

Memorandum

TO: City Council, Parks and Recreation Commission
From: Adam Huehnergarth, Parks and Recreation Manager

RE: Monthly Directors Report August 2023

CC: Mick Michel, City Administrator

Date: September 18th, 2023

Bocce Ball Court:

The construction of the new Bocce Ball court will start in the next month. It has been decided to be south of the pickleball courts. We initially wanted to put it between pickleball and the Candy Cane diamond. Leaving that area free for future growth and easier accessibility to the parking lot led to the move. Grant Demmer is heading this project up to complete his Eagle Scout requirements. Coincidentally, I am attending a conference tomorrow that has a section on building bocce courts hosted by the Rec Director from Urbandale.

Flag Football:

The inaugural season of Dyersville NFL Flag Football started last Monday. They will play six Mondays through October 16th. Westside Park was packed Monday, and the kids had a great time. The fields we designed fit perfectly in the outfields of the baseball diamonds and are very accessible for fans. After the season I will get together with the coaches to analyze what went right/wrong and adjust for next year. The logical next step is to add 1st/2nd grade division.

Westside Park Lights:

During a wind storm last month we had a light stanchion fall on field #1. The bottom part of the wood that was underground was rotting and apparently not a solid structure. I am working with Terry Recker to go through the options. That field houses games for the older grade kids and is used for most of the FoD tourneys. It is the only field we have that can accommodate games for kids over 12-yrs old.