

**TOWN OF LA POINTE**  
**Resolution No. 2026-0210**

**A Resolution Establishing the Big Bay Town Park Accessibility Design Task Force**

**WHEREAS**, Big Bay Town Park is one of the Town of La Pointe's most important public assets, providing recreational access to Lake Superior for residents and visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of La Pointe has received a \$1.5 million federal appropriation through the USDA Rural Community Facilities Program to support the planning, design, and construction of an ADA-accessible route from the upper parking area to the beach at Big Bay Town Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board recognizes that the design and planning of this project will require careful consideration of accessibility, environmental protection, cultural and historical resources, public input, and long-term stewardship of the park and lagoon; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board desires a transparent, inclusive, and community-informed process while retaining final decision-making authority;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Town Board of the Town of La Pointe, Ashland County, Wisconsin, that the Big Bay Town Park Accessibility Design Task Force ("Task Force") is hereby established as an advisory body to the Town Board.

**SECTION 1. PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Task Force is to advise the Town Board on matters related to the planning, design, public engagement, and review of the Big Bay Town Park Accessibility Project, including accessibility considerations, environmental stewardship, cultural sensitivity, and community input.

The Task Force shall have no independent decision-making authority. All final decisions shall remain with the Town Board.

**SECTION 2. MEMBERSHIP**

The Task Force shall consist of seven (7) voting members, appointed by the Town Board

Chair and confirmed by the Town Board.

No Town employees shall serve as voting members of the Task Force.

**SECTION 3. DUTIES**

The Task Force may:

- Review prior engineering concepts and new preliminary design alternatives.
- Provide feedback on accessibility, environmental protection, cultural and historical considerations, and park character.
- Advise on public engagement strategies and review public input.
- Offer written or verbal recommendations to the Town Board at key milestones.

The Task Force shall not direct Town staff or consultants, negotiate contracts, or represent the Town independently.

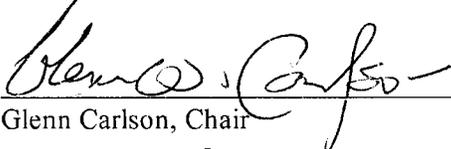
**SECTION 4. MEETINGS**

The Task Force shall meet as needed during active planning and design phases. Meetings shall be noticed and conducted in compliance with Wisconsin Open Meetings Law. The Task Force shall select a chair from among its voting members.

**SECTION 5. DURATION**

The Task Force shall sunset upon approval of a design by the Town Board, unless extended by action of the Town Board.

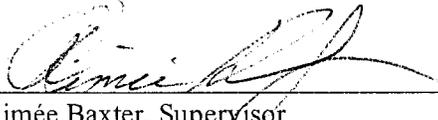
Adopted by the Town Board of the Town of La Pointe this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Feb., 2026.

  
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