

From: walkometer@gmail.com
To: [Park Township Planning](#)
Subject: AirPort Development
Date: Friday, September 4, 2020 3:55:44 PM

Hello, I live in the Crosswind Neighborhood to the West of the Airport property. I just read the update the on property plans and wish to express my opinion. The bike trails and natural space is much appreciated however If there is to be an increased presence of helicopter traffic that is going to be a problem. We lived here when the Devos family would land their helicopter and they are just too loud. If this part of the plan moves forward I suggest you place the landing zone away from our neighborhood at the east side of the property. I will happily take up my own petition otherwise. This is literally the ONLY thing I didn't like about the airport was the helicopter presence. Additionally, should this area be encouraging of drones then there needs to be some restrictions regarding flying outside the footage of the property and efforts to minimize noise and maximize privacy in the residential neighborhoods. Lastly, the late coming news of the 10 acre piece that reverts back to the Chamber was a terrible oversight and should have been presented to the voters at the time of the election. Certainly one could make a case that this issue was an misrepresentation. As such I wonder about the legitimacy of the vote? Regardless, a number of issues at hand. Shanon D. Walko, D.O.

From: [Park Township](#)
To: [Howard Fink](#)
Subject: Airport Land Update, Emerson the Brave Fundraiser, RC Airplane Event, and more!
Date: Friday, September 4, 2020 1:01:30 PM

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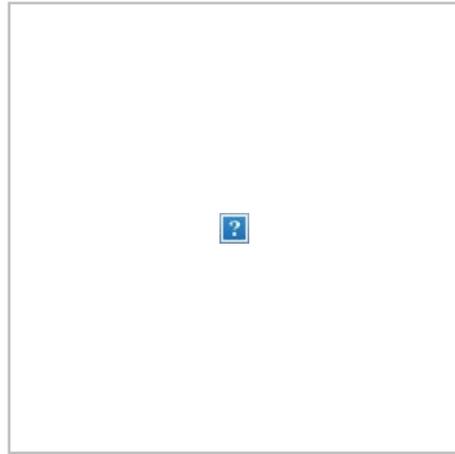
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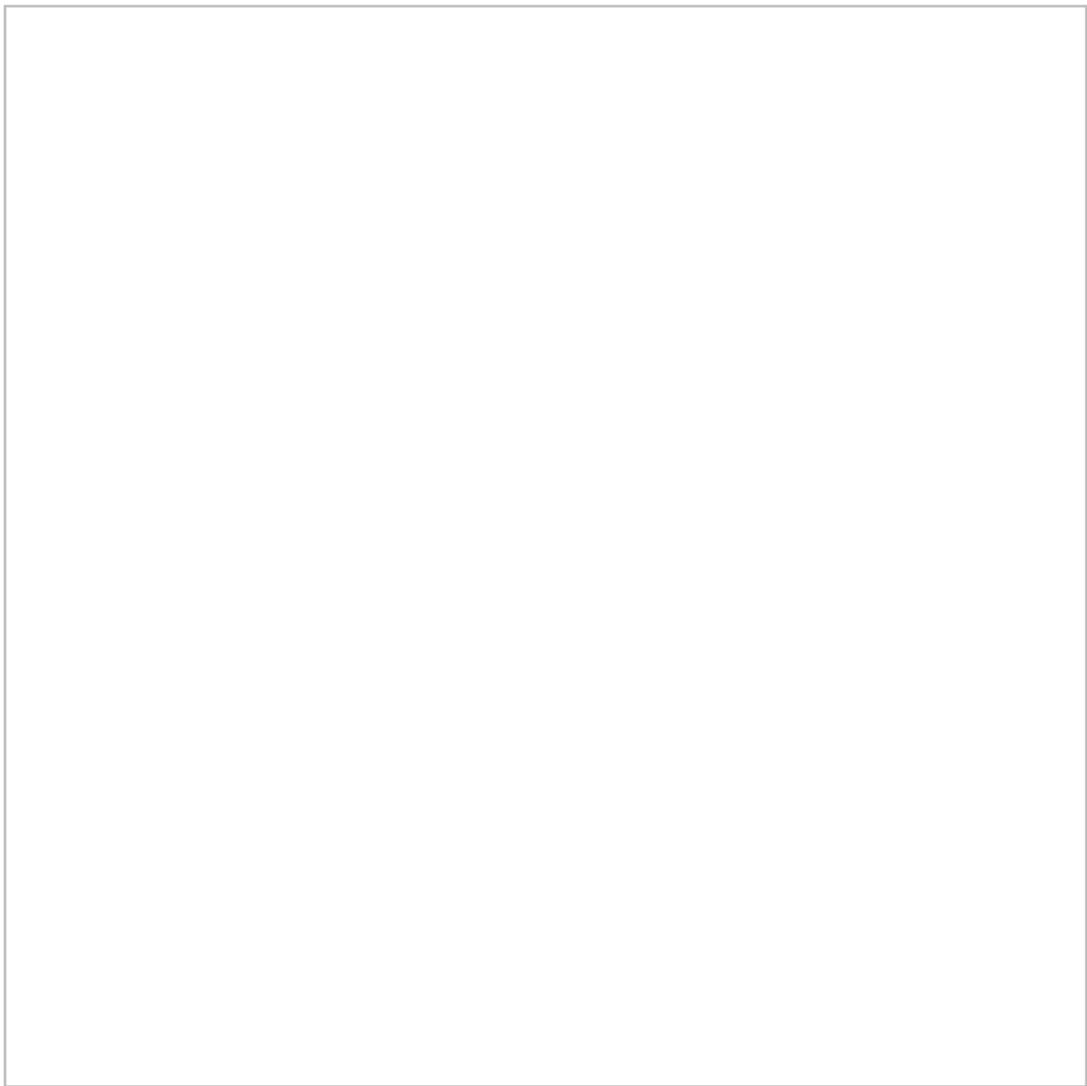
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To: ["Daniel R. Martin"](#)
Subject: FW: 10 acre property
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2020 9:58:00 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
[20686436_1 Quit Claim Deed - Park Township-c.pdf](#)

