Sycamore Park District
Regular Board Meeting
Sycamore Park District Maintenance Shop 435 Airport Road
Sycamore, IL 60178
September 22, 2020
6:00 PM
AGENDA

## CALL TO ORDER (Roll Call Vote)

## APPROVAL OF REGULAR AND CONSENT AGENDA (Voice Vote)

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (Voice Vote)

3. Regular Minutes: August 25, 2020 (Voice Vote)

## APPROVAL OF MONTHLY CLAIMS:

7. Claims Paid Since Board Meeting (Roll Call Vote)
8. Claims Presented (Roll Call Vote)

## CONSENT AGÉNDA:

31. Superintendent of Finance Monthly Report
32. Budget Report
33. Superintendent of Recreation Monthly Report
34. Superintendent of Golf Operations Monthly Report
35. Superintendent of Parks and Facilities Monthly Report
36. Executive Director Monthly Report

## CORRESPONDENCE-

70. Wendy Swedberg Thank You
71. Bryan Henning - Splash Pad
72. Stacie Graham - Slash Pad

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MONTHLY REPORT: Theresa Tevsh, Superintendent of Recreation Services
73. KSRA - Dawn, Theresa

## OLD BUSINESS:

> Park Naming--Bill
> Update Regarding MMNH-Theresa
> Update on Transition Planning-Bill
> GW Trail Segment 1 Construction Update-Jeff
> Bridge \#4 Construction Update-Kirk

## NEW BUSINESS:

74. Proposal to Honor the Passing of Robert "Bob" Swedberg— Jeff/Kirk/Jackie/Theresa
75. Survey Findings Summary Report and Discussion (ZOOM)—Sarah/Ron
76. Quarterly Capital Funds Update—Jackie
77. ITEP Grant Resolution 04-2020 - Sarah

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EXECUTIVE SESSION:

## EXECUTIVE SESSION (Roll Call Vote):

In accordance with 5 ILCS, Par. 120/2c, I move that the Board convene in Executive
Session to discuss:

1. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

## ADJOURN

# Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners <br> Sycamore Park District <br> Tuesday, August 25, 2020 

The regular meeting of the Sycamore Park District Board of Commissioners, DeKalb County, Illinois, being held at our Maintenance Building, located at 435 Airport Road, Sycamore, Illinois is called to order at 6:03 p.m. on Tuesday, August 25, 2020.

Will the recording secretary please call the roll.
The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are physically present and will be participating in the meeting in person: Commissioners Doty, Graves, Schulz, Strack and Kroeger.

President Kroeger noted at this time he wanted to acknowledge we lost a long-time employee this past weekend. Bob was employed here since he was 21 one years old. He passed away at 57 so 36 years of dedication to this Park District is unbelievable. He thanked everyone that reached out to the family.

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are not physically present but will be participating in the meeting via video and/or audio conferencing: None

The following Sycamore Park District Commissioners are not physically present and will not be participating in the meeting: None

Staff members present were Jeanette Freeman, Director Gibble, Jackie Hienbuecher, Jeff Donahoe, Kirk Lundbeck, Theresa Tevsh, and Sarah Rex.

Guests: None

## Regular and Consent Agenda Approval -

## Motion

Commissioner Schulz moved to approve the Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Strack seconded the Motion.

## Voice Vote

President Kroeger called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

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## Approval of Minutes - <br> Motion

Commissioner Schulz moved to approve the July 28, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Strack seconded the Motion.

## Voice Vote

President Kroeger called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

## Motion

Commissioner Schulz moved to approve the September 30, 2019, October 21, 2019, January 13, 2020, January 22, 2020, January 29, 2020, and June 29, 2020 Special Search Committee Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Strack seconded the Motion.

## Voice Vote

President Kroeger called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.
Motion
Commissioner Schulz moved to approve the March 3, 2020, March 11, 2020, July 13, 2020, July 14, 2020, and July 16, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Strack seconded the Motion.

## Voice Vote

President Kroeger called for a voice vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

## Motion

Commissioner Schulz moved to approve the March 31, 2020 and June 2, 2020 Executive Session Meeting Minutes to remain confidential. Commissioner Strack seconded the Motion.

## Roll Call

President Kroeger called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

## Motion

Commissioner Schulz moved to approve the March 2, 2020, March 11, 2020, July 13, 2020, July 14, 2020, and July 16, 2020 Special Meetings Executive Session Meeting Minutes to remain confidential. Commissioner Strack seconded the Motion.

## Roll Call

President Kroeger called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

## Motion

Commissioner Schulz moved to approve the June 19, 2020, June 29, 2020, and July 2, 2020 Search Committee Executive Session Meeting Minutes to remain confidential. Commissioner Strack seconded the Motion.

## Roll Call

President Kroeger called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

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## Claims and Accounts Approval

Motion
Commissioner Strack moved to approve and pay the bills in the amount of \$51,204.90. Commissioner Graves seconded the Motion.

## Roll Call

President Kroeger called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

## Correspondence - None

## Public Input

Director Gibble noted that Jackie also lost a sister recently and our thoughts and prayers are with her also.

## Positive Feedback - None

Monthly Report - Supt. of Golf Operations handed out a timeline on Bridge \#4, Hole 15. He then went over the timeline and gave more details on the project.

Commissioner Graves congratulated Kirk, Jeff, and staff on receiving DeKalb County Finest Golf Course award and he thanked everyone.

## Old Business

Introduction of New Executive Director - President Kroeger noted that Jonelle Bailey is our new Executive Director. Her official starting date is August $31^{\text {st }}$. On behalf of the Board they are very excited to have her here. He noted that he, Dan and Jonelle met to go over the list of transition items to do and who to meet. There is a timeline that Jonelle and Dan have put together for the next 6-8 weeks. President Kroeger noted Dan has had meetings with the superintendents to get them up to speed on certain topics so they will be well versed in case Jonelle needs anything.

Update Regarding the MMNH - Supt. of Recr. Tevsh noted Burpee Museum staff member has been picking up some of the collection each week on their way to work. She is trying to get a meeting with the Museum Board, Dan, Bill and Jonelle so we can get an update on their timeline. Director Gibble noted he may be coming to our Board later to help the Museum expedite removal of some barriers on some of the animals.

## New Business

First Draft of Survey Findings Summary Report - Sarah noted that the Board has Ron Vine's first draft of the summary. He will be at the September board meeting virtually to go over the information. She noted there was an awesome response. We shoot for $10 \%$ and we had a $15 \%$ response. Director Gibble informed the Board to email Sarah if they would like to see anything else.

