

#### MARCH 2024 PARK MONTHLY REPORT

This past month I met with the tree board on Monday evening to go over various upcoming projects that are scheduled. On Wednesday, the tree board received word that the city is a recipient of the Tree City Award because of the hard work this volunteer board put in this past year. On Friday, I met with a contractor to get pricing on a new door for the storage area at Wings Park. Nate and I have been working on getting things started at the pool so we have plenty of time to make sure everything will be ready for the season. On Tuesday, I met with the pool manager to go over schedules and get certifications and training lined up. Nate has been working on rewiring the 20' trailer to ensure everything is working properly for the upcoming season. Seasonal help will be hired back in the next few weeks as the warm weather continues, mostly returning employees with a few new people. I worked with Shawn from the street department to replace the seals on the rear tire of the skid loader that started leaking. The volleyball equipment that the rec dept. ordered was put together by the park department and delivered this past week. New playground informational signs were designed and sent to Iowa prison industries for quotes as well as new rules sign for the skate park. I am getting pricing for some new palm leaves for the tiki play structure at the pool as some have been ruined by the wind over the years. This morning Nate and a couple of the cemetery employees are preparing a grave for a Friday burial at Woodlawn. I collected monthly trail counts and completed our monthly report.

This past month I submitted a grant proposal for CPR manikins for the city to purchase for lifeguard training as well as FD & PD training. I had Nate take a load of construction debris from past projects to the landfill. I read the three applications and submitted the scoring for TAP trail funding to the county. I had Nate grab the flowerpots from storage for the downtown and take them up to the school for the FAA program to start the flowers in their greenhouse. Nate and I took the bucket truck to the pool to fix one of the permabrellas that required some attention. Nate and I replaced all 200 light bulbs at Depot Park taking out the color bulbs with the regular clear bulbs. Nate has spent some time finishing the painting at the concessions area at the pool this week. We learned this week that our trails bill was finally passed by the state senate subcommittee and committee which is where it has been hung up the past couple of years. I typed up the agenda for Monday's Park and Rec meeting and prepared my report.

This past month I hosted the park and rec meeting at the park building where we discussed a new monument proposal for Woodlawn. After the meeting I walked the board members around the shop showing them all the improvements we have made to the facility over the past few years. On Monday, we brought the returning employees in for videos and orientation. The employees have been working on going through all the parks, empty lots, and cemeteries picking up sticks and debris. The park employees took fence ties and went around the dog park and aquatic facility reinforcing the fences. The cemetery employees took the grave heaters and propane tanks to the back and started cleaning the roads with the street sweeper. The cemetery employees are preparing a full burial for Friday morning for Jamison and a cremation burial for Saturday. I contacted vendors for mulch for the downtown and safety fiber for the playground areas. Kim and I started interviewing kids for the aquatic center that are new to the facility this year. The small motor/pump was taken to Thomas Electrical for some routine maintenance and reinstalled. The park employees took leaf blowers around all structures in the parks blowing leaves out of shelters and fence lines. The cemetery employees borrowed the street sweeper and started cleaning the roads at Woodlawn. The equipment was brought back into the concession room as it has had a fresh new coat of paint put on it this spring. The park employees started putting the eyeball inlets back into the walls of the pool and draining the diving well down as needed. The cemetery employees took the pole saw around and trimmed trees along the roadways at Woodlawn.

This month the employees have been making great progress in getting facilities ready for the upcoming season. The park employees have been working in City Park burning off some excess leaves, clearing sticks, grinding stumps, sweeping streets. The cemetery employees have been working on sweeping streets and organizing different areas so that it all looks nice. The park employees have been working on putting the aquatic center back together as there is always a ton of work to complete to get the facility ready each spring. The park employees have started construction of the gravel bed at the shop



area. The cemetery employees started working on the campground churning up the pads and smoothing the pads out and cleaning out fire rings. The guys also had a full burial at Woodlawn this past week and have been working on putting black dirt down on past winter graves. The nets were brought out at the sports complex along with garbage cans and bleachers for the upcoming soccer season. The park department also made the phone call to get portable toilets lined up for the rec soccer. The park employees installed a memorial bench in Platt Park that was donated by the Delong family.

#### TREE CITY RECOGNITION

Dear Tree City USA Award Recipient,

Congratulations, I have received and approved your Tree City USA 2023 application.

The lowa Urban Tree Council would like to invite you and two additional community representatives to receive your Tree City USA award at our 33rd annual Community Forestry Award Luncheon. The Luncheon will take place on Wednesday, April 4th from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM at the FFA Enrichment Center







GRAVE PREP SWEEPING POOL MAINTENANCE



GRANT PROPOSAL







SENATE CALENDAR 25 MARCH 14, 2024

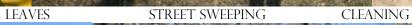
HF 35 Sweeney A bill for an act relating to private land available for public use for recreational purposes. By Ingels. [Similar/Companion To SF 275] (Eligible: 03/13/2024).



