5), agree (4), are neutral (3), disagree (2), or strongly disagree (1)**, with each of the following statements as they relate to the Greater Butler Area or your municipality. **Additional space is provided for optional additional comments below each statement.**

General/Quality of Life:

1	The Greater Butler Area provides adequate social services	5 4 3 2 1
2	Wastewater improvements are critical and should be aggressively pursued.	5 4 3 2 1
3	The historic aspects of the Greater Butler area should be promoted.	5 4 3 2 1
Especially:		
4	Additional public transportation is needed in the Greater Butler Area.	5 4 3 2 1
Where?		
5	Local governments need to improve communications with the public.	5 4 3 2 1
6	Prime agricultural lands in parts of the townships should be preserved.	5 4 3 2 1
7	Open Space, floodplains, habitat areas, natural resources, and historic sites should be preserved.	5 4 3 2 1
Specifically:		
8	Planning and Zoning are important tools in defining the future of our communities.	5 4 3 2 1
9	Better maintenance of private properties should be required and should be enforced through maintenance codes, rental property licensing and inspections, etc.	5 4 3 2 1
10	“Green” buildings, conservation design, and projects that preserve environmentally-sensitive areas should be pursued.	5 4 3 2 1
11	Fire, EMS, and Police services are good in my municipality.	5 4 3 2 1

12	Consolidation of organizations and services, and sharing of services among municipalities should be considered to reduce costs and eliminate duplication.	5 4 3 2 1
Which services or organizations?		
13	Better connections to I-79 and I-80, to Cranberry Township, and between municipalities are needed.	5 4 3 2 1
Other roads/connections?		

Housing & Neighborhoods:

14	More independent living units for the elderly are needed.	5 4 3 2 1
15	Increased home ownership should be promoted (reducing rentals).	5 4 3 2 1
Where?		
16	Parking is an issue in my municipality.	5 4 3 2 1
Where:		
17	Upgrading of sidewalks is important.	5 4 3 2 1
Specific areas:		
18	Innovative housing alternatives and mixed-use projects should be pursued to attract residents & businesses to the area.	5 4 3 2 1
19	Neighborhood revitalization is needed.	5 4 3 2 1
Specific areas:		

Economic Development/Tourism:

20	Attractive "Gateway signs" at key entrances are needed - especially at: <u>(List locations below)</u> .	5 4 3 2 1
Locations:		
21	Projects such as the Penn Theater, Pullman Park, Centre City, and West End redevelopment projects, are critical to the revitalization of the area, quality of life, and our growth.	5 4 3 2 1
Comments:		
Any other sites/projects:		

22	Tourism should be enhanced and promoted.	5 4 3 2 1
23	Revitalization of Downtown Butler is critical for the Greater Butler Area.	5 4 3 2 1
24	Design standards should be enforced in the Downtown and along key commercial corridors.	5 4 3 2 1
Where?		
25	The Butler Area needs to diversify its economic base and expand the number of available industrial sites.	5 4 3 2 1
Potential sites:		
26	Specific types of industry should be pursued.	5 4 3 2 1
Suggestions:		
27	Municipal Foundations should be created to accept tax-deductible donations, bequeaths, etc. and to help fund civic projects.	5 4 3 2 1
28	Commercial development and redevelopment should be focused in the Downtown and along key commercial corridors, as opposed to green field sites.	5 4 3 2 1

Parks & Recreation:

29. How important is public recreation to you and your family?

- Very important Important Somewhat important Not very Not at all important

30. Please check the statement immediately below that most accurately reflects your opinion on the importance of recreation programs in your municipality.

- The municipality shouldn't provide any recreation programs.
 The municipality should provide a few basic programs.
 The municipality needs recreation programs for all ages, abilities & interests.

31. Which age groups are **not** presently being provided sufficient recreational activities?
 (Check all that apply.)

- Pre-School (2-5yrs) School Age (6-12yrs) Teens (13-19yrs)
 Young Adult Adults Seniors
 Families Not Sure

32. Are recreation programs readily accessible to you? Yes No

33. How far do you currently drive/travel to access your usual park and recreation facilities?

- 0-5 miles 6-10 miles 11-15 miles 16-20 miles 20+ miles

34. In your municipality, with regard to Parks and Recreational Facilities (recreational buildings, equipment, features, etc. in parks), please check the statements below that most accurately reflect your opinion:

PARKS:

- We have too many parks
- We currently have sufficient parks
- We need more parks
- Existing parks should be improved
- Not familiar with parks/recreational facilities in the municipality

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES:

- We have too many recreational facilities
- We currently have sufficient recreational facilities
- Facilities should be expanded
- Existing recreational facilities should be improved

35. If you have visited the parks in your municipality, do you think that the general appearance and condition of the parks are:

- Satisfactory
- In need of some improvements
- Need significant improvements
- Don't know

36. What public recreation facilities would your family use on a regular basis?

- COURTS:
- Tennis
 - Volleyball
 - Bocce
 - Deck Hockey
 - Shuffleboard
 - Horseshoes
 - Basketball

- TRAILS:
- Nature
 - Jogging
 - Walking
 - Hiking
 - Bike
 - Equestrian

- FIELDS:
- Baseball
 - Soccer
 - Softball
 - Lacrosse
 - Football

- AREAS:
- Environmental Education
 - Sledding
 - Large Picnic Shelter
 - Playgrounds
 - Open Space
 - Outdoor Amphitheater
 - Camping
 - Arts and Crafts
 - Restrooms
 - Skiing
 - Picnic Areas/Tables
 - Gardening
 - Ice Skating
 - Wooded Natural Areas
 - Swimming
 - Skateboard Park

37. If your municipality was considering spending public funds for new or improved facilities in your local parks, which of the following should they consider as a priority? Check all that apply:

- COURTS:
- Tennis
 - Volleyball
 - Bocce
 - Deck Hockey
 - Shuffleboard
 - Horseshoes
 - Basketball

- TRAILS:
- Nature
 - Jogging
 - Walking
 - Hiking
 - Bike
 - Equestrian

- FIELDS:
- Baseball
 - Soccer
 - Softball
 - Lacrosse
 - Football

- AREAS:
- Environmental Education
 - Sledding
 - Large Picnic Shelter
 - Playgrounds
 - Open Space
 - Wooded Natural Areas
 - Swimming
 - Skateboard Park
 - Concession Stand
 - Amphitheater
 - Restrooms
 - Skiing/Snowboarding area
 - Picnic Areas/Tables
 - Gardening
 - Ice Skating Rink
 - Camping
 - Arts and Crafts
 - ATV/Dirt Bike Trails
 - Parking Areas
 - Other _____

38. With regard to the following types of trails, would you support your municipality allocating resources toward the planning, acquisition, and development of new trails?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>
Walking trails within parks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Paving bike trails within parks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Multi-purpose trails between parks, neighborhoods, and/or schools	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Multi-purpose trails along key commercial corridors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

39. Many municipalities offer a variety of programs for their residents. Please check the types of programs that you would like to see offered by your municipality:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor/nature | <input type="checkbox"/> Arts/Crafts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Preschool Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Teen Programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Single's Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Oriented Programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Citizen Programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> None | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

40. What method, or methods, do you feel are the most effective way to provide information regarding park facilities and recreational programs offered within your municipality?

- Municipal Newsletter Newspaper Website Email
 Community Bulletin Board
 Other, please specify: _____

41. Do you believe that funding for parks, recreation programs, and trails/greenways should:

- Increase Decrease Stay the same

42. Do you feel that municipalities in the Butler area should partner in the development of parks and recreational programs/facilities?

- Yes No

43. Would you donate money to support parks, recreation programs and trails/greenways?

- Yes No If yes, how much would you be willing to contribute?
 \$5/year \$10/year \$25/year \$50/year More than \$50/year

Downtown Butler:

44. How often do you visit Downtown Butler?

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Daily | <input type="checkbox"/> Once or twice a month |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Once a week | <input type="checkbox"/> Once or twice a year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> More than once a week | <input type="checkbox"/> Never |

45. What are your primary reasons for visiting Downtown Butler? (Check all that apply.)

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Banking/Financial | <input type="checkbox"/> Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Cleaning/Laundromat |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Church/Day Care | <input type="checkbox"/> Grocery | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy | <input type="checkbox"/> Museum(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Work |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retail shopping | <input type="checkbox"/> Events/Festivals | <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gas/auto repair | <input type="checkbox"/> Restaurants/Bars | <input type="checkbox"/> Doctor/Dentist/Optometrist |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hair/Tanning Salon | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Florist/Gifts | <input type="checkbox"/> Government services | <input type="checkbox"/> Attorneys |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Antiques/Specialty | |
| Other: _____ | | |

46. What is the average amount you spend per **visit** to Downtown Butler?

- Less than \$25 \$26-\$50 \$51-\$100 \$101-\$200 Over \$200

47. Do you feel parking in Downtown Butler is a problem? Yes No

If yes, please describe the problem:

48. Where do you typically shop for goods and services? (Check all that apply.)

- | | | |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Downtown Butler | <input type="checkbox"/> Greater Butler Mart | <input type="checkbox"/> Clearview Mall |
| <input type="checkbox"/> In the City, outside the Downtown | <input type="checkbox"/> Moraine Pointe Plaza | <input type="checkbox"/> Butler Commons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cranberry Township | <input type="checkbox"/> Grove City Outlets | <input type="checkbox"/> Harmony |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Zelienople | <input type="checkbox"/> Pittsburgh | <input type="checkbox"/> New Castle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pittsburgh Mills | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

In the next 3 questions, rate the importance of **each** of the following characteristics on a scale of 5 to 1, with **5** being the **Very Important**, **4 important**, **3 somewhat important**, **2 not very important**, **1 not important at all**. **0 means you have no opinion**.

49. Rank the following issues in terms of why you shop or would shop in Downtown Butler:

- | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| _____ Location | _____ Clean stores | _____ Window displays/ads |
| _____ Variety of goods | _____ Pleasant atmosphere | _____ Supporting local businesses |
| _____ Parking | _____ Best prices | _____ Safe environment |
| _____ Personal service | _____ Sales and/or specials | |
| _____ Other: _____ | | |

50. What would attract you to shop **more often** in Downtown Butler? (Rate each 5 – 1, or 0)

- | | |
|---|------------------------------------|
| _____ Additional convenient parking | _____ Coordinated retail events |
| _____ Pedestrian gathering spaces | _____ Improved sidewalks |
| _____ Special events & activities | _____ Common business hours |
| _____ Extended business hours | _____ Destination retail shops |
| _____ Inviting building entrances/exteriors | _____ Better customer service |
| _____ More green space | _____ Upgraded building interiors |
| _____ Competitive pricing | _____ Enhanced historic features |
| _____ Improved traffic flow | _____ Attractive stores |
| _____ More stores/services | _____ General clean-up of Downtown |
| _____ Other _____ | |

51. What kinds of store or services would you like to see (or have more of) in Downtown Butler?

(Rate each 5 – 1, or 0)

- | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| _____ Antique store | _____ Dance studio/school | _____ Restaurant/Bar |
| _____ Accountants | _____ Doctor/dentist offices | _____ Restaurant - Family |
| _____ Attorneys office | _____ Dry cleaners | _____ Restaurant - Upscale |
| _____ Automotive store | _____ Sports Bar/Restaurant | _____ Specialty gift shop |
| _____ Bakery | _____ Family services center | _____ Tool rental |
| _____ Bank | _____ Take-home food service | _____ Toy store |
| _____ Bicycle shop/rental | _____ Florist | _____ Furniture store |
| _____ Book store | _____ Gas station | _____ Travel agency |
| _____ Camera shop | _____ Hair salon/barber | _____ Video arcade |
| _____ Clothing store | _____ Hardware store | _____ Video/DVD rental |
| _____ Computer store | _____ Ice cream shop | _____ Bed & Breakfast |
| _____ Copy shop | _____ Music store | _____ Souvenir shop |
| _____ Coffee shop | _____ Shoe store | _____ Fabric store |
| _____ Crafts & hobbies | _____ Theater (current movies) | _____ Office Supply Store |
| _____ Department Store | _____ Other _____ | |

52. In the next 5-10 years, how would you like to see Downtown Butler develop? Please check all that apply:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Keep current level of stores/services | <input type="checkbox"/> Streetscaping-trees, planters, benches |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain small city charm & character | <input type="checkbox"/> Better lighting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Add specialty or niche retail | <input type="checkbox"/> More services businesses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> More restaurants & food service | <input type="checkbox"/> More office/commercial space |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Improve/maintain the historic character | <input type="checkbox"/> Upper floor housing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Add a visible numbering system on buildings | <input type="checkbox"/> Remove trucks from Main Street |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Better directional and street name signage | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

53. Do you have any other comments to share about Downtown Butler?

Other general issues/comments:

Please provide the following demographic information:

Age: _____
___<19 ___19-25 ___26-35 ___36-45 ___46-55 ___56-65 ___66-75 ___Over 75

Sex: ___Male ___Female ___Both male & female completed this survey

Length of residence in Butler area (# of years): _____

Current residence:
___ City of Butler ___ Butler Twp. ___ Penn Twp. ___ Summit Twp. ___ East Butler
___ Other _____

Home ownership: ___Rent ___Own ___Rent - want to buy

If you want to buy a home, where?
___ City of Butler ___ Butler Twp. ___ Penn Twp. ___ Summit Twp. ___ East Butler
___ Other: _____

Number of persons in household: ___1 ___2 ___3 ___4 ___5 ___6 or more

Place(s) of employment (Name of City, Township or Borough): _____

Highest level of education completed by an adult member of your household:
___11 years of less ___High School Diploma/GED ___Some College/Associate Degree
___Technical School ___College Degree ___Graduate Degree

Thank you very much for participating in this very important survey!

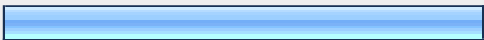

Appendix G

BAMM Plan Resident Survey

1. The Greater Butler Area provides adequate social services.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	11.9% (61)	37.2% (191)	36.2% (186)	12.5% (64)	2.3% (12)	3.44	514
	<i>answered question</i>						514
	<i>skipped question</i>						8

2. The historic aspects of the Greater Butler area should be promoted.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree - Disagree?	41.5% (215)	42.3% (219)	12.9% (67)	2.3% (12)	1.0% (5)	4.21	518
	<i>answered question</i>						518
	<i>skipped question</i>						4

3. Additional public transportation is needed within and outside the Greater Butler Area.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	34.6% (179)	30.2% (156)	23.6% (122)	7.5% (39)	4.1% (21)	3.84	517
	<i>answered question</i>						517
	<i>skipped question</i>						5

4. Would you use public transportation?				Response Percent	Response Count
Yes				52.9%	270
No				47.1%	240
<i>answered question</i>					510
<i>skipped question</i>					12

5. Local governments need to improve communications with the public.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	46.4% (241)	40.1% (208)	12.1% (63)	1.2% (6)	0.2% (1)	4.31	519
<i>answered question</i>							519
<i>skipped question</i>							3

6. Prime agricultural lands in parts of the townships should be preserved.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	51.1% (266)	29.8% (155)	12.9% (67)	5.2% (27)	1.2% (6)	4.24	521
<i>answered question</i>							521
<i>skipped question</i>							1

7. Open Space, floodplains, habitat areas, and natural resources should be preserved.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	48.2% (249)	34.4% (178)	13.2% (68)	3.7% (19)	0.6% (3)	4.26	517
	<i>answered question</i>						517
	<i>skipped question</i>						5

8. Better maintenance of private properties should be required and enforced.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	49.0% (254)	28.6% (148)	13.7% (71)	5.4% (28)	3.3% (17)	4.15	518
	<i>answered question</i>						518
	<i>skipped question</i>						4

9. The municipalities should promote "green" development.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	38.2% (198)	38.2% (198)	15.0% (78)	5.2% (27)	3.5% (18)	4.02	519
	<i>answered question</i>						519
	<i>skipped question</i>						3

10. I am satisfied with the quality of services in my municipality provided by the:

	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count	
Police	33.8% (174)	38.4% (198)	17.5% (90)	6.4% (33)	3.9% (20)	3.92	515	
Fire/EMS	50.2% (260)	39.0% (202)	9.5% (49)	1.0% (5)	0.4% (2)	4.38	518	
Elected officials	10.5% (54)	32.8% (169)	32.0% (165)	15.7% (81)	9.1% (47)	3.20	516	
	answered question							520
	skipped question							2

11. Consolidation of organizations and services, and sharing of services among municipalities should be considered to reduce costs and eliminate duplication.

	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count	
Agree-Disagree?	43.6% (223)	33.4% (171)	12.9% (66)	7.0% (36)	3.1% (16)	4.07	512	
	answered question							512
	skipped question							10

12. Better connections to I-79 and I-80, to Cranberry Township, and between municipalities are needed.

	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count	
Agree-Disagree?	34.2% (175)	28.2% (144)	25.0% (128)	10.2% (52)	2.3% (12)	3.82	511	
	Especially on these roads:							150
	answered question							511
	skipped question							11

13. More independent living units for the elderly are needed.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	24.0% (123)	34.7% (178)	34.3% (176)	4.7% (24)	2.3% (12)	3.73	513
	<i>answered question</i>						513
	<i>skipped question</i>						9

14. Increased home ownership should be promoted (reducing rentals).							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	33.1% (170)	34.5% (177)	25.0% (128)	5.7% (29)	1.8% (9)	3.92	513
	<i>answered question</i>						513
	<i>skipped question</i>						9

15. Parking is an issue in my municipality.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	12.3% (63)	14.3% (73)	33.4% (171)	24.2% (124)	15.8% (81)	2.83	512
	<i>answered question</i>						512
	<i>skipped question</i>						10

16. Upgrading of the sidewalks in my municipality is important.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	20.2% (103)	21.0% (107)	36.7% (187)	12.9% (66)	9.2% (47)	3.30	510
	<i>answered question</i>						510
	<i>skipped question</i>						12

17. Walkways should be required in new developments.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	33.0% (169)	38.1% (195)	18.6% (95)	8.2% (42)	2.1% (11)	3.92	512
	<i>answered question</i>						512
	<i>skipped question</i>						10

18. Mixed-use projects (combined residential and commercial spaces) should be pursued.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	12.7% (64)	32.1% (162)	34.3% (173)	13.7% (69)	7.1% (36)	3.30	504
	<i>answered question</i>						504
	<i>skipped question</i>						18

19. Some neighborhoods need to be revitalized.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	49.1% (247)	36.4% (183)	12.9% (65)	1.0% (5)	0.6% (3)	4.32	503
	Specific areas:						204
	<i>answered question</i>						503
	<i>skipped question</i>						19

20. Attractive “Gateway signs” at key entrances are needed.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	18.4% (94)	33.6% (172)	33.2% (170)	10.2% (52)	4.7% (24)	3.51	512
	<i>answered question</i>						512
	<i>skipped question</i>						10

21. Tourism should be enhanced and promoted							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	34.6% (177)	43.1% (220)	15.1% (77)	5.9% (30)	1.4% (7)	4.04	511
	<i>answered question</i>						511
	<i>skipped question</i>						11

22. Projects such as the Penn Theater, Pullman Park, Centre City, Wayne Street Connector, and West End redevelopment projects, are important to the revitalization of the area.