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## Semiannual review of Executive Session Minutes -

## Motion

Commissioner Strack moved to approve as recommended that no Executive Session Minutes be released but authorizes staff to dispose of all closed session audio tapes more than 18 months old for those meetings that Executive Session minutes were approved more than 18 months ago. Commissioner Schulz seconded the Motion.

## Roll Call

President Kroeger called for a roll call to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Recommendation for Future Study Sessions - Director Gibble asked the Board to come to the September meeting with dates in October and November that will work for them. President Kroeger noted it would be good idea to have some study sessions while both Directors are still here. Director Gibble noted the October one could be a review of what we have done and then Jonelle can frame out how she would like to approach the process from then on. It was decided to schedule a study session for Tuesday, October $13^{\text {th }}$.

Public Input - None

## Motion

The Board adjourned the Regular Session at 6:40 p.m. on a motion made by Commissioner Schulz. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Doty.

## Roll Call Vote

President Kroeger called for a roll call vote to approve the motion. All commissioners present voted Aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted

Jeanette Freeman
Recording Secretary
Sycamore Park District

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To: Board of Commissioners
From: Jackie Hienbuecher
Subject: Monthly Report
Date: $\quad$ September 22, 2020
Administrative Initiatives (09/1/20-09/30/20)

- Attended scheduled Board and Superintendent/staff meetings.
- Reviewed deposits for Community Center, Golf, and Concessions, prepared general ledger journal entries to be posted.
- Updated EFTs. Performed installment billing for Pathway Fitness memberships and passes. The September installment was for 163 individuals, a decrease of 21 from August. The monthly installment was \$2,789 (\$425 decrease) processed through credit cards and \$254 (\$26 increase) through ACH transactions. There were 5 households whose credit cards did not process (\$107) due to declined credit cards. I am still following up on each of these and processing the transactions when possible.
- Continued to monitor new household accounts on Rectrac for residency and process refund for those that registered as non-resident when they should be resident.
- Assisted staff with technology problems/concerns/needs. Coordinated assistance from CMJ to resolution when necessary.
- Worked with RingCentral to transfer phones.
- Performed criminal background checks on new hires and volunteers.
- Prepared monthly sales tax returns.
- Filed monthly IMRF earnings and submitted payment.
- Filed monthly unemployment statement.
- Discussed quarterly unemployment claims with Unemployment Consultants. Determined all claims COVID related; payment should be made by federal and state.
- Submitted payroll direct deposit files for processing and scheduled transfer of funds.
- Processed monthly bills for payment.
- Prepared monthly bank reconciliation.
- Continued to review cash flow and transferred funds as needed in order to increase investment income and to cover disbursements.
- Submitted information for unemployment claims.
- Continued to submit claims for reimbursement due to flood damage.
- Transferred cost of goods sold in concessions (catering), recreation, vending and pro shop sales.
- Provided KSRA with property tax installment documentation and process payment.
- Assisted with pro shop inventory as needed.
- Attended Pumpkin Festival Committee Meetings.
- Assisted in filing death benefit documentation to IMRF and insurance.
- Participated in PATH Coast to Coast challenge.
- Participate in transition meeting with ERA and staff: project orientation and update.
- Reviewed new employee insurance documents. Submitted for enrollment.
- Watched Ancel Glink's Quorum Forum Podcast - Public Records on Personal Devices
- Participated in PATH Essentials Webinar.
- Attended meetings with Jonelle and staff to provide information on Rectrac.
- Updated timelines for 2021 Capital and Operating Budgets.
- Participated in MSI Customer Advisory Board - Cost Analysis review and discussion.
- Met with Jonelle, Jeanette and Sarah to discuss election procedures/documents and board packet process.
- Reviewed PDRMA Coping with Stress and Uncertainty During COVID19 material.
- Met with Jonelle and CMJ to discuss future technology needs and service for the District.
- Provided documentation to Jeanette to support credit card transactions processed through tablet/PayAnywhere.
- Allocated IMRF and SS tax levies to appropriate funds to cover related expenses.


## $\underline{\text { Administrative Initiatives ( } 10 / 1 / 20-10 / 31 / 20 \text { ) }}$

- Attend scheduled Superintendent and Board meetings.
- Continue to participate in COVID-19 related webinars when available.
- File quarterly payroll taxes.
- File monthly Sales Tax Return.
- Review deposits for Community Center, Golf, and Concessions. Prepare journal entries to be posted.
- File monthly IMRF earnings and submit payment.
- Monthly bank reconciliation.
- Process monthly EFT for memberships/passes.
- Transfer cost of goods sold in concessions (catering), recreation, vending and pro shop sales.
- Allocate IMRF and SS tax levies to appropriate funds to cover related expenses.
- Update signature cards at banks.
- Finalize flood related costs and submit to PDRMA for final reimbursement.
- Invoice DeKalb County Forest Preserve for their portion of trail expense per agreement.
- Work with CMJ on technology as needed.
- Continue to gather necessary documentation to submit COVID related expenses to FEMA for grant.
- Review any financial assistance applications.
- Provide KSRA with property tax installment documentation and process payment.
- Attend pumpkin festival committee meeting.
- Update credit card terminal information. Perform annual PCI compliance.
- Write up instructions for utilizing the employee portal.
- Meet with Paylocity. Sales pitch.
- Participate in 2020 PDRMA Health Program Council Webinar.
- Attend meeting with Dan, Jonelle and Derke Price, Ancel Glink.
- Attend PDRMA Health Webinar - Determine Your Agency’s 2021 Medical Plan Strategy.
- Begin process of determining 2020 Tax Levy.
- Prepare first draft of 2021 Capital Budget.
- Prepare schedules for 2021 Operating Budget.
- Begin preparation for open enrollment for employee benefits.
- Review new rates and benefits for employee health insurance. Calculate threshold and total anticipated 2021 expense. Prepare recommendation for the board regarding health insurance coverage.
- Begin work with Speer Financial on annual rollover bond.
- Participate in S\&P Global Ratings research survey.
- Participate in demonstrations of Golf/Concessions POS systems.

