

RESIDENT INPUT SUMMARY  
Ed Reidy, Superintendent of Parks  
10/16/18 to 11/15/18

Old Business

- 7/16 – A Lake of the Glens resident called to thank us for repaving the walking path, and also inquired about a gap between the new asphalt and the grass that was removed.
  - I left a message informing the caller that the project was ongoing and gaps would be addressed shortly.
  - Update – Filling of gaps has begun.
  - Staff continue to work on this project, with two loads of pulverized black dirt delivered to our yard on November 14.
  
- 8/1 – An Indian Boundary South resident’s son called to ask about standing water behind his mother’s fence. We discussed a drainage project the District has been planning for some time that will address the low wet area. I told him it would most likely be a late fall / early winter project.
  - Our directional bore contractor will provide an estimate to run a line under the path and daylight out on the bottom of the hill.
  
- 8/6 – An Island Prairie resident inquired about removing a dead tree in the park behind her neighbor’s fence. I contacted the neighbor to determine ownership of the tree. I also contacted two homeowners located at Benton and Farmington, informing them that the District’s contractor required easement access between their properties, and all were in agreement.
  - The District’s contractor inspected the area and found it too wet to complete the removal. Park staff will monitor the site and the contractor will complete the project once the ground is sufficiently dry.
  - 10/30 – The tree was removed on October 30.
  
- 9/24 – Boy Scout Troop 237 requested assistance with their upcoming Scouting for Food Drive.
  - I left a voicemail informing them that the Park District will provide tables and chairs for their event.
  - 10/9 – Park District staff and Boy Scout Troop leaders met to touch base on the Scouting for Food drive, a request to include future Scouting plans in the District’s brochure, and building usage for the upcoming year.
  - 11/10 & 11/11 – Maintenance staff were on site for set up and clean-up of the event.

New Business

- 10/17 – Maintenance staff met with a member of the Friends of the Library to deliver a “Little Free Library” for Union Creek Park.
  - 10/25 – The box (a recycled Chicago Tribune newspaper box, decorated by the Frankfort Arts Association) was installed at the 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue playground shade shelter.



- 10/22 – A dog park patron called and let us know the gate was sticking and the fence was loose along the bottom rail separating the two yards.
  - 10/22 – The gate was lubricated.
  - 10/26 – The fence was fixed.
  - 11/8 – Additional fence repairs were completed.
  
- 10/25 – An Island Prairie resident called to complain about the creek not flowing, it was full of cattails, and looked bad.
  - 10/31 – The District’s native area contractor, Brian from Cardno, and I inspected the creek. It was Brian’s opinion that the water was flowing, and the plants in the creek were common burr-reed, a native that is meant to filter the water (slowing, but not stopping the flow).
  - 11/6 – I related this information to the resident, but she does not like the appearance. I explained that the creek is flowing the same as it has in the past, however, after we removed the sandbar willow from the sides of the creek, the resident now has a view of the creek. I also informed her that there are cattails in the park (further upstream, along the boardwalks), and that Cardno has been working to minimize the stand. Also, when the ground freezes, one of the steps we take will be to mow the cattails.
  
- 10/ 29 – An Indian Boundary South resident called to let us know that when park paths were sealcoated, some overspray landed on her fence.
  - 11/1 – I confirmed the issue and left her a voicemail saying we would replace the damaged pickets, but requested information regarding where she purchased the fence or what company installed it so replacements would be as close to original as possible.
  - 11/15 – Following up with the neighbor, she confirmed that she received my message and would email information enabling us to replace the pickets.
  
- 11/14 – A Kiwanis Park resident called about how wet the turf was in her yard and the park area behind her property.
  - 11/15 – I informed the resident that I inspected the site, saw the issue, and let her know we will look into it further and try to determine why the area is staying so wet.