	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	50.9% (262)	31.8% (164)	12.8% (66)	3.1% (16)	1.4% (7)	4.28	515
	<i>answered question</i>						515
	<i>skipped question</i>						7

23. Revitalization of Downtown Butler is critical for the Greater Butler Area.

	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	60.7% (312)	26.7% (137)	8.0% (41)	3.1% (16)	1.6% (8)	4.42	514
	<i>answered question</i>						514
	<i>skipped question</i>						8

24. Design standards should be enforced in the Downtown and along key commercial corridors.

	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	37.9% (195)	35.5% (183)	19.8% (102)	5.2% (27)	1.6% (8)	4.03	515
	<i>answered question</i>						515
	<i>skipped question</i>						7


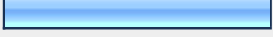
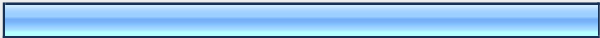
25. The Butler Area needs to diversify its economic base.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	42.1% (213)	41.7% (211)	14.8% (75)	1.0% (5)	0.4% (2)	4.24	506
	<i>answered question</i>						506
	<i>skipped question</i>						16

26. Municipal Foundations should be created to accept tax-deductible donations, bequeaths, etc. and to help fund civic projects.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	24.2% (124)	43.4% (222)	26.6% (136)	3.3% (17)	2.5% (13)	3.83	512
	<i>answered question</i>						512
	<i>skipped question</i>						10

27. Commercial development and redevelopment should be focused in the Downtown and along key commercial corridors, as opposed to green field sites.							
	Strongly Agree(5)	Agree(4)	Neutral(3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Agree-Disagree?	36.7% (188)	35.4% (181)	19.7% (101)	6.4% (33)	1.8% (9)	3.99	512
	<i>answered question</i>						512
	<i>skipped question</i>						10

28. Any comments on Quality of life/Community Development?							
							Response Count
							124
	<i>answered question</i>						124
	<i>skipped question</i>						398

29. How important is public recreation to you and your family?							
	Very Important (5)	Important (4)	Somewhat important (3)	Not very important (2)	Not at all important (1)	Rating Average	Response Count
Importance:	29.4% (138)	33.9% (159)	24.7% (116)	9.2% (43)	2.8% (13)	3.78	469
	<i>answered question</i>						469
	<i>skipped question</i>						53

30. Please check the statement below that most accurately reflects your opinion on the importance of recreation programs in your municipality.			
		Response Percent	Response Count
The municipality shouldn't provide any recreation programs.		5.1%	24
The municipality should provide a few basic programs.		29.2%	138
The municipality needs recreation programs for all ages, abilities & interests.		65.8%	311
	<i>answered question</i>		473
	<i>skipped question</i>		49

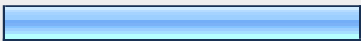




31. Which age groups are not presently being provided sufficient recreational activities? (Check all that apply.)

		Response Percent	Response Count
Pre-School (2-5yrs)		12.9%	63
School Age (6-12yrs)		18.1%	88
Teens (13-19yrs)		39.8%	194
Young Adult		31.6%	154
Adults		27.7%	135
Seniors		27.9%	136
Families		23.8%	116
Not Sure		30.4%	148
		answered question	487
		skipped question	35




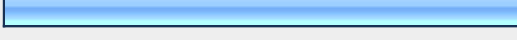


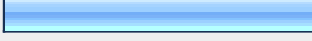
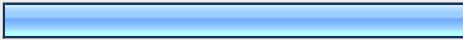

32. Are recreation programs readily accessible to you?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		56.7%	272
No		43.3%	208
		answered question	480
		skipped question	42


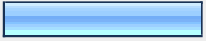

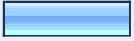
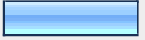

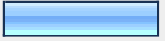
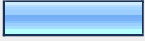

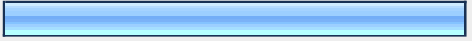
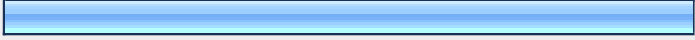
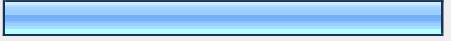




33. How far do you currently drive/travel to access your usual park and recreation facilities?

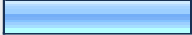

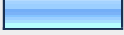
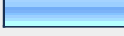


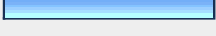
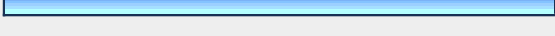
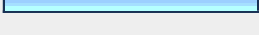

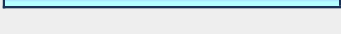
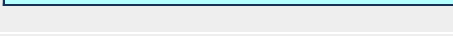
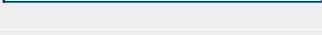
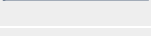






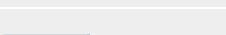

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0-5 miles		39.1%	191
6-10 miles		24.4%	119
11-15 miles		20.3%	99
16-20 miles		8.6%	42
20+ miles		7.6%	37
		answered question	488
		skipped question	34

34. In your municipality, with regard to Parks and Recreational Facilities (recreational buildings, equipment, features, etc. in parks), please check the statements below that most accurately reflect your opinion:

		Response Percent	Response Count
We have too many parks		1.4%	7
We currently have sufficient parks		26.9%	135
We need more parks		21.5%	108
Existing parks should be improved		56.8%	285
We have too many recreational facilities		1.2%	6
We currently have sufficient recreational facilities		16.5%	83
Facilities should be expanded		34.1%	171
Existing recreational facilities should be improved		51.0%	256
Not familiar with parks/recreational facilities in the municipality		9.2%	46
		answered question	502
		skipped question	20


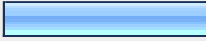
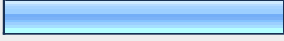
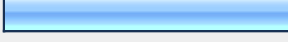
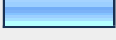
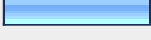
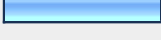
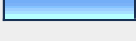
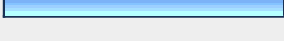
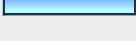
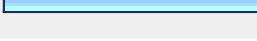
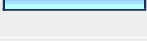


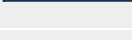
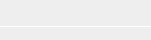


35. If you have visited the parks in your municipality, do you think that the general appearance and condition of the parks are:			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Satisfactory		26.3%	125
In need of some improvements		48.0%	228
Need significant improvements		13.9%	66
Don't know		11.8%	56
		answered question	475
		skipped question	47

36. What public recreation facilities would your family use on a regular basis? (Check all that apply.)			
		Response Percent	Response Count
COURTS:		1.9%	9
Tennis		21.5%	104
Deck Hockey		9.5%	46
Horseshoes		13.7%	66
Volleyball		14.5%	70
Shuffleboard		8.1%	39
Basketball		16.8%	81
Bocce		15.1%	73
TRAILS:		12.2%	59
Nature		50.7%	245
Walking		76.2%	368
Bike		48.2%	233
Jogging		15.1%	73
Hiking		30.0%	145
Equestrian		4.6%	22
FIELDS:		1.7%	8

Baseball		20.5%	99
Softball		17.2%	83
Football		12.8%	62
Soccer		13.0%	63
Lacrosse		3.3%	16
AREAS:		1.7%	8
Environmental Education		23.0%	111
Restrooms		60.7%	293
Sledding		27.7%	134
Skiing		9.7%	47
Large Picnic Shelter		37.1%	179
Picnic Areas/Tables		49.7%	240
Playgrounds		35.0%	169
Gardening		15.5%	75
Open Space		22.8%	110
Ice Skating		18.2%	88
Outdoor Amphitheater		35.6%	172
Wooded Natural Areas		38.5%	186
Camping		21.1%	102
Swimming		37.3%	180
Arts and Crafts		24.4%	118
Skateboard Park		9.1%	44
		answered question	483
		skipped question	39

37. If your municipality was considering spending public funds for new or improved facilities in your local parks, which of the following should they consider as a priority? (Check all that apply.)


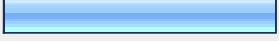
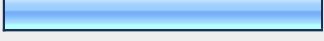
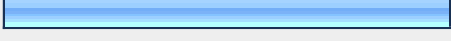
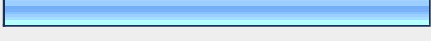
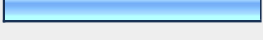
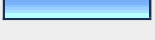
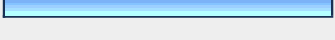
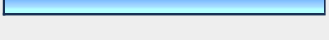
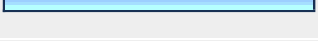
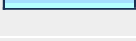
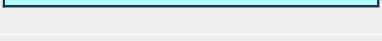


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Tennis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	18.5%	87
Deck Hockey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7.4%	35
Horseshoes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9.6%	45
Volleyball	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	9.6%	45
Shuffleboard	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7.2%	34
Basketball	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	13.2%	62
Bocce	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12.6%	59
TRAILS:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	8.3%	39
Nature	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	40.4%	190
Walking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	66.4%	312
Bike	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	42.1%	198
Jogging	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	13.0%	61
Hiking	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	25.1%	118
Equestrian	<input type="checkbox"/>	3.0%	14
FIELDS:	<input type="checkbox"/>	1.1%	5
Baseball	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	19.6%	92
Softball	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	17.7%	83
Football	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	11.5%	54
Soccer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	14.5%	68
Lacrosse	<input type="checkbox"/>	2.8%	13
AREAS:	<input type="checkbox"/>	1.3%	6
Environmental Education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	18.3%	86
Restrooms	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	45.3%	213
Sledding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	16.6%	78

Skiing/Snowboarding area		8.5%	40
Large Picnic Shelter		22.1%	104
Picnic Areas/Tables		30.6%	144
Playgrounds		31.3%	147
Gardening		11.9%	56
Open Space		16.0%	75
Ice Skating		17.0%	80
Outdoor Amphitheater		14.3%	67
Wooded Natural Areas		30.6%	144
Camping		14.3%	67
Swimming		27.9%	131
Arts and Crafts		15.3%	72
Skateboard Park		6.8%	32
ATV/Dirt Bike Trails		8.9%	42
Concession Stand		13.8%	65
Parking areas		16.0%	75
Amphitheater		23.6%	111
Other		2.3%	11
		Other (please specify)	31
		answered question	470
		skipped question	52

38. With regard to the following types of trails, would you support your municipality allocating resources toward the planning, acquisition, and development of new trails?

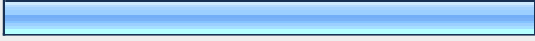


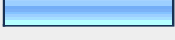


	Yes	No	Don't Know	Response Count
Walking trails within parks	82.9% (382)	7.6% (35)	9.5% (44)	461
Paving bike trails within parks	72.5% (319)	13.2% (58)	14.3% (63)	440
Multi-purpose trails between parks, neighborhoods, and/or schools	68.9% (306)	14.0% (62)	17.1% (76)	444
Multi-purpose trails along key commercial corridors	60.8% (265)	19.3% (84)	20.0% (87)	436
	<i>answered question</i>			480
	<i>skipped question</i>			42

39. Many municipalities offer a variety of programs for their residents. Please check the types of programs that you would like to see offered by your municipality: (Check all that apply.)



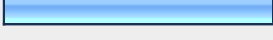
		Response Percent	Response Count
Educational		38.4%	174
Sports		29.8%	135
Cultural		34.9%	158
Special Events		49.2%	223
Outdoor/nature		46.8%	212
Arts/Crafts		28.0%	127
Preschool Programs		15.9%	72
Youth Programs		36.0%	163
Adult Programs		35.3%	160
Teen Programs		34.2%	155
Single's Programs		14.3%	65
Family Oriented Programs		41.3%	187
Outdoor Education		26.0%	118
Senior Citizen Programs		38.6%	175

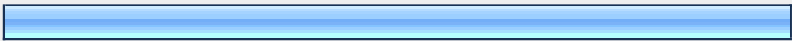
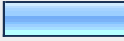
None		5.3%	24
Other		2.2%	10
		Other (please specify)	16
		answered question	453
		skipped question	69


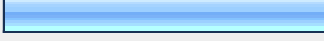
40. What method, or methods, do you feel are the most effective way to provide information regarding park facilities and recreational programs offered within your municipality? (Check all that apply.)


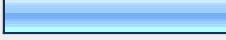

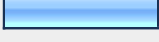

		Response Percent	Response Count
Municipal Newsletter		58.5%	281
Newspaper		75.2%	361
Website		42.1%	202
Email		18.3%	88
Community Bulletin Board		19.8%	95
Other		6.7%	32
		Other (please specify)	41
		answered question	480
		skipped question	42

41. Do you believe that funding for parks, recreation programs, and trails/greenways should:

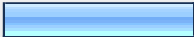
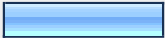
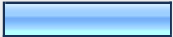
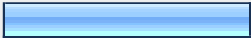
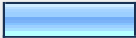

		Response Percent	Response Count
Increase		65.8%	314
Decrease		4.6%	22
Stay the same		29.6%	141
		answered question	477
		skipped question	45

42. Do you feel that municipalities in the Butler area should partner in the development of parks and recreational programs/facilities?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		86.9%	417
No		13.1%	63
		answered question	480
		skipped question	42

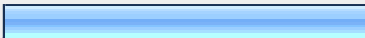



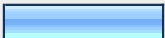
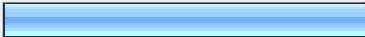







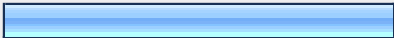
43. Would you donate money to support parks, recreation programs and trails/greenways?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		64.7%	311
No		35.3%	170
		answered question	481
		skipped question	41

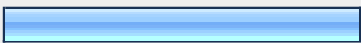





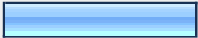
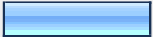
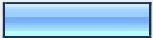


44. If yes, how much would you be willing to contribute annually?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
\$5		11.9%	36
\$10		24.5%	74
\$25		37.1%	112
\$50		16.9%	51
\$50+		9.6%	29
		answered question	302
		skipped question	220

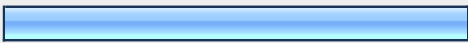
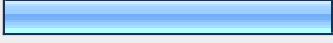



45. How often do you visit Downtown Butler?



		Response Percent	Response Count
Daily		20.7%	101
Once a week		17.4%	85
More than once a week		18.2%	89
Once or twice a month		27.0%	132
Once or twice a year		14.3%	70
Never		2.3%	11
<i>answered question</i>			488
<i>skipped question</i>			34


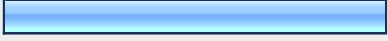
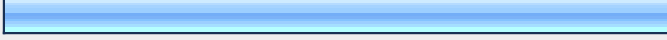

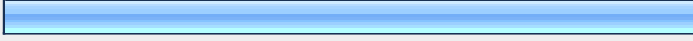
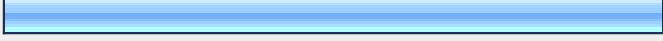
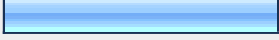
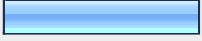






46. What are your primary reasons for visiting Downtown Butler? (Check all that apply.)

		Response Percent	Response Count
Banking/Financial		39.8%	194
Library		30.3%	148
Dry Cleaning/Laundromat		8.4%	41
Church/Day Care		24.2%	118
Grocery		17.4%	85
Post Office		39.8%	194
Pharmacy		13.7%	67
Museum(s)		4.7%	23
Work		16.4%	80
Retail shopping		25.0%	122
Events/Festivals		32.2%	157
Entertainment		7.8%	38
Gas/auto repair		16.4%	80
Restaurants/Bars		42.8%	209

Doctor/Dentist/Optometrlist		39.1%	191
Accountant		2.3%	11
Hair/Tanning Salon		9.6%	47
Insurance		4.5%	22
Real Estate		1.2%	6
Florist/Gifts		16.8%	82
Government services		21.1%	103
Attorneys		16.0%	78
Shoes		16.0%	78
Antiques/Specialty		7.2%	35
Other		8.6%	42
		Other (please specify)	38
		answered question	488
		skipped question	34

47. What is the average amount you spend per visit to Downtown Butler?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Less than \$25		51.2%	241
\$26-\$50		36.1%	170
\$51-\$100		10.4%	49
\$101-\$200		1.3%	6
Over \$200		1.1%	5
		answered question	471
		skipped question	51

48. Do you feel parking in Downtown Butler is a problem?				
			Response Percent	Response Count
Yes			56.1%	265
No			43.9%	207
If Yes, Describe the problem:				187
answered question				472
skipped question				50

49. Where do you typically shop for goods and services? (Check all that apply.)				
			Response Percent	Response Count
Downtown Butler			27.1%	135
Greater Butler Mart			42.2%	210
Clearview Mall			73.3%	365
In the City, outside the Downtown			11.6%	58
Moraine Pointe Plaza			76.1%	379
Butler Commons			72.7%	362
Cranberry Township			30.1%	150
Grove City Outlets			21.3%	106
Harmony			0.8%	4
Zelienople			1.8%	9
Pittsburgh			9.6%	48
New Castle			0.8%	4
Pittsburgh Mills			9.2%	46
Other			7.4%	37
Other (please specify)				29
answered question				498
skipped question				24

50. How important are the following to you regarding shopping in Downtown Butler?

	Very Important (5)	Important (4)	Somewhat important (3)	Not very important (2)	Not at all important (1)	No Opinion	Rating Average	Re
Location	35.6% (171)	34.3% (165)	17.9% (86)	5.0% (24)	4.2% (20)	3.1% (15)	3.83	
Clean/attractive stores	52.3% (254)	36.8% (179)	8.4% (41)	1.0% (5)	1.0% (5)	0.4% (2)	4.37	
Window displays/ads	13.6% (65)	29.6% (142)	28.6% (137)	14.8% (71)	9.8% (47)	3.5% (17)	3.12	
Variety of goods	47.1% (229)	39.7% (193)	8.6% (42)	1.9% (9)	1.4% (7)	1.2% (6)	4.26	
Pleasant atmosphere	41.3% (199)	39.4% (190)	13.9% (67)	1.9% (9)	2.1% (10)	1.5% (7)	4.12	
Supporting local businesses	43.8% (211)	35.1% (169)	13.9% (67)	2.3% (11)	2.7% (13)	2.3% (11)	4.08	
Additional convenient parking	46.3% (224)	29.3% (142)	14.3% (69)	5.2% (25)	4.1% (20)	0.8% (4)	4.06	
Safe environment	65.6% (317)	26.9% (130)	4.8% (23)	1.4% (7)	1.0% (5)	0.2% (1)	4.54	
Competitive pricing	55.4% (267)	31.1% (150)	7.9% (38)	2.7% (13)	1.7% (8)	1.2% (6)	4.32	
Personal service	37.2% (178)	37.2% (178)	17.6% (84)	4.6% (22)	1.9% (9)	1.5% (7)	3.99	
Sales and/or specials	41.3% (198)	32.9% (158)	16.0% (77)	5.0% (24)	2.9% (14)	1.9% (9)	3.99	
Coordinated retail events	23.1% (109)	32.2% (152)	25.8% (122)	10.0% (47)	5.5% (26)	3.4% (16)	3.47	
Pedestrian gathering spaces	13.7% (65)	22.8% (108)	26.8% (127)	19.0% (90)	13.1% (62)	4.6% (22)	2.91	
Improved sidewalks	27.5% (130)	30.1% (142)	27.8% (131)	8.1% (38)	4.2% (20)	2.3% (11)	3.62	
Special events & activities	23.2% (110)	31.4% (149)	24.4% (116)	12.2% (58)	6.5% (31)	2.3% (11)	3.45	
Destination retail shops	25.2% (117)	33.8% (157)	25.8% (120)	7.1% (33)	4.1% (19)	4.1% (19)	3.57	

