

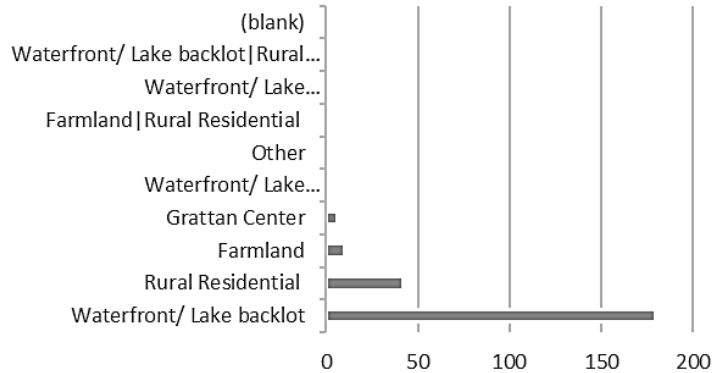
GRATTAN TOWNSHIP SURVEY RESULTS 2023

TOTAL SURVEYS: 271

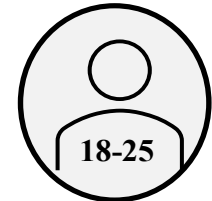
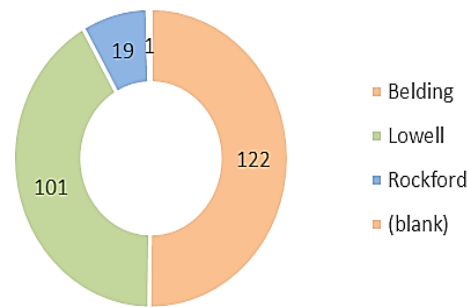
ONLINE: 242

IN-PERSON: 29

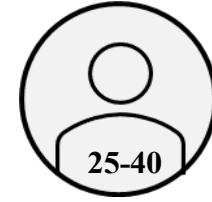
Waterfront/ Lake backlot accounts for the majority of 'What best describes your property in Grattan Township?'



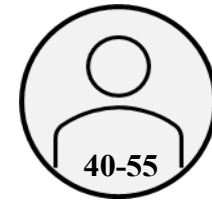
Belding accounts for the majority of 'In which school district do you live?'



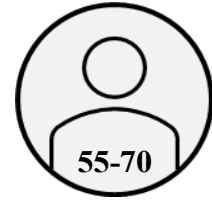
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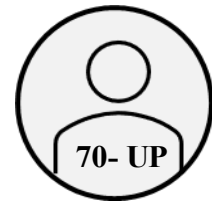
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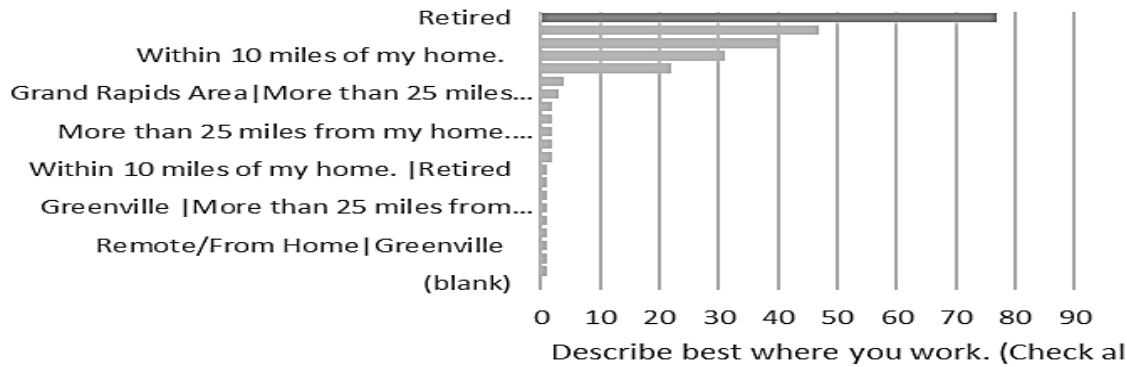
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'Describe best where you work. (Check all that apply)': Retired appears most often.

