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The weather was outstanding for exploring St. Ignace. There is a boardwalk along the lake through most of the city. The entire shoreline is not super long but for a city of 2,500 people, it is quite long. The boardwalk is in need of a little repair and there are many 'out of business' businesses. The pandemic was tough on this little town, however, rejuvenation is in process with a 25 mile boardwalk construction project in process.

The Great Lakes are just magnificent, clear, salt and shark free and today Lake Huron was wavy, few white caps but the constant sound of waves hitting the rocks was relaxing.



There was a rather large art and craft fair in town, so we meandered through and found quite a few items we liked. Kai sampled several types of hot sauces and purchased a couple. A lot of yard art was available, and some wood workers and candle makers grabbed our attention. We did walk away with some candles, a lazy Susan, a purse, and hot sauce. There were a lot of dogs there, but we pouched Olivia and Stevie had a great time greeting and receiving pets.

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Straits Park at the base of the Mackinac Bridge was our next stop. This is a small park with great views of the 5 mile <u>Mackinac Bridge</u>. The dogs waded in the water and we enjoyed the scenery. The park was staged for the annual <u>Labor</u> <u>Day walk across the bridge</u>.



Since there are no dog friendly restaurants in St. Ignace we took the dogs back to the RV and went to The <u>Gangplank</u> which has a large patio overlooking the park on the bay. The food was OK but the people watching was great.

