

Recreation Board Report
February 14th – March 12th 2020
Kevin DeVries

We've wrapped up a few winter programs in youth volleyball and the girls traveling basketball league. We still have youth wrestling, swim lessons, men's basketball and coed volleyball currently running. Jamie will be having a lifeguard training course March 13th-15th. Todd and Jamie continue to work on summer staff and should have most positions filled by mid to late April.

We had our final proof of the summer brochure this month and are looking forward to getting that back and out to the public. It will go out in the paper March 25th and in the schools March 27th. It will also be online to view.

The swim meet went very well at the end of February. There were over 380 swimmers, which was 100 more than they were thinking but things ran smoothly. We will be having a wrap up meeting with the swim club within the next few weeks where we will also discuss next year's A state meet, which is typically much bigger than this one and starts on Thursday.

We hosted the Rob Marchand Memorial basketball tournament March 7th with DWU women's basketball team. We were down quite a bit in teams with only 22. I'm working with coach Christensen on some alternate dates for the future as our date conflicts with the new AA high school playoff format and we've lost teams because of that. We are looking at possibly moving to the end of October or to a Sunday.

We have begun meeting with Joe and Terry from city hall on the plans to fill in the old pool and renovations for that room. We are very excited to begin this process and look forward to what that will bring to our facility.

The Recreation Center is still going along well with memberships and check-ins. We were up over 8600 check-ins in the month of February even with the swim meet so we continue to stay very busy. We will be pushing our fun pass membership in the upcoming months that includes Lakeview golf course so we are hoping for good weather to stick around to get those going again.

**Parks & Forestry
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- Maintenance and repairs on equipment
- Tree removals
- We are caught up on tree removals so we are starting to take out some additional ash trees out of the parks and on city property
- Turned water, heat and cleaned the Sportsman's Club for the Elks Kids Ice Fishing Tournament that was held on February 29 this year
- Winterized the Sportsman's Club after event
- Trimming trees and cutting volunteer tree out along the by-pass
- Working on equipment
- Doing playground Inspections
- Hauled bleacher to and from a bull sale and MTI for Robotics companion
- Splitting firewood
- Painting the walls in the back hallway at the shop
- Worked with the Fire Department with cleaning out a couple of paths in the trees at the West end bridge so they could conduct a control burn of the cattails

Department Report
Monthly Report
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Major Incidents/Significant Events

- Water leak at Ice Arena

Important Meetings and Training Attended

- Friends of Firesteel Meeting
- Parks Board Meeting
- City Council Meetings
- MACPD meeting
- Sports and Events Authority meeting
- Weekly and Monthly staff meetings
- Weekly Department Head management meetings
- R8 HAB conference call
- Meeting with State Representative to discuss funding options for dredging
- Great Plains Harmful Algal Bloom Conference
- Meet with state forester regarding plan for Lake Mitchell forest
- POS presentation for Cadwell concessions
- Attended the Harmful Algal Bloom Conference
- Control Burn Discussion – Burning third week of March
- Meeting with Davison County about potential youth programs
- Conference call with National Guard regarding potential Lake Mitchell projects
- Supervisor training – Building trust with team
- Meeting with ARC regarding skate park design/build quote

Project Outcomes

- Ice Bumper Car Grand Opening
- Lake Mitchell Forestry Plan Present to Board
- Lake Mitchell presentation to EPA Region 7

Current Projects

- Lake restoration project
- Lake Mitchell public use plan
- Day Camp Volleyball Court Installation
- Skate Park Upgrade
- Boat Docks
- Boulevard Mowing Letters
- Artificial turf plan
- Develop solutions to deal with snow on upper roof

Upcoming Special Events and Meetings

- Parks Board meeting
- Friends of Firesteel meeting
- MACPD meeting
- City Council Meetings
- Monthly SEAC meetings
- Monthly Trail Committee Meeting
- NDSU conference call
- Monthly Region 8 HAB's conference call

Change in Park/Facility Status

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Public Requests

- Snow removal around wall tiles at Veterans Park