Sycamore Park District
Summarized Revenue \& Expense Report
Period ended August 31, 2020

Corporate Fund (10)

| Department |  | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\text { Actual }}$ | Variance |
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| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 46,357.37 | 811,884.32 | 1,559,109.00 | 810,470.84 | 0.2\% (1) |
| Marketing |  |  | 272.50 | 600.00 |  | \#DIV/0! |
| Parks |  | 1,118.53 | 16,600.46 | 26,091.00 | 13,304.17 | 24.8\% (2) |
|  | Total Revenues | 47,475.90 | 828,757.28 | 1,585,800.00 | 823,775.01 | 0.6\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 29,935.45 | 550,690.80 | 1,336,773.00 | 429,869.66 | 28.1\% (3) |
| Marketing |  | 1,337.28 | 34,568.00 | 43,600.00 | 25,467.34 | 35.7\% (4) |
| Parks |  | 23,415.94 | 181,347.95 | 304,523.00 | 199,672.05 | -9.2\% |
|  | Total Expenses | 54,688.67 | 766,606.75 | 1,684,896.00 | 655,009.05 | 17.0\% |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | 47,475.90 | 828,757.28 | 1,585,800.00 | 823,775.01 | 0.6\% |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | 54,688.67 | 766,606.75 | 1,684,896.00 | 655,009.05 | 17.0\% |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | $(7,212.77)$ | 62,150.53 | $(99,096.00)$ | 168,765.96 | -63.2\% |

(1) Shelter/Alcohol permit down $83.9 \%$ \$6,168
(2) Dog Park Revenue. Dog park was not open until May 2019. Revenue up 17.6\% \$717. Tax Levy allocation higher in 2020 due to naturalist position hired in Spring 2019
(3) 2020 includes $\$ 18,500$ in survey expenses. Interest payment for 2019 bond $\$ 102,403$. $\$ 14,000$ flood costs to be reimbursed.
(4) COVID mailers $\$ 13,167$.

## Recreation Fund (20)

| Department | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | Actual |  |
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| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration | 30,004.81 | 566,666.65 | 990,727.00 | 547,435.56 | 3.5\% (1) |
| Sports Complex | 718.50 | 868.50 | 44,457.00 | 8,983.00 | -90.3\% (2) |
| Sports Complex Maintenenance | 1,358.14 | 27,228.21 | 43,727.00 | 23,265.15 | 17.0\% |
| Midwest Museum of Natural Hist |  | 1,161.92 | 2,400.00 | 1,796.84 | -35.3\% |
| Programs-Youth | 1,321.00 | 7,316.62 | 20,393.00 | 13,767.39 | -46.9\% (3) |
| Programs-Teens | - | - | 1,635.00 | - | \#DIV/0! (3) |
| Programs-Adult | 637.00 | 2,412.93 | 13,501.00 | 7,941.68 | -69.6\% (3) |
| Programs-Leagues | 300.00 | 506.57 | 11,905.00 | 1,404.12 | -63.9\% (3) |
| Programs-Youth Athletics | 3,430.73 | 13,916.21 | 31,171.00 | 25,962.65 | -46.4\% (3) |
| Programs-Fitness | 790.00 | 7,436.64 | 24,559.00 | 16,313.66 | -54.4\% (3) |
| Programs-Early Childhood | - | 2,878.00 | 6,757.00 | 5,163.00 | -44.3\% (3) |
| Programs-Dance | 45.88 | 1,513.53 | 4,530.00 | 2,740.84 | -44.8\% (3) |
| Programs-Special Events |  | 6,429.02 | 20,671.00 | 8,154.23 | -21.2\% (3) |
| Programs-Community Events | 1,070.00 | 4,305.00 | 12,183.00 | 9,282.51 | -53.6\% (3) |
| Brochure | - | - | 7,350.00 | 3,300.00 | -100.0\% |
| Weight Room | 7,004.00 | 54,177.31 | 179,114.00 | 128,817.09 | -57.9\% (4) |
| Community Center | 1,559.54 | 29,156.02 | 64,906.00 | 41,441.56 | -29.6\% (5) |
| Total Revenues | 48,239.60 | 725,973.13 | 1,479,986.00 | 845,769.28 | -14.2\% |
| (1) Real Estate Taxes YTD 2020 is greater by $3.0 \% \$ 15,156$. Tax levy allocation greater $29.1 \% \$ 8,551$ due to higher wages in 2020. <br> (2) No Spring Field Rentals - COVID |  |  |  |  |  |
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| (3) Revenue from programs decreased $48.5 \%$, $\$ 44,016$ compared to 2019 due to COVID closure and long term impact. |  |  |  |  |  |
| (4) Compared to Annual Budget/Compared to 2019 YTD: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pathway Fitness Membership |  | 29.52\% / 38.60\% |  |  |  |
| Pathway Fitness Pass |  | 30.83\% / 44.63\% |  |  |  |
| Track Only Pass |  | 40.19\% / 62.76\% |  |  |  |
| Pre-pay Card |  | 0\% / 0\% |  |  |  |
| Program Fees |  | 17.86\% / 27.43\% |  |  |  |
| Daily Admission Fee |  | 23.30\% / 31.12\% |  |  |  |
| (5) Compared to Annual Budget/Compared to 2019 YTD: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Open Gym Daily |  | 45.87\% / 86.28\% |  |  |  |
| Open Gym Membership |  | 37.69\% / 69.41\% |  |  |  |
| Rentals |  | 44.76\% / 62.04\% |  |  |  |

## Sycamore Park District

Summarized Revenue \& Expense Report
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Sycamore Park District
Summarized Revenue \& Expense Report
Period ended August 31, 2020

| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Administration | 42,513.58 | 392,003.96 | 608,219.00 | 362,649.45 | 8.1\% (1) |
| Sports Complex | - |  |  | 78.06 | -100.0\% |
| Sports Complex Maintenenance | 32,679.22 | 290,719.29 | 441,735.00 | 286,846.63 | 1.4\% (6) |
| Midwest Museum of Natural Hist | 125.85 | 11,276.34 | 18,750.00 | 11,073.94 | 1.8\% (2) |
| Programs-Youth | 87.48 | 5,021.46 | 12,801.00 | 8,541.80 | -41.2\% (3) |
| Programs-Teens | - | (12.00) | 1,116.00 | 50.00 | -124.0\% (3) |
| Programs-Adult | - | 2,737.35 | 10,344.00 | 6,790.35 | -59.7\% (3) |
| Programs-Leagues | - | 3,546.57 | 8,821.00 | 3,362.12 | 5.5\% (3) |
| Programs-Youth Athletics | 276.13 | 4,976.89 | 21,861.00 | 15,188.73 | -67.2\% (3) |
| Programs-Fitness | 254.35 | 4,918.68 | 13,495.00 | 8,075.40 | -39.1\% (3) |
| Programs-Early Childhood | 1,900.00 | 1,900.00 | 4,637.00 | 1,688.00 | 12.6\% (3) |
| Programs-Dance | 118.43 | 605.94 | 2,024.00 | 558.68 | 8.5\% (3) |
| Programs-Special Events | - | 3,434.57 | 14,422.00 | 2,965.66 | 15.8\% (3) |
| Programs-Community Events | - | 4,400.00 | 26,829.00 | 10,869.20 | -59.5\% (3) |
| Brochure | 1,535.86 | 1,535.86 | 24,575.00 | 16,639.11 | -90.8\% (4) |
| Weight Room | 49.72 | 11,112.08 | 43,393.00 | 13,549.23 | -18.0\% |
| Community Center | 13,018.96 | 104,493.87 | 219,126.00 | 126,927.43 | -17.7\% (5) |
| Total Expenses | 92,559.58 | 842,670.86 | 1,472,148.00 | 875,853.79 | -3.8\% |
| Total Fund Revenues | 48,239.60 | 725,973.13 | 1,479,986.00 | 845,769.28 | -14.2\% |
| Total Fund Expenses | 92,559.58 | 842,670.86 | 1,472,148.00 | 875,853.79 | -3.8\% |
| Surplus (Deficit) | $(44,319.98)$ | $(116,697.73)$ | 7,838.00 | $(30,084.51)$ | 287.9\% |

(1) Payroll and related taxes are greater in 2020 by $12.9 \%$ \$33,602. New Recreation Specialist started May 2019. 2020 increases for exempt.
(2) Paying electric/gas $\$ 7,523$.
(3) Expenses for programs decreased 45.7\%, \$26,560 compared to 2019.
(4) No summer brochure printed/mailed in 2020
(5) Part time customer service temporarily laid off/reduced hours and related taxes $25.7 \$ 14,968$. Utilities lower in $202020.2 \%$ $\$ 8,717$.
(6) 2020 payroll and related taxes greater $2.7 \% \$ 5,420$. Pay increases, higher IMRF rate.

## Donations (21)

| Department |  | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\text { Actual }}$ |  |
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| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 3,500.00 | 40,546.41 | 56,000.00 | 64,021.47 | -36.7\% |
|  | Total Revenues | 3,500.00 | 40,546.41 | 56,000.00 | 64,021.47 | -36.7\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | - | - | 100,000.00 | - | \#DIV/0! |
|  | Total Expenses | - | - | 100,000.00 | - | \#DIV/0! |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | 3,500.00 | 40,546.41 | 56,000.00 | 64,021.47 | -36.7\% |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | - | - | 100,000.00 | - | \#DIV/0! |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | 3,500.00 | 40,546.41 | $(44,000.00)$ | 64,021.47 | -36.7\% |

## Special Recreation (22)

| Department |  | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\underline{\text { Actual }}}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 5,958.78 | 112,261.33 | 201,500.00 | 107,592.20 | 4.3\% |
|  | Total Revenues | 5,958.78 | 112,261.33 | 201,500.00 | 107,592.20 | 4.3\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 2,979.39 | 56,220.05 | 201,500.00 | 53,515.38 | 5.1\% |
|  | Total Expenses | 2,979.39 | 56,220.05 | 201,500.00 | 53,515.38 | 5.1\% |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | 5,958.78 | 112,261.33 | 201,500.00 | 107,592.20 | 4.3\% |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | 2,979.39 | 56,220.05 | 201,500.00 | 53,515.38 | 5.1\% |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | 2,979.39 | 56,041.28 | - | 54,076.82 | 3.6\% |

## Insurance (23)

| Department |  | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\underline{\text { Actual }}}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 1,996.19 | 37,724.59 | 67,000.00 | 40,620.15 | -7.1\% |
|  | Total Revenues | 1,996.19 | 37,724.59 | 67,000.00 | 40,620.15 | -7.1\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | - | 33,156.26 | 81,452.00 | 31,276.32 | 6.0\% (1) |
|  | Total Expenses | - | 33,156.26 | 81,452.00 | 31,276.32 | 6.0\% |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | 1,996.19 | 37,724.59 | 67,000.00 | 40,620.15 | -7.1\% |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | - | 33,156.26 | 81,452.00 | 31,276.32 | 6.0\% |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | 1,996.19 | 4,568.33 | $(14,452.00)$ | 9,343.83 | -51.1\% |

(1) PDRMA return on net position $\$ 7,645$. Unemployment expense in 2020 pre-COVID.

## Audit (24)

| Department |  | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\underline{\text { Actual }}}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 427.50 | 8,081.67 | 14,000.00 | 8,481.40 | -4.7\% |
|  | Total Revenues | 427.50 | 8,081.67 | 14,000.00 | 8,481.40 | -4.7\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | - | 14,750.00 | 13,900.00 | 15,950.00 | -7.5\% |
|  | Total Expenses | - | 14,750.00 | 13,900.00 | 15,950.00 | -7.5\% |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | 427.50 | 8,081.67 | 14,000.00 | 8,481.40 | -4.7\% |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | - | 14,750.00 | 13,900.00 | 15,950.00 | -7.5\% |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | 427.50 | $(6,668.33)$ | 100.00 | $(7,468.60)$ | -10.7\% |

## Paving \& Lighting (25)

| Department |  | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\underline{\text { Actual }}}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 741.89 | 14,043.24 | 25,000.00 | 424.45 | 3208.6\% (1) |
|  | Total Revenues | 741.89 | 14,043.24 | 25,000.00 | 424.45 | 3208.6\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | - | - | 48,471.00 | - | \#DIV/0! |
|  | Total Expenses | - | - | 48,471.00 | - | \#DIV/0! |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | 741.89 | 14,043.24 | 25,000.00 | 424.45 |  |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | - |  | 48,471.00 | - |  |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | 741.89 | 14,043.24 | $(23,471.00)$ | 424.45 |  |

(1) Increased levy to $\$ 25,000$

## Park Police (26)

| Department |  | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\underline{\text { Actual }}}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 37.63 | 504.41 | 637.00 | 203.24 | 148.2\% |
|  | Total Revenues | 37.63 | 504.41 | 637.00 | 203.24 | 148.2\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 427.92 | 2,389.90 | 2,153.00 | 603.90 | 295.7\% (1) |
|  | Total Expenses | 427.92 | 2,389.90 | 2,153.00 | 603.90 | 295.7\% |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | 37.63 | 504.41 | 637.00 | 203.24 | 148.2\% |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | 427.92 | 2,389.90 | 2,153.00 | 603.90 |  |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | (390.29) | $(1,885.49)$ | $(1,516.00)$ | (400.66) | 370.6\% |

