INTRODUCING

lee lee Baby II: Warsaw's Winter Wonderland Warsaw's Premiere Ice Rink "The Rink"





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Observation Statement



Kosciusko County lacks fun outdoor activities for families during the winter. Our county needs a place for our residents to come together as a community to enjoy the winter season in a healthy and safe way.



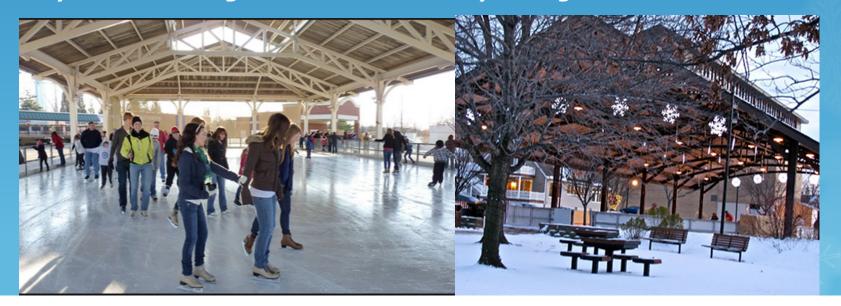
Looking for something to do with the whole family? Don't own skates? Never skated before? Not a problem! Rent skates or bring your own to Warsaw's Premiere skating rink.



"The Rink" offers family fun within walking distance to all the stores and restaurants of downtown Warsaw. Enjoy the beauty of a winter night while skating under the seasonal lighting with open skating hours almost everyday throughout the extended winter season.



We envision this project to provide not only recreational opportunities but actually foster a stronger sense of community throughout the winter months!





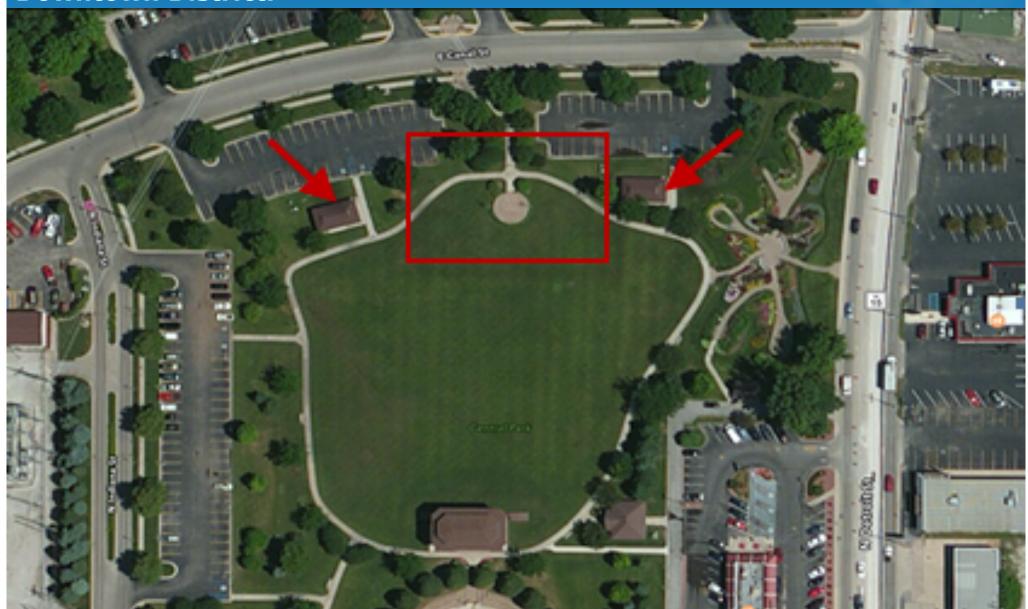


Location



Located in Warsaw's Center Lake Park, the Warsaw Ice Rink is conveniently located near the "heart" of Warsaw's Downtown District.



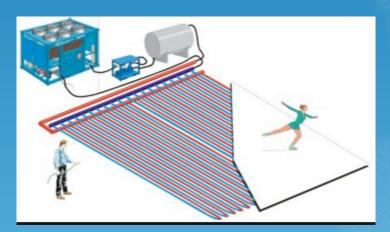


CONSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN

Bad Weather – No Problem! With a large pavilion over the top of the ice rink, weather conditions are rarely an issue. The ice rink is equipped with a cooling system that runs refrigerant through coils underneath the ice allowing the surface to remain frozen at a consistent temperature. With the pavilion and cooling system the ice rink is operable in the 40-50 degree days as well as snowy or rainy weather.













OVERALL BENEFITS

COMMUNITY

In addition to being Warsaw's premiere Ice Skating Rink, it will draw people from many miles away, in nearby communities, as far away as 30 miles and even more if there is a special event. This makes city strangers, as well as the uneducated resident, aware of other services and sights Warsaw has to offer, which in return creates more business for the whole community.