Describe best where you work. (Check all that apply)



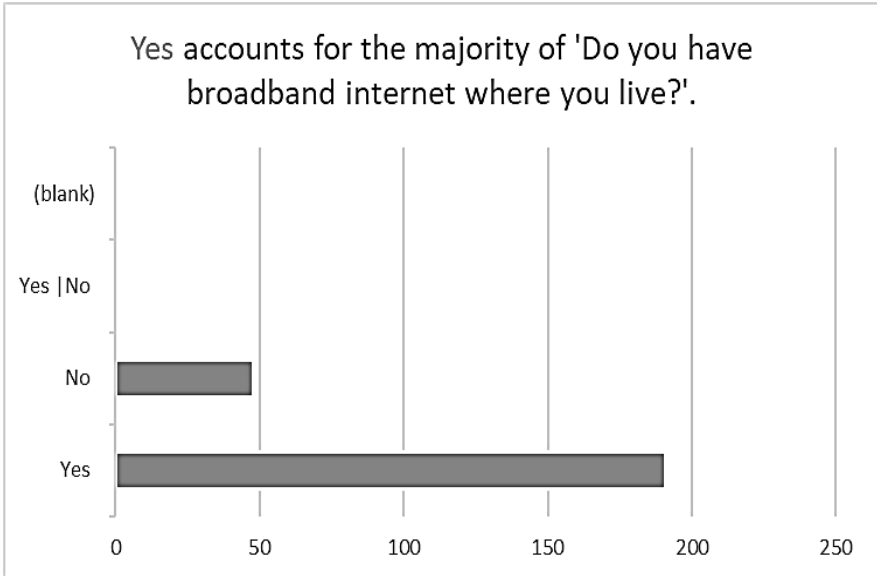
| DID you or are you currently raising children in the Township? | Count of DID you or are you currently raising children in the Township? |
|--|---|
| No | 132 |
| Yes | 114 |
| (blank) | |
| Grand Total | 246 |

If yes to the previous question, where do/did you MOST OFTEN take your children for FREE indoor/outdoor activities?

TOP THREE ANSWERS:

1. Area Parks (Fallasburg, Wabasis, Townsend, Pickeral Lake, Richardson-Sowerby)
2. Other Kent County Parks
3. Bike Trails

| What describes you best? | Total |
|--|------------|
| I am a resident of Grattan Township. | 227 |
| I own property in the Township, but do not live here. | 14 |
| I only visit Grattan Township for business or pleasure. | 2 |
| I am a resident of Grattan Township. I only visit Grattan Township for business or pleasure. | 1 |
| I own property in the Township, but do not live here. Other | 1 |
| I am a resident of Grattan Township. I own property in the Township, but do not live here. | 1 |
| (blank) | |
| Grand Total | 246 |



| Would you support a millage to fund a dedicated Kent County Sheriff's Deputy for the Township? | Count of Would you support a millage to fund a dedicated Kent County Sheriff's Deputy for the Township? |
|--|---|
| No | 138 |
| Yes | 99 |
| (blank) | |
| Grand Total | 237 |

| Would you want the Township to budget funds dedicated to having a Deputy from Kent County Sheriff's Department? |
|---|
| YES-92 |
| NO- 136 |

| Is it important for Grattan to be an appealing place to raise children? | Count of Is it important for Grattan to be an appealing place to raise children? |
|---|--|
| Yes | 193 |
| No opinion | 42 |
| No | 9 |
| Yes No opinion | 2 |
| (blank) | |
| Grand Total | 246 |

