



**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN  
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN**

**AGENDA FOR  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION**

**GRAND HAVEN CITY HALL\*  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
519 WASHINGTON AVE**

**MARCH 16, 2026  
7:00 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. ROLL CALL**

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

A. Mulligan's Hollow Ski Bowl Association Update

**4. ADJOURNMENT**



MULLIGAN'S HOLLOW  
SKI BOWL

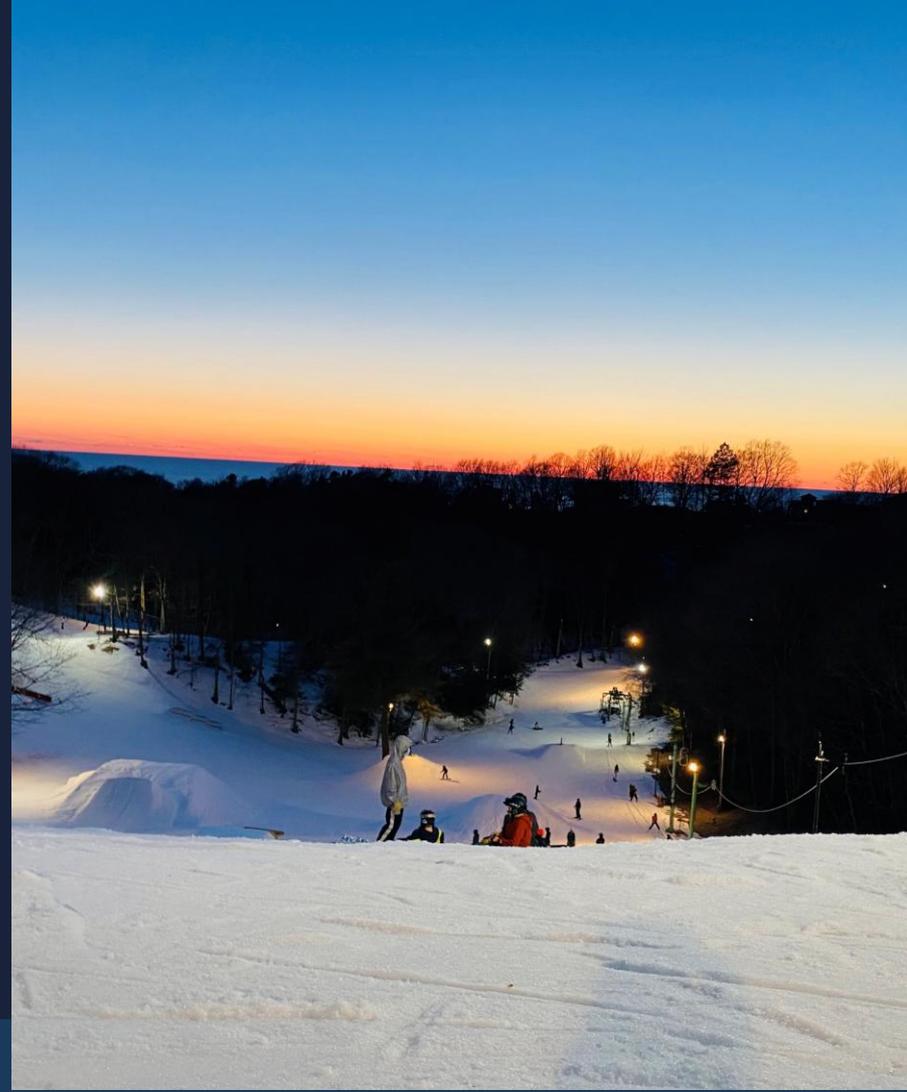
# KEEP THE STOKE. KEEP THE SNOW.