(1) Dog park patrol

IMRF (27)

| Department |  | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\text { Actual }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 3,597.65 | 67,740.36 | 121,000.00 | 51,140.53 | 32.5\% |
|  | Total Revenues | 3,597.65 | 67,740.36 | 121,000.00 | 51,140.53 | 32.5\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 3,597.65 | 67,740.36 | 121,000.00 | 51,140.53 | 32.5\% |
|  | Total Expenses | 3,597.65 | 67,740.36 | 121,000.00 | 51,140.53 | 32.5\% |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | 3,597.65 | 67,740.36 | 121,000.00 | 51,140.53 | 32.5\% |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | 3,597.65 | 67,740.36 | 121,000.00 | 51,140.53 | 32.5\% |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | - | - | - | - |  |

## Social Security (28)

| Department |  | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\text { Actual }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 3,024.11 | 56,940.79 | 100,000.00 | 57,231.20 | -0.5\% |
|  | Total Revenues | 3,024.11 | 56,940.79 | 100,000.00 | 57,231.20 | -0.5\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 3,826.91 | 62,450.90 | 105,510.00 | 64,344.26 | -2.9\% |
|  | Total Expenses | 3,826.91 | 62,450.90 | 105,510.00 | 64,344.26 | -2.9\% |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | 3,024.11 | 56,940.79 | 100,000.00 | 57,231.20 | -0.5\% |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | 3,826.91 | 62,450.90 | 105,510.00 | 64,344.26 | -2.9\% |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | (802.80) | $(5,510.11)$ | $(5,510.00)$ | $(7,113.06)$ |  |

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Concessions (30)

| Department | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\underline{\text { Actual }}}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |
| Clubhouse Concessions | 14,419.33 | 36,250.41 | 75,703.00 | 49,165.47 | -26.3\% (3) |
| Beverage Cart | 238.00 | 600.50 | 11,306.00 | 6,640.14 | -91.0\% |
| Sports Complex Concessions | 3,081.00 | 3,081.00 | 37,863.00 | 26,828.99 | -88.5\% |
| Pool Concessions | - | - | 8,673.00 | 8,309.29 | -100.0\% |
| Catering | 153.10 | 1,755.61 | 19,253.00 | 12,263.72 | -85.7\% |
| Total Revenues | 17,891.43 | 41,687.52 | 152,798.00 | 103,207.61 | -59.6\% (1) |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |
| Clubhouse Concessions | 10,397.46 | 57,160.20 | 100,074.00 | 61,124.67 | -6.5\% (2) |
| Beverage Cart | 73.95 | 251.87 | 8,495.00 | 4,214.80 | -94.0\% |
| Sports Complex Concessions | 1,019.65 | 2,500.65 | 32,705.00 | 22,397.15 | -88.8\% |
| Pool Concessions | - | - | 8,569.00 | 6,915.92 | -100.0\% |
| Catering | 73.52 | 812.47 | 6,565.00 | 4,346.70 | -81.3\% |
| Total Expenses | 11,564.58 | 60,725.19 | 156,408.00 | 98,999.24 | -38.7\% |
| Total Fund Revenues | 17,891.43 | 41,687.52 | 152,798.00 | 103,207.61 | -59.6\% |
| Total Fund Expenses | 11,564.58 | 60,725.19 | 156,408.00 | 98,999.24 | -38.7\% |
| Surplus (Deficit) | 6,326.85 | $(19,037.67)$ | (3,610.00) | 4,208.37 | -552.4\% |

(1) Closed due to COVID. Clubhouse began serving limited menu $5 / 1 / 20$. Limited Beverage Cart. Sports Complex minimal activity starting in August. Pool Closed. Minimal rentals for catering.
(2) $60 \%$ of Fulltime employee wages, related taxes and insurance expensed here regardless of operations. $\$ 21,350$ YTD
(3) August 2020 revenue is only $0.22 \$ 31$ less than August 2019.

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Developer Contributions (32)

| Department |  | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | Actual |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | - | 12,543.76 | 15,000.00 | 8,860.12 | 41.6\% |
|  | Total Revenues | - | 12,543.76 | 15,000.00 | 8,860.12 | 41.6\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | - | - | 6,000.00 | - | \#DIV/0! |
|  | Total Expenses | - | - | 6,000.00 | - | \#DIV/0! |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | - | 12,543.76 | 15,000.00 | 8,860.12 | 41.6\% |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | - | - | 6,000.00 | - | \#DIV/0! |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | - | 12,543.76 | 9,000.00 | 8,860.12 | 41.6\% |

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Golf Course (50)

| Department | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\text { Actual }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |
| Golf Operations | 82,006.56 | 328,991.24 | 416,557.00 | 325,922.53 | 0.9\% (1) |
| Golf Maintenance | 851.17 | 12,129.67 | 21,964.00 | 11,448.70 | 5.9\% |
| Total Revenues | 82,857.73 | 341,120.91 | 438,521.00 | 337,371.23 | 1.1\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |
| Golf Operations | 23,336.19 | 123,106.28 | 218,420.00 | 145,082.32 | -15.1\% |
| Golf Maintenance | 23,747.32 | 160,906.58 | 274,997.00 | 183,727.14 | -12.4\% |
| Total Expenses | 47,083.51 | 284,012.86 | 493,417.00 | 328,809.46 | -13.6\% |
| Total Fund Revenues | 82,857.73 | 341,120.91 | 438,521.00 | 337,371.23 | 1.1\% |
| Total Fund Expenses | 47,083.51 | 284,012.86 | 493,417.00 | 328,809.46 | -13.6\% |
| Surplus (Deficit) | 35,774.22 | 57,108.05 | (54,896.00) | 8,561.77 | 567.0\% |
| (1) July YTD 2020 Actual: compared to Annual Budget/compared to July YTD 2019 Actual |  |  |  |  |  |
| Daily Greens Fees | 73.89\% / 104.6 |  |  |  |  |
| Golf Events \& Misc | 74.15\% / 81.17 |  |  |  |  |
| Carts | 84.74\% / 106.9 |  |  |  |  |
| Season passes | 95.19\% / 100.6 |  |  |  |  |
| Pro shop sales | 59.61\% / 83.04 |  |  |  |  |
| Closed until May 1, 2020 due to CO | VID. Then floodi | in May 2020 |  |  |  |