Please review
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From: Remondino, Jennifer <JRemondino@wnj.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2020 2:19 PM
To: Howard Fink <hfink@parktownship.org>
Cc: Jane Clark <Jane@westcoastchamber.org>
Subject: RE: 10 acre property

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Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 11:08 AM
To: Jane Clark <Jane@westcoastchamber.org>
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To: Jodi Owczarski <jodi@westcoastchamber.org>; 'Jane Clark' <Jane@westcoastchamber.org>; 'jremondino@wnj.com' <jremondino@wnj.com>

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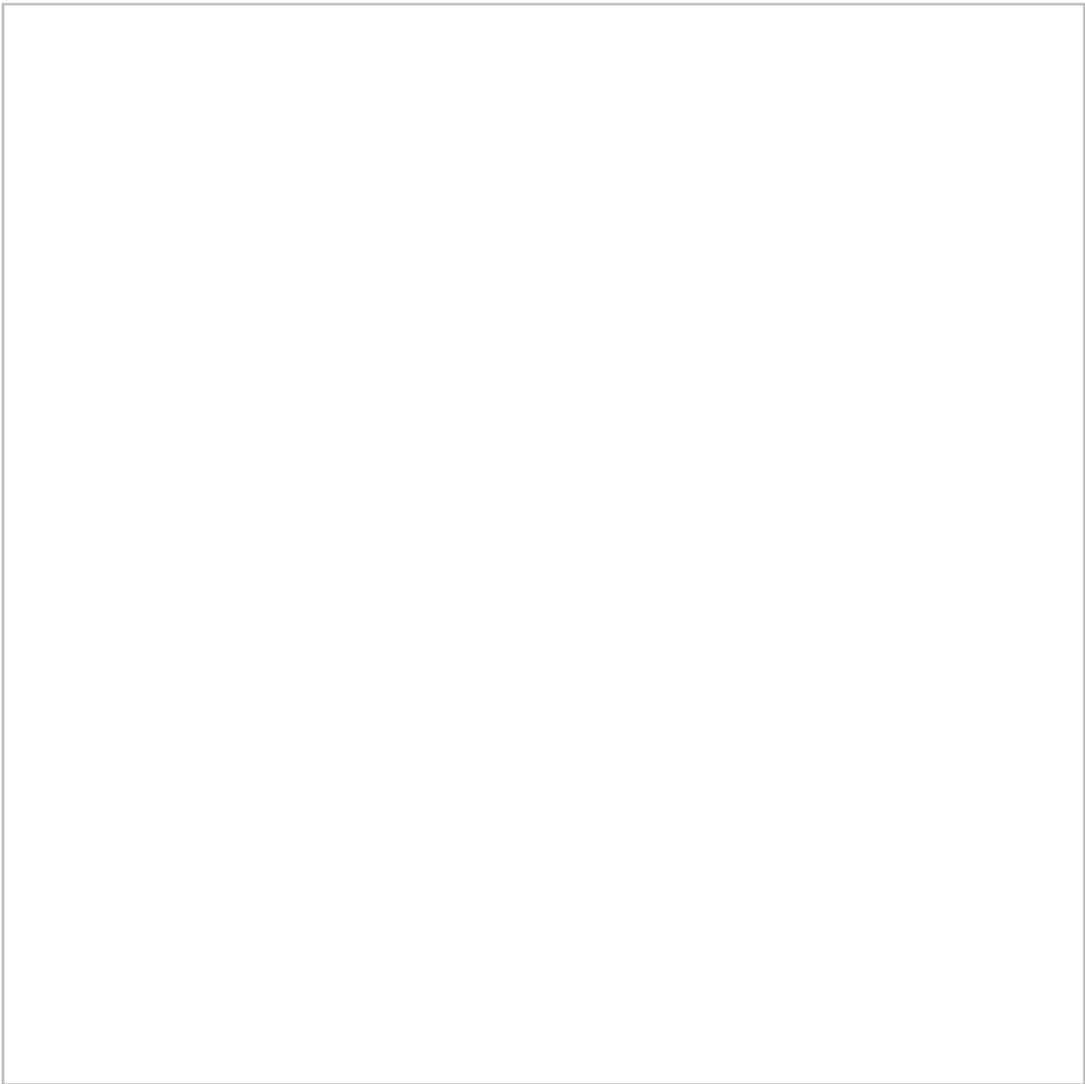
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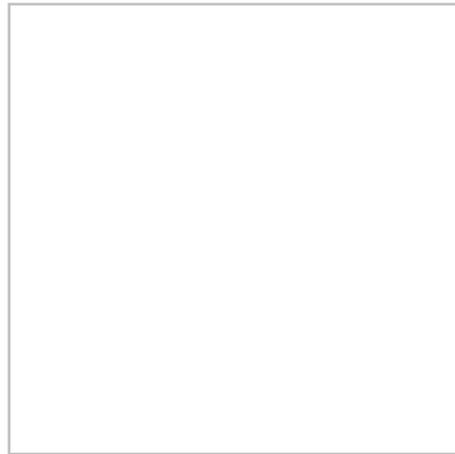
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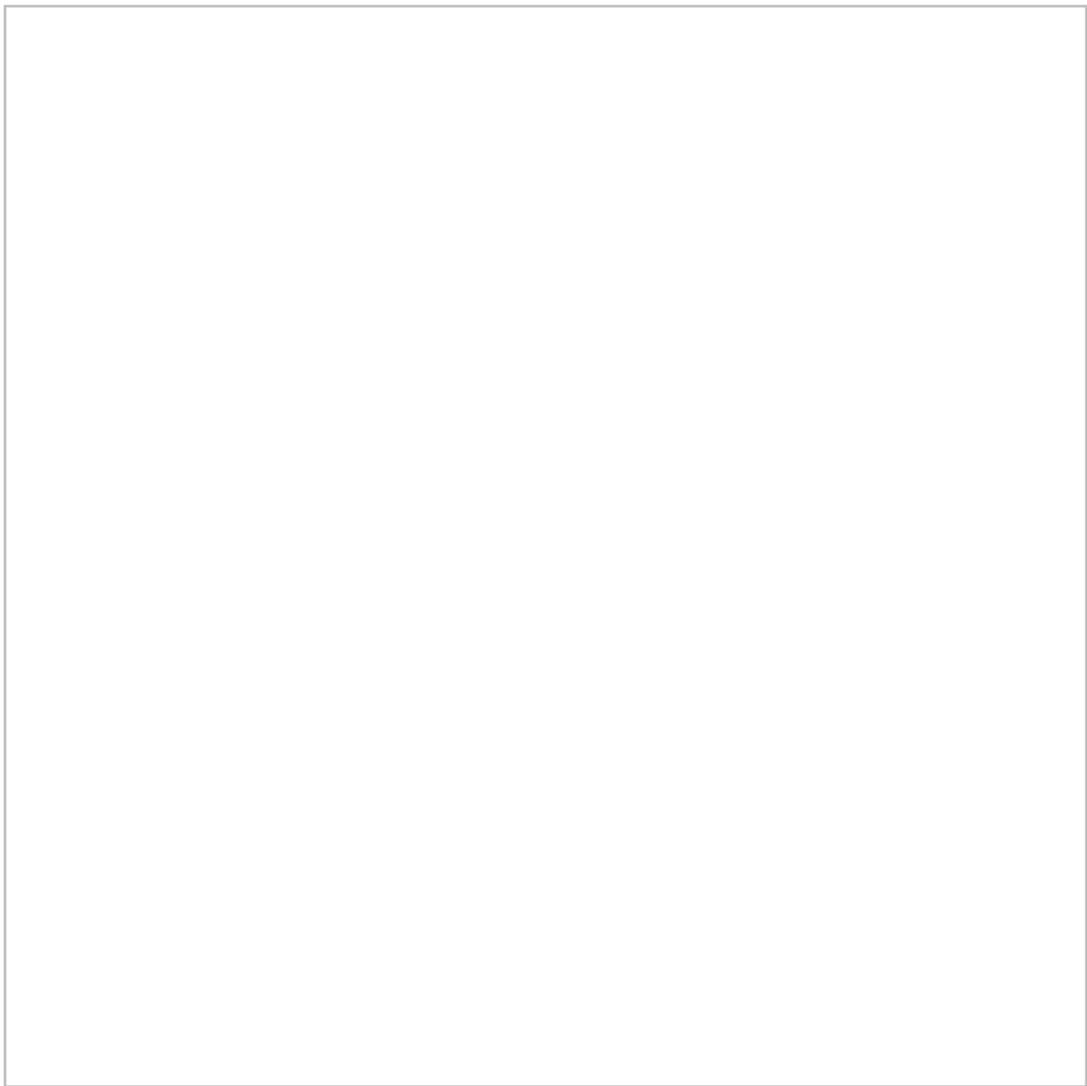
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From: [Howard Fink](#)
To: [Terry DeHaan](#)
Subject: FW: Meeting with the Chamber
Date: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 9:52:00 AM