Extended business hours	26.6% (125)	30.6% (144)	23.8% (112)	10.9% (51)	5.5% (26)	2.6% (12)	3.54
Common business hours	27.4% (129)	36.4% (171)	26.0% (122)	4.3% (20)	3.2% (15)	2.8% (13)	3.72
Inviting building entrances/exteriors	29.1% (139)	31.6% (151)	26.4% (126)	6.1% (29)	5.6% (27)	1.3% (6)	3.69
More green space	20.0% (94)	25.7% (121)	30.6% (144)	12.7% (60)	7.2% (34)	3.8% (18)	3.27
Upgraded building interiors	23.8% (114)	32.4% (155)	27.8% (133)	9.4% (45)	4.4% (21)	2.1% (10)	3.56
Enhanced historic features	25.2% (120)	27.9% (133)	27.3% (130)	12.2% (58)	5.2% (25)	2.3% (11)	3.49
Improved traffic flow	46.8% (223)	28.4% (135)	17.6% (84)	2.9% (14)	2.5% (12)	1.7% (8)	4.09
General clean-up of Downtown	55.2% (264)	29.7% (142)	11.3% (54)	1.7% (8)	1.3% (6)	0.8% (4)	4.33
More stores/services	52.5% (255)	27.0% (131)	11.7% (57)	4.1% (20)	2.1% (10)	2.7% (13)	4.16
More restaurants	40.5% (190)	26.2% (123)	18.8% (88)	7.5% (35)	4.7% (22)	2.3% (11)	3.83
Other	45.9% (34)	13.5% (10)	4.1% (3)	2.7% (2)	2.7% (2)	31.1% (23)	3.04
Other (please specify)							
							answered question
							skipped question

51. What kinds of store or services would you like to see (or have more of) in Downtown Butler?

	Very Important (5)	Important (4)	Somewhat important (3)	Not very important (2)	Not at all important (1)	No Opinion	Rating Average	Re
Antique store	5.0% (22)	10.0% (44)	19.3% (85)	27.2% (120)	25.2% (111)	13.4% (59)	2.02	
Accountants	1.6% (7)	7.3% (32)	22.1% (97)	26.0% (114)	25.3% (111)	17.6% (77)	1.81	
Attorneys office	5.3% (23)	10.0% (44)	24.4% (107)	23.3% (102)	22.8% (100)	14.2% (62)	2.09	
Automotive store	2.8% (12)	12.0% (52)	25.7% (111)	26.2% (113)	20.6% (89)	12.7% (55)	2.12	
Bakery	24.5% (113)	32.8% (151)	23.0% (106)	8.0% (37)	5.9% (27)	5.9% (27)	3.44	
Bank	15.8% (69)	23.5% (103)	23.5% (103)	12.8% (56)	12.8% (56)	11.6% (51)	2.82	
Bicycle shop/rental	7.5% (33)	16.4% (72)	22.5% (99)	23.9% (105)	18.4% (81)	11.4% (50)	2.37	
Book store	26.7% (121)	30.9% (140)	23.2% (105)	7.3% (33)	5.1% (23)	6.8% (31)	3.46	
Camera shop	7.3% (32)	15.5% (68)	28.2% (124)	20.5% (90)	16.1% (71)	12.5% (55)	2.40	
Clothing store	34.0% (159)	35.8% (167)	19.1% (89)	4.3% (20)	3.4% (16)	3.4% (16)	3.82	
Computer store	15.3% (68)	25.4% (113)	29.4% (131)	12.6% (56)	8.1% (36)	9.2% (41)	3.00	
Condos/Loft Apartments	16.1% (72)	22.8% (102)	23.7% (106)	15.4% (69)	12.7% (57)	9.4% (42)	2.86	
Copy shop	5.0% (22)	18.6% (82)	29.1% (128)	21.4% (94)	16.1% (71)	9.8% (43)	2.46	
Coffee shop	29.1% (132)	30.9% (140)	20.3% (92)	6.8% (31)	6.0% (27)	6.8% (31)	3.50	
Crafts & hobbies	17.8% (80)	26.4% (119)	29.3% (132)	12.4% (56)	8.4% (38)	5.6% (25)	3.16	
Dance studio/school	6.4% (28)	9.6% (42)	23.3% (102)	24.0% (105)	22.0% (96)	14.6% (64)	2.11	

Department Store	44.8% (209)	27.8% (130)	16.1% (75)	4.7% (22)	3.2% (15)	3.4% (16)	3.96
Dental/dentist offices	10.0% (44)	19.9% (88)	29.9% (132)	16.7% (74)	14.5% (64)	9.0% (40)	2.67
Dry cleaners	10.9% (48)	20.6% (91)	24.2% (107)	18.3% (81)	15.6% (69)	10.4% (46)	2.62
Event Center	31.9% (145)	28.4% (129)	18.3% (83)	9.0% (41)	6.6% (30)	5.7% (26)	3.53
Family services center	15.4% (69)	25.6% (115)	24.1% (108)	14.7% (66)	11.1% (50)	9.1% (41)	2.92
Fabric store	13.5% (60)	16.7% (74)	24.8% (110)	18.2% (81)	16.4% (73)	10.4% (46)	2.61
Florist	13.2% (58)	25.7% (113)	31.6% (139)	13.0% (57)	9.1% (40)	7.5% (33)	2.98
Furniture store	12.2% (55)	21.7% (98)	30.4% (137)	15.5% (70)	12.0% (54)	8.2% (37)	2.82
Gas station	17.3% (77)	22.9% (102)	25.2% (112)	13.7% (61)	12.6% (56)	8.3% (37)	2.94
Hair salon/barber	10.2% (45)	19.3% (85)	31.3% (138)	18.4% (81)	11.8% (52)	9.1% (40)	2.71
Hardware store	16.3% (73)	30.8% (138)	27.0% (121)	10.9% (49)	8.0% (36)	6.9% (31)	3.16
Ice cream shop	23.8% (109)	28.6% (131)	29.3% (134)	8.1% (37)	5.0% (23)	5.2% (24)	3.42
Hotel	21.8% (98)	27.1% (122)	20.9% (94)	9.8% (44)	12.0% (54)	8.4% (38)	3.12
Bed & Breakfast	12.4% (55)	20.1% (89)	26.2% (116)	17.6% (78)	14.4% (64)	9.3% (41)	2.71
Music store	13.5% (60)	24.0% (107)	27.1% (121)	15.9% (71)	11.4% (51)	8.1% (36)	2.88
Office Supply Store	11.7% (52)	20.7% (92)	33.3% (148)	14.2% (63)	10.4% (46)	9.7% (43)	2.80
Restaurant/Bar	29.7% (132)	25.5% (113)	22.5% (100)	8.1% (36)	8.3% (37)	5.9% (26)	3.43
Restaurant - Family	46.2% (217)	28.3% (133)	15.1% (71)	3.2% (15)	3.6% (17)	3.6% (17)	3.99
Restaurant - Upscale	37.6%	26.2%	16.6% (76)	7.4% (34)	6.6% (30)	5.7%	3.64

	(172)	(120)				(20)	
Sports Bar/Restaurant	25.5% (113)	23.2% (103)	22.7% (101)	12.2% (54)	10.1% (45)	6.3% (28)	3.23
Take-home food service	26.1% (119)	26.8% (122)	22.4% (102)	11.2% (51)	6.6% (30)	7.0% (32)	3.34
Shoe store	15.5% (69)	29.6% (132)	29.8% (133)	10.5% (47)	7.8% (35)	6.7% (30)	3.14
Souvenir shop	11.8% (52)	17.4% (77)	26.2% (116)	19.2% (85)	14.9% (66)	10.4% (46)	2.61
Specialty gift shop	19.4% (88)	24.5% (111)	26.7% (121)	13.2% (60)	9.5% (43)	6.6% (30)	3.11
Theater (current movies)	41.5% (191)	28.7% (132)	14.6% (67)	6.3% (29)	5.4% (25)	3.5% (16)	3.84
Tool rental	5.7% (25)	14.4% (63)	28.7% (125)	21.3% (93)	17.7% (77)	12.2% (53)	2.33
Toy store	14.0% (62)	26.4% (117)	28.2% (125)	11.7% (52)	10.6% (47)	9.0% (40)	2.94
Travel agency	6.8% (30)	16.4% (72)	31.7% (139)	18.7% (82)	16.0% (70)	10.3% (45)	2.49
Video arcade	8.0% (35)	9.4% (41)	21.3% (93)	20.8% (91)	23.6% (103)	16.9% (74)	2.07
Video/DVD rental	10.7% (47)	17.4% (76)	25.6% (112)	15.1% (66)	18.3% (80)	13.0% (57)	2.48
Other	20.6% (14)	8.8% (6)	14.7% (10)	8.8% (6)	4.4% (3)	42.6% (29)	2.04
Other (please specify)							
answered question							
skipped question							


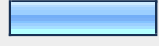
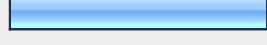
52. In the next 5-10 years, how would you like to see Downtown Butler develop? Please check all that apply:

		Response Percent	Response Count
Keep current level of stores/services		9.8%	47
Streetscaping-trees, planters, benches		57.4%	276
Maintain small city charm & character		70.1%	337
Better lighting		21.8%	105
Add specialty or niche retail		51.8%	249
More services businesses		28.5%	137
More restaurants & food service		58.2%	280
More office/commercial space		11.9%	57
Improve/maintain the historic character		61.3%	295
Upper floor housing		28.3%	136
Add a visible numbering system on buildings Remove trucks from Main Street		27.9%	134
Better directional and street name signage		20.2%	97
Other		2.9%	14
	Other (please specify)		30
	answered question		481
	skipped question		41

53. Do you have any other comments to share about Downtown Butler?

	Response Count
	203
answered question	203
skipped question	319

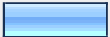
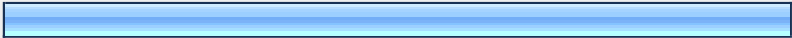

54. Do you have any other general issues or comments?		
		Response Count
		119
<i>answered question</i>		119
<i>skipped question</i>		403







55. Age?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
<19		0.2%	1
19-25		2.6%	13
26-35		9.3%	46
36-45		15.8%	78
46-55		22.3%	110
56-65		28.2%	139
66-75		14.2%	70
Over 75		7.3%	36
		<i>answered question</i>	493
		<i>skipped question</i>	29

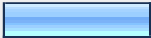
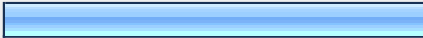
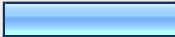
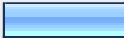


56. Gender			Response Percent	Response Count
Male			34.7%	169
Female			54.0%	263
Both Male & Female completed this survey			11.3%	55
			answered question	487
			skipped question	35

57. Length of residence in Butler Area? (Number of years)		Response Count
		473
		answered question
		473
		skipped question
		49

58. Current residence?			Response Percent	Response Count
City of Butler			20.1%	98
Butler Twp.			39.6%	193
Penn Twp.			8.0%	39
Summit Twp.			6.0%	29
East Butler			1.0%	5
Other			25.3%	123
			Other (please specify)	123
			answered question	487
			skipped question	35


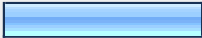
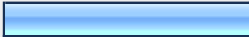


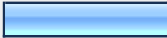
59. Home Ownership?			Response Percent	Response Count
Rent			11.2%	54
Own			87.0%	421
Rent-want to buy			1.9%	9
			answered question	484
			skipped question	38

60. If you want to buy a home, where?			Response Percent	Response Count
City of Butler			16.2%	21
Butler Twp.			49.2%	64
Penn Twp.			5.4%	7
Summit Twp.			6.2%	8
East Butler			1.5%	2
Other			21.5%	28
			Other (please specify)	31
			answered question	130
			skipped question	392

61. Number of persons in household?			Response Percent	Response Count
1			15.8%	77
2			46.4%	226
3			18.9%	92
4			13.1%	64
5			5.1%	25
6 or more			0.6%	3
			<i>answered question</i>	487
			<i>skipped question</i>	35

62. Place(s) of employment?		Response Count
		379
		<i>answered question</i>
		379
		<i>skipped question</i>
		143

63. Highest level of education completed by an adult member of your household:

		Response Percent	Response Count
11 years or less		0.6%	3
High School Diploma/GED		21.6%	105
Some College/Associate Degree		27.0%	131
Technical School		4.9%	24
College Degree		27.8%	135
Graduate Degree		17.9%	87
		<i>answered question</i>	485
		<i>skipped question</i>	37

Appendix H

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Butler Freeport Trail

Operational Organization: Buffalo Township

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description:

The Butler Freeport Trail is a rail to trail that will extend from Butler to Freeport. It currently ends in Summit Township but progress is being made to extend it into the City of Butler. It will eventually provide opportunities to walk, jog or ride a bike along its full length.

2. Existing Facilities:

Trail

3. Recommendations:

Continue to seek all avenues to fully develop the trail and any pertinent amenities along the trail.

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Butler Freeport Trail 10 Acre Site

Operational Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description:

The Butler Freeport Trail ten acre site is located along Herman Road in Summit Township. The site represents some of the history of the railroad that one traveled this rail line. The ten acres is primarily a valley that contained a set of tracks for the trains to back up into possible to detach cars for another train to pick up. It basically formed a wye off of the main track. It is a total of 1282' long with 420' from the wye to the end of the track. There was 850' between the two sections that connect to the main track.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Trail – 60' wide, but varies
- Small spring with a good flow and aquatic plants
- Stream through the center
 - 30' pipe for stream to flow under old rail bed at the wye
- Raised rail beds
- Large head wall – stone
- Large stone wall in stream along rail bed
- Spring from hillside feeds stream at the end of railroad line
- Beautiful wooded area
 - Variety of trees
 - Ferns
- 2nd rail line existed adjacent main line

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Dan Lohner Park

Operational Organization: Butler Township

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number: _____ e-mail: _____

1. Facility Description:

Dan Lohner Park is a .3 acre site located in a housing plan in Butler Township. It would be classified as a neighborhood tot lot. It is a small grass lot with numerous trees in the back and fencing on three sides.

2. Existing Facilities:

Play structure – Kid Time structure by Game Time

2 to 5 year old structure

Plastic molded edging

Woodcarpet surfacing

Structure

Three slides

Two plunger steps

Crawl tube

Six deck levels

Two play panels

Steps

Asphalt pad

Picnic table

Two benches

55 gallon trash receptacle

3. Recommendations

Play structure needs appropriate use signage

Needs ADA walkway to structure

Needs a small two car parking area near road

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Deshon Woods Park

Operational Organization: Butler Township

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number: _____ **e-mail:** _____

1. Facility Description: Deshon Woods Park is a 10 acre site located along Route 68 in Butler Township. It would be classified as an open space area. It is a beautiful wooded site with numerous large trees.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Split rail fence along Rt. 68
- Pull through area
- Grass & wooded picnic grove
- 55 gallon trash cans
- Asphalt pad
- Grill
- Trail
 - Trail entrance sign – “A Hike Through 200 Years of Time”
 - Grass trail – grass cut
 - Trail benches
 - Beautiful large trees

3. Recommendations

- Grove area
 - Needs picnic tables
- Trail
 - Poison ivy needs removed
 - Trail needs maintenance in some sections
 - Trail needs interpretative signs
- Master site plan needed for site

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Preston Property

Operational Organization: Butler Township

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: The Preston Property is a 99 ½ acre site located in Butler Township off of Eberhart Road. The property is an estate recently acquired by Butler Township. It is a beautiful estate with vast forested areas, open areas and two lakes. Several buildings exist on the property. The site is also rich in history.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Large wooden building
- Small wooden building
- Garden in back
- House – 1st building finished in 1937
- Entrance office
- Library
- Bedroom – great view on property
- Old testing room – storage
- Electrical room/freezers
- Restroom – off of entry office
- Sitting room
- Chem.. Lab.
- Ironing room
- Drafting room
- Back sitting room
- Office – great view
- Three room upstairs
- Book shelves everywhere
- Fish pond/fountain – 3’ deep
- No actual fountain
- Geography circle – monuments “Shooting the Bull”
- Circle – large tree arboretum
 - Various species of pine
 - Serbian spruce
- Entire estate is actually an arboretum
- Electrical building
- Machine shop
- Maintenance building – built in 1970’s

Designed for a second story
1941 dump truck
Brain coral
Granite – Hitler
Iron gates
Prairie grass – has to be control burned once a year
Small lake
Large lake – covered with lilies
Lilac's – imported from France – single, double & triple in various colors
North field – dogwoods
Orchard – apples, pears, peaches, cherries
Butler Short Line – went through property
Old bridge on property
Trails

3. Recommendations:

House – could potentially be used as a museum/nature center
Renovate Butler Short Line Bridge

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Butler Township Park (Saw Mill Run Park)

Operational Organization: Butler Township

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Butler Township Park is a community park consisting of 90 acres located in the Butler Township. The park provides a variety of facilities scattered over a mixture of terrain. The large part of the park is relatively steep grassy slopes. There are some heavily wooded areas around the perimeter of the park that provides a good buffer between the park and the surrounding residential communities. A portion of the park perimeter is adjacent to the Preston Property. A section of the lower level of the park contains the maintenance building and stock piles of materials. The upper level of the park currently is comprised of the main active recreation facilities.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Parking Lot – paved and lined
 - Two handicap parking spaces
 - Forty-eight regular parking spaces
 - Island with trees
 - Center island loop with a flag pole
 - 50’ grass area runs the length of the parking area
- Park is fenced and gated in this area
- Two horseshoe pits with backboards – new wood
- Playground – Game Time
 - Molded plastic edging
 - Five benches outside surfaced area
 - One aluminum
 - Four wooden
 - Play structure
 - Two slides
 - One serpentine slide
 - One spiral slide
 - Crawl tube
 - Climber
 - Plunger steps
 - Regular steps
 - Four decks at various levels
 - Three play panels

