



PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA
PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD MEETING

AUGUST 6, 2020
6:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment on Agenda Items Only
4. Approval of June 4, 2020 Park & Recreation Board Meeting Minutes
5. Old Business
6. New Business
 - A. Bark Park Improvement Survey Results
7. Staff Reports
 - A. Recreation Staff Report
 - B. Parks Staff Report
8. Trustee Liaison Report
9. Member Comments
10. Audience Participation

The public is invited to make an issue-oriented comment on any matter of public concern not otherwise on the agenda. The public comment may be no longer than 3 minutes in duration.
11. Adjournment

MEETING LOCATION

Village Hall
600 Harvest Gate
Lake in the Hills, IL 60156

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VILLAGE OF LAKE IN THE HILLS
PARKS & RECREATION BOARD MEETING
June 4th, 2020

Chairwoman Tredore called to order at 6:30 p.m. the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board. This was a virtual meeting. The agenda for this virtual meeting informed the public that they could attend and gave directions on how they could access it online or via telephone.

ROLL CALL

Chairwoman Diane Tredore and Members John Andrea, Nicole Sandage, Brad Wackerlin, Michael Cairns, Wendy Anderson, and Sai Sivakumar were present. Also present were Community Services Director Fred Mullard, Superintendent of Public Properties Scott Parchutz, and Administrative Specialist Laura Pekovic.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No real-time comments and Director Mullard confirmed that there were no written comments received outside of the meeting as well.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Member Andrea made a motion to approve the minutes of the Parks & Recreation Board meeting of May 7, 2020. Member Sivakumar seconded. The motion was approved by a voice vote of 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Director Mullard stated that the Recreation Survey had just closed on June 1st and thanked Casie Peltz for doing all the leg work on the survey and for making it possible. Director Mullard stated that he would quickly present the results, question by question, and would take questions throughout the presentation. The survey attracted 292 respondents and 59% indicated, in question #1, that it is important for their families to have organized activities to participate in this Summer. Question #2 indicated very low interest in virtual activities and fairly high interest in in-person activities such as nature, athletics, fitness, camps and preschool. As a result of the interest in in-person nature activities, staff has contacted the McHenry Conservation District about possibly holding some nature type events within the Village in the future. Staff believes these results indicate that respondents feel safer doing outside activities that allow for more social distancing. Question #3 indicated that very few respondents are willing to pay for virtual activities. Similar activities are readily available online for free. Question #4 indicated that respondents are willing to pay for the in-person activities that are offered and what price ranges they are willing to pay for those activities. Respondents indicated that they are willing to pay the higher fees for the camp programs that tend to cost more as a result of staffing requirements. Member Anderson asked for clarification on respondents' willingness to pay for activities. Director Mullard reiterated the reluctance of the respondents to pay for virtual activities with little hands-on experience and the availability of similar programs that are free online. He indicated that they are willing to pay higher prices for in-person activities that are offered, especially the camp programs. Question #5 indicated little interest in modified FuntastiCamp options; presumably respondents are happy with the way FuntastiCamp is currently run. Question #6 indicated that 72% of respondents would return to in-person activities if procedures for stringent cleaning of facilities were in place. Cleaning was the most important factor for them to send their kids to camps and other in-person

activities. 12% indicated that there is nothing that could be done that would make them consider sending their children to any in-person activity. Question #7 indicated that 46% of respondents would return to in-person activities immediately, 33.5% would return between 2 and 4 weeks and about 20.5% would wait 4 or more weeks. The data results overwhelmingly show that the community would prefer and be willing to pay for in-person activities over virtual activities. LITH residents made up 85% of the respondents and 15% were non-residents. Member Wackerlin inquired about the capabilities and feasibility of participant testing. Director Mullard indicated that touchless thermometers are relatively inexpensive and would not require sanitizing if the same person used the thermometer and questions would be asked regarding the presence of COVID-19 symptoms while observing the participant. Personal protective equipment and other equipment is available for use at multiple facilities at the same time. Member Anderson asked what procedures were in place for testing staff. Director Mullard stated that the Village has an overall policy in place now since the Village Hall is open. The current policy includes disinfecting common and high touch areas every few hours, vending machines, drinking fountains, refrigerators and microwaves have been shut-off and are off-limits, masks are required inside the facilities, floors are marked for social distancing and supervisors do a daily verbal check questioning the presence of COVID-19 symptoms while observing staff members. Director Mullard expressed that the survey results would be used as we move forward with setting up programming options and offerings.

STAFF REPORTS

Recreation Staff Report:

Director Mullard reported that the Summer brochure is out and registration is open online. As expected, registration has been slow but staff is working on it and talking to folks. Hot Shots Sports, Sports R Us and Yoga will be holding in-person classes starting in July primarily at Carpenter and Sunset Parks as well as the outside patios at Village Hall. All will be operating in accordance with the guidelines outlined by State of Illinois and the CDC in regards to social distancing and not using common equipment. All senior trips and events have been canceled for the Summer. Staff did, however, conduct the first GoTo Meeting “Coffee Chat” that a few seniors expressed interest in trying. The “Coffee Chat” will be held on Wednesdays if all goes well. There was only one participant yesterday but staff will continue to try different virtual ideas for seniors; seniors face some of the biggest challenges with regards to being able to get out for socializing. Staff is reaching out to our senior and assisted living facilities to see if any of them are interested in participating in virtual events of some sort. Preschool is in preparation for summer camp starting in July as well as the FuntastiCamp program. There are currently seven participants enrolled in the virtual camp; all seven participants are enjoying the program and we’re encouraging them to pass the word in order to attract additional enrollees. Member Anderson asked how the bathrooms at the Sunset Park concession stand are being operated or if they were open. Superintendent Parchutz stated that those bathrooms are only open during baseball games and that the YAA locks/unlocks and cleans those facilities.

PARKS STAFF REPORT

Superintendent Parchutz reported that the Sunset ballfields are in dire need of maintenance upgrades and have had significant drainage issues for the 15 years that he’s been here. The drainage problems cause water to go over the bike path which has resulted in significant erosion issues. He’s tried to get grants for the \$1M estimated cost but COVID-19 has directed grant funding to other projects. He feels staff can do the repairs and grading in-house and may combine fields to create one premier field similar to Plote Field. Echo Park and Hynes Park have been approved and conversations with the construction companies have taken place and work is expected to start soon. Taylor Skate Park and Horner Park are going to the Village Board in June and Superintendent Parchutz is hopeful that all four parks will be completed by the end of the year. Copenhagen Construction is scheduled to begin the Turtle Island improvement project on June 10th. Staff moved 70 boats from Turtle Island over to Indian Trail Beach for continued use; boats will be moved back to Turtle Island when improvements are completed. Stable property demolition is about 95%

complete, only the grain silo structure remains. Demolition of 9017 Haligus will begin after the silo is taken down. Superintendent Parchutz is working on a presentation for PW Director Kaup in order to make a decision on a Thor Guard weather prediction system. Thor Guard is a pre-strike warning system with a 15-mile radius versus its competitor's 5-mile radius system that notifies after a strike has already occurred. Staff found about 30 boulders and made a rock border that lines the walkway down to the beach at ITB. The boulders replace the old 6x6 timbers that were there. Superintendent Parchutz mentioned the Bark Park fence replacement project is expected to start on June 13th and will be completed in a couple weeks. The new fence will prohibit dogs from getting through the smaller holes. The Hain House heating and air conditioning has been removed and installation of new equipment will begin soon. All work is being done in-house and will cost \$2 or \$3K versus an estimated \$16K using an outside contractor. Lastly, Superintendent Parchutz is in discussions with the Village engineer to alleviate Barbara Key Park flooding issues by replacing existing drainage pipe with a larger weir pipe with a screen on the front. If water cannot get through the screen, it releases over the top into a V-ditch that acts like a spillway; the weir will relieve itself and alleviate the flooding issues.

TRUSTEE LIAISON REPORT

Trustee Murphy was not in attendance. Director Mullard confirmed that Trustee Murphy was not on the call.