FYI

Howard Fink
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616.399.8540 (fax)

From: Howard Fink
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 12:50 PM
To: Board <board@parktownship.org>
Cc: Jane Clark <Jane@westcoastchamber.org>; Jodi Owczarski <jodi@westcoastchamber.org>
Subject: Meeting with the Chamber

Hi Everyone,

FYI (this email summary was shared with the chamber and modified slightly so that it was representative of their understanding / comments)

Just got off the phone with the Chamber committee (yesterday). It was a nice conversation, and I shared that we are trying to protect the Park Township-owned property from any future development, in addition to moving forward with plans on a park / open space recreation area. I informed the Chamber of the current issues, including the Civil Air Patrol staying, the RC planes and Powered Parachutes, in addition to the Cooper Van Wieren Parking lot and trails currently planned. I informed them of our desire to have the bike path trail off of 152nd hug the property corner, rather than dissect the property just slightly north of the Township offices.

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I also informed the Chamber of the properties current Residential zoning if they decide to sell it.

Thanks,

Howard

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From: [Daniel R. Martin](#)
To: [Howard Fink](#); [Al Nykamp](#)
Subject: Park Township Airport Deeds
Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2020 2:32:34 PM

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Gentlemen:

While I have the deed for the 10 acres conveyed via restricted gift by the Chamber, I don't have a copy of the deed(s) for the remaining 70 acres of the airport. Could either of you locate the deed(s) for the 70 acres, scan the deed(s) and email a copy to me?

I will need it to attach to the complaint that will be filed this week regarding Mr. Napier.

Thanks.

Daniel R. Martin, Attorney

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To: [Howard Fink](#)
Cc: [Daniel R. Martin](#); [Jane Clark](#)
Subject: RE: 10 acre property
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2020 5:38:07 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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Sounds good, thanks Howard.

