

## Section 504 Self-Evaluation

These assessments constitute updates of the assessments of Millbury parks, playgrounds and conservation areas that were completed by James M. Mazik and incorporated into the November 2006 Town of Millbury Accessibility Plan. Town Planner Laurie Connors and Disabilities Commission Member Michael Kennedy conducted follow up site visits to the facilities on May 30, 2008 and June 13, 2008 to ascertain whether the information within the 2006 Accessibility Plan was still accurate. Changes were made as necessary.

**Butler Farm:** Municipal open space consisting of office space, a community garden, camping sites, trails, and 3 picnic tables. No formal parking exists and no signage or markings provide an on-site accessible space. No accessible routes of travel exist to the house, community garden, camping sites, and trails.

General Description of Obstacle Which Limits Mobility or Access	Type of Action to be Taken	Priority	Feasibility
1. No designated accessible parking space, line striping or signage.	Designate off-street accessible space. Provide related striping and accessible signage.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.
2. No accessible route of travel exists to the office space, community garden, camping sites, trails and picnic tables.	Construct a 48" wide w/36" clear width accessible pathway to all facilities.	Highest priority.	Minor modification which requires skilled or specialized work.
3. No accessible picnic tables.	Install one picnic table which provides a clear space under the table top not less than 30" wide and 19" deep and not less than 27" clearance from the ground to the underside of the table.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.



**Dorothy Pond Recreational Area:** Municipal open space consisting of picnic tables, the Dorothy Pond dam, a trail and informal fishing areas. Two informal parking areas provide parking for a maximum of four cars. No signage or markings provide an on-site accessible space. No accessible routes of travel exist to the picnic table, trail and informal fishing areas.

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1. No on- or off-street designated accessible parking space, line striping or signage.	Designate on- or off-street accessible space. Provide related striping and accessible signage.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.
2. No accessible route of travel exists to the picnic tables, informal fishing areas, or trail.	Construct a 48" wide w/36" clear width accessible pathway to a picnic table, informal fishing area, and trail.	Highest priority.	Minor modification which requires skilled or specialized work.
3. No accessible picnic tables.	Provide one picnic table which provides a clear space under the table top not less than 30" wide and 19" deep and not less than 27" clearance from the ground to the underside of the table.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.



**East Millbury Park:** Neighborhood playground and park consisting of 2 baseball fields, 2 basketball courts (3 new nylon nets needed), 8 swings (3 swings need repair/replacement), slides, a carousel, 2 spring rider play components, and 2 picnic tables. The parking area is partially improved, with the parking closest to the entrance being an unimproved and unstable surface. An accessible portable toilet is located on the unimproved parking lot next to the main entrance. No accessible routes of travel exist to the ball fields, basketball courts or play components. None of the 3 bleachers have railings. Future playground equipment replacement or expansion should comply with the guidance provided in the Town of Millbury Accessibility Plan.

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1. No designated accessible parking space, line striping or signage.	Surface an approximately 600 s.f. area to create firm and level parking area next to main entry. Designate one 8' wide accessible passenger vehicle parking space and one 8' wide van accessible parking space, separated by 8' wide accessible access aisle. Provide related striping and accessible signage.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.
2. No accessible route of travel to ball fields, basketball court and play components.	Construct a 48" wide w/36" clear width accessible pathway to all ball fields, play components and the basketball court.	Highest priority.	Minor modification which requires skilled or specialized work.
3. Lack of railings on bleachers.	Install accessible compliant railings.	Highest priority.	Minor modification which requires skilled or specialized work.
4. No accessible swings exist in the play area.	Based on number of swings, add one accessible swing seat.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.
5. No accessible picnic tables.	Provide at least one picnic table which provides a clear space under the table top not less that 30" wide and 19" deep and not less than 27" clearance from the ground to the underside of the table.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.





**Greenwood Street Park:** Neighborhood playground and park consisting of a baseball field, a soccer field, a basketball court (2 new nylon nets needed), 4 swings (1 swing needs repair/replacement), 2 spring rider play devices, and 2 picnic tables. No designated accessible parking exists in the “upper” parking lot. The “lower” lot has two non-compliant striped accessible spaces. An accessible portable toilet is located in the “upper” parking lot. Installation of a new accessible sidewalk on Greenwood Street provides the only accessible route from the “upper” to “lower” parking lots. No accessible routes of travel exist to the ball fields, play components or basketball court from either parking lot. None of the bleachers have railings. Future playground equipment replacement or expansion should comply with the guidance provided in the [Town of Millbury Accessibility Plan](#).

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1. No designated accessible parking space, line striping or signage in the upper parking lot and non-compliant parking due to lack of signage and sufficient access aisle width in lower parking lot.	In both upper and lower parking lots, designate one 8’ wide accessible passenger vehicle parking space and one 8’ wide van accessible parking space, separated by an 8’ wide accessible access aisle. Provide related striping and accessible signage.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.
2. No accessible route of travel exists to the ball fields, play components and basketball court.	Construct a 48” wide w/36” clear width accessible pathway to both ball fields, play components and the basketball court.	Highest priority.	Minor modification which requires skilled or specialized work.
3. Lack of railings on bleachers.	Install accessible compliant railings.	Highest priority.	Minor modification which requires skilled or specialized work.
4. No accessible picnic tables.	Provide at least one picnic table which provides a clear space under the table top not less than 30" wide and 19" deep and not less than 27" clearance from the ground to the underside of the table.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.



