

## **Charlevoix Area Community Pool - 2024 Millage Renewal Fact Sheet**

**The millage vote will be on the August ballot. Please vote to support the pool millage (listed as Recreational AU).**

### **What is the Millage?**

- The Pool has received funding from two 10-year tax millage assessments (2004, 2014) that were approved by the residents of the City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix Township and Hayes Township.
- The millage is listed on your Winter Property Tax bill as the "Recreational AU". The 2023 Pool millage costs approximately \$16/year or \$1.35/month for every \$100,000 of your property's market value.
- All other non-school millages were on August ballots including the Library, EMS, Parks and Roads.

### **Why is the millage vote important to the CACP?**

- Millage revenue funded 45% of Pool expenses in 2023. The Pool cannot operate without the millage.
- Millage revenue helps keep Pool user fees low. Residents of City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix Township and Hayes Township receive a discount (see below).
- Your property tax dollars help our unique community thrive. Other millages support essential community services including the EMS, Library, Senior Centers, roads, fire stations, county parks and schools.

### **What is the role of the Recreational Authority Board and how is it involved in the millage renewal?**

- Created in 2004 and comprised of 7 municipal officials appointed by their respective city council or township boards: 3 from the City of Charlevoix, 2 from Charlevoix Township, and 2 from Hayes Township.
- Meets quarterly each year. The next meeting is March 18.
- Certifies the millage assessment each September, collects millage payments from each municipality, and administers millage payments to the Pool.
- Responsible for preparing the ballot language including the millage duration and ballot date.

### **Do residents of the City of Charlevoix, Charlevoix Township and Hayes Township receive discounted Pool rates?**

- Yes, residents receive a 20% discount on all pool programs. The discount is shown on the Pool's Pricing information.

### **Is the Pool open to the public?**

- Yes, the Charlevoix Pool is open to everyone.
- Services are pay-per-visit with no annual membership fee.

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### **What is the Charlevoix Area Community Pool (CACP)?**

- The Pool is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization created in 1997 by community members who raised 100% of the funds required for the construction of the Pool from private donors and grants.
- Almost 4,000 users make more than 19,000 visits a year to the Pool for exercise and fun. Pool programs include:
  - Aquatic exercise classes and Fitness
  - Lap swimming
  - Recreational swimming including Open Swim and events for families
  - Swim lessons and water safety programs; includes students that are bused to the pool during the school day. (More than 400 students a year participate. Scholarships are available.)
  - Swimmers with disabilities
  - Lifeguard certification, local U.S. Coast Guard training and scuba diving training
  - Pool rentals for special events
- The Pool is 100% accessible for users with disabilities with a pool wheelchair, pool ramp, and chair lift for the pool and hot tub and ADA accessible bathrooms. A Charlevoix County Transit bus is available for some seniors to visit the Pool.
- A volunteer Board of Directors meets monthly to review programs, financials, staffing, funding and pool operations. Meetings are open to the public.
- Staffing includes one full-time manager, a part-time coordinator and 30 part-time staff for the check-in desk and lifeguarding.
- Pool financials are audited annually by an independent CPA firm. Accounting and payroll services are provided by Hoffman & Associates CPA in Charlevoix. More info is available on the Pool website at: <https://www.charlevoixpool.org/annual-report>

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