MEMBER COMMENTS

Member Sandage inquired about the completion timeline for the Echo Park and Hynes Park equipment replacement. Superintendent Parchutz stated that the projects has been delayed about a month due to the COVID-19 pandemic and expects a late August or September completion. Member Andrea inquired about the basketball hoops at Sunset Park. Superintendent Parchutz stated that the tennis courts are open for singles only and that the basketball hoops would be put up once we enter Phase 4. Member Cairns asked about meeting in person and wanted confirmation that in person meetings are part of Phase 4. Director Mullard confirmed the current Phase 3 guidelines for ten person gatherings prohibited the Parks & Recreation Meetings from being in-person meetings. In-person meetings would resume in Phase 4 and with no meeting scheduled for July, the August meeting would most likely be an in-person meeting. Member Wackerlin mentioned that he has noticed the police tape around playground equipment is down at a lot of the parks and was asking if the parks (playgrounds) were open. Superintendent Parchutz stated that the skate park is open and Director Mullard confirmed that playgrounds will be closed until at least Phase 4. Member Wackerlin also asked if there was anything the P&R Board could do for the Village Board Meeting to help facilitate the Horner and Taylor Skate Park equipment replacement approval. Director Mullard stated that the Village Board tabled discussion on additional equipment replacement at the last meeting based on cost concerns. Director Mullard also mentioned that Village staff had budgeted for the replacement of the equipment and staff confirmed funding availability. He went further and mentioned that park equipment is on a 20 year replacement cycle and with 19 parks we risk falling behind the replacement schedule if we skip any scheduled replacements. Superintendent Parchutz stated that the playground equipment becomes very difficult to maintain and find parts for after 20 years of wear and tear and exposure to the elements. Director Mullard also said the P&R Board could engage in direct dialog with the Village Board or attend the meeting as P&R Board members and LITH residents to further voice their recommendations. Member Wackerlin just wants to make sure the P&R Board is represented and their recommendation are being heard and considered. Director Mullard stated that the P&R Board could prepare a statement for the Village President if they wanted to as well.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None. Before moving to adjournment, Member Anderson inquired about a schedule for a Board walk-around to observe the Parks and equipment like has been done in the past. Chairperson Tredore stated that she did not believe a schedule was available because of COVID-19. Superintendent Parchutz confirmed that no schedule has been created at this time but agreed to have staff contact Chairperson Tredore to discuss and set-up a schedule in order to start the process up again.

ADJOURNMENT

Member Andrea made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Sivakumar seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a voice vote of 7-0. The meeting adjourned.

Submitted by,
Wayde Frerichs
Assistant Finance Director

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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM

MEETING DATE: August 6, 2020
DEPARTMENT: Public Works
SUBJECT: Bark Park Improvement Survey Results

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Last month Village staff authored and released a survey with the goal of receiving feedback on potential improvements to the Bark Park from its patrons. The survey was released on July 10th and promoted through social media, the Village website and the Resident Insider publication. In addition, Village staff emailed Bark Park patrons twice and encouraged them to participate in the survey. During the two weeks that the survey was active, over 200 survey responses were obtained and the survey results are presented as Attachment 1.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

None.

ATTACHMENTS

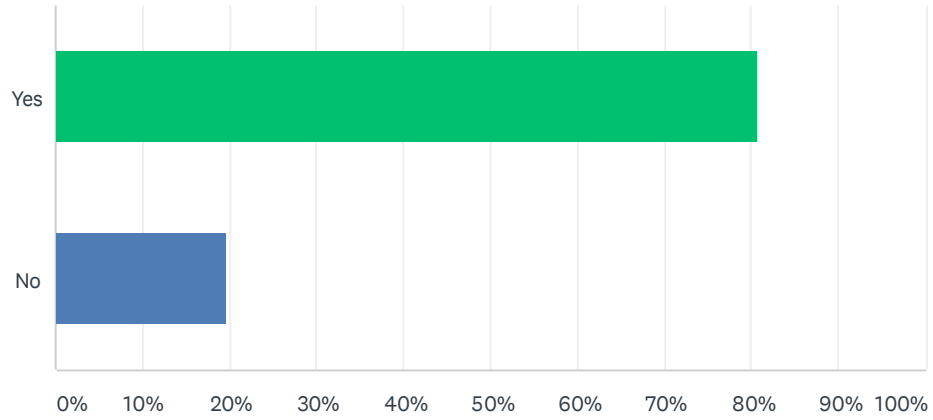
1. Survey Results

SUGGESTED DIRECTION

Village staff would like to receive guidance and comments concerning future improvements to the Bark Park.

Q1 Are you a current Bark Park Member?

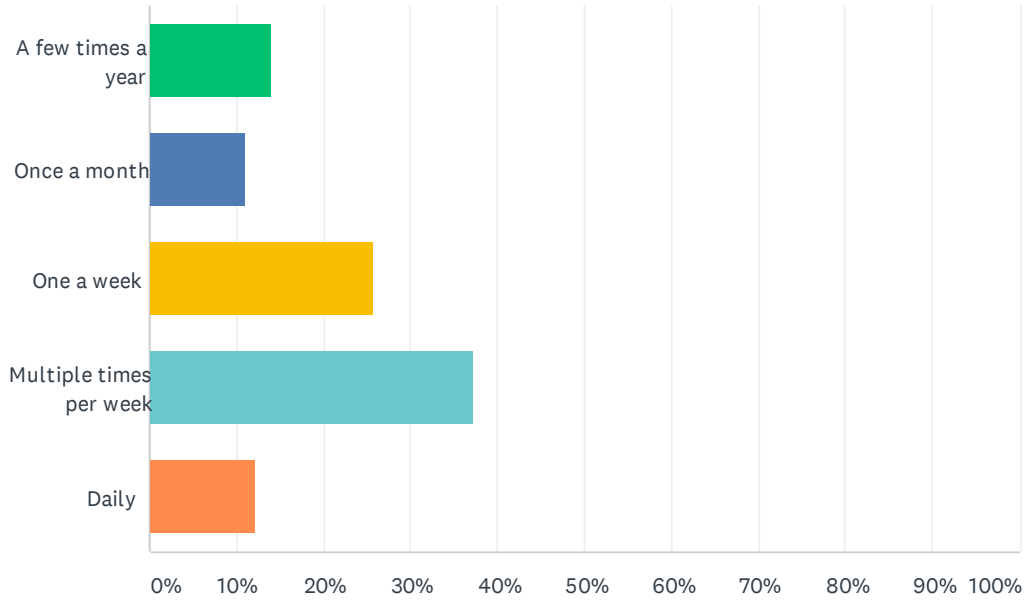
Answered: 238 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	80.67%	192
No	19.75%	47
Total Respondents: 238		

Q2 How often do you use the Bark Park?

Answered: 199 Skipped: 39



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
A few times a year	14.07%	28
Once a month	11.06%	22
One a week	25.63%	51
Multiple times per week	37.19%	74
Daily	12.06%	24
TOTAL		199

Q3 What do you enjoy about the Bark Park?

