



## JANUARY 2023 PARK MONTHLY REPORT

This past month in the park department we have been busy working on lots of snow removal. The guys had a burial on Saturday and prepared another full burial for this Friday. Nate has been working on maintenance of equipment and installed disc basket signage. Our grant proposal was submitted to the Fayette Community Foundation for a trails project. An application for the Tree City Growth award was submitted this past month for the work completed on the tree survey this department had completed this summer. Johnson finished the annual park and recreation brochure we distribute every year and wrapped up the yearly department report which is posted on the website with the park and rec brochure.

Nate finished up with snow removal, cleaning off the skate rink at Wings Park and completing more maintenance on cemetery equipment. The employees were in to dig a grave for a Monday burial and a cremation burial for next week. Johnson turned in a grant proposal to the RJ McElroy trust for a trail project this past month. The second Monday night of the month was the department presentation to council for all budget items. The second Tuesday, Nate attended safety meetings at the Fire Department on asbestos awareness, silica and concrete safety, and welding safety. On Wednesday, Johnson traveled to Decorah to attend the Upper Explorer land meeting to discuss trails at 9am. At 10am Johnson attended the regional park and rec meeting at the Decorah city hall. At 1:30 Johnson attended the new budget software meeting at City Hall with other department heads. Johnson finished up the Park Department annual report and turned it in as well as sent out the agenda for Mondays Park and Rec meeting. Johnson also signed up Nate and himself for their annual certified pool operator continuing education class in two weeks, required for pool maintenance.

Nate has been busy working on the shop when he has time, painting, and reorganizing. At Woodlawn we had a full burial on Monday and a cremation on Wednesday. We were all busy early this morning with snow removal with all the city properties. Late last week I attended Hunter Woodward's senior seminar final presentation to wrap up the school's part in the new Woodlawn Cemetery sign. The sign was started several years ago by another student and finally assembled this past semester. Dave Sondrol agreed to donate this sign as he did with the limestone sign at the front entrance of the cemetery. The sign is a touch over 30' long and stands 9' tall that will be installed this spring at the entrance straight east of the office once it gets painted. The auto lift at the shop was inspected for its annual certification this past month. On the third Tuesday of the month Johnson hosted the January Park and rec meeting at city hall and have been talking to individuals about trail easements.

This past week in the park department Nate has been busy trying to keep ahead of the weather with the skate rink as the warm temperatures melted the top layers. Snow removal continues this part of the year as we have been busy with all the city properties and Nate cleared some delinquent sidewalks for community development this week. We received a full burial notice for this Saturday that the guys dug on Wednesday for Jamison. Nate and Johnson trimmed the evergreens at Woodlawn Cemetery around the east entrance in preparing for the new sign. Johnson met with Cristin with Alliant Energy to discuss the overhead service line and they will probably replace their older pole past the entrance area to raise the line a few feet. The fourth Monday of the month Nate and Johnson travelled to Cedar Falls to attend the required continuing education course for our certified operator licenses for the aquatic center. Johnson met with insurance rep Lisa Bahe, to go over departmental equipment and building inventory as they do every year.



BURIALS



SIGNAGE



SNOW REMOVAL



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**OELWEIN PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
2023 ANNUAL BROCHURE**

Oelwein Park and Recreation Oelweinparks.org

**OPRD Mission Statement:**

"It is the mission of the Oelwein Parks and Recreation Department to create recreational opportunities and provide consistent, reliable public service, creating diverse programs and services to promote community involvement, and being a leader in recreation and leisure services while preserving our facilities for future generations."