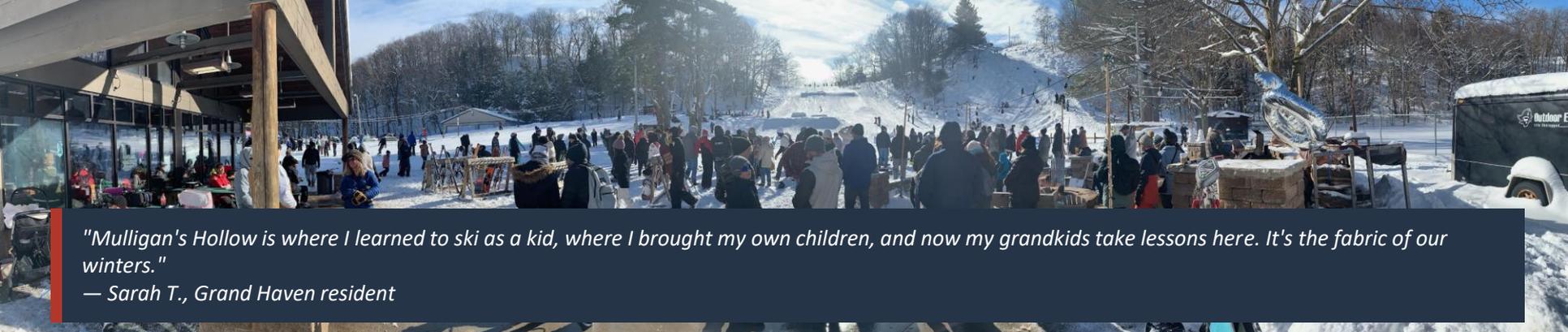
---

*Grand Haven City Council 03/16/2026*  
*Grand Haven's Winter Heritage*

Since opening, Mulligan's has taught over 35,000 kids to ski  
—and 4,000 families return to call it home every winter.

 *Grand Haven, MI · On the shores of Lake Michigan*





"Mulligan's Hollow is where I learned to ski as a kid, where I brought my own children, and now my grandkids take lessons here. It's the fabric of our winters."

— Sarah T., Grand Haven resident

CITY COUNCIL UPDATE · MULLIGAN'S HOLLOW SKI BOWL

# Operations Update

2025-26 SEASON SUMMARY

**4800+**

DAY PASSES SOLD this season

**680+**

SEASON PASSES SOLD  
this season

**800+**

TOTAL LESSONS SOLD  
this season

**\$51,500+**

LESSON REVENUE  
this season

**23**

INCIDENT REPORTS  
this season

**1700+**

FREE PARENT PASSES  
this season

SEASON PASSES		DAY PASSES		MULTI PACKS		
Discount	427	Day Passes	\$69,763.00	5 Pack All Hill	327	\$24,525
Full season	139	Discount copay \$5	\$9,855.00	5 Pack Bunny	96	\$2,875
Employee	80					

# Construction Details

FULL SCOPE OF WORK — WHAT IS BEING REMOVED, REPLACED & BUILT

## WHAT IS BEING REMOVED & REPLACED

COMPONENT	EXISTING CONDITION	REPLACEMENT SPECIFICATION	SCOPE
Main Distribution Pipe	40+ yr original installation — failing, material unknown	Ductile iron, high-pressure — 900+ PSI rated	3,000+ lin. ft.
Underground Electrical	Original wiring — aging, undersized for modern loads	New direct-burial cable — 4 dedicated circuits	6,300+ ft of cable
Hydrant Pit Assemblies	Aging above-ground connections, no automation	Underground automated pits with freeze protection	15–18 locations
Pump Station	Undersized, aging, no redundancy	New high-pressure station — 200–270 HP	1 complete station
Pump House (new)	No dedicated structure exists	Purpose-built structure — concrete slab, mechanical & electrical	New construction
Control System	Manual operation only — no remote monitoring	Computer control w/ remote monitoring capability	Full hill
Snow Guns (Phase 2)	Aging fleet — limited count, high maintenance	New high-efficiency guns — 45–70 GPM output each	10 units (7 tower / 3 portable)

## CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES



### Trenching & Excavation

Open-cut trenching full slope — base to summit — for pipe and cable burial. Rock contingency included.



### Pipe Installation & Pressure Testing

All ductile iron sections installed, joined, pressure-tested, and inspected prior to backfill.



### Site Restoration & Reseeding

Full revegetation, reseeding, and surface restoration of all disturbed terrain.

## KEY NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

PIPE LENGTH

**3,000+** ft

10+ football fields end to end

PIPE PRESSURE

**900+** PSI

6x a standard garden hose

ELECTRICAL CABLE

**6,300+** ft

Over 1 mile of new wire

SNOW OUTPUT / GUN

**70** GPM

Fills a hot tub in <2 min

# Engineering Plans Overview

UNDERGROUND INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT — PHASED APPROACH

## WHAT WE ARE ENGINEERING



### Full Underground Snowmaking Infrastructure

Complete replacement of all buried piping, electrical, hydrant pits, and pump station — none of the existing underground infrastructure will remain



### Two-Phase Engineering Scope

Phase 1: underground infrastructure, pump station & primary distribution. Phase 2: snow gun fleet replacement and full terrain coverage