- Speaker horn
- Climbing wall
- Good use zones
- Community Center – ADA compliant
 - Patio area
 - Two wooden benches
 - Nine aluminum benches
 - Two aluminum picnic tables
 - Two vending machines
 - Trash & recycling receptacles
 - Interior
 - Kitchen – Commercial
 - Stove
 - Three bowl sink
 - Ice machine
 - Cabinets
 - Refrigerator
 - Serving counter
 - Microwave
 - Stainless steel table
 - Freezer
 - Rental hall – party rentals & meetings
 - Eight tables & 64 chairs – extra chairs in storage area
 - Fireplace
 - TV
 - Ceiling fans & florescent lights
 - Wooden walls/ceiling
 - Stage room
 - Wooden floor
 - Nice size stage
 - Round tables & chairs
 - Wooden walls with carpet padding
 - Suspending ceiling
 - Foyer area between floors
 - Building full ADA compliant
- Barbeque pit area – 4' x 8' adjacent to patio area
- Grove area
 - Four aluminum benches
 - Two grills
- Half basketball court
- Half volleyball court - asphalt
- Shuffleboard area
- Storage shed
- Deck Hockey – ADA compliant
 - Sport court surfacing
 - Scoreboard

- Announcer's booth
- High netting on ends
- Concession stand
- Restrooms
- Bleachers
 - Two aluminum – three seat
 - Two aluminum – five seat
- Dumpster
- Bike rack
- Parking area - paved
 - 14 spaces in one lot
 - 38 spaces in second lot
 - Two handicap spaces
- Park entrance sign
- Large grass area outside of deck hockey
- Detention pond
- Sanitary easement
- Ski slopes
- Police shooting range
- Maintenance facilities
 - Stock piles
 - Parking lot
- Sewage treatment facility
- Parking area beside salt shed
- Nice stream

3. Recommendations:

- Horseshoe Pits
 - Slightly undersized – add pitch pads
- Playground
 - Needs ADA walkway from concrete pad to playground
 - Buckled access ramp needs repaired
 - Needs appropriate signage
 - Woodcarpet surfacing needs replenished
- Volleyball court
 - Asphalt surfacing can be dangerous for volleyball
- Shuffleboard area
 - Needs soil brought to top edge of concrete to eliminate trip hazard
 - Needs repainted
- Deck Hockey
 - Sideboards need scraped & painted
 - 5 seat bleachers
 - Need rails to be compliant
 - Need moved to improve visibility of rink

Drainage needs improved around outside of rink
Coach stated –more practice time needed
- need another rink

Park entrance sign

Needs repainted

Landscaping around sign needs attention

Ski slopes

Potential summer uses

Driving range

Disc golf area

Archery range

Park needs a master site plan

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Athletic Field

Operational Organization: City of Butler

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: The athletic field is a large open space area along Conoquenessing Creek behind several businesses in the City of Butler. The field is accessed across a long metal bridge and is owned by the School District.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Metal bridge
- Building
- Soccer field – regulation size
- Walking track around the field
- Newly planted trees along the stream bank
- Parking in businesses parking lot

3. Recommendations:

- Metal bridge can be very slippery
 - Children, as well as adults, could fall into the creek 20' below
- Poor access
- Needs signage

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Butler Memorial Park

Operational Organization: City of Butler

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Butler Memorial Park is located in a valley on the western side of Butler on Memorial Drive. It is a 105.155 acre park with a nice variety of facilities. The park appears to have a lot of use from residents. It is partially surrounded by residential neighborhoods providing easy walking access for those residents.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Swimming pool – closed
 - Building – poor condition
 - Area around right side of building – debris & bad conditions
 - Overhang on building – liability issue with falling concrete
 - ADA access poor
 - Flag pole
 - Wood guardrails
 - Pool volleyball court – fenced
 - Access from pool only
 - Was a sand court
 - Probably many balls go over fence
 - Sun bathing area
 - Sandbox
 - Spring animal playground & bench
 - Pool – large with water slide
 - Lighted
 - Wading pool with mushroom feature
 - Inadequate parking for pool
- Playground
 - Swings
 - Small slide
 - Two spring animals
 - Pea gravel surfacing
 - Two benches
 - Picnic table
- Picnic deck with landscaping in front
 - Two tables
 - Benches along two sides

John Stillwagon Memorial Tennis Courts – good condition

Lighted

Parking

Basketball court

Asphalt

Parking area

Overhead climber

Sandbox with two benches

Restrooms – closed Sept. 1 – April 15

Bridge to pavilion

Optimist Shelter

4 – 12' tables

5 - 6' tables

Electric

Interior grill

Dirt access road with no defined parking

T-ball field

Grass infield

Decorative block dugouts

5 seat aluminum bleachers

Two – 3 seat aluminum bleachers

Storage shed for infield mix

Concession stand

Double baseball/football field – 150' foul line

Butler Area Baseball Association

Concession stand

Decorative block dugouts

Two – 3 seat aluminum bleachers

Two backstops

Stadium bleachers

Announcer's booth

Flag pole

Lighted

Scoreboard

Two bleachers with rails

Bleacher pads

Football storage building

Batting cage

Cyclone fencing with netting inside

Water fountain – very unique

Numerous picnic tables in grass area along stream

Tock Shelter

Brick pillars

8 tables

Three car parking area

Interior grill

- Electric outlets
- Lighted
- Large parking area
- Deal Shelter
 - 8 – 6' tables
 - Electric – one outlet
 - Lighted
 - Interior grill & sink
 - Retaining wall
- Restroom facility
- Park maintenance building
- Playground – Game Time
 - Pea gravel surfacing
 - Two bay swing set
 - Stainless steel walk thru structure
 - Play structure
 - Two slides
 - Three climbers
 - Access ramp
 - Flag pole & benches
- Miller Shelter
 - 10 – 6' tables
 - Grill & sink
 - Concrete access ramp
 - Parking across the road
- Benches along the park for sitting area
- Street lights along park road
- Bocce court
 - Fenced
 - Two – 6' tables
 - Bench
 - Five seat aluminum bleacher in parking lot
- Bauer Shelter
 - Bridge – 200' upstream
 - 9 – 6' tables
 - Electric
- Rotary Shelter
 - Electric
 - Fireplace/grill – 4
 - 12 – 12' tables
 - 1 – 6' table
 - Small kitchen area with sink & work tables
- Volleyball – grass
- Horseshoe pits
 - Backing boards
- Fire House Shelter

- 1 – 12' table
- Benches around sides
- Electric
- Lights
- Building
- Parking
- Musical Theatre Guild Building
 - Gated area
- Picnic deck
 - Grill
 - 4 – 6' tables
 - Grove parking
 - Retaining wall
 - Walkway
- Skateboard park
 - Old court area
 - Fenced

3. Recommendations:

- Swimming pool – should be removed
 - Possibly change into a splash park/water playground
 - Building – needs to be renovated or removed
 - Flag pole – needs painted
 - Wood guardrails – need straightened & painted
 - Pool volleyball court
 - Close off to pool area
 - Remove weeds & replenish with white sand
 - Improve fencing
 - Sun bathing area
 - Sandbox – remove weeds & replenish sand or remove completely
 - Spring animal playground – needs removed or renovated
 - Two spring animals are non-compliant with standards
 - Needs weeds removed & resurfaced
 - Improper use zone for playground
- Playground
 - Swing single bay cannot have both an infant swing and regular swing
 - Use zone around equipment needs enlarged
- Picnic deck
 - Needs stained
 - Not ADA accessible
- John Stillwagon Memorial Tennis Courts
 - Needs color coated
 - Needs better access
- Basketball court
 - Asphalt
 - Numerous cracks

- Fill cracks & color coat
- Path to court needs to be completed – tie asphalt together
- Edges of path create a trip hazard
- Overhead climber
 - Needs surfacing material & established use zone
- Restrooms
 - Should remain open until November
- Bridge to pavilion
 - Reattach loose boards
 - Paint railing
- Optimist Shelter
 - Electric outlets need cover plates
 - Light bulbs missing
 - Define parking area
- T-ball field
 - Baselines need to be better defined
 - 5 seat bleachers needs rails
 - 3 seat bleachers needs rails due to excessive height
 - Weeds in fence and under bleachers need removed
- Concession
 - Access needs improved – ramp too steep
- Double baseball/football field
 - Two – 3 seat aluminum bleachers
 - Due to excessive height needs railing
 - Stadium bleachers – needs fencing in front
 - Extend asphalt path in front of bleachers
 - Flag pole – needs straightened
 - Remove weeds from fencing
 - Lips on softball field need removed – causes hazardous play conditions
 - Fencing needs replaced
 - Gabian baskets – sharp points sticking out creates hazardous conditions
 - Grate creates trip hazard
 - Parking needs improved
- Batting cage
 - Weeds need removed from fencing
- Water fountain
 - Needs access
- Deal Shelter
 - Retaining wall needs repairs
- Playground
 - Needs appropriate surfacing
 - Slides – use zone needs increased
 - Access ramp – lip at end with no access path
- Benches along the park for sitting area
 - Boards missing creating a liability issue
- Bocce court

- Weeds need removed from fence
- Bench needs repaired or removed
- Five seat bleacher needs rails

Bauer Shelter

- No access near shelter
- No parking area for shelter

Rotary Shelter

- No light bulbs in fixtures
- No parking area

Volleyball

- Too close to horseshoe pits

Fire House Shelter

- No access to shelter

Picnic deck

- Retaining wall deteriorating – needs repairs
- Walkway deteriorating – needs repairs
- Steep steps to no where
- Angle iron railing poor condition – safety issue

Develop a Dog Park

Establish a designated walking area

Install speed restrictors to slow traffic

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Diamond Park

Operational Organization: City of Butler

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Diamond Park is a passive recreation area located along Route 8 in the City of Butler. It is an attractive war memorial park highly visible to anyone traveling through Butler.

2. Existing Facilities:

War Memorials

Benches

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Father Marinaro Park

Operational Organization: City of Butler

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Father Marinaro Park is located on the eastern side of Butler along Kaufman Drive. It is basically a level site with a variety of facilities. It is surrounded by residential neighborhoods providing easy access to the residents.

2. Existing Facilities:

Adjacent to the park but not part of the park;

Ball field – not in use

Backstop – needs replaced

Parking area – not in use

Park facilities

Ball field – 290' left

Parking lot – 20 spaces

Four seat aluminum bleachers with roof

Brick dugouts

Brick announcer's booth

Five seat aluminum bleachers

Grass infield

Five seat wooden bleacher outside right field fence

Picnic shelter – 20' x 40'

Asphalt walkways

Lights

Swing set

Two bay with regular seats

Pea gravel surfacing

Numerous homemade benches scattered throughout park

Swing set

Two bay with infant seats

Pea gravel surfacing

Spring animals

Two areas with two animals in each

Pea gravel surfacing

Sandbox

Bench

Two Basketball courts

- Homemade backboards
- Lighted
- Open asphalt area
- Bocce court
 - Concrete border
- Regulation soccer field
- Large open field & sledding slope
- Skate park
 - Numerous skateboarding ramps and rails
 - Benches
- Fountain with wood top
- Baseball building
- Port-a-john

3. Recommendations:

Park facilities

- Ball field
 - Four seat aluminum bleachers with roof – needs railing
 - Five seat aluminum bleachers – needs railing
 - Five seat wooden bleacher outside right field fence – needs railing
 - Weeds need removed from fence
 - Infield dirt pile behind dugout creates hazardous condition
- Picnic shelter
 - Roof needs replaced
 - No tables
- Swing set
 - Use zone needs increased
- Spring animals
 - One animal missing
 - Animals non-compliant
 - Use zone needs increased
- Sandbox
 - Grass needs removed and sand replenished
- Bocce court
 - Needs weeds removed and refurbished
- Need flush restrooms in the park

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Institute Hill Playground

Operational Organization: City of Butler

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Institute Hill Playground is located along East Jefferson Street. It is a fully fenced area

2. Existing Facilities:

- Basketball court
 - Homemade backboard
- Open asphalt area with a small pavilion
- Asphalt volleyball court
- Playground
 - Swing set
 - Two bay – one regular & one infant
 - Wooden play structure
 - Slide
 - Climber
 - Benches
- Water fountain with wooden top

3. Recommendations:

- Fencing around park needs repairs
- Basketball court
 - Backboard should be replaced
- Asphalt volleyball court
 - Weeds growing in cracks on court
 - Volleyball shouldn't be located on asphalt
- Playground
 - No surfacing
 - Non compliant use zone
- Water fountain with wooden top
 - Support wall caving in

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Ritts Park

Operational Organization: City of Butler

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Ritts Park is located just off of Route 8 at the northern end of Butler. It is adjacent to Route 8 on the western side and a residential neighborhood on the eastern side. The park has approximately 7 acres with a variety of facilities.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Memorial Ring
- Ritts Park Shelter – 12’ x 24’
 - Two tables
 - Small parking area
- Basketball court
 - Fenced on three sides
 - Homemade backboard
- Gravel park road
- Playground – Play World
 - 3 ½ Spring Animals – one animal missing
 - Slide
 - Bench
 - Surfacing good
 - Borders good
 - Use zone good
- Swing set – two bay
 - Surfacing & use zone good
- Bridge to playground
- Playground not ADA accessible
- 2 Tennis courts
 - Visibility screening
 - Lighted
 - Good surface
 - Benches
 - Asphalt access from gravel parking lot

3. Recommendations:

- Memorial Ring
 - Remove weeds around pillar with plaque

Basketball court

Weeds in asphalt cracks, in the fence on the banks

No gate door

Tripping hazard with curbing at gate

Gravel road needs attention in repairing ruts

Playground

Spring animal needs replaced

Provide ADA access

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Rotary Park

Operational Organization: City of Butler

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Rotary Park is adjacent to Island Playground. It is a long strip of grassy area between residential homes and the Connoquenessing Creek.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Boardwalk along stream approximately 100' long
- Asphalt pad from an old pavilion
- Large open grass area
- Bridge from Pullman Park

3. Recommendations:

- Bridge from Pullman Park
- Cable needs higher rails

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: South Hills Playground

Operational Organization: City of Butler

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: South Hills Playground is located along South Main Street in the southern section of Butler. This is a newly renovated facility.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Basketball court
 - Homemade backboard
- Pavilion
 - Two small tables
- Two bay swing set
 - One regular swing and one infant swing in each bay
- Playground structure
- Slide
- Water fountain with wooden top
- Phone

3. Recommendations:

- Basketball court
 - Backboard needs replaced
- Two bay swing set
 - Place regular swings in one bay and infant swings in the other bay
 - No surfacing
 - No use zone

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Whippo Avenue Park

Operational Organization: County of Butler (Owns Property) Leased to the City of Butler

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Whippo Avenue Park is a 1.32 acre site located along Center Avenue in Butler Township.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Ball Field
 - Backstop
 - Light over backstop
 - Fenced
- Flag pole
- Benches
- Water fountain
- Basketball court – 24’x 50’
 - Asphalt
 - Homemade backboards
 - Two benches
 - Lights
- Playground
 - Two bay swing set – Game Time
 - Infant swing
 - Regular swing
 - Pea gravel surfacing
 - Slide Game Time
 - Plastic slide
 - Pea gravel surfacing
 - Sandbox
 - Two benches

3. Recommendations:

- Ball field
 - Poor condition
 - Weeds on infield

Weeds in fence

Old drag along fence – hazard

Water fountain

Not usable

Basketball court

Needs new backboards

Playground – Not ADA accessible

Swing set

Infant & regular swings not permitted in same bay

Infant seat in poor condition

Inappropriate use zone

Slide

No use zone

Gap between slide and entrance – chock and/or entrapment hazard

Sandbox – full of weeds

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: East Butler Park

Operational Organization: East Butler Borough

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: East Butler Park is a 1/3 acre site located in East Butler Borough along Grant Avenue. It is a gently sloping lot with several facilities.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Basketball court – 40’ x 60’
 - 6’ x 6’ posts with wooden backboards
 - Asphalt surface
 - Fenced
- Pavilion – 24’ x 24’
 - 2 – 8’ tables concreted in
- Playground - 1998
 - Raised plastic boarders
 - Two bay swing set
 - One side regular swings
 - One side infant swings
 - Swing pads
 - Play structure – Game Time
 - Two slides with slide pads
 - Fireman’s pole
 - Two climbers
 - Play panel
 - Overhead loops
 - Two decks
 - Woodcarpet surfacing
 - Bench
 - 55 gallon trash cans
 - Concrete pad to gate
 - Well groomed
- Pavilion & playground fenced

3. Recommendations:

- Basketball courts
 - Regular basketball posts, backboards & hoops should be installed
 - Asphalt surface is rough – should be resurfaced

Pavilion

Needs surfacing

Playground

Needs scraping and some touch up paint

Not ADA accessible

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: East Butler Baseball Complex

Operational Organization: East Butler Baseball Association

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: East Butler Baseball Complex is located in East Butler Borough off of 10th Street. It is a nice baseball complex located at the top of a hill that has been partially excavated to develop the complex. It is operated by the East Butler Baseball Association.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Complex gated
- Parking areas
- Dumpster
- Infield mix storage area
- Handicap only parking area
- Little League Field – 200’ lines
 - Covered bleachers
 - Four seat high with no rail
 - Concrete block dugouts
 - Grass infield
 - Backstop
 - Lighted
 - Electric scoreboard
 - Announcer’s booth & storage area
 - Two bleachers behind center field fence – aluminum three seat
 - Bleacher along left field fence – three seat
- Farm Field – 135’ lines
 - Backstop
 - Manual scoreboard
 - Dugouts
 - Covered aluminum bleacher five seat
 - Bleacher right field line – three seat
 - Batting cage
 - Grass infield
- Three storage sheds
- Pavilion – 24’ x 30’ Dess E. Schnur
 - Concrete floor
 - Seven tables – three aluminum, four wooden

- 35 gallon plastic trash cans
- T-ball Field – 90’ right & 100’ left lines
 - Straight fence backstop
 - Aluminum bleacher – three seat
 - Wood with aluminum covering – four seat
 - Decorative block dugouts
 - Covered bleacher – five seat
 - Grass infield
- Speed-O-Field – 300’ left, 310’ right, 365’ center
 - Covered raised outfield spectator stand
 - Lighted
 - Grass infield
 - Electric scoreboard
 - 20’ high outfield fence with billboards
 - Decorative block dugouts
 - Aluminum bleachers- third baseline, five seat
 - Decorative block announcer’s booth, concession stand & restrooms
 - Offset outfield fence
 - Covered bleachers
 - Asphalt underneath
 - Aluminum – three to five seat
 - One with no rail
 - One with back rail
 - One with side and back rail
 - Compost pile
 - Storage trailer
 - Soft toss area
 - Two batting cages
 - Storage shed
 - Pavilion – 16’ x 20’
 - Concrete floor
 - Lights
 - Three aluminum tables
 - Memorial monument

3. Recommendations:

- Parking areas
 - Remove dead trees
- Grass & weeds need trimmed
- Little League Field
 - Bleachers need railing
- Farm field
 - Bleachers need railing
- Old box trailer, telephone poles, etc. – liability issues
- T-ball Field

Four seat bleacher needs railing

Five seat covered bleacher needs railing

Speed-O-Field

Aluminum bleachers- third baseline needs railing

Old fence & debris behind outfield fence – needs cleaned up - hazard

Compost pile – needs cleaned up

Storage trailer

Scattered junk needs cleaned up - hazard

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: East Butler Parklet

Operational Organization: East Butler Borough

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: East Butler Parklet is located at the corner of Broadway Avenue and Fifth Street. It is a ¼ acre grass site.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Picnic table
- 55 gallon trash can
- Small stream
- Two swing sets
 - One with regular swings
 - One with an infant swing and a regular swing
- Old spring animal
- Play structure
 - Slide
 - Fireman's pole
 - Ladder
 - Deck

3. Recommendations:

- Swing set must have only regular or only infant seats in the same bay
- Spring animal needs to be moved- inside use zone of swing sets
- Play structure
 - Define a proper use zone
 - Add proper surfacing
- Develop a Master Site Plan

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Harcrest Park

Operational Organization: Penn Township

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Harcrest Park is located in Penn Township at the corner of Brownsdale Road and Three Degree Road. It is a 49 acre site that has been owned and operated by the Hartzel family since 1844. The park consists of gently rolling hills which are predominately open fields with two small streams intersecting along the northeast boundary of the property. A line of trees makes up the small valley where the larger stream flows, while interspersed trees are along the upper part of the bank on the other stream. Three home sites break up the edge of the park along the roads. These homes are each bordered on three sides by the park property. The surrounding properties are primarily open space farm fields or wooded areas.