| I would like commercial development to be primarily located at: | Count of I would like commercial development to be primarily located at: |
|--|--|
| Along M-44 | 54 |
| Grattan Center/ Old Belding RD | 49 |
| Grattan Center/ Old Belding RD Along M-44 | 29 |
| Grattan Center/ Old Belding RD Along M-44 5 Mile/ Lincoln Lake RD Parnell/ 5 Mile | 13 |
| Parnell/ 5 Mile | 9 |
| 5 Mile/ Lincoln Lake RD | 9 |
| Grattan Center/ Old Belding RD Parnell/ 5 Mile | 6 |
| Grattan Center/ Old Belding RD Along M-44 5 Mile/ Lincoln Lake RD | 5 |
| 5 Mile/ Lincoln Lake RD Parnell/ 5 Mile | 4 |
| Along M-44 5 Mile/ Lincoln Lake RD | 3 |
| Along M-44 Parnell/ 5 Mile | 3 |
| Grattan Center/ Old Belding RD 5 Mile/ Lincoln Lake RD Parnell/ 5 Mile | 3 |
| Along M-44 5 Mile/ Lincoln Lake RD Parnell/ 5 Mile | 2 |
| Grattan Center/ Old Belding RD 5 Mile/ Lincoln Lake RD | 1 |
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| Grand Total | 190 |

I would like commercial development to be primarily located at:

MAJORITY:

Grattan Center or M-44

Do you support the Township budgeting funds to preserve farmland while working with other farmland preservation programs at the County, State and Federal level?

YES-183
NO- 58

What type of expanded commercial development you would like to see in the Township? TOP 3:

- 1.Barn Event Venues
- 2.Do Not Want Expanded Commercial Development
- 3.Farm Markets/Grocery Store

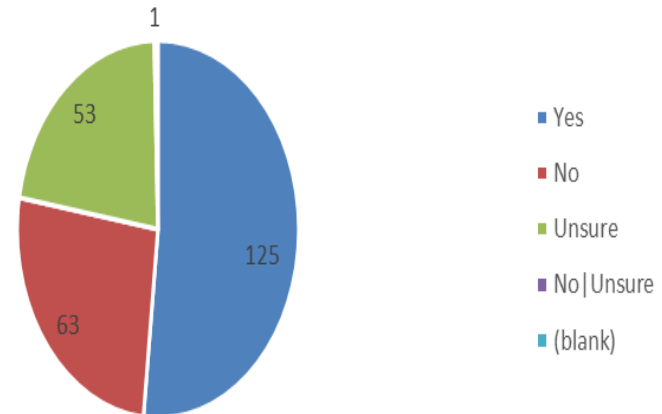
Do you support the Township amending its current ordinance to ALLOW marijuana grow facilities in AGRICULTURAL zoning districts?

YES-99
NO- 142

Do you support the Township amending its current ordinance to ALLOW marijuana grow facilities in RESIDENTIAL zoning districts?

YES-41
NO-201

Yes accounts for the majority of 'I support attracting new commercial development, appropriately located.'



What would you like to see on the property where the Grattan School building sits?

54- I do not want the Township to do anything with the building, even if it is grant funded.

72- Demolish the current structure

114- Install outdoor recreation equipment (i.e Basketball, pickleball courts)

66- Build a multi-use building for library, elections, shared office space, hall rentals etc.

28- Add parking for Township activities/events (Memorial Day, Pancake Breakfast, elections etc.)

47- Indoor recreation space that can be rented like the Township Hall.

87- Open green space/ community garden

Solar Energy is a fast growing industry in our area. Do you support LIMITING the size/amount of solar energy farms in the Township?

YES-168

NO-74

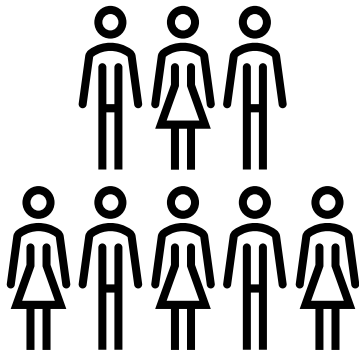
Solar Energy is a fast growing industry in our area. Do you support RESTRICTING the locations solar energy farms would be allowed in the Township?