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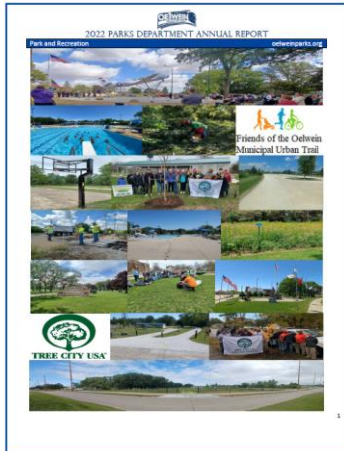
- Park Facilities
- Trails
- Aquatics
- Wellness Center
- Recreation
- Campground
- Special Events
- Cemetery
- Sponsorship

**City Facilities:**

The Oelwein Parks Department, under the supervision of Superintendent Joshua Johnson MA, maintains 9 parks and recreational areas containing more than 175 acres of land. Also under the Parks Department's care is a 40 site campground that offers kayak and paddleboard rental on a 55 acre artificial 'no wake' lake, numerous shelter and playground areas and 5.45 miles of walkable trails and the Oelwein Family Aquatic Facility. The City of Oelwein currently offers nine shelters that are available for rental among several other smaller shelters throughout the parks. The Oelwein Family Aquatic Center offers Red Cross private swim lessons and facility rental for birthday and company gatherings. The Oelwein Recreation program is under the supervision of Jessica Turfitt, which offers several leagues, clinics, competitions and events for youth and adults. The Williams Wellness Center provides optional 24 hour access, gym, weights, cardio equipment, track, racquetball court, fitness classes and personal training. Woodlawn Cemetery provides quiet well-maintained grounds to commemorate loved ones buried within the grounds.