2. Existing Facilities:

Barn - top

Grainery – double

Many stalls

Filled with hay & equipment

Roof – slate over part

Wood missing, but covered with tin

Beams – good with slight shifting

Side boards with many gaps

Flooring – good

Feed ports

Hay loft

Track to carry hay to open room

Barn – bottom

Large concrete floor open area – very uneven

Pump & well room

Wash area – wall buckling

Sink

Garage door at each end with open drive through

Addition

Stalls

Large open area

Stalls under main barn

Areas of floor and beams rotting from moisture

Stone wall pushing in
Electricity
Two silo's – bad condition

Small building – 30' x 50'

Upstairs

Solid floor
Openings in side boards
Roof fairly good
Building leans slightly to the rear
Sliding doors

Downstairs

Workshop
Block wall buckling causing tilt to rear
Tile block walls on sides
Beams good
Partial dirt, partial concrete floor
Six windows
Walls pushing to the front

Property

Wetlands through center of property
Water trough
Small concrete spring area
Located on corner property
Gas meter – line follows wetland tree line
Old metal drain pipe
Galvanized drain pipe from PennDOT road into small stream
Grate with 4" plastic pipe exiting
10' gas line – valve head 25' from gas transmission building
Small tree line along edge of wetlands
Cherry, apple, tulip popular, hemlock, Scotch pine
Larger stream - 4'
18" solid wall pipe feeds stream from across the road
Small pond on park property side of road – 6' x 15'
Snake weed
Hickory & cherry trees create tree line along stream

3. Recommendations:

Barn

This facility is going to need considerable attention or raised
At least, it must be made inaccessible to the public and perhaps fenced to
keep people away.

Small building

This building is in need of some repairs.
It could be used for park maintenance after repairs.

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Penn Township Municipal Building

Operational Organization: Penn Township

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: The Penn Township Municipal Building is located on twelve acres of gently rolling ground located on East Airport Road. Other than the municipal building and required parking, the remainder of the property is open field.

2. Existing Facilities: N/A

3. Recommendations:

- Potential future uses
 - Walking trail
 - Shelter/gazebo
 - Playground
 - Multipurpose field
 - Volleyball court
 - Sledding area

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Renfrew Park

Operational Organization: Penn Township

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Renfrew Park is a small park located along Connoquenessing Creek in the center of Renfrew. It is a level area located in the flood plain with several facilities on the site.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Basketball court – 36’ x 50’
 - Three backboards
- Picnic shelter – ADA accessible
 - Concrete floor
 - Four pedestal tables – 6’
 - Decorative trash receptacles
- Playground – ADA accessible
 - Two spring bikes
 - Slide – Play Structures
 - Three bay swing set
 - Two bays with regular swings
 - One bay with one regular & one infant swing
 - Three benches
 - Open grass area

3. Recommendations:

- Basketball court
 - Need a hoop on one of the backboards
- Three bay swing
 - Bays must contain only regular or only infant swings
- Playground needs woodcarpet replenished

COMMUNITY RECREATION RESOURCES

1. **Name of Interviewee:** Mike Johnson, Executive Director

Organization: Butler YMCA

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

2. Facility Description: The Butler County Family YMCA was first built in 1886 and has been serving the Butler County community with a variety services since it inception. The existing building located at 339 N. Washington Street in Butler was constructed in 1968 with the addition on the swimming pool and fitness facilities in 1999. They have 300 people on their payroll, thereby helping the economy of the community. Their mission is to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all. The Butler YMCA is a membership organization with financial assistance for those who cannot afford the membership fees. This is predominately an indoor facility with little open space around the building. However the Butler YMCA has recently acquired the YMCA Camp Armco Park located approximately three miles south of Slippery Rock. This camp provides considerable outdoor opportunities, multiple facilities and access to Slippery Rock Creek.

The following facilities are available at the Butler County Family YMCA:

Two swimming pools

Lap pool – 5 lanes, water aerobics, swim teams, scuba classes, 83 degrees

Swimming pool – 89 degrees, hospital physical therapy

Whirlpool – 102 degrees

Two gymnasiums

Both with divided basketball courts – two cross courts & one full court in each

Two racket ball courts

Fitness center

Running/walking track

Numerous types of equipment

Stretching area

Play place – babysitting area up to age six

Youth family center – after age six

Child care area – six weeks to school age

Classroom area for child care ages 3, 4 & 5

Group fitness studio - Aerobic center

Spinning room

Climbing wall

Youth & family center

Pool table

- Computer center
- Lounge area – large screen TV
- TV's Activity area
- Character building signs throughout the building
- Meeting rooms
- Offices

3. Type Organization: The YMCA is a non-profit organization whose goal is to provide quality recreational opportunities to residents of the community and beyond at reasonable prices.

4. Organizations Programs:

- Programs for fun
- SPARK
- Stick to mission
- Flag football – indoors
- Healthy Kids Day
- Big Brother & Big Sister
- Biking
- Walking tours
- Community wellness – Healthybutler.com
- Aquatic programs
- Gymnastics/cheer leading
- Youth activities
- Preschool fun
- Swim lessons
- Health & fitness programs
- Yoga, pilates, tai chi
- Core strength
- Spinning
- Special events

5. Cooperative Programs:

- Moraine State Park
 - 5k – 278 participants
 - Turkey trot
 - Triathlon
- Fitness program with Butler Hospital
- Adult softball leagues
- Basketball league – Ritts Park
- Bicycle Rodeo – help City
- Butler County Alameda Park
 - T-ball
 - PP&K
 - Day Camp
 - Sport Camps

Butler High School
Swim team uses school pool
Knox High School
Swim team uses Y pool
Butler Outdoor Club meets at Y
Blood Drives
First Baptist Church – uses Y for volleyball & basketball
4-H Child Care
4-H Photography Club
Family Bowl Away – Bowling
Conleys – swimming
Old Spang Magnetics Building – Family Path Ways Program
Use several elementary schools
Elementary basketball in schools
Don't charge non-profits

6. Future Needs:

Completion of several projects at Armco Park

Have received numerous grants to enhance the facilities & programs at the Butler City YMCA and at Armco Park.

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Butler County Community College Complex

Operational Organization: BC3

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Baseball field complex located on Butler County Community College campus.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Ball Field – 325’ lines, 395 center
- Dirt infield
- Fenced
- Decorative block dugouts
- Aluminum bleachers with rails
- Port-a-johns
- Field House

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Broad Street Elementary School

Operational Organization: Butler School District

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Broad Street Elementary School is located in Butler off of Broad Street.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Playground
 - Fenced
 - Four bay swing set
 - Two log rolls
 - Three bay swing set
 - Climber
 - Woodcarpet surfacing
 - Good use zone
 - Basketball court
 - Toss up
- Small grass area
- Kindergarten children – YMCA Daycare
- Appears to be closed to public

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Butler High School Athletic Fields

Operational Organization: Butler High School

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Butler High School is located along Route 68 in Butler Township.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Two ball fields
 - Dirt infields
 - Player benches
 - Backstops
 - Fields hit toward each other
 - Overlaid by the football field
- Basketball court – outdoor
 - Asphalt
- Tennis Courts – 8
 - One court with walls
 - Bleacher
- Football stadium
 - Lighted
 - Stadium bleachers
 - Astroturf field
 - Field house

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Butler Intermediate School

Operational Organization: Butler School District

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Butler Intermediate School is located adjacent to Butler High School.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Soccer Field
 - Track around field
 - Bleachers
 - Player benches
 - Lighted
 - Announcer's booth
- Baseball field
 - Overlaid with practice football field

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Emily Brittain School

Operational Organization: Butler School District

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Emily Brittain School is located next to the Butler YMCA off of North Washington Street.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Open area
 - Small ball field
 - Playground
 - Two toss up
 - Swing set
 - Play structure
 - Surfacing
 - Good use zone
 - Basketball hoop

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: McQuistian Elementary School

Operational Organization: Butler School District

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: McQuistian Elementary School is located in Butler Township on 11.1 acres of ground.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Ball field – not usable
 - Backstop
 - Used for additional parking
- Soccer - small
 - Overlays old ball field
 - One goal
- Basketball court
 - Asphalt
- Playground
 - Two bay swing set
 - Wood chips
 - Play structure – Game Time
 - Wood chips
 - Two bay swing set
 - Handicap swing
 - Regular swing
- Two picnic tables

3. Recommendations:

- Playground
 - Swing set
 - Use zone not large enough
 - Play structure
 - Use zone questionable
 - Two bay swing set
 - Handicap swing in same bay as regular swing
 - Handicap swing not ADA accessible

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Meridian Elementary School

Operational Organization: Butler School District

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Meridian Elementary School is located off of Sparks Avenue.

2. Existing Facilities:

Soccer field

Overlays ball field

Ball fields

Two backstops at opposite ends

Playground

Play structure – Game Time

Overhead climber, log roll & merry go round, bench

Two bay Swing set, six see-saws, bench & picnic table

Woodcarpet surfacing

Good use zones

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Northwest Elementary School

Operational Organization: Butler School District

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Northwest Elementary School is located in Butler Township on Evans City Road.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Ball field
- Backstop
- Playground
 - Play structure Landscape Structures
 - Woodcarpet surfacing
 - Good use zone
 - Climber
 - Bench
 - Play structure – Miracle Slide & Rock wall
 - Climber
 - Woodcarpet surfacing
 - Four bay swing set
- Toss-up
- Picnic tables
- Volleyball poles
- Two basketball hoops

3. Recommendations:

- Playground
 - Not ADA accessible

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Penn Christian Academy

Operational Organization: Penn Christain Academy

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Penn Christian Academy is located in Penn Township along Airport Road. It is a Christian school facility that permits the Penn Township Baseball/Softball Association to use it facilities.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Playground
 - Border
 - Woodcarpet surfacing
 - Climber
 - Four see-saw structures
 - Two see saw structures
 - Two bay swing set
 - Balance beam
 - Single bay swing set
 - Two benches
- Baseball field – 200’ left, 207’ right, 202’ center
 - Grass infield
 - Backstop
 - Player benches
- Baseball field – 258’ left, 261’ right, 300’ center
 - Dirt infield
 - Backstop
 - Aluminum player benches
 - Five seat wooden bleachers
 - Three seat wooden bleacher with railing – very high
 - Storage shed
 - Port-a-john
 - Trailer concession stand
- T-ball field – 152’ left & right, 175’ center
 - Dirt infield
 - Straight backstop
 - Wooden dugouts
 - Five seat wooden bleachers
 - Wooden player benches

Playground

- Two bay 12' swing set – no swings
- Border and woodcarpet surfacing
- Play structure – Recreation Creations
 - Two firemen's poles
 - Overhead ladder
 - Chinning bars
 - Parallel bars
 - Climbers
- Border and woodcarpet surfacing
- Stand alone slide
 - Border and woodcarpet surfacing
- Play structure – Recreation Creation
 - Glider
 - Overhead loops
 - Spiral slide
 - Three climbers
 - Play panel
- Border and woodcarpet surfacing
- Basketball in parking lot – three hoops

3. Recommendations:

- Baseball field
 - Five seat bleachers need railing
- Weeds need removed from fence
- Playground
 - Inadequate use zone
 - Slide has inadequate use zone

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Summit Academy _____

Operational Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Summit Academy is a school for boys that have been in trouble. It is located along Herman Road in the center of Herman in Summit Township. Herman Road split the site with the building on one side of the road and a large recreation area with multiple facilities on the other side.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Old tennis courts
 - Three banking walls on one court
- Two basketball courts
- Football field overlaid by two baseball fields
- Picnic area
- Enclosed shelter
- Lake
- Two volleyball courts
- Stone pavilion

3. Recommendations:

Check with Academy to see if the facilities could be used for various programs

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Summit Township Elementary School

Operational Organization: Butler School District

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Summit Township Elementary School is located along Bonniewood road in summit Township. It is on a 20 + acre open grassy site.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Two – 2 bay swing sets
 - Woodcarpet surfacing
- Play structure – Play Structures – 2000
 - Balance beam
 - Stand alone slide
 - Log roll
 - Glide
 - Overhead – three types
 - Hanging bars
 - Balance beam
 - Climber
 - 4 way buckabout
 - Woodcarpet surfacing
 - 6' x 6' borders
- Four benches
- Aluminum table
- Funnel ball
- Volleyball court – grass
- Baseball field
 - Backstop
- Basketball court – 27' x 60'
 - Volleyball poles
 - Asphalt surfacing and walkway to courts

3. Recommendations:

- Swing sets
 - Use zones need extended
- Playground not ADA accessible
 - Some border boards need replaced
- School needs to make facilities available for public use

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Adelman Field

Operational Organization: Butler Township Baseball

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Adelman Field is located in Butler Township along Old Plank Road. It is on property leased to the Butler Township Baseball Association for 99 years.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Concession/storage area
- Little League Field – 200’ lines
 - Grass infield
 - Backstop
 - Block dugouts
 - Wooden bleachers
 - Scoreboard
 - Soft pitch area
 - Announcer booth
 - Fenced
- Batting cage
- Two port-a-johns
- T-ball Field
 - Backstop
 - Block dugouts
 - Fenced
 - Aluminum bleachers – five seat no rail
 - Dirt infield
- Pony Field – 295’ lines
 - Grass infield
 - Block dugouts
 - Homemade fence
 - Aluminum bleachers – five seat
 - Used for football practice
 - Football sled in outfield

3. Recommendations:

Little League Field

Wooden bleachers – five seat no rails
Rails needed

T-ball

Bleachers needs railing
Infield needs weeds removed

Pony Field

Bleachers needs railing
Inadequate parking
No ADA access

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: American Legion

Operational Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: The American Legion is located in Lyndora on Legion Memorial Lane. It consists of a fair size piece of property with a number of facilities.

2. Existing Facilities:

Legion Hall

Large parking area

Three pavilions

 Pavilion #1

 Pavilion #2

 Horseshoe Pit

 Volleyball Court

 Pavilion #3

 Two horseshoe Pits

 Large covered barbeque pit between pavilion #2 & #3

 Restroom & concession area

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Ball field_____

Operational Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: This is an old ball field located at was once an school, but has been converted into an apartment building. It is located off of Rothen Avenue in Lyndora.

2. Existing Facilities:

Old Ball field

Backstop

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: East Butler Firemen's Club

Operational Organization: East Butler Fire Company

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: East Butler Firemen's Club is located in East Butler along Grant Avenue. It is located at the fire hall with a large parking area behind the hall.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Two horseshoe pits -40' x 60'
- Lighted
- Benches
- Backboards & pit covers
- Scoring tables

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Highfield Park

Operational Organization: Highfield Association

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Highfield Park is a large tract of land located along South Duffy Road across the road from Butler Township Park in Butler Township. It is an association owned and run facility that cooperates with the Highfield Youth Baseball Association providing several ballfields.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Large concrete parking area
- Putting green
 - Astroturf
 - Landscaped around the edges
 - Seven holes
 - Two benches
 - One picnic table
- Highfield Community Center – owns the property
 - Hall Rental
 - Stage
 - Club Room
 - Pool Table
 - Big TV
 - Storage area downstairs
 - Kitchen
 - Bingos
 - Boy Scout use
 - Golf League
- Brick maintenance building
 - Good selection of maintenance equipment
 - Flag poles
- Pony Field – 310' left, 320' right
 - Grass infield
 - Backstop
 - Dugouts
 - Bleachers
 - Walking track around field

Multipurpose Area

- Large open grass area
- Easy access from Saw Mill Run Park across the road

Basketball court

- Concrete
- Fenced
- Port –a-John

Playground

- Two infant swings
- Three benches
- Two picnic tables
- Climber
- Two structures
 - One wooden
 - One metal/plastic
- Woodcarpet surfacing with wood border
- Use zones questionable

Toss-up

Sharky Ball Field -320' lines

- Grass infield
- Two classy practice pitch areas
- Bleachers & bleacher stands
 - ADA accessible
- Brick sunken dugouts
- Announcer's booth with restrooms and concession stand

T-ball Field – 150 lines

- Grass infield
- Backstop
- Wood dugouts
- One set bleachers
- Small parking area

Little League Field – 200' lines

- Grass infield
- Backstop
- Bleachers

3. Recommendations:

Multipurpose area

- Could develop into several soccer fields
- Needed
 - Tennis courts
 - Volleyball courts
 - Pavilions
 - Parking facilities

Basketball court

Needs real backboards

Drainage issues

Playground

Doesn't meet today's specifications

Infant swings located on concrete pads – needs removed

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Meridian Veterans Club

Operational Organization: Meridian Veterans

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** meridianvetsclub.com

1. Facility Description: Meridian Veterans Club is located in Meridian at 125 Vets Club Road. This is a private facility that can be rented.

2. Existing Facilities:

Large Social Hall – available for rent

Lake

Veterans Memorial Park

Picnic pavilion

12 – 8’ tables

3 -12’ tables

Fireplace

Two swing sets

Small open area

Restroom

Two horseshoe pits

Portable basketball hoops

garage

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Penn Glade Lions International Club

Operational Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Penn Glade Lions International Club is located off of Dodds Road in Penn Township. The Club was constructed in 1974 on ten acres of ground. A relatively long gravel driveway descends from the road to the club grounds. A large part of the property is forested, but it contains open area near the clubhouse.

