



JUNE 2023 PARK MONTHLY REPORT

This month in the park and cemetery department the employees have been busy working on various improvement projects as the dry weather persists. This month I had Carrico Aquatics up to look at the pool cleaner and replace the tracks and bands as this is an expected maintenance task every couple of years. The park employees replaced the brushes on the trail brush this week as another scheduled maintenance task. Aiden Raber has been working on finishing the work on the log cabin replacing the joint material. The park guys dropped on two benches for the PD for their new area in front of their building. On Tuesday, I travelled to Cedar Falls as I had nominated Joe Bouska for the governor's volunteer award for his work with the park and rec board and the joint effort between the park department and United Way that we have worked on for the past few years. The pool is doing great as we started the first group swim lessons this week with the summer school program that marched the kids over from the elementary school. We also received a shipment of chemical for the pool water chemistry this week and completed the monthly bact sample. The park and cemetery employees have been working on clearing out the waterline between the pool and wings park this week. We have seen a lot of vandalism at Wings recently so will clear the area then we can shoot a camera or two over in that area of the basketball hoops. Downtown flowers are being watered every morning and ongoing weeding and garbage pickup. Craig and Carolyn are doing great with the campground as usual, and trails were swept. On Monday evening I met with the tree board for our monthly meeting at the park building.

At the cemetery the employees cleaned out some suckers that were growing in the bushes in Memorial. At Redgate Park the holding tank was pumped out as we need to 2x a season. Both departments have been working together up at Wings Park clearing the waterway between the pool. This project makes the area look so much better, will reduce the mosquito population around the pool area and give us a clear view of the park. We have directed a few pool cameras towards the park due to all the vandalism that we have experienced there lately. On Friday, we spent the entire afternoon cleaning up a property the city bought that had tons of overgrowth in the backyard so the guys could mow it. Carolyn and Craig are doing a great job at the campground as usual. This week we are wrapping up the first round of group lessons with the school program. This month we closed the pool for the swim team 2 times for their home meets of the season. Concessions is still doing great this season selling lots of product. The contractor is done grouting the log cabin in the downtown area. The park employees have been busy removing a few more dead ash trees this past week as well. The trails and skate park were swept once again. The cemetery prepared a cremation burial and a full burial for Friday at Woodlawn. I sent out the agenda for the Monday night park and rec meeting to the board. I have been working on the state recreation trail grant through the DOT, which I hope to wrap up next week and send out.

Nate and Chris used the patch machine and completed some road work on the cemetery roads this past week. Russ and Cooper painted the bridge rails on west Charles Street downtown. Dion has been busy cleaning downtown, weeding and watering the hanging baskets every morning. The vandalism persists as someone removed a water fountain head at Redgate Park that we replaced right away. The park employees all helped with replacing boards and painting extra picnic tables at the shop so that we have them ready to go when needed. The cemetery employees were busy removing a few old utility poles at City Park that were not needed and removed two dead small oak trees. We have been taking care of watering at the depot park to ensure the hydro seeding takes hold and comes up in this dry weather. The cemetery employees took down two small dead ash trees on the back side of Woodlawn as the never-ending task of ash tree removal carries on. The park employees have been completing some extra trimming along trails and waterways to keep things looking great. Steve S. took the power sprayer to City Park and cleaned off the small children's playground area as they like to drag mulch into the equipment, and it makes a mess over time. Marc B. took the power sprayer to the brick pedestals this week as well to brighten them up and the park employees stopped by the library and trimmed off a branch that was broken. Carolyn and Craig are keeping the campground looking

great as always. The pool is doing great with this dry weather as the second session of swimming lessons is finishing the first week and private lessons have started. I had Marc B. power spray the concession area to keep it clean as product gets dropped on the concrete. The park employees painted some poles that we will install at diamond one for foul poles. On Monday I hosted the park and rec meeting at the aquatic center and showed the board several of the improvements that we have made over the past couple of years. The swim team approached me this week and told us that all the other communities that have attended their home meets at aquatic center have been giving them compliments on how nice the facility looks. The park employees mowed the rec fields and any other areas that need to be knocked down if necessary. I have been working on finishing the state recreation trail grant to submit at the end of the month. I will be meeting with the contractor and engineer next week to go over the drain project for the pool as the contractor is close to getting started on the project.