TRAIL SWEEPING STICKS MAINTENANCE

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CONCESSIONS POOL WORK TREE TRIMMING











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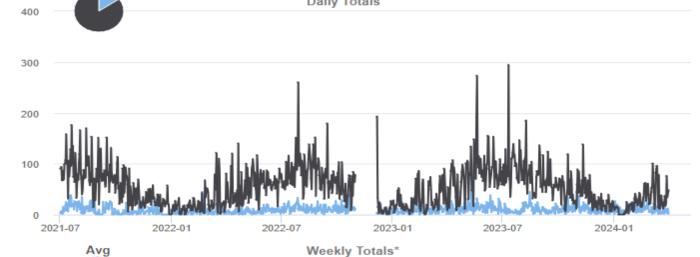


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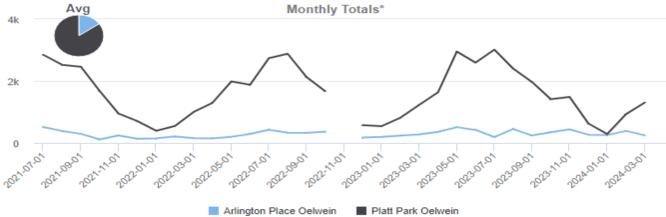
# Daily/Weekly/Monthly totals

2021-07-01 to 2024-04-30 (1035 days)

Daily Totals







# **Master Summary**

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Year	Site	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	ADT <sup>†</sup>	ADT <sup>†</sup> x365	Days with data
2021	Arlington Place Oelwein							512*	388	294	115	242	134	9.115	3,327	183
	Platt Park Oelwein							2,845*	2,523	2,458	1,675	950	704	60.454	22,066	183
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	190	451	241	347	441	266	10.753	3,925	365
	Platt Park Oelwein	543	816	1,229	1,635	2,948	2,592	3,013	2,399	1,969	1,411	1,485	628	56.625	20,668	365
2024	Arlington Place Oelwein	254	389	247										9.780	3,580	91
	Platt Park Oelwein	287	930	1,305										27.714	10,143	91
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ADT<sup>†</sup> = Average Daily Traffic

<sup>\* =</sup> based upon that month's ADT Learn more Indicates months with less than 6 days of data.



### **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
- ➤ SPRING MAINTENANCE
- ➤ GRANT WORK

### PROGRESS ON PROJECTS

- ➤ WEBSITE UPDATING
- > TRAIL EASEMENTS/GRANTS
- ➤ WORK ON PARK AND REC MASTER PLAN
- > TRAIL MAINTENANCE
- ➤ HIRE EMPLOYEES BACK
- > SPRING PREPARATIONS
- > SUBMITTED AARP GRANT PROPOSAL
- ➤ GRINDING STUMPS
- CEMETERY SPRING CLEANING

- ➤ POOL PREPARATIONS
- > RECEIVED TREE CITY RECOGNITION
- ➤ RECEIVED GROWTH AWARD RECOGNITION
- ➤ CIVICREC WORK
- > CAMPGROUND PREPARATIONS
- ➤ INSTALL MEMORIAL BENCH AT PLATT PARK
- > GRAVEL BED SUPPLIES CONSTRUCTION
- > STARTED PUMPING DOWN DIVING WELL
- > SUBMITTED TAP FUNDING APPLICATION

# **NEXT MONTH AND FUTURE PROJECTS**

- ➤ REMOVE OLD WELL HOUSES CITY PARK
- ➤ REPURPOSE OLD WINGS BRIDGE
- ➤ GRANT WRITING
- ➤ TRAIL SEGMENT 2
- ➤ TRAIL SEGMENTS 4/5 ALIGNMENT
- ➤ DIRT WORK COMPLEX
- ➤ PAINT ACCENT BRICK POOL
- ➤ REMOVE PRIMITIVE AT REDGATE
- ➤ PLAYGROUND SLIDES CITY PARK
- > POOL BOILER REPLACEMENT

- > SPRING PREPARATIONS
- UNITED WAY DAY OF CARING
- > DIAMOND PREPARATIONS
- > UTILITIES TO PLANT TREES IN CHRYSLER
- ▶ BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS
- > FIX WATER SHUTOFFS AT CEMETERY
- ➤ SWEEPING TRAILS/STREETS
- > MULCHING DOWNTOWN
- ➤ POOL HIRING
- > FLAGPOLE

JOSHUA JOHNSON MA OELWEIN PARK SUPERINTENDENT