Answered: 168 Skipped: 70

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Actually haven't used it yet because we are still sheltering in place because of covid	7/25/2020 4:37 PM
2	The large open area for my dog to run.	7/25/2020 3:35 PM
3	Large	7/25/2020 8:21 AM
4	Space for dog to run	7/25/2020 7:42 AM
5	Friendly people	7/25/2020 12:12 AM
6	Poop bags provided, lawn mowed weekly	7/24/2020 9:43 PM
7	The wide open space	7/24/2020 8:59 PM
8	The large open space	7/24/2020 8:45 PM
9	Being together with owners and dogs that are for the most part friendly and in control of their dogs. The park is clean and well maintained.	7/24/2020 8:38 PM
10	The space	7/24/2020 8:29 PM
11	Letting my dog experience new environments	7/24/2020 8:22 PM
12	Multiple pens and equipment	7/24/2020 8:13 PM
13	The separate areas and the seating	7/24/2020 8:02 PM
14	Everything!! The	7/24/2020 6:50 PM
15	Great area.	7/24/2020 6:14 PM
16	Nice to have a place to take the dogs out to run with others.	7/24/2020 6:13 PM
17	Large open space	7/24/2020 5:38 PM
18	All the open space	7/24/2020 4:50 PM
19	Looking at the dogs as I drive past	7/24/2020 4:25 PM
20	Dogs/People facility	7/24/2020 2:54 PM
21	Big clean space for my dog to run around. Socializing with other pet owners and pets also a plus.	7/24/2020 2:26 PM
22	everything	7/24/2020 9:58 AM
23	Dog can go to run and run and socialize with other dogs	7/24/2020 9:06 AM
24	Wide open spaces for my lab to run!	7/24/2020 8:26 AM
25	That it is clean and well kept.	7/24/2020 7:50 AM
26	Space and agility	7/24/2020 7:35 AM
27	the open fields that allow my dog to run free	7/24/2020 5:52 AM
28	my dogs can run freely	7/24/2020 4:22 AM
29	Fenced fields	7/24/2020 1:33 AM
30	Large open area	7/23/2020 11:40 PM
31	My dogs are able to roam freely while playing with other dogs! They love going to the Bark Park it's their favorite place.	7/23/2020 11:38 PM
32	large secure space	7/23/2020 11:03 PM
33	How much space there is to let your dog run. As well as most dogs at the park seem very friendly and nice.	7/23/2020 9:54 PM
34	Open space	7/23/2020 9:47 PM
35	This is the only off leash time he gets.	7/23/2020 9:47 PM

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36	Letting dog run off leash	7/23/2020 9:28 PM
37	Very clean, grass is always cut, water in the park for the dogs is great!!	7/23/2020 9:10 PM
38	Open spaces, divided areas, cleanliness, the agility course	7/23/2020 8:38 PM
39	The ability for my dogs to run	7/23/2020 8:23 PM
40	i like the dog adjustment area to keep mean dogs away from mine	7/23/2020 6:53 PM
41	Safe place for my dog to run.	7/23/2020 6:34 PM
42	dogs can run and play - people are freindly	7/23/2020 5:48 PM
43	my dog runs free	7/23/2020 4:49 PM
44	Everything	7/23/2020 4:46 PM
45	Being able to walk with my dog not on a leash	7/23/2020 4:46 PM
46	10 acres of space and poop bags	7/23/2020 4:42 PM
47	Safe open space	7/23/2020 4:41 PM
48	Exercise for my dog.	7/23/2020 4:02 PM
49	Big space and kept up well	7/23/2020 3:56 PM
50	Thst it is divided gives me options	7/23/2020 3:44 PM
51	The freedom to run around that my dogs enjoy. And by following around after them, I get in some exercise.	7/23/2020 3:33 PM
52	Letting my dog run free and therapy for me	7/23/2020 3:25 PM
53	large space	7/23/2020 3:18 PM
54	The space. The agility section. The adjustment area.	7/23/2020 3:15 PM
55	Socialization for our dog and wide open space for running	7/23/2020 3:09 PM
56	Clean and fenced in.	7/23/2020 2:42 PM
57	Spacious & well kept grass	7/23/2020 2:37 PM
58	Easy parking	7/23/2020 2:36 PM
59	the open space for the dogs to run and to stay away from others if necessary	7/23/2020 2:18 PM
60	The dogs can run free and socialize with other dogs.	7/23/2020 2:05 PM
61	Large, separate play areas	7/23/2020 2:00 PM
62	How big it is, and close to home	7/23/2020 1:53 PM
63	The grounds are amazing and the amount of room the dogs have to run	7/23/2020 1:51 PM
64	My dog needs to mingle with other dogs. He is social.	7/23/2020 1:49 PM
65	Wide open, clean space for dog to be able to run	7/23/2020 1:36 PM
66	There are always dogs coming and going for our dogs to play with	7/23/2020 1:24 PM
67	The opportunity to use the adjustment area with my dogs allowing them to run without the stress of the mingling area.	7/23/2020 1:21 PM
68	All the separate areas to use as needed	7/23/2020 1:12 PM
69	I like the bags and all the garbage cans and picnic tables I wish there were more benches in the shade it gets really hot there we could use more shade	7/23/2020 1:04 PM
70	Nice and open---easy to park the car---well maintained	7/23/2020 1:02 PM
71	My dog loves socializing with other dogs.	7/23/2020 12:57 PM

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72	The large open space and the community members that are there as well.	7/23/2020 12:51 PM
73	Large Open space For my babies to run and socialize with other dogs.	7/23/2020 12:51 PM
74	Large open space for dogs to move	7/23/2020 12:50 PM
75	The confined areas that my dog can run unleashed without knocking me down. My dog and I love the workout section where he learned special tricks.	7/23/2020 12:47 PM
76	The fenced in yard	7/23/2020 12:42 PM
77	That there is so much open space	7/23/2020 12:39 PM
78	It's big n my dog has fun playing w other dogs	7/23/2020 12:37 PM
79	Amount of space, socialization for dog	7/23/2020 12:32 PM
80	Meeting the other dogs and people	7/23/2020 12:28 PM
81	Lots of space for running. Love the agility things for my dog to do!	7/23/2020 12:28 PM
82	The open space for dogs to run and play	7/23/2020 12:18 PM
83	Security	7/23/2020 12:16 PM
84	Dogs freedom & well kept	7/23/2020 12:16 PM
85	I love that we have a place for my dog to run	7/23/2020 12:16 PM
86	Spacious, has benches to rest and equipment for dogs to exercise.	7/23/2020 12:16 PM
87	Dogs love the freedom to run in a large area and we're comfortable that it's fenced in.	7/23/2020 12:15 PM
88	The fact that I can take my two dogs into the acclamation area.	7/23/2020 12:15 PM
89	The park is big and divided into different parts	7/23/2020 12:15 PM
90	The park is well kept up dogs can socialize as well as people socsoc c	7/23/2020 12:14 PM
91	Letting my dog run free, and the friendly folks and canines	7/23/2020 12:10 PM
92	Very nice and well kept property. My dog loves it!	7/23/2020 12:06 PM
93	Anti social dog area	7/23/2020 12:05 PM
94	The open space.	7/23/2020 12:00 PM
95	My dogs enjoy the space	7/23/2020 11:54 AM
96	My Dog Playing/socializing with other dogs	7/23/2020 11:53 AM
97	Open space	7/23/2020 11:48 AM
98	Separate areas, water provided, friendly users, seemingly well self-policed atmosphere with responsible dog owners	7/23/2020 11:48 AM
99	The large area for my dog to run free in.	7/23/2020 11:47 AM
100	It's very spacious, well maintained, enjoy the tables & benches. The water dishes about the park, all the amenities for the dogs!	7/23/2020 11:47 AM
101	The spacious room our dog is able to run around.	7/23/2020 11:41 AM
102	amount of free space for the pets to run and roam	7/23/2020 11:35 AM
103	Huge open area, well maintained fence, running water to fill water bowls, coded entry and vaccinations required	7/23/2020 11:35 AM
104	The space and cleanliness	7/23/2020 11:33 AM
105	It gives our dog a lot of space to run and interact with other dogs.	7/23/2020 11:30 AM
106	wide open space for my dog to run	7/23/2020 11:29 AM
107	How open and spacious it is, also very clean	7/23/2020 11:29 AM