2. Existing Facilities:

Hall – is rented along with the other facilities

Kitchen

Gazebo – weddings

Covered barbeque pit

Large pavilion

Restrooms

Ball field

Five seat bleacher with no railings

Used by Mars Baseball Association

Shooting range

Playground

Two slides

Chuck wagon

Two spring animals

No surfacing or use zone

Basketball hoop

Horseshoe pit

Contribute to community associations

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: R.C. Men's Club

Operational Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: R. C. Men's Club is located along at Schnur Road in Summit Township.

It is a well maintained private facility.

2. Existing Facilities:

Club House

Lake

Large open grass field

3. Recommendations:

Check to see if any of the facilities could be used for various programs

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Beacon Soccer Fields

Operational Organization: Private Soccer Organization

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Soccer fields are located at Crowe's Corners at the intersection of Meridian Road and Beacon Road in Penn Township. The fields are adjacent to Beacon Hotel. They are relatively well maintained private soccer fields in Penn Township.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Multiple soccer fields
- Completely fenced
- Gravel parking lot between fields
- Port-a-johns

3. Recommendations:

See if a partnership could be developed to achieve better utilization of the soccer fields.

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Softball Societal Shack of Herman

Operational Organization: Private

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Softball Societal Shack of Herman

2. Existing Facilities:

Baseball field – 280’ right, 290’ left
Fenced
Dirt infield
Straight backstop
Block dugouts
Two – 3 seat wooden bleachers
55 gallon trash cans

Baseball field – 302’ center
Fenced
Dirt infield
Straight backstop
Player benches
55 gallon trash cans
Dirt Parking lot between fields

3. Recommendations:

Baseball fields
Fence is in need of repairs/replacement
Weeds growing in fence
Scattered junk needs removed- hazard

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Tanglewood Senior Center

Operational Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Tanglewood Senior Center consists of two separate areas within one large building. It is located in Lyndora off of Hanson Avenue. This is one of eleven senior centers in Butler County.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Coleman Hall – large rental hall
- Founders Hall
- Phillips Hall
 - Butler Senior Center
 - Quilting
 - Crafts
 - Afternoon movies
- Armco Room
 - Area Agency on Aging – 80 people
 - Order meals a day in advance
- Tanglewood Senior Program

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Vagabond Center

Operational Organization: General Butler Vagabonds

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: The Vagabond Center is located at 138 Whitestown Road. It is a private facility, but is available to rent.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Large rental facility
- Large parking area
- Jr. Drum & Bugle Corps

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Alameda Park

Operational Organization: Butler County

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Alameda Park is a 418 acre county park located off of Route 356 on the western side of Butler. It is a well developed park with a variety of facilities located at two different areas of the park. The park has significant historical memories as an amusement park years ago. 300 acres of the park has remained forested open space with trails.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Lower level of park
 - Carrousel Shelter – seats 250 to 300
 - JC Shelter – 15 tables
 - All shelters with electric and water
 - Horseshoe pits
 - Play area
 - Shuffle board
 - Grills
 - Flush restrooms
 - Gravel roads
 - Playground – Game Time
 - Structures
 - Two bay swing set
 - Concrete walkways
 - Bocce court
 - Covered
 - Benches
 - Lighted
 - Storage building
 - Kiwanis Shelter – 150 people
 - Fire pit
 - Steelworkers Shelter
 - 15 – 6’ tables
 - Park office
 - Park maintenance building
 - House for programs
 - Sullivan Run – stream thru park

- Trails along hillsides
- Upper park area
 - Masonic Shelter – 250 people
 - 27 – 8’ tables
 - Kitchen
 - Restrooms
 - Swimming pool
 - Water slide & small slide
 - Wading pool
 - Two shelters
 - Three large awnings
 - Storage building
 - Bathhouse
 - Large sunbathing area
 - Flag pole
 - Lighted area
 - Pine Shelter
 - Water
 - No electric
 - Holly Shelter
 - No water
 - No electric
 - Two sand volleyball courts
 - 16 teams in league
 - Composting restroom
 - Gazebo
 - Third largest shelter in park
 - Paved parking areas with lights
 - Street lights along road
 - Two new small shelters – 6 tables
 - Two new large shelters
 - Lions Shelter
 - Swing set
 - All shelters are ADA compliant
 - All concrete walkways
 - Large open field
 - Flag football
 - T-ball
 - Car show
 - Ultimate Frisbee
 - Dog show
 - Trails throughout park
 - Overflow parking area
 - Potentially a future remote control track
 - Playground
 - Upper section constructed 1996

Lower section – Rotary Special Needs Playground

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Butler Area Public Library

Operational Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Butler Area Public Library is located in Butler on Main Street in the City of Butler.

2. Existing Facilities:
Rental Hall

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Church Rental Facilities

Operational Organization: _____

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church located in the City of Butler.

2. Existing Facilities:

Rental Hall

1. Facility Description: St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church located in the City of Butler.

2. Existing Facilities:

Rental Hall

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Meridian Ball Fields

Operational Organization: St. Fidalis

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: A ball field complex owned by Saint Fidalis Parish in Meridian.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Little League – 200’ lines
 - Dirt infield
 - Straight backstop
 - Concrete block dugouts
 - Aluminum bleachers
 - Scoreboard
- Small pavilion
- Two port-a-johns
- Flag pole
- T-ball Field – 181’ lines
 - Decorative block dugouts
 - Straight backstop
 - Aluminum bleachers
 - Scoreboard
 - Dirt infield
- Batting cage
 - Storage shed
- Ball Field – 175’ lines
 - Dirt infield
 - Wooden dugouts
 - Aluminum bleachers
 - Straight backstop
 - Scoreboard
 - Storage shed
- Pony Field – 280’ lines
 - Dirt infield
 - Straight backstop
 - Wooden dugouts
 - Scoreboard
 - Storage shed

Aluminum bleachers

3. Recommendations:

The isn't any ADA access to the fields

Poor access to the entire area

Very little parking

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: Oak Hill Christian Church Ball Field

Operational Organization: Oak Hill Christian Church

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: Oak Hill Christian Church ball field is located in Penn Township along Old Plank Road. It is a basic ball field

2. Existing Facilities:

- Ball Field
- Backstop
- Block dugouts
- Port-a-john
- Fellowship Hall

3. Recommendations:

BUTLER AREA MULTI-MUNICIPAL PLAN
RECREATION RESOURCE INVENTORY

Name of Facility: St. Mary's of the Assumption

Operational Organization: Church

Contact Person: _____

Tel. Number _____ **e-mail** _____

1. Facility Description: St. Mary's of the Assumption is a large church, school and cemetery located along Herman Road in the town of Herman, Summit Township.

2. Existing Facilities:

- Playground
 - 4 bay swing set – 12'
 - Play structure
 - Two slides
 - Firemen's pole
 - Climber
 - Parallel bars
 - Basketball court/volleyball court
 - One basket
 - Half fenced

3. Recommendations:

- Playground
 - Swing set needs surfacing material & defined use zone
 - Swings too close to trees
- Basketball/volleyball courts in poor condition

Appendix I

SAMPLE

PARK AND RECREATION DIRECTOR QUALIFICATIONS

General:

This is a professional position as a working supervisor directing the overall operations of the Parks and Recreation Department for the Township. The director will oversee park maintenance and development, and coordinate all recreational programming.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Assists the Township Manager in implementing the overall philosophy, policies, plans and objectives established by the Recreation Committee and the Township Supervisors.
- Attends all Recreation Committee meetings, subcommittee meetings, all Township Council meetings and other meetings when requested, acting in an advisory role.
- Advises/plans agendas with input from the chairs of each of the committees/sub-committees.
- Handles all administrative and office responsibilities required for the Department to operate efficiently.
- Purchases equipment and supplies needed to efficiently operate the parks, and all recreation programs.
- Checks and approves all bills for the Parks and Recreation Department.
- Applies for alternate forms of funding for the overall needs of the Township such as grants, local fund raising, sponsorships, contributions, etc.
- Prepares an annual budget for the department.
- Develops and administers a comprehensive recreation program to meet the needs of all groups, ages and interests levels within the community.
- Supervises parks and recreation personnel.
- Works with local athletic associations and school district to coordinate the use of fields and facilities.
- Develops and coordinates partnerships with surrounding communities and organizations to provide more effective and efficient programming.
- Coordinates all Special Events and other Township recreation activities.
- Plans, promotes, publicizes and evaluates all programs.
- Assists in site planning, site development, maintenance and operation of recreation and park facilities
- Plans, coordinates, and schedules major projects and daily maintenance and repairs.
- Perform the duties of a working supervisor which include manual labor and operating all parks equipment.
- Responsible for various conservation issues.
- Ensure the safety of staff, park patrons and program participants.
- Attend conferences, seminars, Continuing Education and update training to keep abreast of new trends

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:

Thorough knowledge of:

- A wide variety of recreational activities which make up a community recreational program.
- Objectives and administrative procedures of Township operation.
- Design, layout and construction of various park and recreation areas and facilities.

- Various alternative revenue sources

Ability to:

- Design, promote, administer and evaluate recreational programs so they will suit the different needs of the community.
- Plan, organize, coordinate and direct activities of professional and volunteer personnel involved in the actual conduct of the recreational program.
- Express oneself clearly and effectively, both orally and written.
- Supervise maintenance personnel, facility supervisors, volunteers and instructors.
- To communicate and work with people in general and those of diverse cultures.

Qualifications:

- Graduation from an accredited four-year college with a degree in Parks and Recreation, or other related field and two years experience in the recreation field. A documented dedicated interest in sports, recreation and environmental awareness.

Job Context:

- Supervisor: Township Manager
- Diversity: High Degree
- Working Conditions: This is a working supervisor position. Some time will be spent performing specific maintenance tasks in the parks. Indoor office work will be required. Adverse conditions may apply, especially during inclement weather.
- Area Covered: Entire Township

Hours:

- 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- Director will also be required to work additional hours as determined by the scheduled recreational programs and events. This will likely include evening and weekend hours.

**SAMPLE
PARK LABORER
PARKS & RECREATION
QUALIFICATIONS**

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

This position performs manual work focused on maintaining the Township Parks, Township Building and other related turf areas.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS:

- Perform maintenance functions in the parks and other related facilities
- Perform repairs to the irrigation systems
- Perform general maintenance and repairs to turf and field maintenance equipment
- Operate mowers and other equipment related to turf maintenance
- Perform pesticide and fertilizer applications
- Mow all turf grass areas
- Perform aeration and over-seeding of turf areas
- Painting, cleaning and servicing of equipment and facilities
- Perform general landscaping work, which may include, but will not be limited to edging, sod installation, seeding, seed and flower bed preparation, irrigation installation, leaf and debris removal, tree and shrub planting and tree and shrub trimming and removal in the parks and at other related facilities
- Maintaining restroom facilities and trash collection
- Ability to operate required equipment
- Construction of various facilities

EXAMPLES OF WORK

- Mowing of all turf grass areas in the parks and related areas
- Aeration, over-seeding and fertilizing of all turf areas
- Painting, cleaning and servicing of equipment and facilities
- General construction and landscape work in the parks
- Leaf, debris & trash clean up and removal
- Restroom cleaning
- Operate turf maintenance equipment and various other construction and renovation equipment.

- Perform related work as required

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

- Ability to operate various pieces of power equipment and park related maintenance equipment.
- Understanding of the basic maintenance of motor driven equipment.
- Ability to perform tasks involving heavy manual labor, such as lifting up to 70 pounds, strenuous digging, extended and strenuous walking, etc.
- Knowledge of turf grass maintenance, fertilizer and pesticides
- Knowledge of hand tools used in construction and maintenance

REQUIRED EDUCATION, TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

- High School Diploma or G.E.D.
- Must have, or be able to obtain, a pesticide applicator certification from the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture in Category 23.
- Must have and maintain a valid state issues driver's license.

SAMPLE

LEASE AGREEMENT

This Lease Agreement made and entered into this _____ day of _____, 20__, by and between _____(NAME OF MUNICIPALITY), a municipal corporation in the County of _____ and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, hereinafter referred to as "LESSOR," and _____(NAME OF ORGANIZATION), an incorporated association situate in the _____(MUNICIPALITY), Country and Commonwealth aforesaid, hereinafter referred to as a "LESSEE."

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the LESSOR is the owner of _____(NAME OF PARK), a municipally maintained recreation park in the _____(NAME OF MUNICIPALITY), which park has erected therein _____(LIST OF EXISTING FACILITIES). Which said fields and any mutually agreed upon future fields are the subject of the Lease Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the LESSEE desires to lease said balls fields for a period beginning _____, ____, 20__ and ending _____ ____, 20__, renewable as hereinafter set forth, at a fee as set forth in the policy guidelines for field use, for the purposes of furthering the goals of the I (NAME OF ORGANIZATION) by providing recreational athletics for the young people of the (NAME OF MUNUCIPALITY) and neighboring communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and promises as hereinafter set forth, the parties hereto, intending hereby to legally bind themselves and their respective successors and assigns, do mutually covenant and agree as followed:

FIRST

The LESSOR does hereby lease unto the LESSEE, for a term beginning _____ ____, 20__ and ending _____ ____, 20__, for the seven (7) aforementioned ball fields presently maintained at _____(NAME OF PARK OR RECREATION FACILITY) in the

_____ (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY), which said Lease shall be renewed annually for a period of fifteen (15) years by action of the _____ (NAME OF AUTHORITY BOARD/COUNCIL IN MUNICIPALITY), thereafter, to the end that the said Lease may be extended, upon approval of the LESSOR and LESSEE revisions of the Lease may be made during the term of the Lease or upon renewal of the new Lease.

SECOND

That during the term that beginning _____, 20__ and ending _____, 20__, as hereinabove set forth, the LESSEE shall have the exclusive right, license and privilege to utilize the _____ (NAME OF FACILITY TO BE USED) for its purpose, from 3:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M. on weekdays, and from 9:00 A.M. until 9:00P.M. on Saturday, both prevailing local time. The LESSEE shall have the exclusive right, license and privilege to utilize the _____ (NAME OF FACILITIES) from 3:00 P.M. until 11:00 P.M. on weekdays, and from 9:00 A.M. until 11:00 P.M. on Saturdays, both prevailing local times. The LESSEE shall not be privileged to utilized said ball fields on Sundays during said terms, except for makeup rain dates and special tournaments, the said fields being held available for the use of the resident of the _____ (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY) on Sunday.

THIRD

That the areas are the subject of this Lease are those areas which have been set aside for the aforementioned ball fields, associated facilities and sufficient areas adjacent thereto accommodate all required parking.

FOURTH

That the LESSEE shall and will pay aforementioned rental on or before _____, 20__, and on or before the first day of _____ (MONTH) of each succeeding year according to the policy guidelines for field use fee, pursuant to the provisions hereof, so long as said terms are renewed. In addition, the LESSEE shall and will pay additional rental for said premises, the maintenance of ball fields and the adjacent parking areas if damage occurs during use in inclement weather, together with whatever minor improvements may be constructed and installed by the LESSEE; PROVIDED, NEVERTHELESS, that the LESSEE will make no alterations of a

major nature to said ball fields, or to the adjacent parking areas without the specific written approval of the _____(NAME OF AUTHORITY BOARD/COUNCIL).

FIFTH

That the LESSEE shall and will use the aforementioned premises only for the conduct of appropriate ball games, and for the parking of motor vehicles adjacent thereto, and shall and will surrender the same in as good of a condition as the premise now are, reasonable wear and tear alone excepted. The LESSEE shall use common sense judgment in determining use of the fields in inclement weather to avoid unreasonable wear and tear to the turf. The LESSEE may be subject to covering costs associated with repairing unreasonable wear and tear to turf areas.

SIXTH

That the LESSEE shall and will at it's own cost and expense, obtain adequate liability insurance, as may be required by the LESSOR, to secure the indemnification by the LESSEE unto the LESSOR of any costs, damages and expenses to which the LESSOR may be put during the term of this Lease or any extensions thereof, as the result of any action, cause of action, money, suits, claims, demands, or any other thing arising against the LESSOR as the result of maintenance, use and occupancy of the leased areas by the LESSEE.

SEVENTH

That the _____(NAME OF MUNICIPALITY) will not, under any circumstance, be requested, demanded or asked to contribute unto the LESSEE or to expend any _____(NAME OF MUNICIPALITY) funds in any manner in connection with the operation of the baseball and/or softball, or any other team, by the LESSEE.

EIGHTH

In the event that the LESSEE wants to make improvements to the said areas and facilities, such improvements must be approved by the Recreation Board with their recommendations going to the _____(NAME OF AUTHORITY/BOARD OR COUNCIL) for final approval before any publicity, fundraising or construction can begin. That in the event any improvements are installed or constructed by the LESSEE of a permanent nature in or upon the leased areas,

including minor improvements, the same may not be removed by the LESSEE upon the termination of any term, or upon the termination of this lease; the same at such time shall become the property of the LESSOR.

NINTH

That no formal admission charge shall be made by the LESSEE to any person for the privilege of viewing any of the games or other athletic event sponsored by the LESSEE on the leased premises; nor shall any charge be made by the LESSEE to any person for the privilege of parking on the leased premises during such athletic event; however, the LESSEE shall be privileged to receive voluntary contributions from those persons in attendance.

TENTH

The LESSEE shall have priority over any other group during the baseball/softball seasons for the use of said fields during specific hours. The LESSOR retains the right to use said field for special activities during the ball seasons provided substantial advanced notification has been given the LESSEE. The LESSOR further retains the right to use said fields as needed during the off-season. All use of said fields is with the understanding that said use will not, in any way, be detrimental to the integrity of said fields.

ELEVENTH

The LESSEE shall retain ownership of all refreshments unless otherwise agreed upon and exclusive rights to the use of the concession stand, however, with prior written approval the LESSOR may use said equipment and building.

TWELVTH

The LESSOR shall be responsible for routine lawn maintenance, cutting and trimming, and any general maintenance to and around the fields, structures and facilities. The LESSEE agrees to be responsible for any special needs to the turf, building, fences or other facilities used by the LESSEE. The LESSOR shall maintain and/or repair all existing areas, buildings and facilities and make new improvements as agreed upon by both parties with the LESSEE purchasing materials and the LESSOR providing the labor. However, if mutually agreed upon an outside contractor or the LESSEE may do certain tasks.

THIRTEENTH

The _____(NAME OF MUNICIPALITY) Agrees to maintain insurance on any permanent associated structure associated with the baseball fields including the press box and refreshment building. Said insurance shall include general liability and casualty insurance. Further, the _____(NAME OF MUNICIPALITY) agrees to also maintain property liability insurance on the baseball fields.

IN WITNESS WHEREFOR, _____(NAME OF MUNICIPALITY) has caused these presents to be executed under the hand of the President of its _____(NAME OF AUTHORITY BOARD OR COUNCIL), duly attested by its secretary, and its corporate seal affixed; and _____(NAME OF ORGANIZATION) has caused these present to be executed under the hand of _____, its President, duly attested by _____, its Secretary, all as of the day and year written above:

ATTEST: _____(NAME OF MUNICIPALITY)

Secretary

President, (NAME OF AUTHORITY BOARD/COUNCIL)

ATTEST: _____(NAME OF ORGANIZATION)

Secretary

President

EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

SAFETY

It is important that rules of safety be adopted for the use of apparatus and facilities. The participants should be made familiar with these rules. Make a daily check of the equipment and facilities used and if anything is out of order, repair or make changes immediately. It is the staff member's responsibility to see that equipment and facilities are safe and secure.

