



Louis M. Groen Nature Preserve – Otsego Lake County Park – Irontone Springs – Wah Wah Soo – Libke Fields – Community Center – Pontresina Park

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The Otsego County Parks and Recreation Commission has determined that the Community Center, located at 315 South Center Street, Gaylord, MI, will remain closed until further notice.

The Parks and Rec Department has continually evaluated all of the county park properties during the pandemic and has been committed to opening all county parks and facilities as soon as permitted under the Executive Orders, in order to provide our community and visitors with recreation opportunities.

The Community Center unfortunately does not provide an environment which would allow for consistent social distancing protocols.

This was a difficult decision to make. Substantial research, analysis, and discussion took place before reaching this decision. However, the Parks and Recreation Commission felt this was the best decision for overall public health and safety.

Otsego County Parks and Recreation staff and the Commission will continue to evaluate the situation going forward. Please contact Parks and Rec Director Tom Pratt at [tpratt@otsegocountymi.gov](mailto:tpratt@otsegocountymi.gov) or call 989-732-6521 with any questions.

We are excited to announce that when the Community Center is able to open its doors, you will be able to enjoy the beautiful brand new gym floor! This replaces the old floor that was almost 40 years old.



Parks and Recreation Commission: Dave Baragrey-President, Scott Courterier-Vice President, Randy Stults-Secretary, Doug Johnson-Otsego Co. Board of Commissioners, Bill Holewinski-Otsego Co. Road Commission, Judith Jarecki-Otsego County Planning Commission, Abel Cruz, Bonny Miller, Justin Wing, Tom Pratt-Parks and Recreation Department Director, Keri Swantek-Recording Secretary