### ANNUAL REPORT



### REGIONAL MEETING



# McElroy Trust



### MAINTENANCE



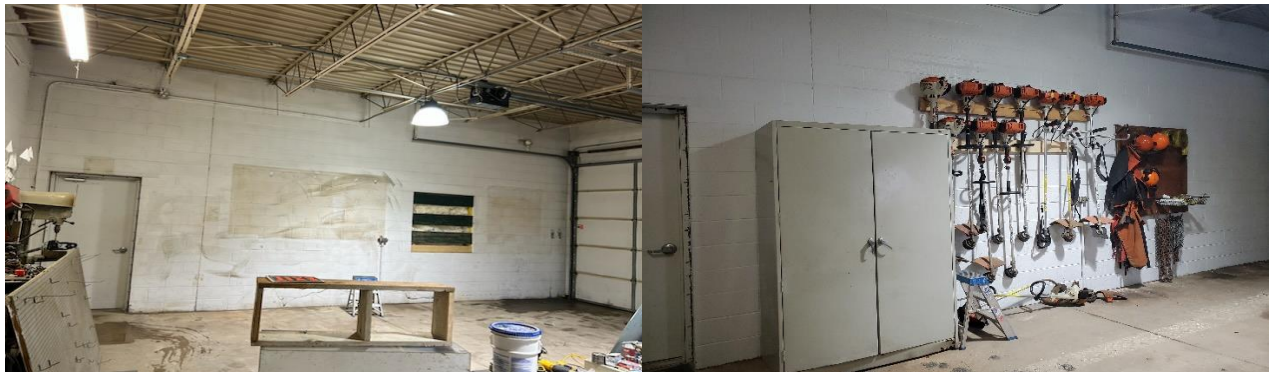
### BURIAL



### ICE RINK



### SHOP WORK





SNOW REMOVAL



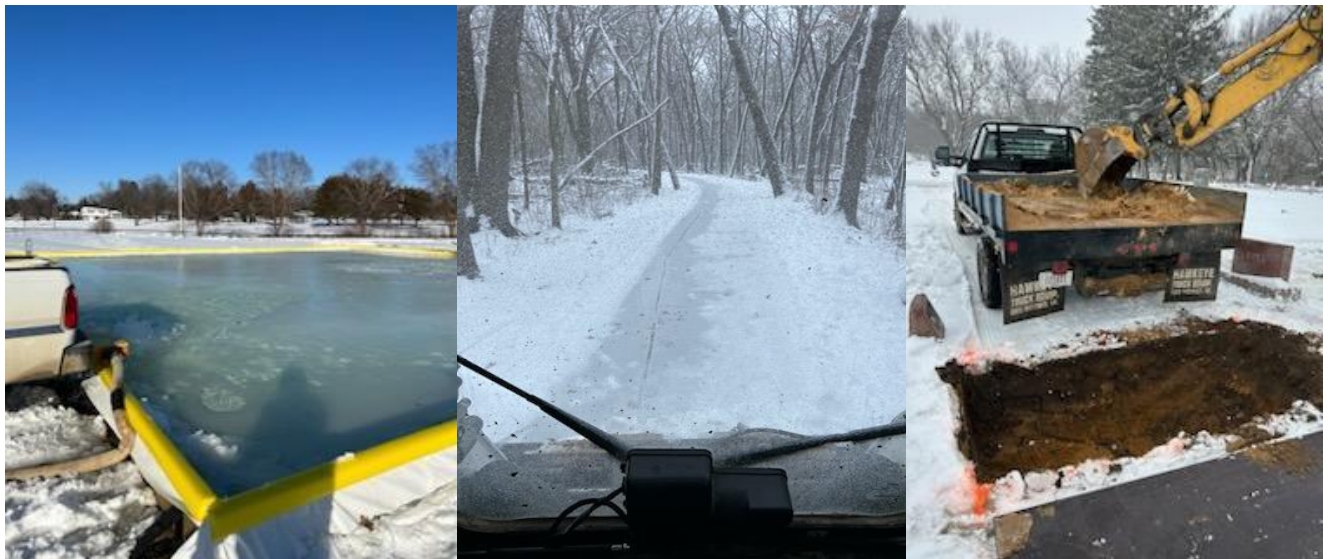
WOODLAWN SIGN



ICE RINK

SNOW REMOVAL

GRAVE PREP



PARKS / CEMETERY / TRAILS / AQUATICS / CAMPGROUND



REMOVAL



TREE TRIMMING



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PARKS / CEMETERY / TRAILS / AQUATICS / CAMPGROUND

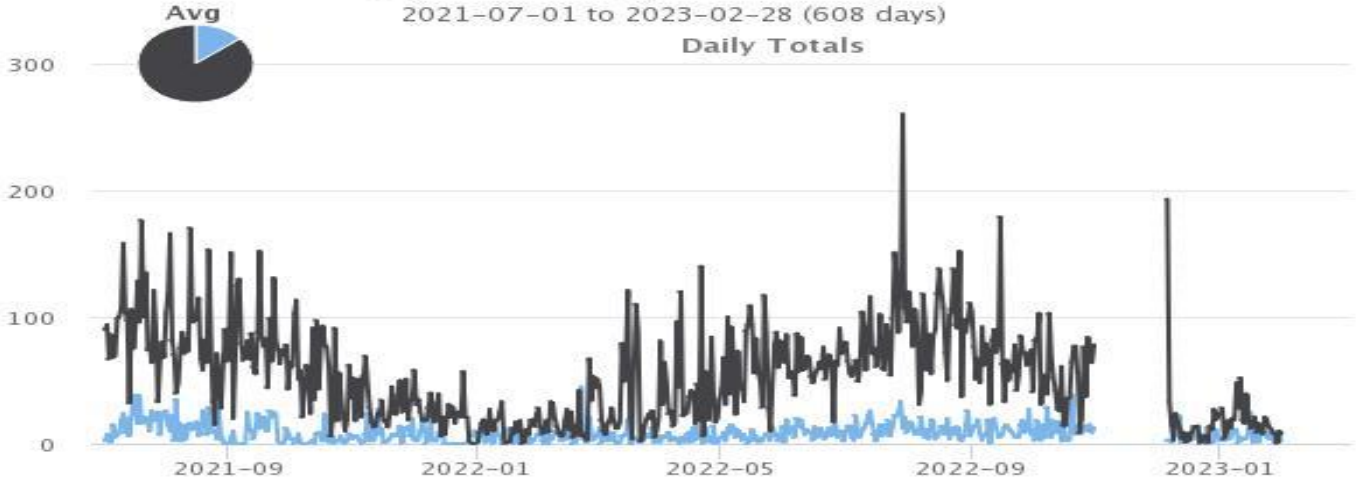


# TRAIL TOTALS

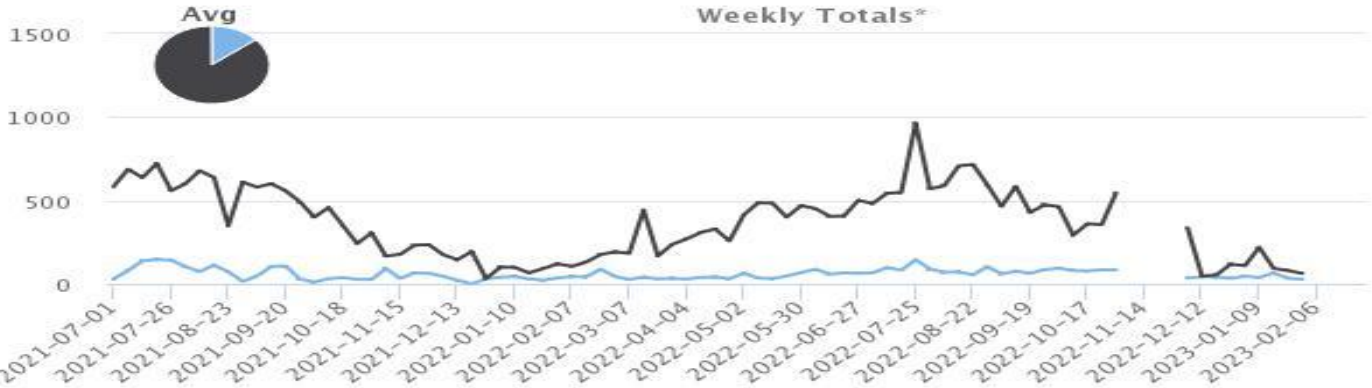
## Daily/Weekly/Monthly totals

2021-07-01 to 2023-02-28 (608 days)

Daily Totals



Weekly Totals\*



Monthly Totals\*



■ Arlington Place Oelwein ■ Platt Park Oelwein

### 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
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												6.226	2,272	31
	Platt Park Oelwein	543												17.516	6,393	31



## DAILY ACTIVITIES

- ❖ Clean/organize shop and equipment
- ❖ Pick up garbage downtown
- ❖ Checking/maintaining parks, cemeteries
- ❖ Maintenance on equipment
- ❖ Order supplies for all departments
- ❖ Safety meetings
- ❖ Meet with contractors
- ❖ Retrieve & upload trail count data