SAFETY

Both skating and hockey are rated as two of the safest sports. This may be difficult to believe, however, because of the potential for hazard the equipment that is required for these sports is very durable and extremely protective, thus increasing awareness and safety. As well, a skating rink is typically a secured area where parents can feel at ease leaving their children unattended in, as opposed to other popular "hang outs" like shopping malls and amusement parks. In addition, recreational activities are much safer on a rink than on a lake.

ECONOMICAL

It's an affordable activity that anyone can enjoy. Many people will choose a fun day of skating at the local rink over spending time and money at other "hang outs".

• SOCIAL

Can be a popular and fun gathering place for single adults, parents, children and teenagers to meet new friends and "hang out". From parents gathering to watch their children play a league game of hockey, to kids and teens enjoying a public session that features their favorite music. The rink will serve as an opportunity for people to gather with their friends and neighbors during the long and sometimes isolating winter season.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Health and Exercise focused -Ice skating is a wonderful form of exercise including cardiovascular benefits, improved muscle tone, & overall benefits of working the body. Entertaining for all skill levels. Can be enjoyed by an individual, or a group, indoors or out, once or on multiple visits.











OVERALL USES FOR THE FACILITY

Proposed Schedule of events during the Season:

- Open Skate Everyday
- Skate with Santa Event
- New Year's Eve Party/Skate
- Glow Party
- O Leagues : Hockey & Curling
- O Make it Your Own: Excellent venue for private events such as Birthday Parties, large groups, church groups and corporate parties!.

Off Season proposed Uses:

- Pavilion Rental:
 - -Company meetings/picnics
 - -Weddings
 - -City Festivals
 - -Parks Department/City Events
 - -Farmers Market
 - -Family Safety Day
 - -Concerts in the Park



Sustainability / Financials

"The Rink" creates an opportunity to recoup lost revenue for Kosciusko County. This also allows for residents to support the "shop local" mentality, in return local businesses benefit.

Closest nearby Rinks

- -Headwaters park Fort Wayne, IN
- -South Haven Ice Rink- South Haven, MI
- -The William E. Urschel Pavilion Ice Skating Rink- Valparaiso, IN



Financials- Initial Start Up Costs

- 80x180 Rink and Refrigeration Cooling System
- Wood Structure (Pavilion)
- Miscellaneous

Skates

Lighting/Sound

Seating

Warming Stations

Ice Resurface Machine

Corporate Sponsors- Advertising Opportunities

- = \$230,000
- = \$200,000
- = \$120,000



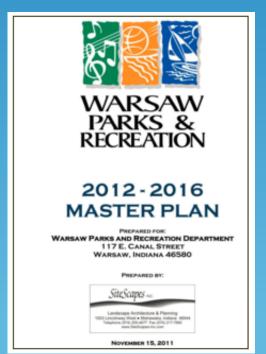


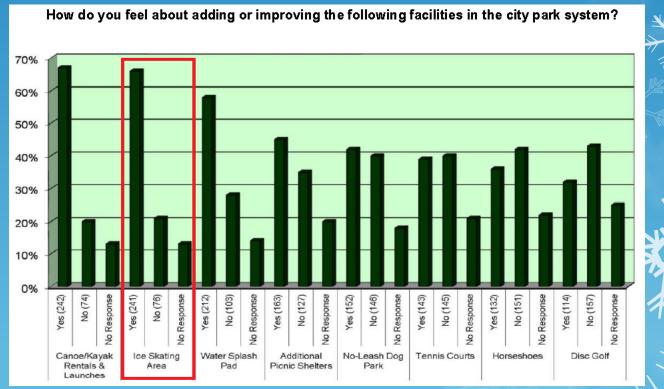
Community Interest

In 2011, an information gathering survey was distributed to community residents by the Warsaw Parks & Recreation Department. The community residents responded positively to the idea of Warsaw having an ice-skating area in the city park system.

The OrthoWorx Young Professional Advisor's (OYPA) group recently polled their group on winter recreation. The majority of the group indicated they would utilize an outdoor ice skating rink if there was one available.

It is obvious there is community interest in an ice-skating area and undoubtedly in a facility that is safe for everyone in the community to enjoy.













3/30/16 -Meeting at City Hall included the following:

- Mayor Joe Thallemer
- O City Planner and Assistant Planners; Jeremy Skinner and Tim Dombrosky
- O City Park's Department Superintendent; Larry Plummer
- O Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce President & CEO; Rob Parker
- OrthoWorx; Brad Bishop, Gennie Brissette-Tipton, Megan Kernodle

The meeting with the City Leaders and other interested parties came to a conclusion that the timing of this project is right and the City Parks Department will take the lead in pursuing this project further along with potentially creating an ad hoc committee.

And If we were the Project Proud Winners...

The committee would utilize the money awarded to assist with the initial architect plans for the project.