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Aquatics (51)

| Department | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\text { Actual }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pool | - | 44.68 | 69,120.00 | 63,936.77 | -99.9\% |
| Swim Lessons |  |  | 20,832.00 | 20,856.39 |  |
| Splashpad | 3,500.00 | 7,965.00 | 18,034.00 | 12,834.00 | -37.9\% |
| Total Revenues | 3,500.00 | 8,009.68 | 107,986.00 | 97,627.16 | -91.8\% (1) |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pool | - | 1,159.34 | 59,795.00 | 52,005.00 | -97.8\% |
| Aquatics Maintenance | 561.53 | 8,860.97 | 34,200.00 | 27,411.06 | -67.7\% |
| Swim Lessons | - |  | 10,750.00 | 9,083.98 |  |
| Splashpad | - | - | 838.00 | 2.00 | -100.0\% |
| Total Expenses | 561.53 | 10,020.31 | 105,583.00 | 88,502.04 | -88.7\% |
| Total Fund Revenues | 3,500.00 | 8,009.68 | 107,986.00 | 97,627.16 | -91.8\% |
| Total Fund Expenses | 561.53 | 10,020.31 | 105,583.00 | 88,502.04 | -88.7\% |
| Surplus (Deficit) | 2,938.47 | $(2,010.63)$ | 2,403.00 | 9,125.12 | -122.0\% |

(1) Pool closed 2020 due to COVID. Splashpad opened July 10th with restrictions.

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Action 2020 (71)

| Department |  | August Actual | YTD Actual | Annual Budget | $\frac{2019 \text { YTD }}{\underline{\text { Actual }}}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Revenues |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | - | 8,520.30 | 208,600.00 | 941.22 | 805.2\% |
|  | Total Revenues | - | 8,520.30 | 208,600.00 | 941.22 | 805.2\% |
| Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Administration |  | 144,319.80 | 830,427.71 | 1,357,750.00 | 208,562.33 | 298.2\% |
|  | Total Expenses | 144,319.80 | 830,427.71 | 1,357,750.00 | 208,562.33 | 298.2\% |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | - | 8,520.30 | 208,600.00 | 941.22 | 805.2\% |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | 144,319.80 | 830,427.71 | 1,357,750.00 | 208,562.33 | 298.2\% |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | $(144,319.80)$ | $(821,907.41)$ | (1,149,150.00) | (207,621.11) | 295.9\% |
| Total Fund Revenues |  | 238,040.97 | 2,659,640.98 | 5,743,828.00 | 2,909,878.66 |  |
| Total Fund Expenses |  | 368,369.54 | 3,253,729.14 | 7,173,862.00 | 2,774,633.37 |  |
| Surplus (Deficit) |  | $(130,328.57)$ | (594,088.16) | (1,430,034.00) | 135,245.29 |  |

Sycamore Park District
Fund Balances

|  | Audited |
| :--- | ---: |
|  | $1 / 1 / 2020$ |
| 10 Corporate | $854,653.74$ |
| 20 Recreation | $448,367.83$ |
| 21 Donations | $132,672.62$ |
| 22 Special Recreation | $18,718.11$ |
| 23 Insurance | $46,724.24$ |
| 24 Audit | $13,701.70$ |
| 25 Paving \& Lighting | $23,521.99$ |
| 26 Park Police | $3,522.01$ |
| 27 IMRF | - |
| 28 Social Security | $5,510.11$ |
| 30 Concessions | $33,677.90$ |
| 32 Developer Contributions | 178.24 |
| 60 Debt Service | $79,888.43$ |
| 70 Capital Projects | $419,257.15$ |
| 71 Action 2020 | $2,679,876.36$ |
| Total governmental fund balance | $4,760,270.43$ |
|  |  |
| 50 Golf Course | $1,416,988.68$ |
|  | $(1,506,099.68)$ |
| 51 Aquatics | $(89,111.00)$ |


| Revenues | Expenses | 8/31/2020 | Cash balance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 828,757.28 | 766,606.75 | 916,804.27 | 916,551.83 |
| 725,973.13 | 842,670.86 | 331,670.10 | 371,866.11 |
| 40,546.41 | - | 173,219.03 | 173,219.03 |
| 112,261.33 | 56,220.05 | 74,759.39 | 74,759.39 |
| 37,724.59 | 33,156.26 | 51,292.57 | 51,292.57 |
| 8,081.67 | 14,750.00 | 7,033.37 | 7,033.37 |
| 14,043.24 | - | 37,565.23 | 37,565.23 |
| 504.41 | 2,389.90 | 1,636.52 | 1,636.52 |
| 67,740.36 | 67,740.36 | - | - |
| 56,940.79 | 62,450.90 | - | - |
| 41,687.52 | 60,725.19 | 14,640.23 | 11,241.22 |
| 12,543.76 | - | 12,722.00 | 12,722.00 |
| 354,107.99 | 6,015.00 | 427,981.42 | 427,981.42 |
| 1,077.61 | 216,542.99 | 203,791.77 | 203,971.77 |
| - | 144,319.80 | 2,535,556.56 | 2,347,098.54 |
| 2,301,990.09 | 2,273,588.06 | 4,788,672.46 | 4,636,939.00 |
| 341,120.91 | 284,012.86 | $\begin{gathered} 1,474,096.73 \\ (1,506,099.68) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |
|  |  | $(32,002.95)$ | 45,546.51 |
| 8,009.68 | 10,020.31 | $\begin{gathered} 385,543.04 \\ (380,628.50) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |
|  |  | 4,914.54 | 4,794.54 |
| 349,130.59 | 294,033.17 | $(27,088.41)$ |  |
|  |  | 4,761,584.05 | 4,687,280.05 |

## Summary of depository accounts as of

\[\)|  Location  |
| :--- |
|  First Midwest Bank  |
|  Resource Bank  |
|  IPDLAF  |
|  DCCF - Action  2020 |
|  Dekalb Co. Community Foundation  |

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9/17/2020

Balance
1,483,306.06
32,859.40
3,203,437.65
48,645.95
18,625.60
4,786,874.66

Interest YTD Interest
$0.09 \quad 1607.56$
$0.12 \quad 58.05$
$0.20 \quad 9759.24$

To: Board of Commissioners
From: Theresa Tevsh, Superintendent of Recreation Services
Subject: Monthly Report
Date: $\quad$ September 16, 2020