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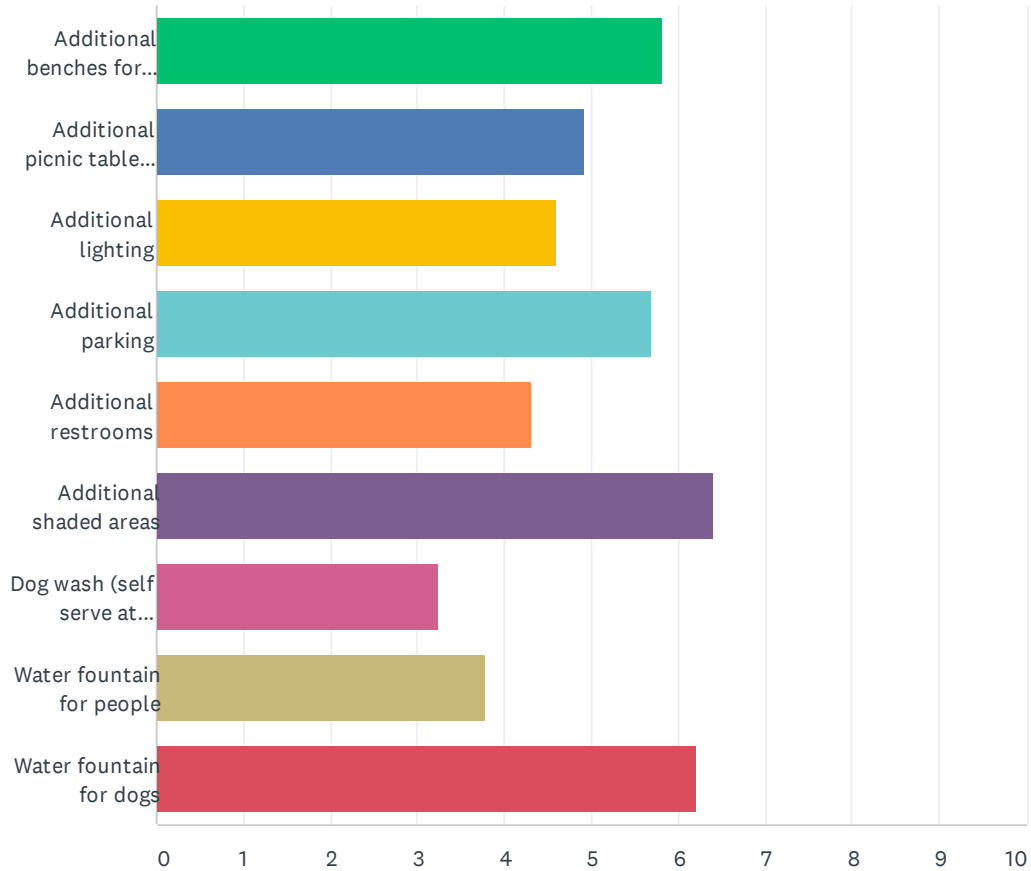
108	Room for dogs to run, benches, obstacle course	7/23/2020 11:29 AM
109	I can let me dogs roam free with out a leash	7/23/2020 11:27 AM
110	The size is great	7/23/2020 11:27 AM
111	Agility training equipment	7/23/2020 11:24 AM
112	Large areas dogs can run	7/23/2020 11:23 AM
113	Multiple areas, clean	7/23/2020 11:23 AM
114	Giving my dog time off leash	7/23/2020 11:23 AM
115	The space available and socialization of the dogs	7/23/2020 11:22 AM
116	Dog Adjustment area	7/23/2020 11:22 AM
117	Opportunity for me and my dogs to socialize.	7/23/2020 11:22 AM
118	My dog can run freely	7/23/2020 11:21 AM
119	3 separate areas	7/23/2020 11:20 AM
120	The large space for my dog to run around in. I appreciate how big the space is.	7/23/2020 11:19 AM
121	3 separate areas to choose based on the degree of crowds	7/23/2020 11:15 AM
122	Good place for dog to run and play with his friends	7/23/2020 11:14 AM
123	Opportunity for dogs to get exercise, play and socialize.	7/23/2020 11:13 AM
124	The size of it and the nice people and my dog can run leash free	7/23/2020 11:12 AM
125	The huge clean area for my dog to run and play	7/23/2020 11:11 AM
126	The large, open spaces for our dog to run and play.	7/23/2020 11:11 AM
127	Ample space and agility equipment	7/23/2020 11:10 AM
128	All the room	7/23/2020 11:08 AM
129	Open space for puppy girl to play while I get to walk.	7/23/2020 11:06 AM
130	My dog can run & play with other dogs.	7/23/2020 11:06 AM
131	Nothing	7/23/2020 11:05 AM
132	Due to Covid I've not been at all this year. Love the dog socialization best!!	7/23/2020 11:05 AM
133	the variety of large open spaces	7/23/2020 10:48 AM
134	Wide open, well maintained	7/18/2020 7:47 AM
135	Good space for the dog to run play and socialy	7/16/2020 7:38 AM
136	Multiple sections	7/14/2020 6:10 PM
137	Lots of room for my dog to run & usually not too crowded	7/12/2020 11:55 PM
138	off leash	7/12/2020 3:17 PM
139	My dog can socialize with other dogs.	7/12/2020 10:02 AM
140	The large space	7/11/2020 8:24 PM
141	The dogs love it!	7/11/2020 6:38 PM
142	The great opportunity for interaction both for the dogs and their people in a very well kept area.	7/11/2020 1:37 PM
143	Open space	7/11/2020 8:23 AM
144	The opportunity for my dog to get exercise and play with other dogs.	7/11/2020 7:52 AM
145	Size of park	7/10/2020 10:29 PM

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146	Cleanliness, space, different sections.	7/10/2020 10:12 PM
147	The size of it.	7/10/2020 9:50 PM
148	spacious fenced in space with a variety of equipment and trees	7/10/2020 9:09 PM
149	Dogs	7/10/2020 8:31 PM
150	It's a good place for our dog to get out and run	7/10/2020 7:38 PM
151	I love giving my dogs freedom to run as we can't have fencing where we live and its a treat for them.	7/10/2020 7:14 PM
152	Wide open area for dogs to run and play	7/10/2020 6:20 PM
153	All the land for the dogs to run!	7/10/2020 6:09 PM
154	Freedom of dogs to run	7/10/2020 5:26 PM
155	Off Leash dogs	7/10/2020 5:03 PM
156	safe exercise for dog, fellow members, grounds	7/10/2020 5:00 PM
157	Letting the dog have a big area to run around; playing with other dogs; throwing a ball; agility jumps	7/10/2020 1:45 PM
158	How large the park is and how well maintained it is	7/10/2020 12:46 PM
159	My dog can run happily and freely	7/10/2020 12:02 PM
160	How big park is	7/10/2020 11:52 AM
161	I love how large it is! It never feels crowded, with the exception near the entrance/exit.	7/10/2020 11:30 AM
162	size of the facility	7/10/2020 11:08 AM
163	My dog getting to socialize	7/10/2020 11:07 AM
164	Open grassy area	7/10/2020 11:04 AM
165	The ability to socialize and exercise my dogs on those days that I do not have time for longer walks or runs. I have two high energy working dogs.	7/10/2020 11:01 AM
166	H	7/10/2020 11:00 AM
167	I enjoy the hige space for my dog to run! We live in a townhouse, and he's a big pup, so the exercise he gets is a lifesaver!	7/10/2020 10:51 AM
168	How spacious it is and having access to water	7/10/2020 10:07 AM

Q4 Of the following possible improvements to the Bark Park, please rank the possibilities in order of importance to you (1 being most important and 9 being least important).

Answered: 179 Skipped: 59



Bark Park Improvement Survey

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	TOTAL	SCORE
Additional benches for people	17.88% 32	11.73% 21	16.20% 29	15.08% 27	7.82% 14	9.50% 17	9.50% 17	4.47% 8	7.82% 14	179	5.81
Additional picnic tables for people	2.23% 4	16.76% 30	8.38% 15	13.97% 25	16.20% 29	12.29% 22	10.06% 18	13.41% 24	6.70% 12	179	4.91
Additional lighting	5.59% 10	11.73% 21	9.50% 17	9.50% 17	9.50% 17	14.53% 26	17.88% 32	12.85% 23	8.94% 16	179	4.61
Additional parking	16.20% 29	12.85% 23	10.61% 19	14.53% 26	14.53% 26	11.17% 20	6.70% 12	8.94% 16	4.47% 8	179	5.70
Additional restrooms	6.15% 11	3.35% 6	8.94% 16	7.82% 14	17.88% 32	14.53% 26	17.88% 32	15.08% 27	8.38% 15	179	4.31
Additional shaded areas	18.99% 34	16.20% 29	18.99% 34	13.97% 25	8.94% 16	12.85% 23	7.26% 13	2.23% 4	0.56% 1	179	6.40
Dog wash (self serve at \$18/wash)	5.03% 9	6.15% 11	5.59% 10	5.03% 9	4.47% 8	8.94% 16	11.73% 21	13.97% 25	39.11% 70	179	3.24
Water fountain for people	2.23% 4	3.91% 7	10.06% 18	10.06% 18	10.06% 18	10.61% 19	12.85% 23	25.70% 46	14.53% 26	179	3.79
Water fountain for dogs	25.70% 46	17.32% 31	11.73% 21	10.06% 18	10.61% 19	5.59% 10	6.15% 11	3.35% 6	9.50% 17	179	6.22

Q5 If a self-serve dog wash was installed at the Bark Park and washes were priced at \$18/wash, how many times per year do you think you would use the dog wash?

