

St. James Township Campground - End of Season Report

November 1, 2023

TOTAL CAMPERS: 758 Children: 114 Pets: 77 REVENUE: \$12,096

Busiest Times: Museum Week/Music Festival Month of August

Tony Miller was camp host again this year from Memorial Day to September 11, 2023. His report is on file along with an exit interview.

Camp Host Recommendations:

1. Open from Memorial Day to end of September (Currently May 15 to October 31)
2. Rates stay the same – may want to lower for out of season campers with no host/showers
3. Create an “entrance” to the Campground proper with split rail fence on either side of road with NOTICE signs noting:
 - Speed Limit 5 mph
 - No ORV’s Unless Registered Camper
 - After Hours 11:00 pm to 7:00 am – No visitors
4. Have “Handy Tips” Information flyer available for each campsite
5. Porta-John arrangement worked well with pit toilet house still open
6. Firewood Kiosk worked well – recommend continue
7. Create a Welcome Table Kiosk at Host Site
8. New boards or replace three picnic tables
9. Add Campfire Ring to Host Site
10. Add Grill for Site 7

Campground Improvements:

Access to Beach is a major improvement that would allow easier access to the beach which all campers want and ask for.

Upgrade Pit Toilet House – Paint, roof, Dispensers

Host Site Upgrade: No pop-up purchased unless it is quite large, hard shell upward expanding type or solid trailer, small cabin and/or storage shed. Storage is the main issue – have to store things for four months which is the main reason for large tarped tents/equipment.

Administrative Work:

Need to Update Website and Reservation System for next season
Updated Reservation Fee from \$2.00 to \$3.50