

I am disappointed that our Road Millage failed by approximately 36 votes. That means we will have to take a step back and look at what we will be doing in the up coming year as far as drain and road projects.

Park and Recreation is a very important part of a good community. It increases property values and what makes a strong community. We recently traded 20 acres of Township property which we owned on the west side of the lake for 20 acres of state land that backs up to the Township Hall property. We plan on increasing the recreation opportunities there in the near future. Our new Park and recreation Committee has been and will be applying for grants to fund the planned improvements there.

The Community Park Marina has had another Great Year, Every Slip has been filled and we have created some other programs to create extra revenue to support the operations there. We continued to add activities there in 2014 we added 3 Horse Shoe pits, and some additional play ground items. The indoor Ice rinks have been well used as well as the access to the lake for fisherman and Snowmobilers. In keeping with our 10 year plan for development we expanded office and kitchen area and made other improvements. Most of those improvements were done by Marina Staff.

Swimmers itch has been a Hot topic around the lake for some time now. Our Swimmers Itch task force has made great strides this last year to combat the problem. We look forward to moving forward in 2015 with a strong action plan. But we must do it in the most cost effective way.

The Township recycling plan has been moving along well with more and more families now recycling. This is a plus for the community. I remind everyone to keep the snow way from there critter cages and to place there recycle tubs well away from the snow banks so that they can be seen by the drivers.