YES-184

NO-58

The Township adopted a Short-Term Rental Ordinance in the Fall of 2022, do you believe this will help with any issues below? TOP 3

1. No, I do not think it will change anything.
2. Noise
3. Parking



With pavement at 1 million dollars a mile, would you support a millage to fund road repair in the Township?

YES-136

NO-99

No accounts for the majority of 'Would you utilize shared office space if it was available?'.



The Township received just under \$415,000 in ARPA Funds. Please choose 2 that describe what's most important to you for the funds to be used for:

1. Playground Equipment -**23**
2. Outdoor Recreational Space (ie. pickleball courts)-**63**
3. Water Wells at Murray Lake or Cowan Lake for filling Fire Department tankers.-**75**
4. Sewer Pump Station Generators-**89**
5. Broadband Internet Expansion-**79**
6. Development of Seeley Creek Park (West of Township offices)-**77**

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

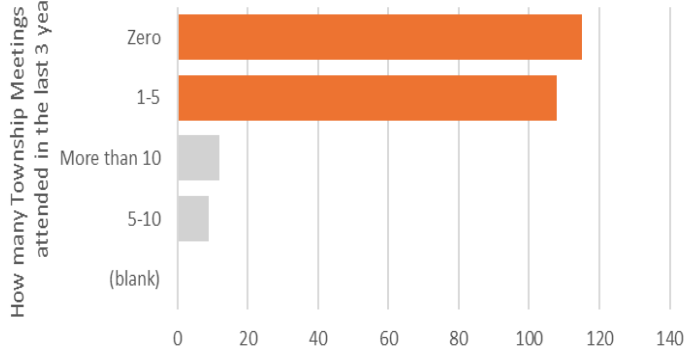
"No, playground equipment will be obsolete in 10 years. Keep the park natural it doesnt need picnic tables gazebos or pavement."

"My understanding is that ARPA funds were related to covid. Not a fan at all of burning more federal money for that fiasco. But as a matter of propriety; I do not see how any of the items shown as options are related to covid. You are confirming my suspicions that a great deal of it was just a boondoggle. Now multiply this \$415k by how many townships around the country?"

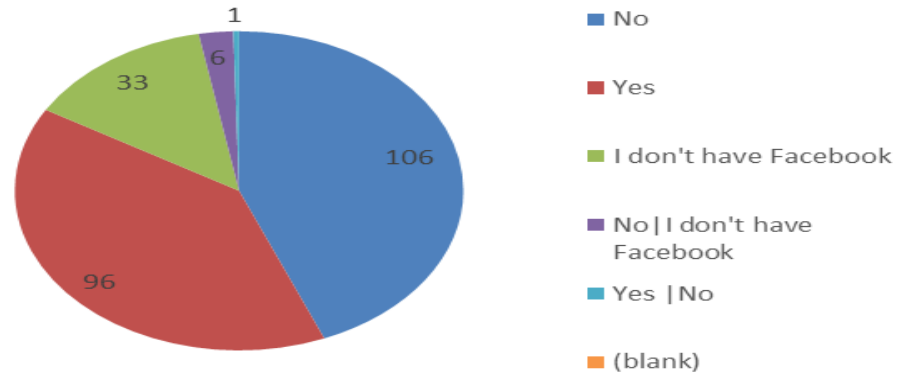
"Build bike and walk paths like surrounding townships."

"Developing Seeley Creek park with board walks would be wonderful! "

'How many Township Meetings have you attended in the last 3 years?': **Zero** and **1-5** appear most often.