From: Howard Fink <hfink@parktownship.org>
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2020 4:13 PM
To: Remondino, Jennifer <JRemondino@wnj.com>
Cc: Daniel R. Martin <DMartin@ThrunLaw.com>
Subject: FW: 10 acre property

Jennifer,

I have forwarding this email to the Township attorney. He will need to view it and weigh in prior to any signatures.

Thanks,

Howard Fink

From: Remondino, Jennifer <JRemondino@wnj.com>
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From: Howard Fink <hfink@parktownship.org>

Sent: Monday, August 31, 2020 11:08 AM

To: Jane Clark <Jane@westcoastchamber.org>

Cc: jremondino@wnj.com

Subject: 10 acre property

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From: Howard Fink

Sent: Wednesday, August 26, 2020 12:38 PM

To: Jodi Owczarski <jodi@westcoastchamber.org>; 'Jane Clark' <Jane@westcoastchamber.org>; 'jremondino@wnj.com' <jremondino@wnj.com>

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Cc: [D Kleinjans](#); [Denise Nestel](#); [Dennis Eade](#); [Diana Garlinghouse](#); [Gregory Ransford](#); [Howard Fink](#); [Jeff Pfost](#); [Julie Northrup](#); [Planning Archive](#); [Terry DeHaan](#)
Subject: RE: AirPort Development
Date: Friday, September 4, 2020 4:48:07 PM

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From: walkometer@gmail.com [mailto:walkometer@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, September 04, 2020 3:56 PM

To: Park Township Planning <planning@parktownship.org>

Subject: AirPort Development

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From: [Julie Northrup](#)
To: [Jerry Hunsburger \(Archive\)](#); [Howard Fink](#)
Subject: RE: Airport Land Update, Emerson the Brave Fundraiser, RC Airplane Event, and more!
Date: Tuesday, September 8, 2020 9:13:06 AM

I will get it on our website today.

Julie

From: Jerry Hunsburger
Sent: Saturday, September 05, 2020 3:34 PM
To: Howard Fink <hfink@parktownship.org>
Cc: Julie Northrup <jnorthrup@parktownship.org>
Subject: Fw: Airport Land Update, Emerson the Brave Fundraiser, RC Airplane Event, and more!

In my opinion, seems to make sense that this would also be posted on the Park Township website under "NEWS".

What do you think?

Jerry

From: Park Township <info@parktownship.org>
Sent: Friday, September 4, 2020 1:18 PM
To: Jerry Hunsburger <jhunsburger@parktownship.org>
Subject: Airport Land Update, Emerson the Brave Fundraiser, RC Airplane Event, and more!

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Airport Land Update

The Park Township Board of Trustees placed an operations millage for the Airport at .185 on the March ballot. The millage proceeds were to be used for the operation and maintenance of the airport. The millage failed by a 56% to 44% margin. The Board was clear in its intent that if the millage failed, the runway would be removed and fixed wing airplanes would no longer be able to land on the site. Residents and interested stakeholders were passionate on all sides of the issue. The airport was delisted and the paved runway closed permanently on August 15. The paved runway was removed at the end of August.

The Township is currently constructing a parking lot at the end of the original grass runway; which will be used as the entrance and gateway to the new Cooper Van Wieren trail system. Bike trails are being installed off of 152nd Avenue and Ottawa Beach Road leading to the new trail system and parking lot. The millings from the runway are being

used as a base for the parking lot and new bike trails. The Township is working with local biking groups to create mountain biking trails for use in the Cooper Van Wieren preserve. Walking paths and even a section that will accommodate equestrian uses are in the planning and design stages.

The Civil Air Patrol has committed to staying at the Historic Airport Hangar. We are glad they are staying and welcome their activity on the site. The remote control airplane clubs that have historically used the site are also continuing on the property, as well as Powered Parachutes. Helicopters have been permitted to land as well. The Township is currently looking at where that will occur on the site and how best to design for helicopter usage.

The Township is committed to maintaining the site for open space / recreation uses. The only exception is a 10 acre triangle piece of property on the far north east side of the Airport. Under a previous deed restriction, that land will revert back to the Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber is still researching what their intentions with that land will be. We will continue to implement the plans already in place and work to improve and refine the vision for the property with the next Board of Trustees. We are all aware of the sensitivity and differences of perspective on this issue. Moving forward, the Board and staff will be working on making the site accessible and valuable to all residents in Park Township.