Nate and I watered the depot park to get the soil saturated to give the hydroseeding a great start. At Woodlawn the employees took down an ash tree along the cack side of the cemetery along the west property line. Nate had to step in for the rec department to drag a diamond for a little league game on Friday. At Woodlawn Chris J. has started working on straightening the waterway up front through memorial and 18. Storm damage was rather minimal as the employees spent a morning picking up a lot of branches and lost a bush at the cemetery. At Levin Park the park employees painted the bicycle art that was left from when ragbrai went through town. The park employees have been busy swapping out s-hooks and chains on swing sets and playground equipment throughout the park system. The guys also grabbed a bunch of couplers to replace ones that have failed to secure the tile around the equipment that holds in the safety fiber. On Monday the cemetery had a cremation burial and on Tuesday the employees had a full burial that they prepared. On the trail by the pool the park employees installed a set of handrails on the west end of the bridge as the slope down to the waterway is rather steep. The park employees replaced the flag at City Park that was blown down in the storm over the weekend. At Woodlawn the employees dug up the road to replace a waterline that broke last fall due to someone planting a tree directly over the line many years ago. I met with the engineer, contractor and Alliant Energy on Tuesday about the pool drain project. The contractor finished their previous job early due to the dry weather and will be starting this project immediately. On Wednesday, we all dropped what we were working on to go up to the wellness center to help get water out of the building and brought up our large fan to help dry things out. At the aquatic center the second session of swim lessons concluded, and private lessons are ongoing. The campground is filling up for the busy holiday weekend as the campground host is doing a great job making the place look great. The Tree Board got their hardware this week in recognition for earning the Growth Award for last season's work.

