

#### **December Parks Monthly Report 2019**

#### Parks / Cemetery / Aquatics / Campground

**Park and Recreation** 

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Jay has been working on some projects outside, as the weather was warmer during the first weeks of December. Jay and I dropped a large willow tree south of the dog park at City Park that was dying and was a safety issue. Jay cut up the tree trunks into pieces so that we can haul it away at a later date. We met with contractors to go over a new window project at the aquatic center this week. This new window location would give concessions visibility of the actual pool so they can be more aware of what is happening and help as needed. Jay put up some new LED lighting at the shop so that workstations are well illuminated. I finished work on the Tree City Growth Award and will submit with final approval.

This past month I submitted the interim report for the Well mark foundation large matching grant for the Wings Park trail project. I had Jay pick up three drinking fountains that are a CIP item. I ordered some LED lighting for the flagpole at Woodlawn and at Oakdale. Jay completes his daily walkthrough of downtown every morning picking up garbage. Jay has been organizing the different shops getting things hung up and put away. Jay has also been studying for his pesticide applicator license, which he hopes to complete in the next month. Jay and I have been doing some minor snow removal on sidewalks/ sanding and salting. I have been working on trail projects as I met the engineer this week and we walked the next segment that we would like to complete. We dug a grave this week for a funeral today. Jay and I set two concrete foundations at the dog park for a senior seminar project in which three students are going to be fabricating some benches.

This week jay has been busy with upgrading signage in some of the parks. We are completing annual upgrades to the SDS book in the park maintenance shop. This week the lift was inspected this week for its annual check. We received some metal cabinets from the PD that is perfect to house our handheld power equipment. I had Jay pull the batteries out of all vehicles to keep them inside until he can get to the maintenance of those trucks as he is finishing the mowers. Last Thursday we had a full burial and on this Wednesday, we had a cremation burial for Jamison funeral home. I have also been spending a lot of time working on trail work for future extensions that we are presenting on Monday at the council meeting.

This week Jay has finished the mower maintenance and starting in on vehicles. At Woodlawn, we had a headstone delivered for the Scott family that Jay assisted. I had all employees with a CDL come in and register with the new online system with the DOT. New flammable cabinets where delivered and put into service at the park and cemetery maintenance buildings. This weekend we have a cremation burial for the Straw family at Woodlawn. I have been finishing the monthly and year-end reports for the park department. I am also finishing work on the Annual Park and Rec brochure and hope to distribute next week. This past week I submitted the Fayette County Community Foundation grant proposal to upgrade the electrical services at City Park for the Oelwein Celebration. I have been working with Jon with trail work for the next segment of trail that we want to complete this next season. I have updated the memorial bench policy, and working on updates to lock out tag out program and pesticide storage area, forms and procedures. I also updated the burial application form for Woodlawn Cemetery that we have the funeral homes fill out.



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Dying willow tree dropped



New possible window for concessions

LED lighting



Growth award

Tree Board Volunteer Award are Ainit



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with Governor's Volunteer Award

Members put in an estimated 27,000 hours of service a Trees Forever \$5,000 grant, Johnson said. "They are really By DEB KUNKLE

because of their unwavering support to maintaining the beauty of an urban canopy and all things green in the comment was recently honored with a Governor's Volunteer Award at a special recognition ceremony in Cedar Falls. Colewien Parks Superimendent Josef Johnson band Type are really a first-rate group of guys."

"They volunteer all the time for various projects and plantings, and help fill in. They have worked with the FFA Hoosters, the DNR, and recently planted mominated the Tree Board on Oct. 31 at the See AWARD, page 2



Oelwein wrestling opens season with pair of dual victories

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**Electrical Upgrades** 

EAB in City Park

Anchors for Volleyball

Viaduct cleaning







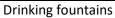


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Well mark report



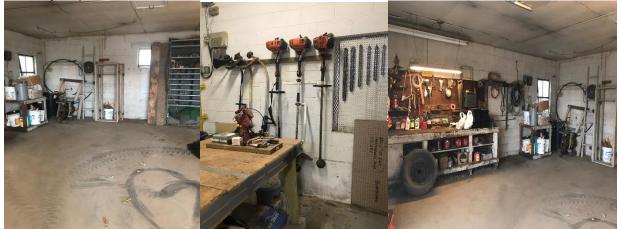








Cemetery shops



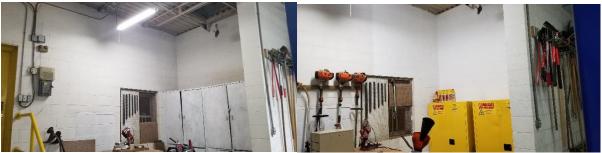
Stone delivered

Shop organization

CDL registration



Flammable cabinets delivered





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Cremation burial

Maintenance

Annual Park report

Park and Rec brochure



Foundation grant

Trail work





# **Daily Activities**

- Pick up garbage downtown
- Checking parks, cemeteries, cleaning bathrooms
- Monthly safety checklist
- Maintenance on equipment
- Order supplies for different departments
- ❖ Work with trails committee, Friends of Trails
- Safety meetings with departments and city
- Prepare graves for funerals

# **Progress on Projects**

- Updated park and rec brochure
- Completing year-end report
- Winterized all facilities
- Trail extension at Wings Park
- Trails committee meeting
- School program started work on cemetery sign/bathroom security doors
- ❖ Working with Alliant Energy to move poles for next trail segment



# **Next Month and Future Projects**

- Tree Board meeting
- Trails Committee meetings
- Park and Rec meeting
- Wings Park trail extension
- Pool mini golf area
- Park master plan
- Grant work
- Diamond 3 fencing
- Pool LED conversion
- Old bridge prep for new placement
- Trail segment 1C work
- Website work
- Cemetery signs

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