Emerson the Brave Fishbowl Auction

Emerson was just days out of kindergarten when she was diagnosed with Diffuse Midline Glioma. A terminal form of brain cancer. She was only 6 ½ years old! After major brain surgery, chemotherapy, and radiation, she was accepted into a Clinical Trial Program at the UofM for an experimental drug called ONC201

Emerson is still with us today, two years later, thanks to this research and medication. Much of this research is funded by the ChadTough Foundation which is why we are having our Emerson the Brave Fishbowl Auction...to give back!!!

Saturday, September 12, 2020

Ticket Sales 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with the Drawing at 2:00 p.m.

**Location at the old Park Township Airport Historic Hangar
on Ottawa Beach Road**

We will also be at the Historic Hangar September 8-11 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. for ticket sales and viewing of **47 DIFFERENT PACKAGES TO PICK FROM, ALL FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES.**

HELP SAVE A CHILD!

Remote Control Airplane Event

When: Saturday, September 5 from 10 a.m. to dark

Sunday, September 6 from 10 a.m. to ?

Location: Airfield on Ottawa Beach Road

What: Remote Control Airplanes and Aerotow with wing spans up to 20 feet. (A glider is towed behind a power aircraft and then is released to soar.)

The public is welcome to come and view this event.



Last Clean Up Day for 2020

Location: Black River Recycling - Lakewood Boulevard between 120th & 112th Avenues.

Saturday, September 19 - 7:00 a.m. to noon

NO paint, drain oils, solvents and other petroleum products, fuel tanks, and sealed containers, and no yard waste. There is a limit of four (4) tires per household. Batteries are accepted. All roofing materials must be boxed or bagged. Loose roofing materials will not be accepted. Proof of residency is required.

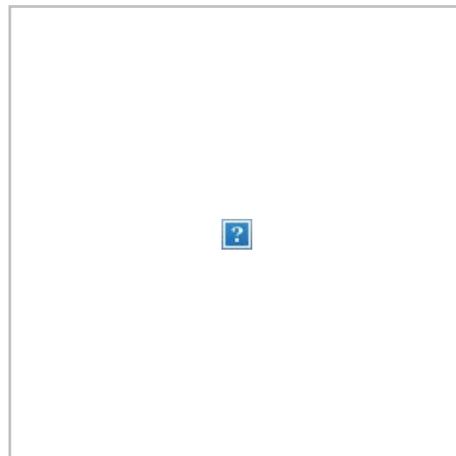


Bike Path Maintenance

About 21 miles of the Park Township bike path system will be getting crack sealed starting around September 14. The contractor performing this work will be Pittman Asphalt Maintenance. Pittman Asphalt Maintenance will be accessing the path with pick-up trucks to clean cracks and then fill with a melted rubber product. The product usually sets fairly quickly, but residents should still take caution to avoid touching fresh crack filler while the crews are still onsite. They will fill all the small cracks in the work area first and then come back and fill the larger cracks with a mix of asphalt and rubber to give a smoother, finished surface. Residents will not need to be worried about driveway access - the contractor will maintain access for vehicles in and out of driveways during the work.

The pathway getting crack sealed this year will be along portions of the following roads, or click [here](#) to view a map.

- New Holland Street
- Butternut Drive
- Ransom Street
- 168th Avenue
- 160th Avenue
- Quincy Street
- Lakeshore Drive
- Ottawa Beach Road
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- 152nd Avenue
- Post Avenue
- 144th Avenue
- South Shore Drive
- 32nd Street
- 1st Avenue
- Saunders Avenue



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Date: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 9:52:26 AM

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Good morning, Jerry and Howard.

The behavior of various representatives from PTAHA (formerly Ottawa Aviation) is reprehensible, and may even be illegal – certainly nothing that the Township’s representatives should condone – with regard to effectively “looting” the airport property after the Township terminated their Airport Manager Agreement. We can all agree on that, I’m sure.