Answered: 167 Skipped: 71

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I would use it anytime the grounds are muddy. We currently wash our dog at home, but we would use this if he got muddy before going in the car	7/25/2020 4:42 PM
2	0, Why would it be so expensive?	7/25/2020 3:38 PM
3	Couple maybe	7/25/2020 9:12 AM
4	No	7/25/2020 8:23 AM
5	Zero	7/25/2020 12:13 AM
6	When it muddy I'll use it!	7/25/2020 12:11 AM
7	0	7/24/2020 9:46 PM
8	0	7/24/2020 9:01 PM
9	3-4	7/24/2020 8:54 PM
10	That's outrageous. Never at that price	7/24/2020 8:48 PM
11	2	7/24/2020 8:43 PM
12	None	7/24/2020 8:30 PM
13	12	7/24/2020 8:24 PM
14	0	7/24/2020 8:15 PM
15	2-3	7/24/2020 6:53 PM
16	2	7/24/2020 6:16 PM
17	10	7/24/2020 6:16 PM
18	If it was completely self contained and included dryers, 3 to 4	7/24/2020 5:49 PM
19	Never	7/24/2020 4:54 PM
20	0	7/24/2020 4:26 PM
21	1 a month	7/24/2020 2:27 PM
22	never. too expensive.	7/24/2020 10:02 AM
23	1	7/24/2020 9:08 AM
24	\$18 seems high to me, so i wouldn't use it.	7/24/2020 8:29 AM
25	2x or more if some of proceeds are donated to parks	7/24/2020 7:57 AM
26	0	7/24/2020 7:38 AM
27	none	7/24/2020 5:57 AM
28	1	7/24/2020 4:25 AM
29	0	7/24/2020 1:34 AM
30	I would only use it if it were extremely necessary. In all other cases I would just wait until we get home.	7/23/2020 11:44 PM
31	4	7/23/2020 11:42 PM
32	1	7/23/2020 11:07 PM
33	I would use it almost every time I go, if not every other time.	7/23/2020 9:56 PM
34	2	7/23/2020 9:52 PM
35	0	7/23/2020 9:49 PM
36	1-2	7/23/2020 9:30 PM

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37	0	7/23/2020 8:28 PM
38	6	7/23/2020 6:56 PM
39	Unsure	7/23/2020 6:37 PM
40	None	7/23/2020 4:51 PM
41	5	7/23/2020 4:49 PM
42	The price is a bit high - would wash my dog every quarter	7/23/2020 4:45 PM
43	0	7/23/2020 4:43 PM
44	Two times	7/23/2020 4:02 PM
45	None	7/23/2020 3:51 PM
46	0	7/23/2020 3:38 PM
47	2	7/23/2020 3:29 PM
48	0	7/23/2020 3:21 PM
49	Only when it's muddy (depends on the time of year).	7/23/2020 3:17 PM
50	0	7/23/2020 3:17 PM
51	None	7/23/2020 2:42 PM
52	Too expensive!! \$5-10 and I would use it.	7/23/2020 2:40 PM
53	never	7/23/2020 2:23 PM
54	0	7/23/2020 2:07 PM
55	Once	7/23/2020 2:02 PM
56	0- way too expensive. Pet supplies plus charges 5-10	7/23/2020 1:57 PM
57	0	7/23/2020 1:50 PM
58	0	7/23/2020 1:41 PM
59	1	7/23/2020 1:27 PM
60	0	7/23/2020 1:22 PM
61	0	7/23/2020 1:15 PM
62	Maybe once a year	7/23/2020 1:08 PM
63	none	7/23/2020 1:07 PM
64	0	7/23/2020 12:59 PM
65	1-2	7/23/2020 12:58 PM
66	Not often, hiding down paws shouldn't cost \$18.	7/23/2020 12:56 PM
67	3-4.	7/23/2020 12:53 PM
68	perhaps 4	7/23/2020 12:50 PM
69	never	7/23/2020 12:43 PM
70	4-5	7/23/2020 12:43 PM
71	Never but I have an Italian greyhound so I just wouldn't need it but other ppl would need it for sure.	7/23/2020 12:43 PM
72	0	7/23/2020 12:41 PM
73	2-3	7/23/2020 12:37 PM
74	2-3 times	7/23/2020 12:34 PM

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75	I would use it more if it was priced lower. Why \$18 per wash? Maybe I would use it once at \$18	7/23/2020 12:33 PM
76	3-4	7/23/2020 12:32 PM
77	Once	7/23/2020 12:31 PM
78	6	7/23/2020 12:26 PM
79	None I pay \$25 dollars to wash my dogs 5 times.	7/23/2020 12:24 PM
80	None. If the dog was was \$5-10 then all the time. When it rains there is a lot of areas the dog part develops ponds and waters	7/23/2020 12:23 PM
81	4	7/23/2020 12:23 PM
82	0	7/23/2020 12:20 PM
83	0	7/23/2020 12:19 PM
84	Once	7/23/2020 12:19 PM
85	0	7/23/2020 12:17 PM
86	None	7/23/2020 12:17 PM
87	Maybe once	7/23/2020 12:11 PM
88	0	7/23/2020 12:10 PM
89	0	7/23/2020 12:08 PM
90	Would not use.	7/23/2020 12:03 PM
91	4	7/23/2020 11:56 AM
92	0	7/23/2020 11:53 AM
93	0	7/23/2020 11:51 AM
94	maybe once or twice	7/23/2020 11:51 AM
95	No	7/23/2020 11:50 AM
96	0	7/23/2020 11:49 AM
97	0	7/23/2020 11:44 AM
98	5	7/23/2020 11:44 AM
99	0	7/23/2020 11:38 AM
100	6	7/23/2020 11:37 AM
101	0	7/23/2020 11:34 AM
102	0	7/23/2020 11:34 AM
103	0	7/23/2020 11:31 AM
104	0	7/23/2020 11:31 AM
105	0	7/23/2020 11:30 AM
106	0	7/23/2020 11:30 AM
107	12	7/23/2020 11:29 AM
108	0	7/23/2020 11:28 AM
109	21	7/23/2020 11:28 AM
110	No	7/23/2020 11:27 AM
111	One if dogs really muddy Can go to pet supply for ten dollars should be competitive	7/23/2020 11:27 AM
112	Never	7/23/2020 11:27 AM