**Jacques Park:** A rural “neighborhood” park with minimal improvements and in an overall “poor” condition. The park consists of an overgrown and inaccessible basketball court, a baseball field, 2 bleachers and an accessible portable toilet. The basketball court appears to be abandoned due to the extensive overgrowth and condition of the court. There is evidence that youth are using the court for skateboarding. No formal parking exists adjacent to the basketball court. Should the basketball court be put back into use, it will need to be made compliant by creating an accessible route of travel to this facility. The parking for the baseball field is an unimproved and unstable gravel surface and therefore non-compliant. No signage or striping is provided. The “accessible” portable toilet is located on an unimproved and uneven gravel and grassed surface rendering it non-accessible. No accessible route of travel exists to the ball field or bleachers, in fact a chain inhibits access via wheelchair. Railings are not provided on the bleachers.

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1. No designated accessible parking space, line striping or signage.	Surface an approximately 600 s.f. area to create a firm and level parking area next to the main entry. Designate one 8' wide accessible passenger vehicle parking space and one 8' wide van accessible parking space, separated by an 8' wide accessible access aisle. Provide related striping and accessible signage.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.
2. No accessible route of travel exists to the ball field and "accessible" portable toilet.	Construct a 48" wide w/36" clear width accessible pathway to the baseball field and the designated location of the portable toilet.	Highest priority.	Minor modification which requires skilled or specialized work.
3. Lack of railings on bleachers	Install accessible compliant railings.	Highest priority.	Minor modification which requires skilled or specialized work.





**James Dorenzo Park (a.k.a Dorothy Pond Tot Lot):** Neighborhood park consisting of a basketball court and open field. No on-site parking exists and no signage or markings provide an on-site accessible space. Future playground equipment replacement, if it should occur, should comply with the guidance provided in the Town of Millbury Accessibility Plan.

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5. No on-street designated accessible parking space, line striping or signage.	Designate on- street accessible space. Provide related striping and accessible signage.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.
6. No accessible route of travel exists to the basketball court.	Construct a 48" wide w/36" clear width accessible pathway to the basketball court.	Highest priority.	Minor modification which requires skilled or specialized work.



**Washington Street Park:** Town-wide recreational complex consisting of a baseball field, batting cage, 2 basketball courts, play area (Woolie World), 6 swings, 2 spring rider play components, 2 bleachers, 8 non-accessible picnic tables, and a pavilion containing a concession stand and bathrooms. An accessible portable toilet is located in the parking lot, which is located a significant distance from the pavilion. No designated accessible parking spaces are provided. No accessible routes of travel exist to the baseball field, basketball court, pavilion inclusive of concession stand and bathrooms, batting cage, and various play components. Although “Woolie World” does appear to have accessible play components and is minimally accessible from the parking lot – an accessible route around and within the play area does not exist. Future equipment replacement or expansion, if it should occur, should comply with the guidance provided in the Town of Millbury Accessibility Plan. None of the swing sets contain an accessible swing. The bleachers have the required railings. None of the picnic tables provide the required knee clearance and clear width space. The counter at the concession stand is 41 ½” a.f.f. which exceeds the maximum height limit. The facility also contains 2 wholly non-compliant and inaccessible bathrooms.

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1. No designated accessible parking space, line striping or signage.	Designate one 8' wide accessible passenger vehicle parking space and one 8' wide van accessible parking space, separated by 8' wide accessible aisle. Provide related striping and accessible signage.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.
2. No accessible route of travel exists to the ball fields, basketball courts, play equipment and related facilities.	Construct a 48" wide w/36" clear width accessible pathway to all playing fields and facilities. Direct access into the basketball courts from the parking lot can easily be obtained by removing a portion of asphalt curbing and providing striping.	Highest priority.	Minor modifications which require skilled or specialized work.
3. No accessible route of travel exists to, within or around Woolie World.	Construct a 48" wide w/36" clear width accessible pathway to and around the play area. Install a stable, firm and slip-resistant as well as "impact attenuating" surface around and to play equipment. Acceptable materials include interlocking rubber matting, plastic matting, poured in place rubber surfacing and specially bonded wood fibers.	Highest priority.	Minor modifications which require skilled or specialized work.
4. Public bathrooms in pavilion are wholly non-compliant including door hardware, signage, dispensers and all toilet features. A 7" abrupt change in level surface exits to access both the men's and women's bathrooms.	Construct fully compliant men's and women's accessible bathrooms with either a ramped or on-grade level approach.	Priority.	Major modifications which require skilled or specialized work.

5.	The counter height at the concession stand is constructed at 41 1/2" a.f.f. which exceeds maximum height requirements by over 7".	Construct a counter below the dispatch window with a maximum height of 34" with a minimum of 27" knee clearance.	High priority.	Minor modifications which require skilled or specialized work.
6.	No accessible swing sets exist in the play area.	Based on number of swings existing, add one accessible swing seat.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.
7.	The picnic tables do not provide the required knee and clear width space.	Provide at least one picnic table which provides a clear space under the table top not less than 30" wide and 19" deep and not less than 27" clearance from the ground to the underside of the table.	Highest priority.	Can be undertaken by DPW.



**Conservation Land:** Town of Millbury conservation land at Brierly Pond, Stowe Meadows, and the Davidson Sanctuary is currently unimproved, and is used informally for hiking, birding, etc. If more formalized parking is added, the town should include the appropriate number of accessible parking spaces as per CMR 521.