



Planning and Development Update

Presentation to the Board of Park Commissioners



Dan Rodman is leaving Parks!



Dan Rodman, the Parks surveyor since 2007, is leaving Parks. Although this is sad for us, it is good news to the community at large, as he is headed over to Madison College to teach the next generation of surveyors. We wish him luck and we want to sincerely thank him for his hard work with Parks all these years. Our Land Records are well organized and in good shape, all thanks to Dan.



Sport Court Contract 2022



Sport Court Contract 2022:

The sport court contract is wrapping up for 2022. Above are pictures of the process. Using water and chalk the contractor identifies all of the low spots on the courts and then fills them in so the courts no longer hold water. Then, after a thorough cleaning, all the cracks are filled.



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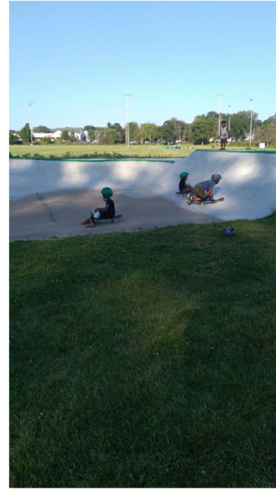


Sport Court Contract 2022:

The final product is a like-new court surface, ready for play.



All-Wheel Spot at Warner Park AKA: the Lily Pad



All Wheel Spot at Warner Park:

As you recall, last summer Madison Parks developed an MOU with Madison Skateboard Fund which allows volunteers to build and maintain a “wheel spot” on an abandoned piece of asphalt in Warner Park. The asphalt used to be a bleacher pad, but we long ago abandoned the softball field it served due to lack of use. The volunteers wrapped up the work this spring, our crews put the finishing touches on it. And the skating has begun.



Brentwood Park Dirt Pump Track



Volunteer Dirt Pump Track at Brentwood:

As you recall, a few months ago a volunteer group asked to build a dirt pump track at Brentwood Park. The project was approved by the BPC and staff developed a MOU with the group. On July 9th they began and finished the project. A crew of neighbors, a mini excavator and specially designed dirt (three dump truck loads) and the track was built in one day.



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Here is a picture of a young biker on his strider bike and the track being visited by the entire NICA Team from East High School to do some sessions. Parks staff will monitor the track for maintenance needs. And, as per the agreement, the neighborhood group will provide for its on-going care.

Johnson Street Bridge at Tenney Park



Before and after pictures of repaired retaining walls/bridge footings at Tenney Park. This is shot of the “before” conditions.

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This is after. The much larger stones and longer retaining wall is designed to prevent damage to the lagoon shore line for years to come.



Aldo Leopold Pump Track and Skills Track



Aldo Leopold Pump Track Update

The pump track and the skills track are up and running. Both have been very well received by park visitors. Aldo Leopold played host to a Parks Alive event on August 2nd. At the event, there were some remarks by luminaries, and there were kids riding bikes.



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This kid is pumped!



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Also at the Parks Alive event on Aug 2nd, there was a ribbon cutting and more riding of bikes. Yes, that is yours truly. Sometimes even I get to get out and have fun in our parks! Thanks to Ann Shea for the photos of the event at Leopold!