

Bayport, Minnesota

“Mayberry on the St. Croix”



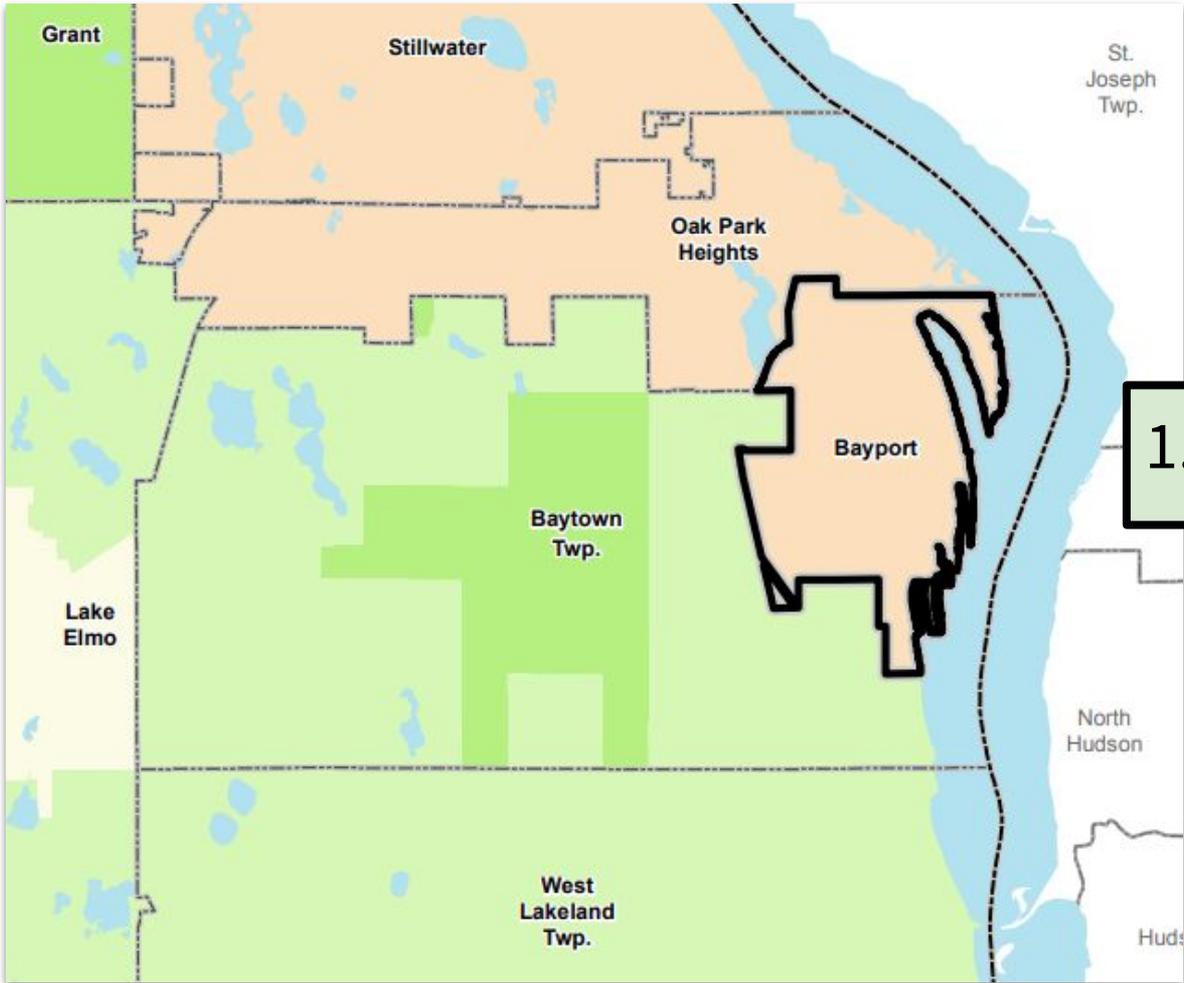
Community Overview for LEAAC
August 28, 2023

Bayport's Beginnings

1873: Became Village of **South Stillwater** from settlements of Baytown, Middletown, and Bangor

1922: To avoid confusion, the Village Council chose **Bayport** from suggested names (not St. Croix or Goodwill) and residents confirmed the selection by vote