Jerry is absolutely right that the Township lost significant “leverage” when the Township returned the \$26,367 to PTAHA, which funds were kept in a restricted account with the Township for runway improvements. Perhaps Howard and I should have assumed that PTAHA representatives would engage in such reprehensible behaviors following the termination of the Airport Agreement. Certainly, we knew that PTAHA representatives engaged in behaviors that should have us question how they might act if the millage failed. But even if we had made that assumption, my legal advice to Howard at the time would have remained the same – the funds were given to the Township as a restricted donation, and if not used by the Township for that purpose, the funds must be returned. On April 9, after the Airport millage failed, Jeff Voss requested that the Township return the \$26,367 that had been designated for runway improvements, based on the fact that the Township Board advised the public that if the millage failed, the runway would be removed, not improved. Howard had Connie look into the background of the OA/PTAHA funds, and it was clear that \$18,000 was given by OA as a specific donation for runway improvements, and the remainder was treated by the Township as similar restricted funds. My advice to Howard was that the restricted funds could only be used for the restricted purpose (runway improvements) and if they were not used for that restricted purpose, they should be returned as requested. Given the voters’ decision to not approve the millage, and the Board’s decision to not improve the runway if the millage failed, it was clear that the restricted funds from OA/PTAHA would not be used to fund runway improvements. Howard did the right thing at the right time for the right reasons.

I know that the subsequent behavior of the PTAHA has been incredibly frustrating and perhaps even embarrassing to all involved. I believe that had Howard held back the restricted funds from PTAHA in April, the Township would have had leverage, but that he would have been doing the wrong thing for inappropriate purposes. We likely would have found ourselves fighting the battle in the courts regarding returning the funds, with the Township being on the wrong side – legally, morally, and politically.

We must, as Jerry indicates, focus on “What is next” – continuing to do the right thing for the right reasons.

While it may feel good to win a battle in political gamesmanship, it will feel much more satisfying to win the war over the soul of the Township.

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From: Jerry Hunsburger [mailto:jhunsburger@parktownship.org]

Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 8:40 AM

To: Howard Fink <hfink@parktownship.org>

Cc: Daniel R. Martin <DMartin@ThrunLaw.com>

Subject: Re: Airport Sign

Howard,

I can't condone the behavior of PTAHA (Jeff Vos et al)....taking the sign, the log books (since returned), the radio, etc. etc.,

HOWEVER, this entire "mess" could have been avoided, in my opinion, if any vision or thought was used BEFORE transferring the approximate \$26,000 from our General Fund to PTAHA (money earmarked for the runway).

A determination as to WHAT was to happen to the assets (equipment, logs, furniture, radio, etc.) should have been

agreed PRIOR the transfer of the Airport Management.

As you are aware, I never supported/agreed to the fact that PTAHA had a right to the \$26,000...it should have been treated as

public money once received by the Township. For sure once the \$26,000 was sent, we lost all leverage/control or ability to "negotiate" on any of the things.

What is next?

I believe that things will not settle down for a period of time on all things related to this property.

If the Chamber makes it official to keep the 10 acres (likely) that will be another "issue".

The Board should have been made aware that a substantial portion of the runway (that we paid big \$\$\$ to remove)

was actually within the 10 acres "owned" by the Chamber. We just enhanced the value of that 10 acres.

With no defined process for public input, nothing in place to ensure that the property will continue to be used

for public purposes, and no defined "plans", I think we can expect this to continue to be the focus of continued

criticism of the Township for the near future.

This was certainly going to be a tough issue no matter what way the March vote went, however, it seems like there

were many things could have been better defined/handled. The Township is/has been on the defense throughout.

Best,

Jerry

From: Howard Fink <hfink@parktownship.org>

Sent: Tuesday, September 1, 2020 7:47 AM

To: Board <board@parktownship.org>

Cc: Daniel R. Martin <DMartin@ThrunLaw.com>

Subject: Airport Sign

Hi Everyone,

I am out all day at a training. Jeff Voss has the airport sign. He informed the deputy that he (or Ottawa Aviation) has proof of purchase. I will let you all know if I receive it. If you want to try and get the sign back (and the paintings), I believe the Township has the ability to retrieve the property taken. Dan can give you details on how that might look. Obviously, that is a policy decision.

Thanks,

Howard

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From: [George Jacob](#)
To: [Howard Fink](#)
Subject: Re: Airport Update
Date: Thursday, September 3, 2020 11:58:17 AM

Nicely written, Howard.