CLEANER MAINTENANCE



NEW BRUSHES



LOG CABIN MAINTENANCE



BENCHES



GOVERNOR'S VOLUNTEER AWARD



SWIM LESSONS



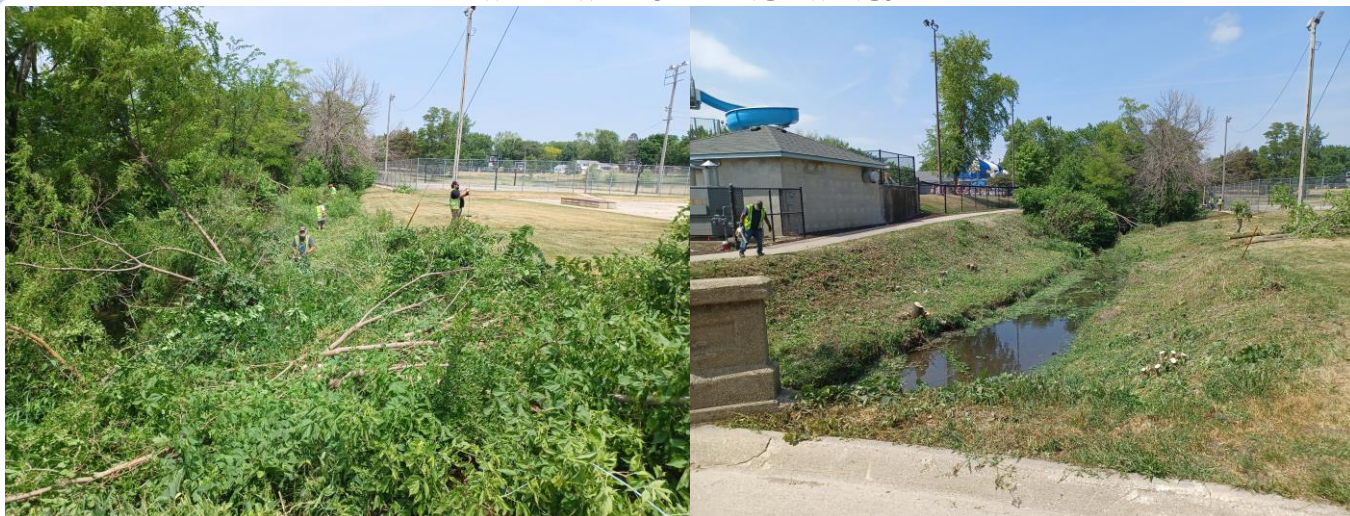
CHEMICAL DELIVERY





WATERWAY CLEARING - WINGS

PARKS / CEMETERY / TRAILS / AQUATICS / CAMPGROUND



VANDALISM AT WINGS



CLEANING BUSHES OUT



REDGATE PARK

WINGS PARK



VACANT PROPERTY CLEANUP



OPEN SWIM





GROUP LESSONS



ROAD PATCHING

PAINTING



REPAIRING VANDALISM

PICNIC TABLE REPAIR

UTILITY POLE REMOVAL



EXTRA TRIMMING



WATERING



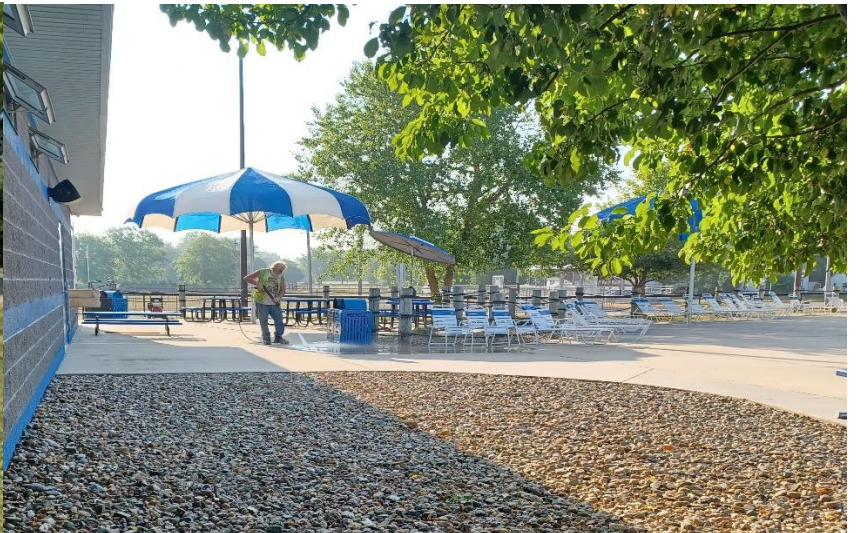
ASH TREE REMOVAL



