



Memorandum

TO: City Council, Parks and Recreation Commission
From: Adam Huehnergath, Parks and Recreation Manager
RE: Monthly Directors Report April 2026
CC: Mick Michel, City Administrator
Date: May 18, 2026

Aquatic Center:

The pool has been filled, and the chemical balancing is underway. Thanks to the great work from Terry Recker and Joe Reicher putting the pool to bed last fall, getting the pool ready this year has been trouble-free. The opening day will be Memorial Day, Monday May 25th. All the lifeguards have their certification and are attending in-service training. With over 19 lifeguards this year, we hope to offer some fun activities later in the summer. As of now, we have 150 people signed up for private lessons which are full. In addition, we have 320 signed up for group lessons. There are still a few spots for group lessons. The floor of the bath house was painted, and the shade structures are up.

Field of Dreams Tournaments:

The FoD tournaments started last weekend. They will run for 16 weeks with the larger ones attended in June/July. The improvements made on the fields are working to keep the grass in decent shape with the amount of use. We have had four weeks of Prairie League games and fields are in great shape. The FoD grounds crew has been training, and I will be working with them getting the fields ready by noon every Friday. The batting cage for Candy Cane should be in place in the next couple of weeks.

Live Healthy Iowa Track Meet:

We held our 4th track meet Wednesday and had record attendance. 136 athletes registered and completed on a great weather night. It was a little hectic at times, but a free event run by people who only have a track meet once a year, I think it was a great event. The kids had a great time. We ended up having the 3rd most attended even for the LHI group out of 20+ Iowa sites. The top two runners in each event qualified for the state meet in Clear Lake on June 13th..

