Elmwood Community Centre contains a large upper auditorium with kitchen and bar, downstairs dining hall with full kitchen. Regular rentals include conferences (Farmers Week, Woodlot Association), Elmwood Chamber Bingo, Seniors activities, and life celebrations. Orginal community centre built in 1966 and expanded in 1992.

Fully serviced Pavillion with washrooms, kitchen and bar. Regularly used for Chamber Wing Nights, and other get-togethers. Playground updated with new ground cover materials in 2023.



2023-2024 saw new dugouts and rehabilitated infield for the ball diamond at the ECC. New Co-Ed softball league was formed this year with more team joining in 2025.

Elmwood digital sign is located at the Lions Park. Both the Community Centre and the Lions Park are supported and operated jointly by a Board representing West Grey and Brockton.

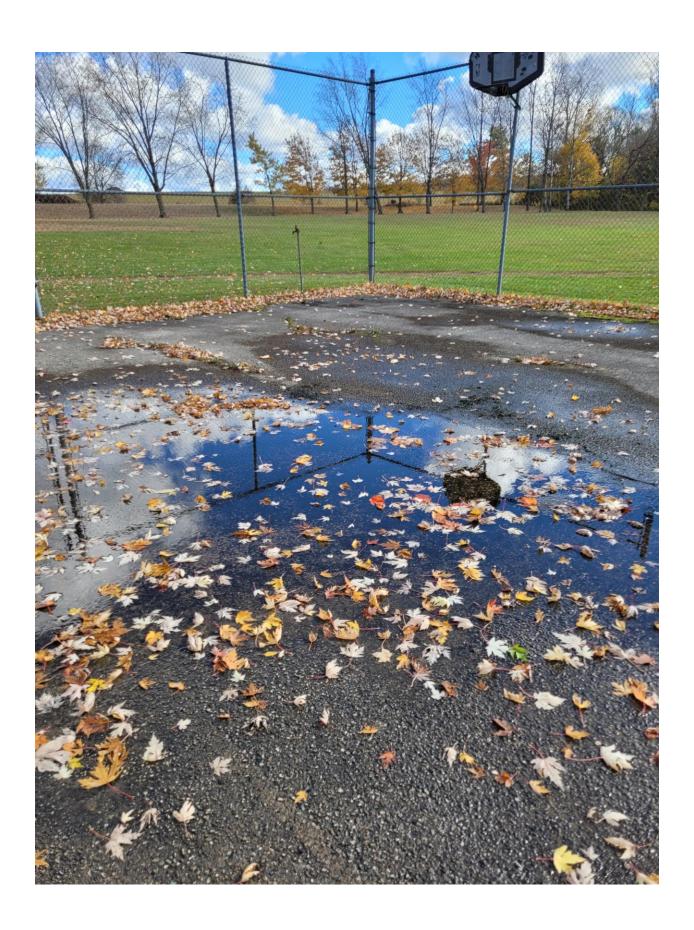
Electrical outlets installed by the Chamber in 2013, are used to light the community Christmas tree, and the tennis courts in the Lions Park.

Historic entrance to the Lions Park. Note the ditch and culvert for drainage. Ball diamond was used in the 70s but the field was always wet so the ECC diamond was used predominantly.



Playground is in good condition and passes safety inspections. New ground cover would be preferable to gravel.

Tennis courts are unsafe and in poor condition with cracked uneven court surface. At one time the community used the courts for tennis, basketball, shinny, and was flooded for an ice rink in the winter. The Board would like to build a pickle ball court in this location.



Benches purchased by the Homecoming 2014 are now bent and need replacement.

Picnic shelter was built with funds from Homecoming '94. Now the floor is broken, roof needs reshingling and there should be access to electricity for family gatherings.



Deficits of the Lions Park:

Grounds are too wet for use, not safe for walking or playing on the field year-round.

There is a need for a new picnic shelter and a pickleball court.

There are lots of young families living in Elmwood, and the park and community centre are the heart of our small community.

With new playgrounds and parklands improvements in our border municipalities, it is time to invest in Elmwood. While grants or significant investments will be required for major improvements to the Lions Park, the Elmwood Community Centre Board requests a modest budget request.

Capital Project Funds for 2025 Budget Considerations:

Carpeting for upstairs hall including stage, stair treads to downstairs hall and carpeting for lower accessibility sloped ramp. The requested expenditure is \$15,300.

Lions Park - drainage, new benches and pavillion upgrades - requested funds \$15,000.

Respectfully submitted,

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