ACCIDENTS

In the event of an accident, staff members must be prepared to act efficiently and promptly. First aid kits will be available. Ice available (cold packs).

PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW:

1. Alert other staff members as to the nature or degree of the accident.
2. Administer first aid, C.P.R., A. E. D., etc. immediately.
3. Contact the appropriate emergency rescue squad or police department if help is needed: **EMERGENCY NUMBER 911**

ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY NUMBERS:

Police Department _____
Ambulance Authority _____

When call is answered give:

- a) Name
 - b) Position
 - c) Location
 - d) What happened
 - e) What is being done
 - f) What to do next
4. **Listen** to what other party says.
 5. **DO NOT HANG UP** until other party hangs us first.
 6. Keep **onlookers out** of the way.
 7. **Send someone else to meet any help that is to arrive outside.**
 8. **Make no comments** to reporters, witnesses or bystanders. **Report emergency to the (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY) and Recreation Department or Manager only:**

Name: _____ Phone No.: _____

Name: _____ Phone No.: _____

9. **Fill out accident report form** at the municipal building and Recreation Department office.
 - Call to check on injured person's progress and any additional medical follow up to be performed must be documents on accident report form.

Accident Report Form

Name of Injured _____ Age _____

Address _____ Phone _____

How did the accident occur? _____

Extent of Injury _____

What was done for the injury? _____

Medical Care: _____

Doctor _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Witness Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Witness Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Date of Accident _____ Time of accident _____

Place of Accident _____ Weather _____

Remarks _____

Follow up procedure _____

Supervisor's Signature

- Follow up procedure requires the supervisor to call the injured participant and document comments

Recreation and Park Department Program Survey

It is the desire of (Name of Organization) Parks and Recreation Department to provide the very best experiences possible while enrolled in its programs. With this in mind, we are asking you to kindly fill out this survey which will aid us in our plans for future programming.

- 1) Which program are you taking? _____
- 2) What is your opinion of the method of presentation? _____
- 3) What did you like most about the program? _____
- 4) What did you like least concerning the program? _____
- 5) Did you register as a result of the newsletter sent to you through the mail, or another means? _____
- 6) What other means of publicity did you see or hear? Please check:
Newspaper/Magazine _____ which one _____
Posters in stores _____ which one _____
Radio _____ which one _____
Word of mouth _____ friend _____ neighbor _____
- 7) What other programs would you like to have initiated?

- 8) Have you or other members of your family participated in any of our other programs?

- 9) Do you feel the fee charged is fair? _____
- 10) Comments on overall operation of the program. Any specific recommendations?

- 11) Do you plan to participate in future Programs? _____
- 12) Do you have any skills which you are willing to share with the residents as a leader/instructor?

- 13) Are you a resident of the City of Aliquippa? Yes _____ No _____

Your signature is not necessary but would be appreciated _____
Phone _____

This form is used to assist the Recreation Department in future plans and evaluation. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS

ON THIS _____ day of _____, in consideration of my or my child's participation in all of the (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY) activities in which I or my child participate (s), I, intending to be legally bound, do hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release, acquit and forever discharge the (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY), or the (NAME OF MUNICIPAL Parks and Recreation Department), or any of their officers, agents, volunteers working under the direction of the (NAME OF MUNICIPALITY), firms and corporations, whether herein named or referred to or not, from any and all future rights, claims, causes of action, civil claims, demands, costs, attorney fees, loss of service, expenses, compensation, third party actions, suits at law or equity, including suits for contribution and indemnity, of whatever nature, and all consequential damages on account of, or in any way associated with the abovementioned program or with arriving to and/or returning from any activity associated with the program.

I/we further state that I/we have carefully read the foregoing release and know the contents thereof, and I/we have signed the same as my/our own free act.

I/we acknowledge that signature by either parent or by one guardian hereby binds all parents and/or guardians of any minor participant.

Signature of participant _____

Signature of Parent/and/or Guardian
In the event that participant is a minor _____

REQUEST FOR TIME OFF

1. Fill out this form, sign it and have it approved prior to your time off. In the case of illness or an unexpected absence, fill out the form the day you return to work.
2. Please list each day separately (unless the days are consecutive).
3. Have your manager sign the form.
4. Keep an approved copy for your records.
5. Give original approved form to _____.

NAME	DATE	TOTAL NUMBER OF DAYS OR HOURS YOU ARE REQUESTING	VACATION, CARRY OVER, PERSONAL, HOLIDAY PASS, SICK, FUNERAL, COMP TIME, ETC.

Employee Signature: _____ Date: _____

Manager Approval: _____ Date: _____

SAFETY INSPECTION SUMMARY

AGENCY NAME: _____ PARK: _____

TYPE OF INSPECTION:

AUDIT ANNUAL PERIODIC DAILY

DATE OF INSPECTION: _____ TOTAL INSPECTION TIME (MIN.) _____

INSPECTOR (S) _____

INSPECTION SUMMARY

NO HAZARDS FOUND THE FOLLOWING HAZARDS WERE NOTED AND FOLLOW-UP ACTION TAKEN: _____

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS			
HAZARDS IDENTIFIED (DESCRIBE HAZARD & LOCATION)	MAINTENANCE TASK PERFORMED (DESCRIBE)	AREA CLOSED (ENTER DATE)	WORK ORDER SUBMITTED (ENTER DATE)

I VERIFY THAT I HAVE COMPLETED THE ABOVE INSPECTION AND NOTED ALL HAZARDS AND FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS.

SIGNATURE OF INSPECTOR(S): _____

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISOR: _____

WORK CHART

PARK: _____ DATE: _____

WEATHER CONDITION: _____ TIME: _____

INSPECTOR: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

DIRECTIONS: Complete work chart for any jobs recognized/planned in the parks. Give necessary details, location, seriousness or time frame in expediting job.

General Maintenance	Capital Improvement	Location in Park	Equipment/Items Needed	Expediency*	Date Completed

* EXPEDIENCY: Immediate Short Term Long Term

WEEKLY RECREATION FACILITY & EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Inspected by & Date	Park	Picnic Tables, Bleachers & Benches	Playground Equipment	Shelters	Buildings	Courts	Other*

* OTHER: SIGNS, TRAILS, LANDSCAPING, POOL AREAS, FIELDS, ETC.

NOTE WHICH PARK, SHELTER NUMBER, ETC. ANY PROBLEM SHOULD BE REPORTED TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR.

Time Worked

EMPLOYEE _____

PERIOD _____ TO _____

DAY/DATE	DESCRIPTION	HOURS WORKED	CODE
SAT			
SUN			
MON			
TUES			
WED			
THURS			
FRI			
DAY/DATE	DESCRIPTION	HOURS WORKED	CODE
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*Please provide a description of projects worked on & the number of hours per project.

Supervisor will code the projects.

EXAMPLE CODES:

452 PARTICIPANT RECREATON

454 PARKS

APPROVED BY DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATON _____

(Municipalities Name)
COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUEST FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

DEPARTMENT: _____

SUPERVISOR: _____

I, _____, hereby request that I be permitted to perform my community service work for the **(Municipalities Name)**. I understand that I am not an employee of the Township. I understand that if I am injured during the time I am performing my community service work, I am not covered by the Township's worker's compensation coverage. I agree to hold the **(Municipalities Name)** harmless for any injury that may occur during the time I perform my community service. I understand that I am not permitted to drive any licensed vehicle. I agree not to perform any job or duty that I believe is unsafe or that has not been fully explained to me.

Signature

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISOR AT THE END OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS WORKED: _____

STARTING DATE: _____ ENDING DATE: _____

SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

SUPERVISOR'S PHONE NUMBER: _____

SUPERVISOR'S EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Copies to: Police Department
Township Secretary

Sample Budgets

Budget Worksheet Expenditures
 Report Sequence: Fund or Acct Group
 Accounts: First thru Last

GENERAL FUND 2007 [01BUD07]
 Account Filter=All Accounts

Account Number	Account Description	2005	2005	2006	2006	2007	2007
		Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Requested	Revised
01.452.142.000	SALARY-REC BRD	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
01.452.144.000	PLAYGROUND PROGRAM	960.00	600.00	1200.00	0.00	1200.00	
01.452.144.858	PLAYGROUND PROGRAM	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
01.452.145.000	ACTIVITY CENTER	12000.00	8493.17	12000.00	0.00	12000.00	
01.452.145.800	ACTIVITY CENTER	0.00	0.00	0.00	6486.10	0.00	
01.452.300.000	FESTIVAL IN THE PARK	12500.00	11212.92	15000.00	(600.00)	16000.00	
01.452.300.827	FESTIVAL IN THE PARK	0.00	0.00	0.00	15097.53	0.00	
01.452.310.000	RESIDENT GOLF OUTING	1500.00	1287.09	2000.00	1342.40	1500.00	
01.452.310.926	RESIDENT GOLF OUTING	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
01.452.341.000	ADVERTISING & PROMOTION	0.00	0.00	2000.00	98.00	2000.00	
01.452.341.001	ADVERTISING & PROMO	0.00	0.00	0.00	193.40	0.00	
01.452.341.970	ADV. & PROMO - WINTER	0.00	0.00	0.00	232.00	0.00	
01.452.350.000	REC PROGRAMS	6500.00	4477.62	7500.00	0.00	9500.00	
01.452.350.826	REC	0.00	0.00	0.00	202.65	0.00	
01.452.350.852	REC PROGMS/PRESCHL	0.00	0.00	0.00	111.09	0.00	
01.452.350.853	REC PRGMS/BASEBALL STRT	0.00	0.00	0.00	961.00	0.00	
01.452.350.854	REC PROGRAMS - SS	0.00	0.00	0.00	961.00	0.00	
01.452.350.855	REC PROGS ST SMT	0.00	0.00	0.00	210.00	0.00	
01.452.350.856	REC PROG ST SMT SOCCER	0.00	0.00	0.00	775.00	0.00	
01.452.350.857	REC PRGMS/SPRTS DEVEL	0.00	0.00	0.00	1040.00	0.00	
01.452.350.878	REC	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
01.452.350.894	REC	0.00	0.00	0.00	346.64	0.00	
01.452.350.896	REC PROGRAMS/ULT SPRTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.78	0.00	
01.452.350.901	REC	0.00	0.00	0.00	404.95	0.00	
01.452.350.921	REC PROGRAMS/EVENT/LINE	0.00	0.00	0.00	240.00	0.00	
01.452.350.931	REC PROGRAMS/SQUARE	0.00	0.00	0.00	181.89	0.00	
01.452.350.951	REC	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	0.00	
01.452.350.953	REC PROG/EVNT-CAR	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	
01.452.350.955	REC PROGRAMS/EASTER	0.00	0.00	0.00	864.06	0.00	
01.452.350.960	REC EVENTS - LUNCH W/	0.00	0.00	0.00	113.96	0.00	
01.452.350.961	REC PROGRAMS/LUNCH W/	0.00	0.00	0.00	167.95	0.00	
01.452.350.962	REC PRO/EVENT-MOVIE	0.00	0.00	0.00	47.40	0.00	
01.452.350.965	REC PROGRAMS/SPCL	0.00	0.00	0.00	98.73	0.00	
01.452.350.970	REC PROGRAMS - BONFIRE	0.00	0.00	0.00	214.28	0.00	
01.452.355.000	PLAYGROUND PROGRAM	700.00	60.55	500.00	50.30	500.00	
01.452.356.000	TEEN PROGRAMS	1000.00	350.00	1000.00	0.00	1000.00	
01.452.360.000	RECREATION NEWSLETTER	8000.00	8042.08	8500.00	4343.27	7000.00	
01.452.380.000	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	300.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	300.00	
01.452.420.000	DUES & SUBSCRIPTIONS	500.00	269.90	500.00	365.00	600.00	
01.452.460.000	MEETINGS & CONFERENCES	3000.00	1509.41	3000.00	1755.72	4000.00	
01.452.540.000	CONTRIBUTION-SUMMER	6500.00	6375.53	6500.00	0.00	6500.00	
01.452.750.000	CAPITAL PURCHASES	3500.00	2949.41	3500.00	2053.09	3500.00	
01.452.760.000	LIVING HISTORY EQUIPMENT	3500.00	0.00	3500.00	0.00	2000.00	
01.452.760.894	LIV HIST EQUIP-HANDS ON	0.00	0.00	0.00	125.00	0.00	
01.452.900.000	GENERAL EXPENSES	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	
	TOTAL PARTICIPANT REC.		45628.00	67200.00	38656.00	67800.00	
	TOTAL BUDGET TOTAL		45628.00	67200.00	38656.00	67800.00	

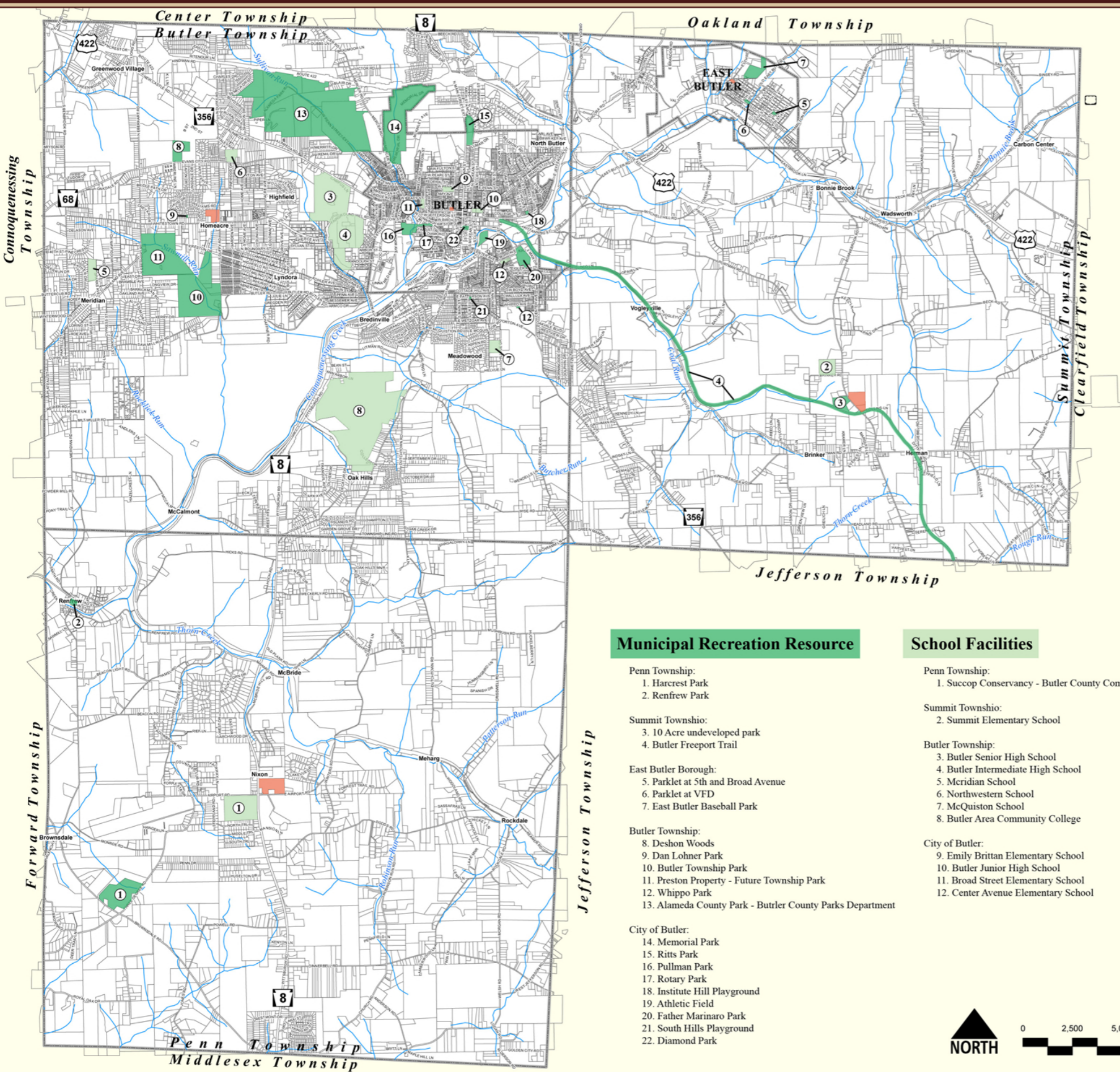
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GENERAL FUND 2007 [01BUD07]
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Account Number	Account Description	2005 Budget	2005 Actual	2006 Budget	2006 Actual	Requested	Revised
01.454.122.000	PARKS/RECREATION	46054.00	46038.76	48126.00	36094.50	48126.00	
01.454.140.000	ASST PARKS/RECREATION	0.00	0.00	0.00	11153.94	30000.00	
01.454.145.000	PARKS DEPT SALARIES	0.00	0.00	20000.00	0.00	40144.00	
01.454.146.000	PWD SALARIES	120000.00	80867.08	120000.00	13679.20	83000.00	
01.454.146.001	PWD SALARIES - GAZEBO	0.00	0.00	0.00	13493.14	0.00	
01.454.146.004	PWD SALARIES-MAINT BLDG	0.00	0.00	0.00	29692.71	0.00	
01.454.146.006	PWD SALARIES-LINBROOK	0.00	0.00	0.00	7852.55	0.00	
01.454.146.007	PWD SALARIES-ACCOUSTIC	0.00	0.00	0.00	4110.89	0.00	
01.454.146.009	PWD SALARIES-PARK SIGN	0.00	0.00	0.00	3838.47	0.00	
01.454.146.010	PWD SALARIES-MEADOW	0.00	0.00	0.00	28410.80	0.00	
01.454.146.011	PWD SALARIES-CHGC PATIO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
01.454.147.000	CHGC/PARK MAINTENANCE	35900.00	31798.82	36000.00	18900.36	36500.00	
01.454.148.000	PT SUMMER PARK HELP	18720.00	13295.89	17168.00	10324.09	18000.00	
01.454.182.000	OVERTIME-PARKS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
01.454.183.000	OVERTIME-PUBLIC WORKS	1000.00	165.51	1000.00	0.00	1000.00	
01.454.183.010	OVERTIME - MEADOW AREA	0.00	0.00	0.00	540.91	0.00	
01.454.184.000	OVERTIME - CLOVER	0.00	0.00	0.00	4349.26	5000.00	
01.454.210.000	OFFICE SUPPLIES	650.00	284.16	850.00	760.60	900.00	
01.454.220.000	TURF/EQUIP MAINT BY CHGC	12000.00	15753.86	15000.00	10355.65	15000.00	
01.454.231.000	FUEL/GAS	3600.00	3600.00	5000.00	0.00	5000.00	
01.454.235.000	VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	3500.00	735.98	3500.00	1394.42	3500.00	
01.454.238.000	WORK UNIFORMS-PARKS	1200.00	747.81	1200.00	0.00	1500.00	
01.454.238.700	UNIFORMS - AVOLIO, R.	0.00	0.00	0.00	187.46	0.00	
01.454.238.718	UNIFORMS - MORRIS, B	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
01.454.238.726	UNIFORMS - WATENPOOL, J	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
01.454.238.730	WORK UNIFORMS-SUMMER	0.00	0.00	0.00	55.99	0.00	
01.454.239.000	SAFETY	200.00	0.00	200.00	0.00	200.00	
01.454.241.000	OPERATING SUPPLIES	1000.00	817.56	1000.00	552.63	1000.00	
01.454.242.000	OPERATING SUPPL-ACTIVITY	1800.00	1968.33	2000.00	1742.50	2200.00	
01.454.245.000	MAINT/REPAIR ACT. CTR.	2500.00	1462.89	2500.00	578.02	2500.00	
01.454.246.000	MAINTENANCE/REPAIR	8950.00	2876.14	9650.00	4773.98	39152.00	
01.454.253.000	EQUIPMENT PARTS	2500.00	12.18	2500.00	289.19	3000.00	
01.454.260.000	HAND TOOLS/MINOR	1000.00	158.58	1000.00	467.13	1200.00	
01.454.313.000	PROFESSIONAL	0.00	25.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
01.454.320.000	TELEPHONE - ACTIVITY	720.00	485.97	720.00	362.19	720.00	
01.454.321.000	MOBILE PHONE SERVICE	840.00	667.66	840.00	400.25	840.00	
01.454.361.000	ELECTRICITY-PARKS	6600.00	7410.90	7000.00	4790.28	7000.00	
01.454.362.000	GAS-PARKS	3000.00	3932.08	4500.00	2887.06	6000.00	
01.454.364.000	SEWER-PARKS	1200.00	1317.25	1600.00	627.75	1400.00	
01.454.366.000	WATER-PARKS	1000.00	2137.96	1500.00	565.49	3500.00	
01.454.370.000	MAINT/REPAIR	1200.00	1293.42	1400.00	664.70	1400.00	
01.454.371.000	MAINTENANCE/REPAIR	1000.00	708.00	1000.00	0.00	1000.00	
01.454.373.000	MAINTENANCE/REPAIRS-LOG	1000.00	483.93	1000.00	0.00	1000.00	
01.454.376.000	COMPUTER MAINTENANCE	200.00	300.00	200.00	178.00	200.00	
01.454.435.000	LICENSES	0.00	0.00	0.00	83.77	0.00	
01.454.440.000	OTHER PARK	1600.00	1824.00	2000.00	875.15	2500.00	
01.454.452.000	JANITORIAL SRVC-ACTIVITY	5500.00	6825.00	6000.00	4465.00	6000.00	
01.454.453.000	SECURITY - ACTIVITY	410.00	299.40	410.00	0.00	300.00	
01.454.453.800	SECURITY-ACTIVITY CENTER	0.00	0.00	0.00	299.40	0.00	
01.454.600.000	CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION	38650.00	81347.76	186650.00	0.00	192260.00	
01.454.600.001	CAP CONSTRUC-GAZEBO	0.00	0.00	0.00	33854.31	0.00	
01.454.600.002	CAPITAL CONSTRUC-	0.00	0.00	0.00	9456.29	0.00	
01.454.600.004	CAP CONSTR. - MAINT BLDG	0.00	0.00	0.00	3072.33	0.00	
01.454.600.005	CAP CONSTRUC-TRAIL	0.00	0.00	0.00	950.00	0.00	
01.454.600.006	CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION	0.00	0.00	0.00	6619.72	0.00	
01.454.600.009	CAP CONSTRUCTION - PARK	0.00	0.00	0.00	640.66	0.00	
01.454.600.010	CAP CONSTR - MEADOW	0.00	0.00	0.00	79101.61	0.00	
01.454.610.000	RESTORATION OF	0.00	0.00	15500.00	0.00	0.00	
01.454.610.007	ACTIVITY CENTER LL FLR	0.00	0.00	0.00	21190.39	0.00	