George

From: Howard Fink <hfink@parktownship.org>
Sent: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 4:55 PM
To: Board Archive <board.archive@parktownship.org>; Denise Nestel <dnestel@parktownship.org>; George Jacob <gjacob@parktownship.org>; Howard Fink <hfink@parktownship.org>; Jan Steggerda <jsteggerda@parktownship.org>; Jerry Hunsburger <jhunsburger@parktownship.org>; Jim Gerard <jgerard@parktownship.org>; Julie Northrup <jnorthrup@parktownship.org>; Skip Keeter <ekeeter@parktownship.org>; Steve Spoelhof <sspoelhof@parktownship.org>
Cc: Daniel R. Martin <DMartin@ThrunLaw.com>
Subject: Airport Update

Hi Everyone,

I would to include an airport update in the next e-newsletter (likely tomorrow or Friday).

Attached is what I have written. Normally, this type of correspondence would not be approved by the board, but given the sensitivity with the Airport (still), I thought it best to send it out to everyone. If there are significant issues, let me know.

Thanks,
Howard

Airport Update

The Park Township Board of Trustees placed an operations millage for the Airport at .185 on the March ballot. The millage proceeds were to be used for the operation and maintenance of the airport. The millage failed by a 56% to 44% margin. The Board was clear in its intent that if the millage failed, the runway would be removed and fixed wing airplanes would no longer be able to land on the site. Residents and interested stakeholders were passionate on all sides of the issue. The airport was delisted and the paved runway closed permanently on August 15. The paved runway was removed at the end of August.

The Township is currently constructing a parking lot at the end of the original grass runway; which will be used as the entrance and gateway to the new Cooper Van Wieren trail system. Bike trails are being installed off of 152nd Avenue and Ottawa Beach Road leading to the new trail system and parking lot. The millings from the runway are being used as a base for the parking lot and new bike trails. The Township is working with local biking groups to create mountain biking trails for use in the Cooper Van Wieren preserve. Walking paths and even a section that will accommodate equestrian uses are in the planning and design stages.

The Civil Air Patrol has committed to staying at the Historic Airport Terminal. We are glad they are staying and welcome their activity on the site. The remote control airplane clubs that have historically used the site are also continuing on the property, as well as Powered Parachutes. Helicopters have been permitted to land as well. The Township is currently looking at where that will occur on the site and how best to design for helicopter usage.

The Township is committed to maintaining the site for open space / recreation uses. The only exception is a 10 acre triangle piece of property on the far north east side of the Airport. Under a previous deed restriction, that land will revert back to the Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber is still researching what their intentions with that land will be.

We will continue to implement the plans already in place and work to improve and refine the vision for the property with the next Board of Trustees.

We are all aware of the sensitivity and differences of perspective on this issue. Moving forward, the Board and staff will be working on making the site accessible and valuable to all residents in Park Township.

Thanks,

Howard

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From: [Daniel R. Martin](#)
To: [Al Nykamp](#); [Howard Fink](#)
Subject: RE: Park Township Airport Deeds
Date: Thursday, September 10, 2020 9:35:11 AM

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Thanks Al!

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From: Al Nykamp [mailto:alnykamp@parktownship.org]

Sent: Thursday, September 10, 2020 9:22 AM

To: Daniel R. Martin <DMartin@ThrunLaw.com>; Howard Fink <hfink@parktownship.org>

Subject: Re: Park Township Airport Deeds

Dan,

Attached are PDF's of 2 deeds for the 70-acre portion of the airport.

Al

From: Daniel R. Martin <DMartin@ThrunLaw.com>

Sent: Wednesday, September 9, 2020 2:32 PM

To: Howard Fink <hfink@parktownship.org>; Al Nykamp <alnykamp@parktownship.org>

Subject: Park Township Airport Deeds

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Gentlemen:

While I have the deed for the 10 acres conveyed via restricted gift by the Chamber, I don't have a copy of the deed(s) for the remaining 70 acres of the airport. Could either of you locate the deed(s) for the 70 acres, scan the deed(s) and email a copy to me?

I will need it to attach to the complaint that will be filed this week regarding Mr. Napier.

Thanks.

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