

## Element 6 *Recreation and Open Space* *Inventory*

### 6.1 Existing Recreational Facilities

There are several existing recreational facilities that serve the residents and visitors of the Borough totaling just over half an acre of land. All but one facility provides direct public access to water views and/or water based recreation. The facilities are well-maintained and safe. With the exception of the park across the street from Borough Hall, which is owned by Cape May County, and a few public access right-of-ways, all recreational facilities are owned by the Borough.

A beach and playground consisting of .22 acre are located at 791-795 W. Glenwood, and provides the public with unobstructed water views.

The 0.1 acre park area in the street end of Bay Avenue has is now augmented by the purchase of 13, 17 & 19 Bay Avenue by Cape May County as 0.32 acres of water front parklands.

A park and gazebo is located at 651 W. Glenwood. Next to the park is a basketball court on Neptune Avenue.

On Lake Road at the southern tip of the island is a park with benches and unobstructed water views.

It should also be recognized that Grassy Sound, Wildwood Canal, Post Creek Basin and the connecting water ways provide light air and open space. These bodies of water which are beyond the normal limits of a municipal planning board are an integral part of the community, of how the community functions and how it is perceived.

### 6.2 Recreation Goals

Goal: Pursue opportunities for new recreational facilities.

Objective: As development takes place in the area adjacent to North Drive, there exists opportunities to create walking paths/wildlife look-outs along and through the Conservation District areas. Pursue State Green Acres funding, and research other funding sources.

Objective: Pursue locating and developing a multi-use athletic field.

Objective: Maintain and enhance existing recreational facilities.