TRAIL TRIMMING



POWER SPRAYING





POWER SPRAYING

FOUL POLE PREPARATION



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WATERING

ASH TREE REMOVAL

DIAMOND PREP



WATERWAY STRAIGHTENING

STORM DAMAGE

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PAINTING



PLAYGROUND WORK



GRAVE PREPARATION



NEW RAILINGS INSTALLED



FLAG REPAIRED



SWINGS CHAINS



WATER LINE REPAIRS





POOL DRAIN PROJECT

WELLNESS CENTER

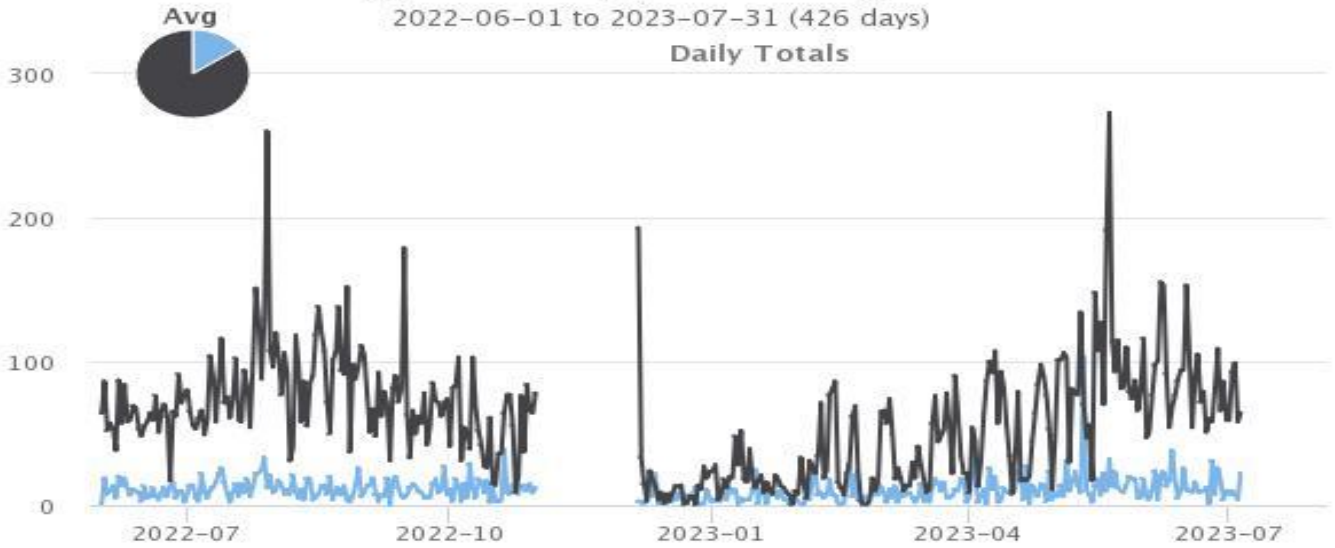




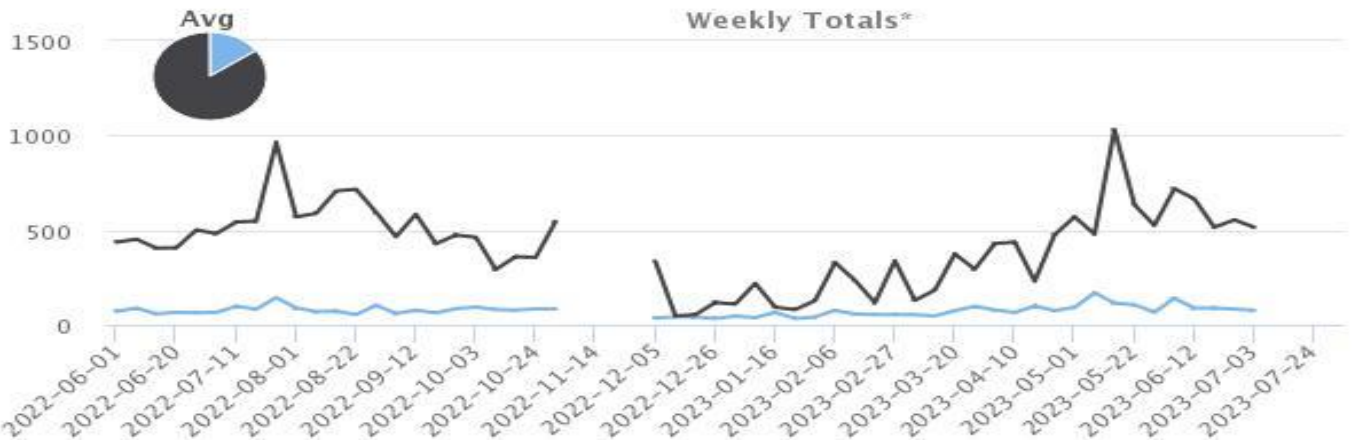
Daily/Weekly/Monthly totals

2022-06-01 to 2023-07-31 (426 days)