## Administrative Initiatives (9/1/20-9/30/20)

## Theresa Tevsh, Superintendent of Recreation Services

- Received a phone call from Lions Club representative, Tony Sgarlata, thanking the park district for their cooperation with the upcoming Pumpkin carving contest that the Kiwanis club organizes every year. This would normally be conducted during Pumpkinfest on the City Hall front lawn, but the event is canceled for 2020. So, the Lions will use the Sport Complex, at the island grass area by Good Tymes shelter for 2020. The space is reserved for the October 19-26 to conduct the annual event. They have contacted the Sycamore police, so they are also aware of the new location.
- Attended a meeting on September $8^{\text {th }}$ with two of Midwest Museum of Natural History Board members, Executive Director Bailey, Superintendent of Parks Jeff Donahoe, Commissioner Bill Kroger. MMNH is meeting with Blackhawk movers and Weaver Construction to see what is involved with opening an exterior wall to move the elephant and giraffe outside and on to a moving truck. Burpee Museum of Rockford stops in weekly to pick up smaller taxidermy that fits in a car, and to make the big move of animals a little lighter, once that is finalized. MMNH stated that about $50 \%$ of the collection has been claimed, but not moved yet.
- Dekalb Families Services- Club 55 is not ready to return to the building for the safety of their participants. They have requested to partner on some upcoming events to include an outdoor movie and walking program.
- Sold 405 Dog Park Passes to date. In Phase 4, we can now have up to 50 people in the park at a time and the drinking fountain is turned on at the dog level to fill water bowls. This month I had the surveillance camera adjusted
and the Dog Park Rules signage moved to the right of the main entrance gate to be able to have a better view of the activity that happens at the entrance gate.
- Met with the Recreation Team to discuss the Winter/Spring 2021 line-up of programs and special events. We continue to make modifications to allow for programming and special events to happen within the Phase 4 guidelines.
- Attended luncheon on August 31 to welcome new executive Director.
- Attended the Service Staff training on September 2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$. I covered some of the COVID safety guidelines for staff, patrons and capacities in different spaces based on usage.
- Attended meeting with executive director and marketing supervisor on September $2^{\text {nd }}$ to review procedures and systems used for marketing the district.
- Attended meeting with executive director on September 3rd to review the Superintendent of Recreation Services main areas of work and focus.
- Assisted Recreation Specialist Justin Genz with email correspondence to new SOAR families. This is our modified afterschool program which is held Monday-Thursday from noon-5pm. We have 8 students in the program which is below our minimum of 10 . However, we have teamed up activities with KSRA which also holds an afterschool program called KSRA PLAY which has 8 students. Their program is Monday-Friday from 1pm-5pm. So together, they can share some programming like library reading, Live animals from our Naturalist Nick and outdoor games.
- Contacted PDRMA for clarification on allowing $3^{\text {rd }}$ party inflatables inside the community center by as part of a rental of the facility. This is allowable with a certificate of insurance from vendor.
- Attended a walk-thru of the MMNH facility with Executive Director Baily and Superintendent of Parks.
- Aggression Volleyball Club is again renting the facility for the volleyball program. Their insurance allows them to have practices and intra-team
games. They always require players and coaches in masks. I have capped their capacity on two courts at 44 people, no spectators. This is below the guideline of 50 .
- I talked with 45 NIU Kinesiology students on September $9^{\text {th }}$ via Blackboard and presented on the topic of COVID safety Trends and careers in Parks \& Recreation.
- Welcome back our Sycamore School Life School student John. He volunteered with us last school year and will return to help us out on Monday mornings cleaning at the Community Center and Clubhouse.
- Attended the IPRA joint section meeting via zoom with guest speaker Jon Kedrowski on September $16^{\text {th }}$.
- Attended a luncheon with KSRA Director Dawn Schaefer, Facility Supervisor Metcalf, and Executive Director Bailey on September 17 ${ }^{\text {th }}$. We then toured the Fox Valley park district sensory room to see how both their SRA and park district share the program.
- Will attend the September 22 board meeting.
- Will send out an Eblast to Dog Park members to remind them of upcoming dog events and rule reminders.


## Melissa J Dobberstein, Food and Beverage Manager, Recreation Specialist

- Kept up to date on all the new Covid 19 updates.
- Ran Caddyshack Grill, very busy.
- Ready to do Sycamore Chamber Day, now rescheduled until October.
- Continuing to clean and sanitize all tables and chairs in clubhouse.
- Opened Sports Complex in August/September for softball and baseball games, very busy.
- Vending sales for July $\$ 100.00$ in product.
- Concessions sales $\$ 1300$ so far for month of September at Sports Complex.
- Finished August with over $\$ 2700$ in sales at Sports Complex.
- Rescheduled two small outings for clubhouse.
- Set "Junk in the Trunk" in motion for September 19 ${ }^{\text {th }}$, changed location due to social distancing, to the small T-ball fields behind the pool. Have 52 vendors plus working with KSRA selling stuff for their rummage sale.
- Had a mom that wanted to do Nerf Birthday Party Package but backed out due to all the covid rules. Only inquiry we have has so far.
- Kirk trained me on how to check in golfers at the pro shop, so I can help him out when he is in a pinch.
- Had our third Men's League fun dinner. They seem to really enjoy this once a month.
- Planning for Monday and Wednesday night Men's League steak dinners.
- Welcomed Lions Club back to clubhouse for their bi-monthly meetings.


## Justin Genz, Recreation Specialist

- Attended meeting regarding the new SOAR program. We decided to offer Mon-Thu 12-5pm.
- Met with rec specialist to discuss the kickball tournament beverages.
- Met with Fall Intern, showed her all the gym equipment and how to work it.
- Met with STEM Instructor and discussed one day programs for SOAR.
- Met with SOAR staff to explain pickup and drop off procedures.
- Met with Lead SOAR instructor to discuss lesson plans for SOAR.
- Attended meeting with all community center staff to introduce new staff members.
- Met with new All-Star Sports manager to discuss upcoming classes.
- Met with rec specialist and discussed snack logistics for new SOAR program.
- Patrolled the Dog Park.
- Hired a Volleyball Referee for our in-house league.
- First Fall programs underway, Adult Kickball tournament (6 teams) *rain out, SOAR (8), 9 All Star Sport classes will run ( registered 77), 4 Youth Tennis classes (24), Intro to Dance (7), Ballet/Tap (4), 2 Little Tumblers (10), Fall Art Club (8), 2 Kajukenbo Karate (20) Cheer tots (3).