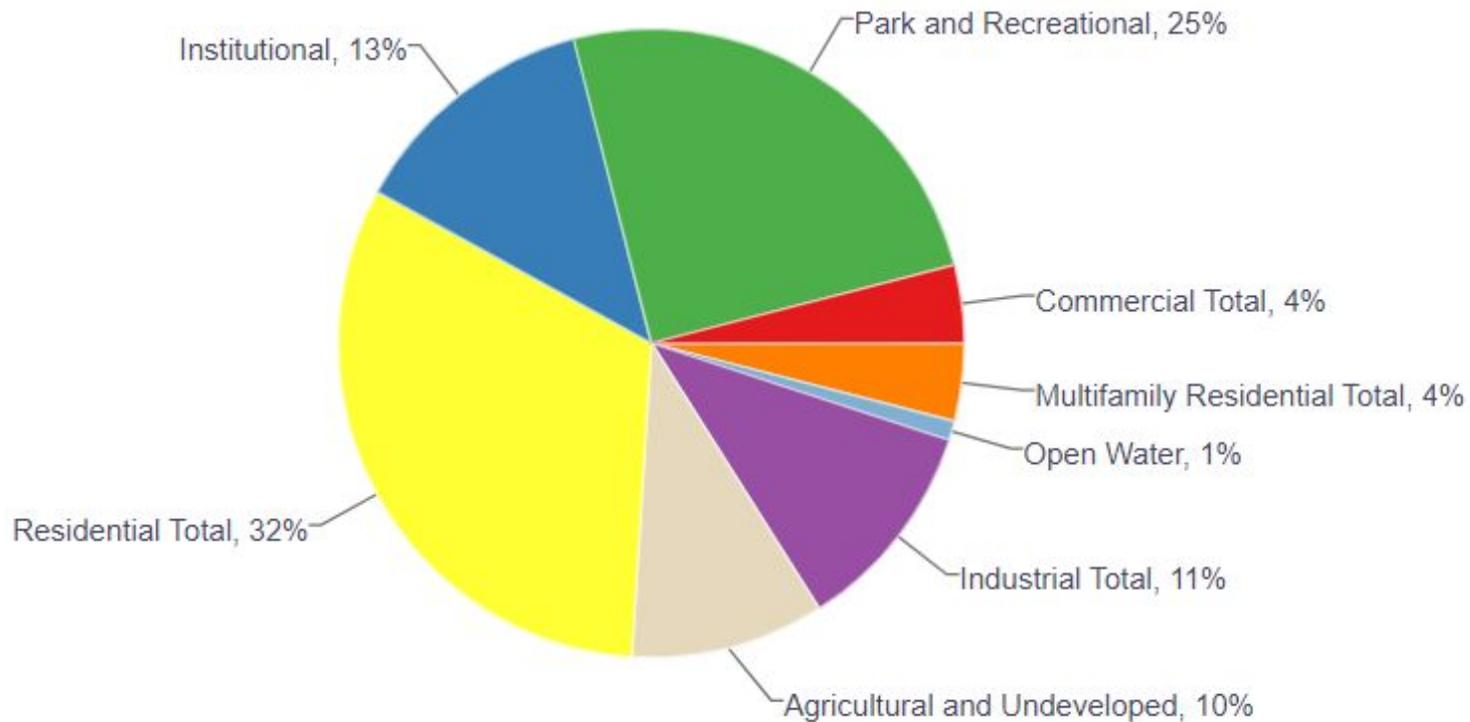




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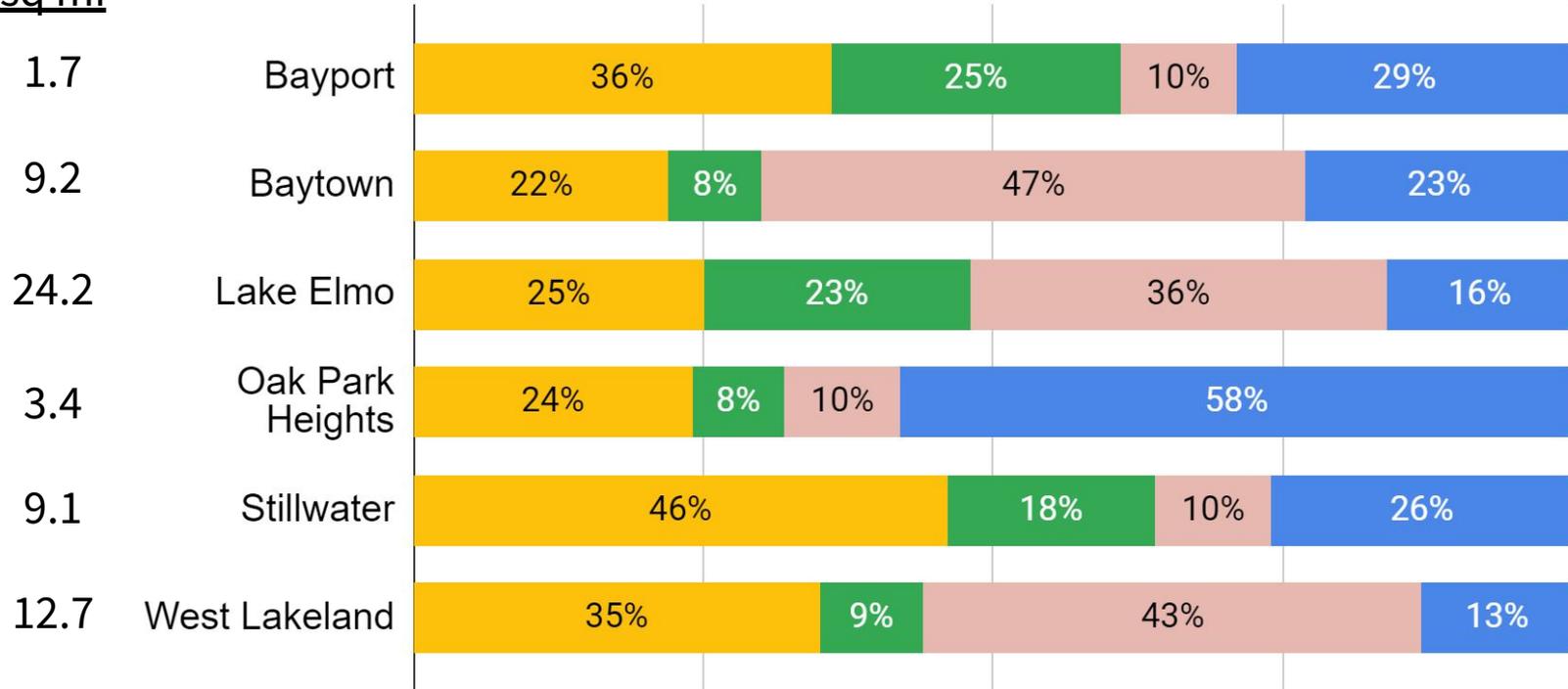
Generalized Land Use in Bayport, 2020



