



City Service Centers

Reference: MCC Operating Plan for Scout Properties

Submitted By: Raymond M. Davis, MCC VP Properties

Date: August 19, 2015

MCC has listed the Flint, Auburn and Traverse City Service Center properties for sale. As approved by the Board of Directors in April 2015, the Properties Operating plan calls for the sale and lease back of Councils administrative properties where appropriate. It is the Council's intent to sell the properties to a scout-friendly donor, and lease the space back from that landlord where possible. By doing so, it minimizes concerns about building maintenance, upkeep, property tax and depreciation.

The purpose of this policy is to downsize our inventory of legacy properties to better fit our current needs while providing flexibility in locating and establishing additional shops to better serve our volunteers and families.

Previously announced actions include:

- Sale of Camp Agawam to the Orion Township for public use with specific weeks and weekends reserved for exclusive Scouting use.
- Lease of Lost Lake Scout Reservation for private use with commitments to maintain and enhance the facilities and properties.
- Listing for sale of Paul Bunyan Scout Reservation.

As previously published, the MCC Executive Board utilizes the following considerations before approving the disposition of any of the Council's properties:

- The MCC is committed to being good stewards of our properties, both utilized and closed.
- As a part of our overall stewardship, we must consider that closed properties account for considerable ongoing expenses including taxes, insurance, security and deterioration resulting in rapid depreciation of the assets.
- Our goal is to sell or lease properties we do not see as long term need or requirement for Scouting's use, and to do so before they deteriorate.
- Our considerations are influenced in the hope that properties we sell or lease can continue to be used in their natural state and where possible, available for use by Scouts.
- Our stated intent is that funds received from sold or leased properties be committed to covering our program costs, care for unused properties and for the maintenance and improvement of our active camp facilities to further enhance the MCC camping program.
- Where possible, we would hope that leased or sold property can be open for recreational use and the good of the local community.

If anyone is aware of "land trusts" or individuals who might be interested in acquiring these properties, please contact Ray Davis, MCC VP Properties or Frank Reigelman, MCC Director, Outdoor Adventures, frank.reigelman@scouting.org or 810-228-7501.

This information is being distributed to the following MCC leadership so they may share with their committees and be able to provide concise answers to any volunteer questions or external inquiries.
MCC Professionals and Staff; MCC/FSC Executive Boards and District Key 3.