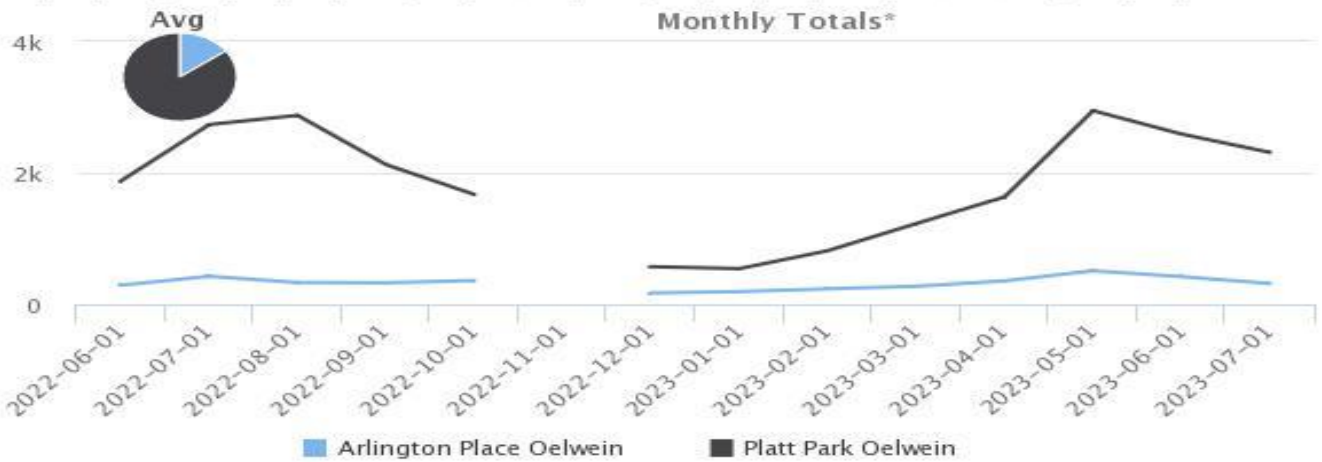
Daily Totals



Weekly Totals*



Monthly Totals*



Master Summary

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Year	Site	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	ADT†	ADT†x365	Days with data
2022	Arlington Place Oelwein	146	207	158	148	199	290	426	332	327	362		173*	8,303	3,031	330
	Platt Park Oelwein	394	548	1,002	1,297	1,984	1,877	2,736	2,877	2,127	1,672		572*	51,497	18,796	330
2023	Arlington Place Oelwein	193	235	274	356	510	421	316*						10,968	4,003	186
	Platt Park Oelwein	543	816	1,229	1,635	2,948	2,592	2,313*						54,495	19,891	186

ADT† = Average Daily Traffic

* = based upon that month's ADT [Learn more](#) Indicates months with less than 6 days of data.

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DAILY ACTIVITIES

- CLEAN/ORGANIZE SHOP AREAS
- PICK UP DOWNTOWN AREAS
- MAINTAINING PARK, CEMETERIES
- MAINTENANCE ON EQUIPMENT
- SAFETY MEETINGS
- MEET WITH CONTRACTORS
- RETRIEVE & UPLOAD TRAIL COUNT DATA
- WOODLAWN BURIALS
- EMPLOYEE ORIENTATIONS/VIDEOS
- CHECK POOL CHEMISTRY MORNINGS

PROGRESS ON PROJECTS

- WEBSITE UPDATING
- TRAIL EASEMENTS/GRANTS
- WORK ON PARK AND REC MASTER PLAN
- LATHAM BENCH INSTALLED
- GOALSETTER HOOPS AT REIDY
- PATCH PARK/CEMETERY ROADS
- GRINDING STUMPS
- ASH TREE REMOVAL
- POOL WORK
- TRAIL MAINTENANCE
- SWIM LESSONS
- PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS
- POWER SPRAYING
- BRIDGE RAILINGS INSTALLED
- WATER LINE REPAIR
- CLEANUP VANDALISM

NEXT MONTH AND FUTURE PROJECTS

- REMOVE OLD WELL HOUSES CITY PARK
- DRINKING FOUNTAIN PLATT PARK
- REPLACE DECKING ON OLD BRIDGE
- GRANT WRITING
- ASH TREE REMOVAL
- POOL FILTER/DRAIN PROJECT
- TRAIL SEGMENT 2
- TRAIL SEGMENTS 4/5 ALIGNMENT
- PLAYGROUND MULCH WINGS
- CEMETERY SIGN INSTALL
- GRINDING STUMPS
- DIRT WORK COMPLEX
- MULCH AT PLATT PARK
- INSTALL FOUL POLES DIAMOND 1
- FLAGPOLE DIAMOND 3
- PAINT ACCENT BRICK – POOL
- FINISH LEVIN SIGN
- PAINT SHELTER-PLATT
- INSTALL BACKBOARD AT WINGS
- CLEARING WATERWAY WINGS
- INSTALL DRINKING FOUNTAIN-PLATTS
- REMOVE PRIMITIVE AT REDGATE
- PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT WORK

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