Generalized Land Use Compared

■ residential (incl. multi) ■ parks/rec ■ ag/undeveloped ■ other

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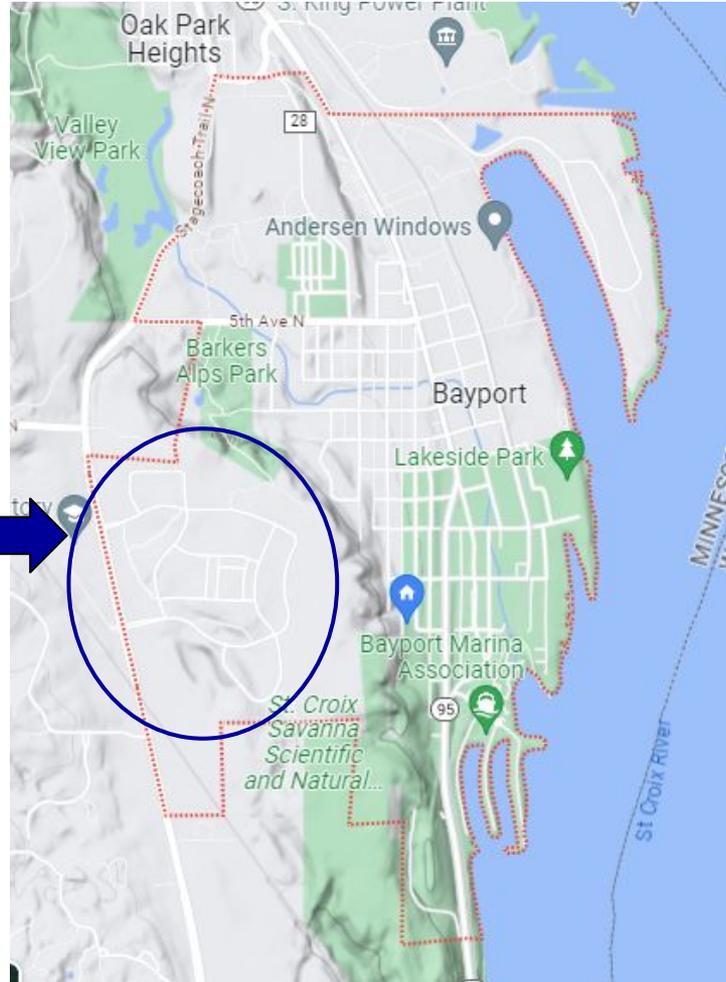