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113	0	7/23/2020 11:27 AM
114	2-3	7/23/2020 11:24 AM
115	Not many	7/23/2020 11:21 AM
116	Need more information to comment.	7/23/2020 11:20 AM
117	3	7/23/2020 11:18 AM
118	0	7/23/2020 11:18 AM
119	2	7/23/2020 11:17 AM
120	No. Too expensive	7/23/2020 11:17 AM
121	zero	7/23/2020 11:15 AM
122	whenever the dog got muddy or dirty	7/23/2020 11:15 AM
123	Once a week	7/23/2020 11:14 AM
124	A few times a year	7/23/2020 11:14 AM
125	maybe once. That's a lot of \$. If cheaper I might use it!	7/23/2020 11:11 AM
126	0	7/23/2020 11:10 AM
127	0	7/23/2020 11:09 AM
128	6	7/23/2020 11:07 AM
129	0	7/23/2020 10:54 AM
130	0	7/18/2020 7:49 AM
131	0	7/16/2020 7:41 AM
132	0	7/14/2020 6:22 PM
133	0	7/12/2020 11:59 PM
134	6	7/12/2020 3:50 PM
135	0	7/11/2020 8:27 PM
136	0	7/11/2020 6:40 PM
137	Only in an extreme situation, otherwise, none.	7/11/2020 2:26 PM
138	A few	7/11/2020 8:26 AM
139	0	7/11/2020 7:54 AM
140	Never- thats too expensive	7/10/2020 10:32 PM
141	6 (Warm months)	7/10/2020 10:20 PM
142	10	7/10/2020 9:42 PM
143	0	7/10/2020 9:13 PM
144	0	7/10/2020 7:43 PM
145	0	7/10/2020 7:16 PM
146	3-4	7/10/2020 6:22 PM
147	2-3	7/10/2020 6:12 PM
148	A lot	7/10/2020 5:37 PM
149	Never	7/10/2020 5:28 PM
150	8	7/10/2020 5:06 PM

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151	Zero	7/10/2020 5:04 PM
152	0	7/10/2020 4:13 PM
153	0	7/10/2020 1:51 PM
154	1	7/10/2020 12:48 PM
155	0	7/10/2020 12:38 PM
156	1-2	7/10/2020 12:25 PM
157	0	7/10/2020 12:23 PM
158	0	7/10/2020 12:05 PM
159	None	7/10/2020 11:54 AM
160	0	7/10/2020 11:36 AM
161	5	7/10/2020 11:32 AM
162	zero	7/10/2020 11:12 AM
163	None	7/10/2020 11:08 AM
164	Less than 5.	7/10/2020 11:07 AM
165	10	7/10/2020 10:54 AM
166	0. We pay for the park already	7/10/2020 10:27 AM
167	0	7/10/2020 10:10 AM

Q6 Please describe any other improvements you'd like to see at the Bark Park and share any comments you have about the park.

Answered: 136 Skipped: 102

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	I would like to see owners with their dogs and not paying attention to their animals. That is why I'm not in favor of human picnic benches, but more structures and play things for the dogs	7/25/2020 4:42 PM
2	More dog waste stations.	7/25/2020 3:38 PM
3	Warming shelter for people	7/25/2020 9:12 AM
4	Why did you tear a house down that can provide many of the list items?	7/25/2020 8:23 AM
5	Splash pad	7/25/2020 12:13 AM
6	A splash pad for dogs!!!	7/25/2020 12:11 AM
7	Low areas that retain water degraded, muddy entrances regraded, obstacle apparatus repaired and maintained entrance	7/24/2020 9:46 PM
8	none	7/24/2020 9:01 PM
9	Cheaper yearly price. Veterans for free.	7/24/2020 8:48 PM
10	More dog waste trash cans	7/24/2020 8:43 PM
11	Keep the festivals from using it as parking lots	7/24/2020 8:24 PM
12	More affordable membership.	7/24/2020 8:15 PM
13	Fill in holes that some dogs dig bad.	7/24/2020 6:53 PM
14	Since we can't have the pools some place for the dogs to run in the water as discussed a few years ago when baby pools were no longer allowed	7/24/2020 6:16 PM
15	Wonderful park	7/24/2020 6:16 PM
16	Perhaps a splash area for summer months	7/24/2020 5:49 PM
17	Heat the gazebo for winter months	7/24/2020 4:54 PM
18	Separate cat hours.	7/24/2020 4:26 PM
19	Another dog water fountain further back might be nice.	7/24/2020 2:27 PM
20	A fountain with a dog pool would be awesome.	7/24/2020 10:02 AM
21	Lighting for longer availability at park, especially as days get shorter.	7/24/2020 7:57 AM
22	More agility	7/24/2020 7:38 AM
23	some way to identify out of control dogs and irresponsible owners.	7/24/2020 5:57 AM
24	entrances tend to get muddy in the rainy times, if something could be done to improve this it would be great	7/24/2020 4:25 AM
25	We are pretty content with how the park is now. The only thing I may say would be nice is the fountain since I know my dogs are always looking for water. So maybe a fountain closer to the middle since the only one that is there right now is the one by the entrance. Besides that we have no complaints! We're very grateful to have such a big open area where our dogs can run around and play at.	7/23/2020 11:44 PM
26	Better parking. Really an issue. The entry area always floods and gets the dogs all muddy.	7/23/2020 11:42 PM
27	Decrease bare spots and fill areas that flood or do not drain	7/23/2020 11:07 PM
28	Bathrooms would be great!!	7/23/2020 9:52 PM
29	More brush for rigs to run through.	7/23/2020 9:30 PM
30	leash dog to and from cars	7/23/2020 6:56 PM
31	Filled in grass, there's aggressive dogs there.	7/23/2020 4:53 PM
32	None	7/23/2020 4:51 PM

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33	Beverage center for humans	7/23/2020 4:45 PM
34	None	7/23/2020 4:02 PM
35	What happened to the tube ?	7/23/2020 3:51 PM
36	It would be helpful if other members would follow after their dogs and pick up. Too often I see dogs running by themselves and no one around to pick up after them. Also, when you put in rolls of bags, please make sure they feed from the bottom. Otherwise they tear off early and the next person can't grab the end of the bag.	7/23/2020 3:38 PM
37	Water feature for dogs to run around in	7/23/2020 3:29 PM
38	Do something about the mud at the entrances, the wood chips helped for a temporary solution	7/23/2020 3:21 PM
39	NOT to use ANY type of fertilizer. It's poisonous to dogs, humans, AND our Earth	7/23/2020 3:17 PM
40	People are generally nice and most dogs are friendly. We have had some issues with aggressive dogs and owners who are not responsible with their pets.	7/23/2020 3:17 PM
41	Another trash station toward back of property	7/23/2020 2:42 PM
42	Additional adjustment areas	7/23/2020 2:23 PM
43	What happened to the water pad for the dogs applying. Dogs really want water to play with to keep them cool. We used to have pools they were taken away we were told that we would be at the splash pad for the dogs and it's still not here yet what happened to it	7/23/2020 2:07 PM
44	More garbage cans spread out throughout the various play areas!	7/23/2020 2:02 PM
45	Being able to keep a dog pool at the park	7/23/2020 1:57 PM
46	No improvements are needed - we love the dog park	7/23/2020 1:41 PM
47	Maybe more garbage cans would be helpful	7/23/2020 1:27 PM
48	Unfortunately, we have run into people sunbathing with a cooler in the adjustment area. Maybe restricting the use of the adjustment area to 30 mins? When taking your dogs from the parking lot to the parking lot leashes should be used to control the dogs. Many folks let their dogs run into parking lot.	7/23/2020 1:22 PM
49	Love more agility stuff	7/23/2020 1:15 PM
50	When you first come into the park at both locations we could choose more cement when you first come in it gets way too wet and muddy	7/23/2020 1:08 PM
51	As the people who mow the grass move around it would add to the safety of the people walking the area as well as the dogs running around to fill any potential "trip causing holes" that are found on the ground to keep people from falling and dogs from getting their paws and legs hurt.	7/23/2020 1:07 PM
52	More trees!!	7/23/2020 12:59 PM
53	Having a permanent water feature like a pond would be of great benefit to those of us that have sporting dogs like Labs and Retrievers for training.	7/23/2020 12:58 PM
54	Another wind shelter for winter time	7/23/2020 12:56 PM
55	I'd love a puppy splash area	7/23/2020 12:53 PM
56	It's very nice and clean. I would love to see people get demerits for not picking up after their dog. Some people conglomerate at the tables near the entry gate, and don't pay attention to what their dogs are doing.	7/23/2020 12:50 PM
57	none	7/23/2020 12:43 PM
58	It would be great to have a man made pond/ lake / dock for the dogs to swim!!	7/23/2020 12:43 PM
59	Bark park is great n I don't have any suggestions tbh	7/23/2020 12:43 PM
60	I would love to see more obstacles for agility	7/23/2020 12:34 PM
61	A bigger sign for the "adjustment area" could be larger so new comers can see it in the parking lot. We have really enjoyed taking our dog to the park. Thank you for providing this park to the	7/23/2020 12:33 PM