01.454.620.000	RESTORE LOG CABIN	1500.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_____
01.454.650.000	BLUEBERRY PARK ACCESS	0.00	51.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	_____
01.454.720.000	CAPITAL PURCHASE	13700.00	12834.88	11300.00	5123.08	51701.00	_____
01.454.751.000	CAPITAL	1000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_____
01.454.900.000	GENERAL EXPENSES	700.00	730.34	700.00	233.62	500.00	_____
01.454.720.000	CAPITAL PURCHASE	13700.00	12834.88	11300.00	5123.08	0.00	_____
01.454.751.000	CAPITAL	1000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	_____
01.454.900.000	GENERAL EXPENSES	700.00	730.34	700.00	233.62	0.00	_____
30.454.700.000	CAPITAL PURCHASE					\$59,000	_____
	TOTAL PARKS		323,259	529,014	380,039	672,243	_____
	TOTAL BUDGET TOTAL		323,259	529,014	380,039	672,243	_____

Maps



Central Butler Multi Municipal Plan Butler County, Pennsylvania

- Participating Municipalities:
- City of Butler
 - Butler Township
 - Borough of East Butler
 - Penn Township
 - Summit Township

Legend

- Municipal Boundary
- Parcel Boundary
- Streams
- Municipal Recreation Resource
- School Facility
- Municipal Building

Notes:
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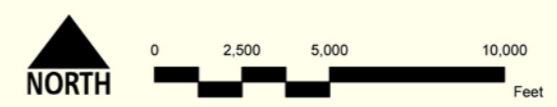
Public Recreation Resources Map

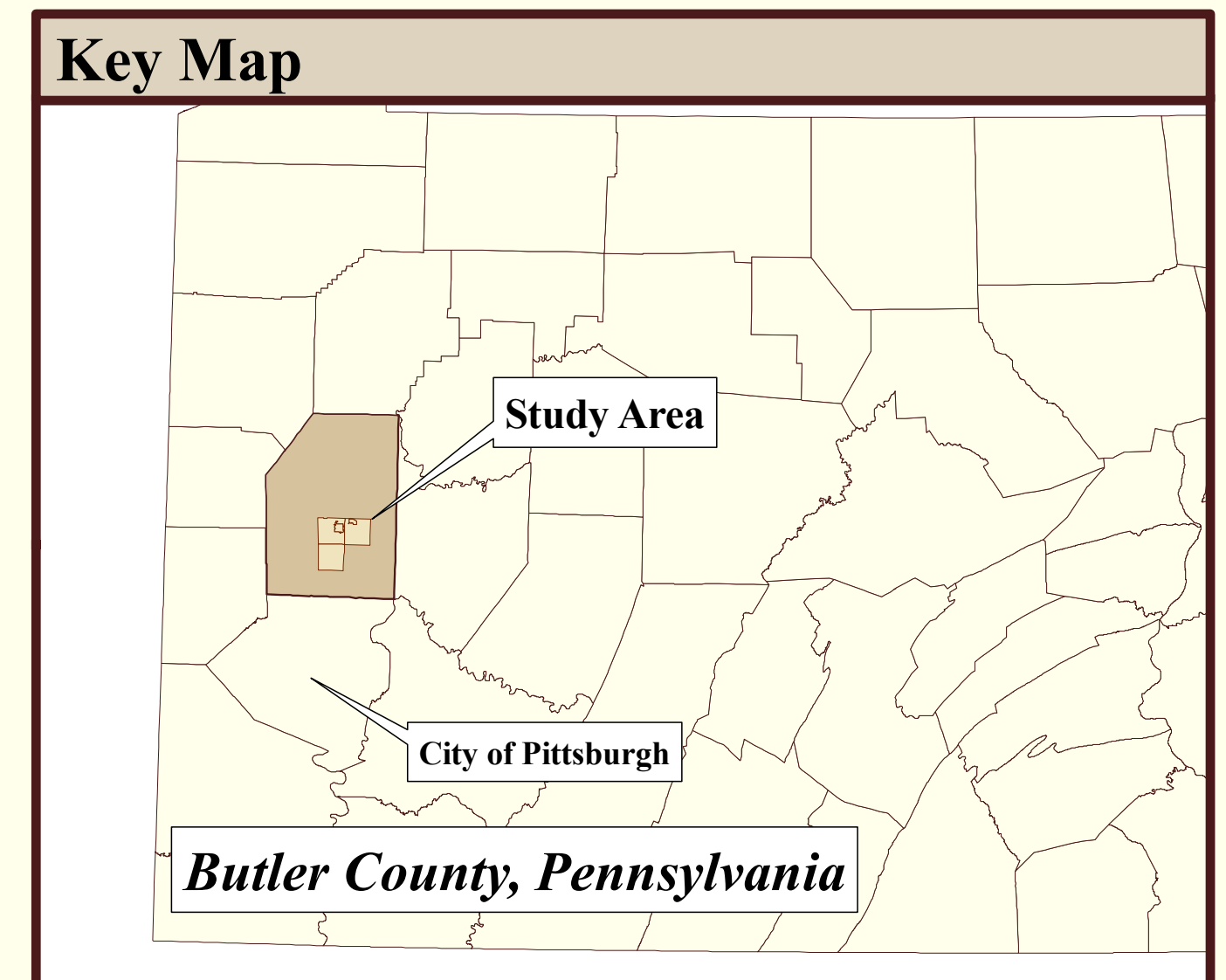
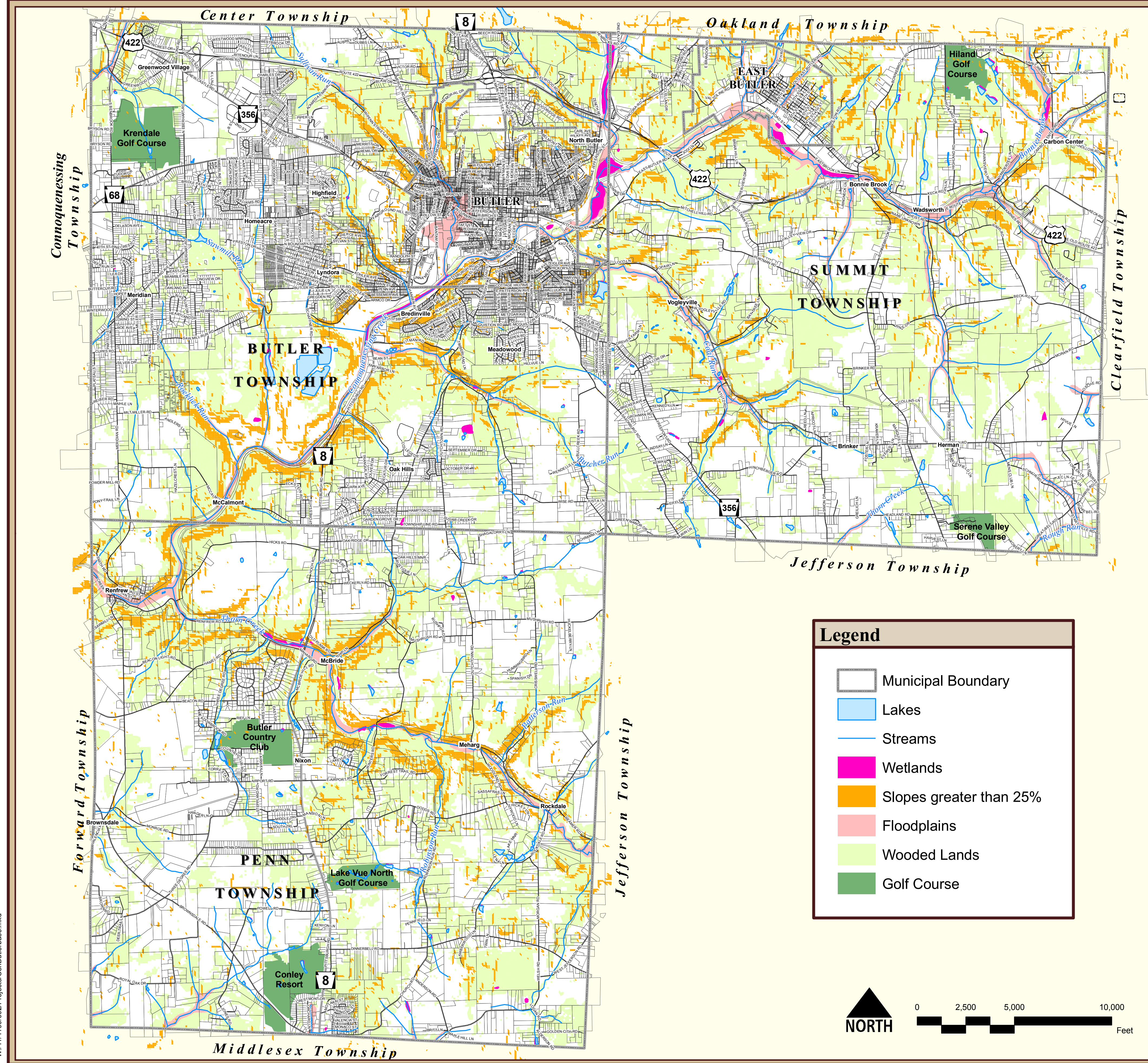
Municipal Recreation Resource

- Penn Township:
1. Harcrest Park
 2. Renfrew Park
- Summit Township:
3. 10 Acre undeveloped park
 4. Butler Freepoint Trail
- East Butler Borough:
5. Parklet at 5th and Broad Avenue
 6. Parklet at VFD
 7. East Butler Baseball Park
- Butler Township:
8. Deshon Woods
 9. Dan Lohner Park
 10. Butler Township Park
 11. Preston Property - Future Township Park
 12. Whippo Park
 13. Alameda County Park - Butler County Parks Department
- City of Butler:
14. Memorial Park
 15. Ritts Park
 16. Pullman Park
 17. Rotary Park
 18. Institute Hill Playground
 19. Athletic Field
 20. Father Marinaro Park
 21. South Hills Playground
 22. Diamond Park

School Facilities

- Penn Township:
1. Succop Conservancy - Butler County Community College
- Summit Township:
2. Summit Elementary School
- Butler Township:
3. Butler Senior High School
 4. Butler Intermediate High School
 5. Meridian School
 6. Northwestern School
 7. McQuiston School
 8. Butler Area Community College
- City of Butler:
9. Emily Brittan Elementary School
 10. Butler Junior High School
 11. Broad Street Elementary School
 12. Center Avenue Elementary School





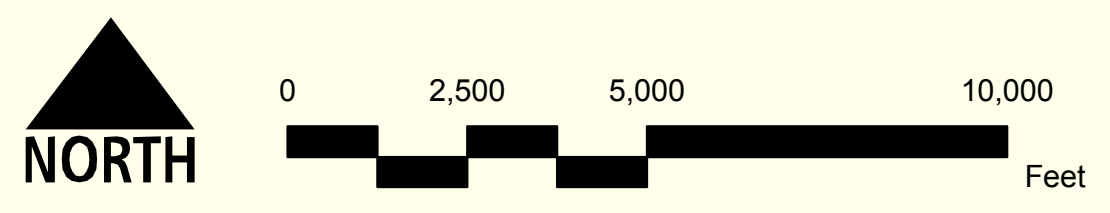
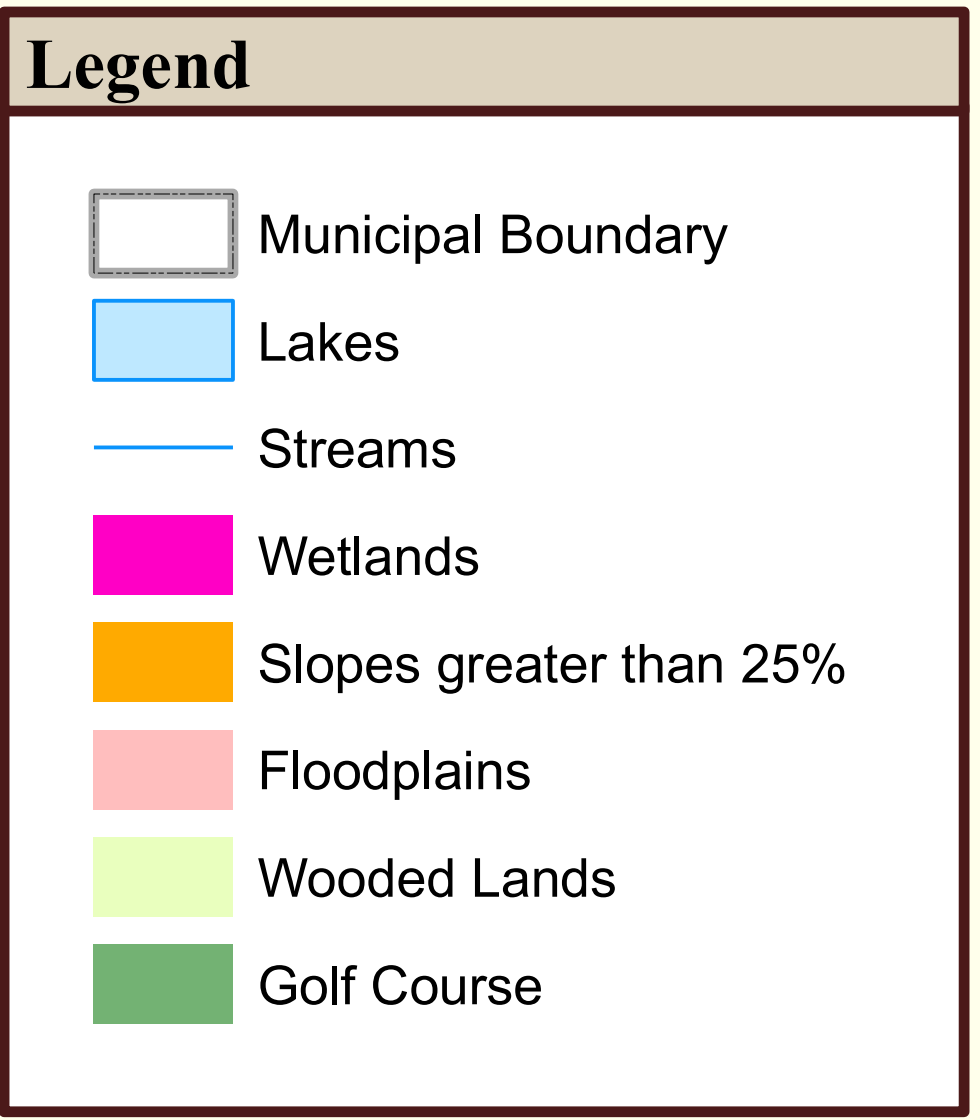
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 Wooded Lands and Golf Course from Pa LULC dataset.
 Wetlands from U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory.
 Floodplains from FEMA Q3 digital data.
 Lakes & Streams from USGS National Hydrography Dataset.
 Steep slopes calculated from Butler County Digital Elevation Model.



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Natural Resources Map