Bayport's Stats

- 4,024 total population, including ~1,200 men in “Stillwater” Correctional Facility
- 965 households
- ~40 businesses including 6 bars/restaurants, 3 marinas, 3 hair salons, 2 chiropractors, a liquor store, gas station, bakery, & bank
 - Headquarters of Andersen Windows
- 2 cemeteries (including 1 city-owned)
- 4 parks + new 11-acre land conservancy on river



Bayport's "New" Development



- Originally designed by ecologists
- First home built in 2005
- 252 home sites
- 250 acres
- 170 acres (70%) = restored prairie, oak savanna, wetland & woodlands



Bayport's Community Partners

- Andersen Elementary
- Afton Bayport Lakeland Lions Club
- Bayport Community Action League
- Bethlehem Lutheran, People's Congregational, & St. Charles Churches
- Boy & Girl Scouts
- Community Thread (senior center)
- Croixdale (senior living)
- SRI (charitable organization)



Bayport's Events



The BCAL

BAYPORT COMMUNITY ACTION LEAGUE

LOCAL VOLUNTEERS CELEBRATING LIFE IN BAYPORT, MN

- **March/April:** Easter Egg Hunt
- **May:** Bar Crawl
- **May:** Memorial Day Parade & Ceremony (Legion)
- **May/June:** City-wide Garage Sales
- **June:** Ice Cream Social & Summer Reading Kickoff
- **June - Oct:** Monday Farmers Market
- **Aug:** Safety Camp & Night to Unite (Police)
- **Sept:** Derby Days - Sept 15 & 16, 2023
- **Dec:** Lighting of the Green



Bayport's City Council

- Mayor + 4 members elected at large
- Meets first Monday of the month



Michele Hanson
Mayor (2023)
Councilmember (2010)



Connie Carlson
Councilmember
(2005)



John Dahl
Councilmember
(2019)



Ethan Gilmore
Councilmember
(2021)



Katie Hill
Councilmember
(2023)



Bayport's Staff



Matt Kline
City Administrator



Sara Taylor
Assistant City Administrator/
City Planner



Simon Wirth
Public Works
Director



Jill Smith
Library Director



Rachel Wallace & Cheryl Gruhlke
Office Support Specialists



Mary Goulette
Accounting Specialist



Bayport's Police Department

- Full-Time Chief & Sergeant
- 5 Full-Time Officers
- + new K9 (Maze)



Laura Eastman
Police Chief



Jay Jackson
Interim Police Chief



Bayport's Fire Department

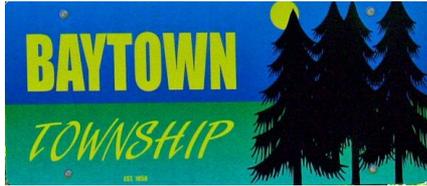
- ~25 Volunteer/Paid on-call members
- Serves Bayport, Oak Park Heights, Baytown Township and West Lakeland Township
- 8 plane crash calls in last 22 years
 - Last one ~5 years ago
 - Class A fire foam for plane & other petroleum fires; working on eliminating PFAs



Allen Eisinger
Fire Chief



Bayport's Hot Topics



Potential Annexation of Residential Property

Landowners' planned residential development with GreenHalo fell through and they are pursuing other options

Fire Service Contract with Partnering Communities

Midpoint of 15-year agreement; review shows revisions are needed to cover equipment costs, potential FT staffing, and budget shortfalls



Closing of Andersen Elementary

Too small; will move to Baytown if bond passes and community input shows lack of support for using part of Barker's Alps Park in Bayport