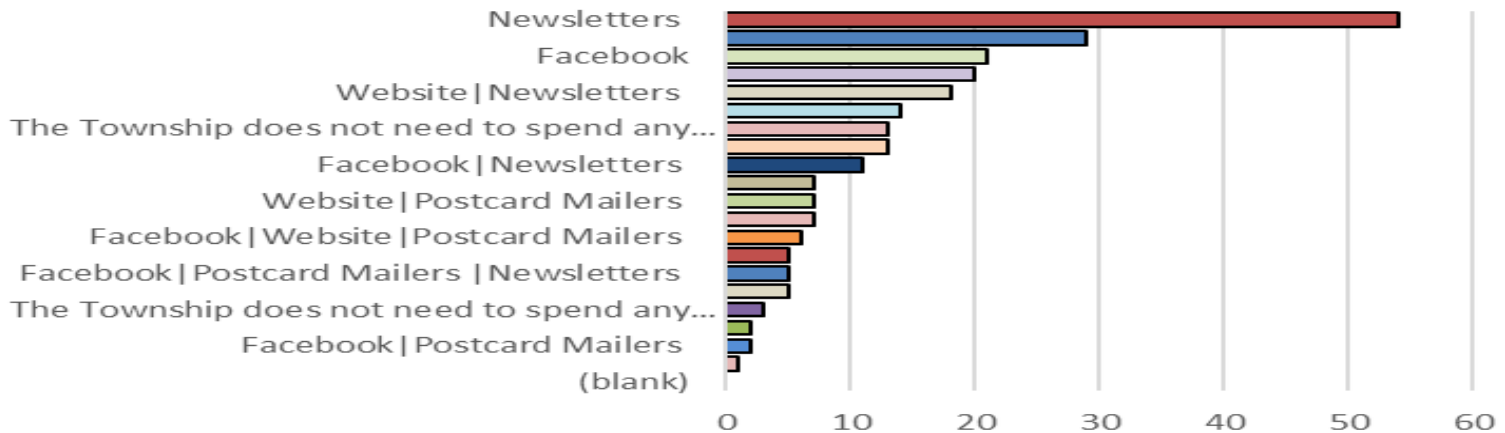


'Do you follow the Township's Facebook page?': **No** and **Yes** appear most often.



'What do you think is the most cost effective way for the Township to communicate to its residents?': **Newsletters** appears most often.

What do you think is the most cost effective way for the Township to communicate to its residents?



ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

"I appreciate the email updates and I read the minutes with interest."

"If there were more meetings that concerned me then I would go ... but if it's out of my hands then no need to attend."

"We like our township the way it is right now. It's perfect. As the old saying goes - "if it ain't broke, don't fix it!""

"I am pro agricultural but still want the township to be progressive for developing small business so money is invested into the community."

"the Township is highly adversarial with residents with onerous rules and regulations. The Township has a horrible reputation with residents because it is combative and prohibitive with its ordinances. Literally everyone I know has had a terrible experience with the Township. Time for the Township to lose its agonistic attorney."

"As a resident of Grattan township for 30 years now, it is obvious the township puts most of the time and tax dollars towards the lake communities, although the lake communities might be a majority of the population, I have paid my property taxes on time for 30 years and don't believe I see the results back from the township."

"The township needs to roll with the times and look to the future. I feel like it is very much stuck in an old mindset. As far as short term rentals goes, I have more issues with my own neighbors than any of my neighbors that rent their homes out to others on sites like VRBO/AirBNB. Let's be smart about sourcing grants and other money that is available to rural communities, and foster growth in small businesses. There is far too much trash and junk around Grattan township, let's start enforcing some of the ordinances that are already in place, so this can be the "next place to be"."

"This survey was not easy to find! The Facebook page is nice, thank you to the township board and staff for putting so much effort in communicating."

"Something needs to be done with the gravel roads. The dust is absolutely out of control; frankly, the township is not doing what the can to take care of the problem."

"Consider please some type of ordinance to limit the amount of trash, rubbish, vehicles not running, and other unsightly items from being evident from the street, on the owners property within the township."

"Thank you for the survey!! I really believe sidewalks would be great in our area!"

"Let's not handle the solar farm issue the way nearby townships have . Act according to actual facts and not hearsay from facebook and the