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	community!	
62	I think the improvements suggested are great! We love going to the Bark Park! What a great place to have in the community!	7/23/2020 12:32 PM
63	Fill in the areas that flood so that the entire dog park can be utilized	7/23/2020 12:31 PM
64	3 permanent benches need new seating & backs People r reaching over the gates to access the park	7/23/2020 12:26 PM
65	Water park for dogs	7/23/2020 12:24 PM
66	During the heavy rains it would be nice if someone could lay down hay to prevent certain areas in the park that can become big puddles and muddy ponds. This would allow us to come more with our dogs that have a lot of hair! It would be beneficial to have that shower head to wash our dogs too.	7/23/2020 12:23 PM
67	I would love a few more acclamation areas.there are some dogs that do not get along with other dogs. I usually have to wait for the small area to open up. Rarely, do I see dogs at the far end of the large areas. Such a wasted space.	7/23/2020 12:23 PM
68	Fix patches where there are bare spots in the grass, as well as muddy areas	7/23/2020 12:20 PM
69	Splash pad for dogs	7/23/2020 12:19 PM
70	A section just for small dogs	7/23/2020 12:19 PM
71	Even though there's no way to enforce it, wish owners would pick up their dogs' poop. Can't say how many times I've had to do this after finding poop left behind by careless owners.	7/23/2020 12:17 PM
72	Water splash pad for dogs	7/23/2020 12:17 PM
73	None	7/23/2020 12:11 PM
74	Better drainage, some areas tend to get very muddy	7/23/2020 12:10 PM
75	Another area for anti social dogs. I can only go into that area and sometimes I've had to wait over an hour to get in because someone was already in there. It would be great if they can make another area like that or even spilt the are they have now into 2 anti social dog areas	7/23/2020 12:08 PM
76	Splash pad for dogs. More cover during the winter months.	7/23/2020 12:03 PM
77	A man build dog pong or a pool so they can swim when it's hot	7/23/2020 11:53 AM
78	Would like to see some lighting for use in early morning and evening - especially in winter as days get shorter.	7/23/2020 11:51 AM
79	Better protection by entrance gate after a heavy rain, Muddy.	7/23/2020 11:51 AM
80	More garbage cans and bag areas	7/23/2020 11:50 AM
81	The park is beautiful! My biggest complaint is the flooding and persistent mud that remains under the large tree in the main area; I feel like I cannot take my dog to park for up to a week after a heavy rain, unless I want to give him a bath afterward.	7/23/2020 11:49 AM
82	Water access for dogs in 2nd large enclosure	7/23/2020 11:38 AM
83	more poles to hang leashes	7/23/2020 11:37 AM
84	N/a	7/23/2020 11:34 AM
85	nothing	7/23/2020 11:31 AM
86	When the lawn is done they go very fast scary for the dogs	7/23/2020 11:31 AM
87	Love it!	7/23/2020 11:30 AM
88	Re the above improvements; Other than additional shading (for dogs & owners) & relaxation equipment (benches), I am fully satisfied with the facilities at Bark Park.	7/23/2020 11:30 AM
89	Spraying for mosquitoes, plastic pools to fill for dogs to play in,	7/23/2020 11:29 AM
90	Using the water and electric hookups from the house that was removed to add a water feature	7/23/2020 11:28 AM

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	to the park away from dirt that would make it muddy	
91	Can we get the jumps repaired and the weaving poles back?	7/23/2020 11:27 AM
92	love having the dog park	7/23/2020 11:27 AM
93	Time limit on the Dog Adjustment area. (People are using for hours at a crack, with multiple dogs and people	7/23/2020 11:27 AM
94	More fountain water around the park	7/23/2020 11:27 AM
95	More trees	7/23/2020 11:24 AM
96	Gates break down often and Public Works puts Bark Park at lowest priority.	7/23/2020 11:20 AM
97	2	7/23/2020 11:17 AM
98	Heating in gazebo for the winter would be great. Also need more mulch put in regularly by the gates to keep muds down	7/23/2020 11:17 AM
99	It would be nice to have warmer shelter in winter	7/23/2020 11:15 AM
100	people need to be more diligent about picking up poop	7/23/2020 11:15 AM
101	Garbage cans at the end of the gated area.	7/23/2020 11:14 AM
102	Doggie pools or sprinklers for dogs to cool down on hot summer days.	7/23/2020 11:14 AM
103	Seed areas that get muddy or ar lower creating "ponds" when it rains.	7/23/2020 11:11 AM
104	Extended hours in the evening. We're paying for it. Not like gangs are hanging out.	7/23/2020 11:10 AM
105	Parking sticker/placards for bark park members. Too many non members park there leaving us with no room. I'd be willing to pay a higher fee. Ticket people for parking there without a pass and make more revenue for the city!	7/23/2020 11:09 AM
106	That walk is such a joke. Just brutal	7/23/2020 11:06 AM
107	another smaller dog area and parking where the house was	7/23/2020 10:54 AM
108	I generally really enjoy the park and it is well maintained. It would be nice as I go everyday to have a heat lamp in the gazebo for those cold winter days	7/18/2020 7:49 AM
109	Heater in the gazebo	7/16/2020 7:41 AM
110	1 or 2 more gates between the two large areas would be nice. A swimming area for dogs would be ideal.	7/14/2020 6:22 PM
111	Plant more shade trees. Also, it gets very muddy by the water fountain and entrance	7/12/2020 11:59 PM
112	Parking sticker/placards for bark park members. Too many non members park there leaving us with no room. I'd be willing to pay a higher fee. Ticket people for parking there without a pass and make more revenue for the city!	7/11/2020 8:27 PM
113	The water fountain setup you currently have is great, but you need about 3 more (1 in the middle of the main area, 1 in the agility area & 1 in the small area).	7/11/2020 2:26 PM
114	Shade/bathrooms/maintenance	7/10/2020 10:32 PM
115	Separate entrance/exit	7/10/2020 10:20 PM
116	Dog splash pad	7/10/2020 9:42 PM
117	more benches, parking, and shade would be my top preferences	7/10/2020 9:13 PM
118	Grade the ground so there are not large mud puddles	7/10/2020 7:43 PM
119	I love it how it is. I would just recommend not closing it down for use of a parking lot for fest events.	7/10/2020 7:16 PM
120	More structures with a roof	7/10/2020 6:22 PM
121	I think it is wonderful! ☺☺	7/10/2020 6:12 PM

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122	pond / pool for swimming, heated enclosure	7/10/2020 5:06 PM
123	Hours for senior dogs.	7/10/2020 5:04 PM
124	Love the park and the people here.	7/10/2020 4:13 PM
125	Agility jump poles need repair. The adjustment area seems like wasted space--maybe turn that into a small dog play area. Maybe some raised wood platforms designed for dogs to climb on rather than the benches. Repair dirt spots. Like how mulch has been put down by the entrance gates.	7/10/2020 1:51 PM
126	Another water fountain for dogs further into the park	7/10/2020 12:48 PM
127	Would be cool if you could create a pond for dogs to swim in. ☹️ I know just a thought lol	7/10/2020 12:38 PM
128	A small body of water for the dogs to "swim" in!!!!	7/10/2020 12:23 PM
129	More garbage cans in the park	7/10/2020 12:05 PM
130	None	7/10/2020 11:36 AM
131	sign with information as to how to contact village about bad dogs/bad owners. More garbage cans. Fence in area on south side park that floods.	7/10/2020 11:12 AM
132	Splash pad and parking stickers to identify park bark owners and enforcement of bark park parking only.	7/10/2020 11:08 AM
133	Whatever can be done to keep the mud at the entrance to a minimum is appreciated. I recognize the improvement recently and hope it can be maintained.	7/10/2020 11:07 AM
134	With the space allotted, I think a section for smaller dogs (like toy breeds and such) would be beneficial. They need play time too, but it can be risky for them to play with the bigger dogs. It would reduce stress and curb injuries from happening.	7/10/2020 10:54 AM
135	More benches, more shaded area, additional water areas throughout the park	7/10/2020 10:27 AM
136	Maybe something to fix the puddle issue on the far right side and back side of the first section of the park.	7/10/2020 10:10 AM



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Dates of Interest:

- **Connor Kincaid Annual Fishing Tournament – Saturday, August 15, 8am-12pm**
- **Back to School FantastiCAMP – starts August 17**
- **Canine Social – Wednesday, August 26, 6-7pm**
- **Fall brochure delivered beginning August 14**

Recreation Project Status:

Staff is in discussion on how to continue to engage the community during these unprecedented times. Community members have different comfort levels and we anticipate we may be changing phases in the near future. Staff's goal is to provide a range of activities that can be done either virtually, independently or safely in person.