- ❖ Snow removal
- ❖ Trail sweeping
- ❖ Woodlawn burials

## PROGRESS ON PROJECTS

- ❖ Website updating
- ❖ Finished Park and Rec brochure
- ❖ Ice rink maintenance
- ❖ CAT grant submitted
- ❖ RJ McElroy grant submitted
- ❖ Trail easements/grants
- ❖ Work on Park and Rec master plan
- ❖ CIP pricing/budget
- ❖ Disc golf signage installation
- ❖ Snow equipment ready

## NEXT MONTH AND FUTURE PROJECTS

- ❖ Remove old well houses at City Park
- ❖ Drinking fountain install Platt Park
- ❖ Replace decking on old bridge
- ❖ Grant writing
- ❖ Ash tree removal
- ❖ Pool filter project
- ❖ Pool drain project
- ❖ Pool boiler
- ❖ Prairie planting
- ❖ Diamond 3 in-field fencing
- ❖ Equipment maintenance
- ❖ Trail Segment 2
- ❖ Trail Segments 4/5 alignment
- ❖ Playground mulch at Wings
- ❖ Disc golf signage
- ❖ Aquatics work
- ❖ Latham bench install
- ❖ Trail signage
- ❖ Cemetery sign installation
- ❖ Patch Park/cemetery roads
- ❖ Trim trees along trails
- ❖ Grinding stumps
- ❖ Campground prep
- ❖ Winter grave work
- ❖ Spring foundations
- ❖ Shade structure installation @ pool
- ❖ Dirt work complex
- ❖ United Way – Day of Caring
- ❖ Foundation presentation

JOSHUA JOHNSON MA  
OELWEIN PARK SUPERINTENDENT

