

## RESIDENT INPUT SUMMARY

6/14 to 7/14/17

### Old Business

- 5/15 Boy Scout Troop 237 called to reschedule the Super Scout Clean Up (cancelled due to severe weather).
  - Rescheduling this event, as well as other service projects for the boys to earn their Ecology Badges for similar service projects was discussed. Attached are a few pictures of the scouts planting iris, and different milkweeds at the new Island Prairie boardwalk June 28, 2017.



### New Business

- 6/15 a resident left a message requesting a dead skunk be removed from Kinston Park.
  - 6/16 Staff were dispatched to remove the dead skunk.
- 6/22 A resident working on a playground project for her church asked for advice or contacts of playground installers.
  - 6/23 The resident was provided with names of contractors by Ed Reidy, Superintendent of Parks.
- 6/26 Bill O'Shea began his first day as Assistant Superintendent of Parks (FYI).
- 6/26 An Island Prairie resident called to apologize for ruts / dead grass caused while accessing park district property to move material into their back yard. They stated they would correct the issue with grass seed.
  - 6/26 A message was left with the resident regarding the need to add black dirt to fill the ruts, along with applying grass seed, and if the Park District was made aware of the project in advance, we would have loaned the resident black mats to minimize the damage.

- 6/27 A Brookside Glen resident called with concerns about the water level in the retention ponds behind her home. She stated that the water looked low and muddy, and if her children were to go in the pond they would be stuck in the mud.
  - 6/29 A voicemail was left informing the neighbor that the water level looked fine and the pond did not look muddy. The Superintendent of Parks asked a landscape contractor to stop dumping grass clippings on Park District property at this location. There was some sandbar willow and scrubby cottonwood trees the Park District would address, but overall, the area looked good.
- 6/27 Wildcats Football asked if the Park District changed the locks on the score tower as they were having trouble accessing the building.
  - 6/27 The Wildcats were informed that the Park District did not change the locks.
- 6/28 A Lighthouse Pointe resident emailed to inform that the Park District's mowing contractor missed an area at the corner of Grand Traverse and Port Washington.
  - 6/28 A phone call was placed with the mowing contractor regarding this issue.
  - 7/8 (Saturday) The Lighthouse Pointe neighbor emailed again to inform the area had still not been mowed.
  - 7/10 (Monday) Park District staff mowed the missed area. The Superintendent of Parks again spoke with the contractor and stressed that this area had been missed again on the last mow.
- 6/28 A resident called and left a message to return her call.
  - 6/30 I left a voicemail asking if this was the same resident that stopped by the Community Center and spoke with staff about mower damage at Woodlawn Park. I had walked Woodlawn Park several times and not found any damage.
  - 6/30 – 7/3 Emails were exchanged confirming the resident lives at Hunter Prairie Park. Pictures were taken of some minor damage to two pickets and a small end cap piece. Measurements were taken and the matter was discussed with staff. Two wood pickets will be replaced.
- 6/29 Tinley Park Police called to inform the Park District about a wasp nest in the tic-tac-toe board on playground equipment behind Hilda Walker School.
  - 7/30 The nest was sprayed and removed.
- 7/5 The front office received an email from a Woodlawn Park resident that was sent on 7/4 regarding fishermen not adhering to catch and release. On 7/6, a voice mail was received from Frankfort Township regarding a message placed on their Facebook page about fishermen keeping fish caught at Woodlawn Park pond.
  - 7/6 An email was sent to the Woodlawn Park resident explaining that the Park District cannot enforce a catch and release rule, that the pond is stocked and managed by the IDNR, and state regulations (licenses and limits) do apply. The [dnr.illinois.gov](http://dnr.illinois.gov) website was provided if the resident required additional information.
  - 7/7 A 'thank you' email was received from the resident.
- 7/10 A gardener at the Brookside Bayou community gardens left a message requesting more hoses.
  - 7/13 Four additional collapsible hoses were purchased and placed at the community garden equipment box.

- 7/10 The Park District received emails from concerned residents regarding the look of Lincoln-Way North High School grounds.
  - 7/10 All park district maintenance staff were sent to the high school grounds to pull, cut, and spray the weeds.
  - The maintenance contractor was called and we were informed that they would send staff to assist.
  - 7/11 The contractor was called again explaining that Park District maintenance staff were still at the school, and would need to mow the baseball fields because they had not completed this action, and games were scheduled that evening. The contractor sent their staff to mow and string trim.
  - 7/13 Additional playground surfacing was added to the playground area.