Staff have been working closely with School District 300 to provide alternative solutions for families needing a place for students to go during the day with school starting with remote learning in the fall.

Staff will be developing a Parks & Recreation Board Handbook containing useful information for Board members as well a tool for new Board members. Staff will present a draft to the Board and will be looking for input and suggestions.

Event Updates:

* **Senior Trips and events** have been cancelled until the Fall with social distancing measures in place.

* **Connor Kincaid Fishing Tournament** will be a ticketed event to manage number of registrations. The event is also being offered virtually.

- Opening Ceremony will be held via Facebook Live so all can view. Only Kincaid family members and close friends will gather at the Memorial Garden.
- Anglers have the following registration options:
 1. Nockels Park shoreline fishing – limit 20
 2. Nockels Park boat launch – limit 30
 3. Indian Trail Beach – boat slip owners only
- Registration deadline is August 12

- Awards ceremony and raffles will be held via Facebook Live on Monday, August 17 at 6pm.

* **Canine Social** – Sit, stay and join us for a waggin’ good time. It’s National Dog Day! Come out and celebrate your furry best friend. PUPSicles will be served. Registration is required to adhere to the social distancing guidelines.

* **Flurry Fest 2020** – Melody Living has been secured as the exclusive event sponsor.

Contractor Updates:

* All contractors will follow the most up to date recommendations and restrictions put forward by the State of Illinois and the CDC.

* Staff have been in communication with the youth sport contractors ensuring guidelines are being met.

* Yoga classes for July are complete. August classes will continue to run at the Village Hall with less than 10 participants. Fall classes will return to Hain House.

* ARC Babysitters Training Class is a co-op class with the Village of Algonquin. It ran on August 1 and 2 with 7 participants (5 from LITH). The next class is listed in the fall brochure and will run in October.

Virtual FuntastiCAMP & In-Person Camp Mid-Season Summary:

June 1 – July 3 virtual FuntastiCAMP program offered. Nine returning campers attended two of the four weeks. The nine campers enrolled in the in-person camp program that began on July 6 at Village Hall (lower level). The in-person camp is ongoing through August 14 and has a consistent registration of thirteen or more campers per day. Camp staff has modified the traditional camp program to include more outdoor activities, social distancing, increased handwashing and the use of face covers.

Back-2-School FuntastiCAMP Updates:

The FuntastiCAMP program will be extended until October 16. The Back-2-School camp will be modified from the summer program for campers to participate in recreation-based activities and to complete their eLearning requirements. During eLearning hours, staff members are available to answer questions and provide help but will not offer to tutor. This program will be held in the lower level of Village Hall, Monday-Friday, from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm. Registration options include full-day choices of 5/4/3 days per week and morning-only options of 5/4/3 days per week. No school days are not scheduled for this program. The camp will be limiting the number of students in each room (10-15 students), requiring all students and staff to wear masks, ensuring social distancing, frequent sanitation of rooms, and all other CDC guidelines and protocols to help keep staff and students safe. Camp rooms will be mixed grades to allow for keeping siblings together. The anticipated capacity is forty-five campers and six staff.

Preschool Academy Remote Learning Program Updates:

Lake in the Hills preschool academy remains committed to ensuring the safety of our students and staff as we plan for teaching and learning to resume for the 2020-21 school year. Based on the survey results from registered families, teachers, and planning meetings with recreation staff, the Preschool Academy will start 2020-2021 school with remote learning. Preschoolers will be engaged in a new way of learning, providing the building blocks in which they will continue to use throughout their educational journey. Also, options for in-person socialization enrichment opportunities will run outside of the remote learning program. The remote learning start date has been extended to October 5- December 18, at which point staff will reevaluate the program plan for in-person learning options. This start date extension will allow for further teacher training and development. Remote learning for preschool will include a fee change, and the billing start date has been.

Parks & Recreation Department
PARKS - PROJECT STATUS REPORT

July-August
 2020

By Scott Parchutz

Park Project	Start Date	Projected Completion Date	Completion Date	Status
Completed Tasks / Status Report				
Plote Ball Field Renovations	5/20	6/20		Staff conducted major structural repairs by rebuilding the elevations for the pitching mound and home plate which have degraded and sunk over time causing a safety issue. Staff was able to rebuild the both the mound and home plate by adding clay bricks for the foundation stability which has fixed the issue.
Echo, Horner, Hynes and Taylor Skate Replacement Projects	2/2020	TBD/2020		All were approved by the COW and are in varying degrees of progress. Equipment ordering and delays to Covid 19 may push some of the completion dates out a bit and are under review.
Turtle Island Renovation Project	6/2020	11/20		Project is currently about 50% completed.
Stable Property Space Needs Accessment	7/2020	TBD		With the completion of building demolition behind us the direction is that an ad hoc committee will look into options for the proiprty development. Calls and meets are ongoing with property devolpment firms who are capable of conducting meetings and deliberations with the parks and rec. board – focus groups to determine its future use.
Parks Lightening Protection Warning System				I will be providing a recommendation to the Parks Board at the September meeting which will go into detail their newest cutting edge equipment which includes features

	2/2020	9/2020		like iPhone notifications for event support like Ribfest, Sunset Fest and Pub in the Park. This ability will cover more area around Sunset Pk. and will allow the Police Department and support personnel advanced warnings of potential strikes. If approved phase one set for 2020 will replace the Sunset Park lighting prediction equipment by relocating from the Sunset concession stand to the public works building's roof. This will allow two advantages. A 2 mile coverage radius and Wi-Fi for mobile notifications and ability to send mobile iPhone notifications. All of the options and ideas will be shared during the meeting seeking input from the board.
Barbara Key Pond Drainage Improvement Project	4/2020	2021		A major plan is underway whereby with direction from the engineers from Baxter- Woodman and covered under maintenance repairs we will be able to correct the parks flooding and flowage issues in-house which frequently shuts the bike path down after rain storms. Step one will be to remove the vegetation around the front pond to assist with drying it out and allowing the held water to recede. During the driest times of August we will also lower the water level and create a rock barrier which will hold back the water while replacing the existing 10 inch corrugated drain pipe with a smooth walled PVC 16 inch pipe filter grate. This project was estimated to be in the hundreds of thousands of dollars but will be done with in-house staff and minimal material costs.
Bark Park Perimeter Fence Replacement Project	2/2020	7/2020		Completed.
Food Pantry Garden Fence	6/2020	8/2020		Re-use approximately 500 feet of the used Bark Park fencing to provide a security barrier around the garden plots at the Food Pantry.

Hain House HVAC System Replacement Project	5/2020	5/2020	New HVAC system and painting improvements were completed in-house saving \$9500.00
PROJECT IN PLANNING			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2021 - Hain House Foundation Repairs and Re-piping of exiting water lines that have been reduced to low water pressure. Will include a new on-damand water heater, a sump pump for basement and new electric heater and dehumidification equipment to combat humid conditions in the basement. • 2021 - Bark Park improvements pending survey results due 7/24/2020. • 2021 - Barbara Key Pond Drainage Improvement Project. 			
OTHER ISSUES			