### High-Pressure Water Distribution

New system engineered at 300+ PSI — double current capacity — with ductile iron pipe rated for 900+ PSI



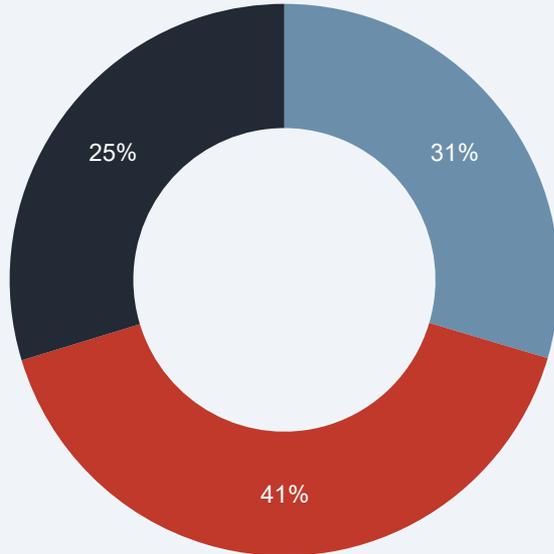
### Dedicated Electrical Infrastructure

6,300+ feet of new cabling with 4 independent circuits powering all rope tow and snow gun operations



# FULL PROJECT FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN

Total Project: \$1,495,000



■ Raised ■ Phase 1 Remaining ■ Phase 2

## PHASE 1 — Underground Infrastructure Rebuild

<b>RAW MATERIALS SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$640,000</b>
Installation, labor, engineering, and permitting	\$393,000
<b>PHASE 1 TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,033,000</b>

## PHASE 2 — Snow Gun Modernization

Replacement energy-efficient snow guns	\$415,000
Installation & system integration	\$47,000
<b>PHASE 2 TOTAL</b>	<b>\$462,000</b>

**TOTAL PROJECT INVESTMENT** **\$1,495,000**

Funded to date: \$375,000 | Phase 1 & 2 Total Remaining: \$1,165,000

\*\*\*While these are the current costs we, are actively working to reduce costs.

# FUNDING STATUS — WHERE WE STAND & WHAT WE NEED

## TOTAL RAISED TO DATE

**\$460,000**

Mulligan's Hollow investment	<b>\$225,000</b>
Community donations	<b>\$235,000</b>

*44.5% of Phase 1 goal*

## STILL NEEDED — PHASE 1

**\$573,000**

Materials order	<b>\$640,000</b>
Installation balance — Fall 2026	<b>\$393,000</b>

*\$1,033,000 Phase 1 total · \$460K + \$573K = ✓*

## PHASE 2

Snow Gun Modernization

**\$462,000**

*Before Winter 2027/28*

TOTAL PROJECT

**\$1,495,000**

## PHASE 1 FUNDRAISING PROGRESS

PHASE 1: **\$1,033,000**

PHASE 2: **\$462,000 (2027/28)**

Raised to date (\$460k)

Remainder of Phase 1

Phase 2

## NAMING & RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES

★★ LEGACY \$100,000–\$249,999 · Pump House or Run Naming Rights

★ CHAMPION \$25,000–\$99,999 · Infrastructure Recognition

SUPPORTER \$1,000–\$24,999 · Donor Wall & Annual Recognition



# Help Us Keep the Snow Flying.

*Mulligan's Hollow stands out as a quintessential destination for snowboarding enthusiasts, embodying the essence of winter sports charm. This ski resort captures the heart of many, becoming a favorite spot not just for its exhilarating slopes but also for the breathtaking scenery it offers. Snowboarding here is more than just a thrilling ride; it's an experience filled with natural beauty and joy. Whether you are a beginner or an expert, the slopes here cater to all levels, ensuring that everyone can enjoy the winter wonderland. Join the community of riders who recognize this gem and make unforgettable memories on the slopes!*

— Johnathon Buckhouse, Professional Snowboard Vlogger

**Over 50,000 runs made every season —  
help us make the next 2,000,000 possible!**

[brent.warner@luminartech.com](mailto:brent.warner@luminartech.com) | Vice President  
[abby@mulliganshollow.com](mailto:abby@mulliganshollow.com) | Fundraising + Event Chair



**Scan the QR code to donate directly  
to the Mulligan's Hollow Capital Campaign**

[https://ghacf.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund?funit\\_id=3772](https://ghacf.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create/fund?funit_id=3772)

*Thank you for believing in this hill and its future — with gratitude and urgency.*