## $\underline{\text { Lisa Metcalf, Facilities Supervisor }}$

- As of September 15, we have 145 Active Pathway Fitness 24/7 Memberships, 174 Active Pathway Fitness Passes, 52 Active Track 24/7 Memberships, 203 Active Track Passes and 263 Active Open Gym Passes.
- Held a meeting for the Service Desk Staff to go over new policies and procedures for the fall and did a safety review.
- Met with the Fitness Instructors to go over expectations in the fall and did a safety review.
- Continued to manage and attend fitness classes outside of business hours.
- Attended the IPRA Facility Management Section meeting via zoom.
- Visited Fox Valley's new sensory room.
- Splash Fountain will close on Sunday, September 27.
- So far, from July 10 - September 15, 2020, we made $\$ 8,042$ in daily fees for Splash Fountain. Last summer, July 10 - September 15, 2019, we had a total of $\$ 5,801$ in daily fees.
- First session of fitness classes has started. Classes will be held up in the Fitness Studio. So far, we have 5 classes running.
- Participated in a LHDC Board Meeting via zoom.
- Continued to work in RecTrac to update things as new things get added and changed.


## Sarah Rex, Recreation and Marketing Supervisor

- Promoted fall programming along with reminders about the district's accommodations based on COVID-19 guidelines as visitation increases for programs and in the parks.
- B95 Guest DJ September 2.
- Coordinated an introduction video of the new Executive Director using OC Creative of DeKalb. The video will be used on social media and the website to introduce her to the community.
- With support and input from Superintendent of Parks and Facilities, worked with the Rotary Club of Sycamore who will be installing a Little Free Library at Charley Laing Park as a service project.
- Worked with Ron Vine and Associates to coordinate a virtual presentation of the second community-wide survey findings at the September Board meeting.
- Helped a student achieve volunteer hour requirements by setting him up to do some park cleanup projects.
- Assisted at the District's second annual Junk in Your Trunk Sale September 19.54 vendors have signed up for the event that will have 25 square foot stall spread 8 feet apart on the ball diamonds behind the Community Pool.
- Submitted the District's grant application for a Northwestern Medicine Community Grant.
- Collected quotes for printing the District's seasonal brochure 2021-2022.
- With help from staff and ERA, coordinate and write the application for an Illinois Transpiration Enhancement Program Grant. Due November 3 to IDOT.


## Administrative Initiatives (10/1/20-10/31/20)

## Theresa Tevsh, Superintendent of Recreation Services

- Will continue to work with Superintendent of Parks to coordinate the safety of the Sport Complex as Fall Baseball and softball continue their seasons. KISH College will also host a regional cross country meet October $31^{\text {st }}$.
- Will continue to coordinate facility rentals in the Community Center during Phase 4 COVID limited capacity rules.
- Will assist the recreation staff with the Pumpkin Roll-Down and Ghost stories event October 17 ${ }^{\text {th }}$.
- Will work on employee wellness initiatives with grad student.
- Will assist the intern with the upcoming Holiday House Contest and Service club tree lighting on the Legacy Campus.
- Will be out of the office Oct 8 - $13^{\text {th }}$.
- Will attend the study session on October $13^{\text {th }}$.
- Will coordinate the Pet trick or treating at the community center on October $30^{\text {th }}$.
- Will coordinate with community partners for upcoming Winter/Spring events (Library, KSRA, Dekalb Family Services, Sport Affiliates, Northwestern Medicine).


## Melissa J Dobberstein, Food and Beverage Manager, Recreation Specialist

- Will continue to follow new Covid 19 guidelines as they come out.
- Will stay on top of keeping clubhouse sanitized.
- Will help with contractors to finish putting downstairs together.
- Will work with Superintendent of Recreation to organize/purge items from clubhouse and move back items from flood.
- Started working on the Veteran's Day event.
- Will work on planning the Winter/Spring events for the brochure.
- Will assist the SOAR program with a $2 \mathrm{x} /$ month cooking class.


## Justin Genz, Recreation Specialist

- Will lead captains meeting for Volleyball League.
- Will lead referee meeting for Volleyball League.
- Will submit first winter/spring draft to Sarah.
- Will continue to monitor second session fall programs.
- Will attend IPRA Teen Committee meeting.


## Lisa Metcalf, Facilities Supervisor

- Will work on information and classes for the Winter/Spring Brochure.
- Will continue to manage and attend fitness classes outside of business hours.
- Will assist with closing Splash Fountain for the season.


## Sarah Rex, Recreation and Marketing Supervisor

- Will revive the popular Spring Photo Contest as a Fall Photo Contest, providing an alternate way for people to be engaged with their parks.
- With help from staff and ERA, coordinate and write the application for an Illinois Transpiration Enhancement Program Grant. Due November 3 to IDOT.
- Will begin program development and design of the Winter/Spring 2021 brochure.
- Will help coordinate the first annual Pumpkin Rol'Down. The District is partnering with the Sycamore Kiwanis to offer a COVID-friendly (for phase 4) event and enhance/grow the district's Ghost Stories in the Park event which grew substantially last year when it was moved to the Community Center.
- Will promote fall programming.

From: Kirk T. Lundbeck
Subject: Monthly Report
Date: $\quad$ September 22, 2020

## Administrative Initiatives (9/1/20 - 9/30/20)

- Attended all administrative staff meetings as scheduled.
- Attended ALL-Staff meetings when scheduled.
- Attended Sycamore Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meeting to introduce our new Executive Director.
- Helped in the transition of Executive Director as directed.
- Updated reader board.
- Continued outing season with Safe Passage, DeKalb Elks, St. Catherine's Church, the Rich Bryant Memorial and 2 others. Rescheduled Sycamore Chamber Golf Classic to October $2^{\text {nd }}$.
- Completed in-house league season for Ladies Niners, Monday Match Play and Wednesday Fairway Club leagues.
- Finalized fall work schedule for fall part-time staffing.
- Continued to monitor COVID-19 State and Federal compliance plans and modification of guidelines.
- Continued to work with Sycamore High School Golf team to follow COVID-19 Golf Guidelines for practices and matches scheduled.
- Contacted the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity to receive direction concerning the allowance of spectators during high school golf matches.
- Met with Rudy Hisel of Alliance Contractors about bridge \#4 east side access, construction footprint and regular communication schedule.
- Developed directional signage and tools to route golfers during construction of Bridge \#4.
- Continued to monitor sanitation and cleaning techniques of staff for customer and staff safety.
- Continued to monitor pro shop sales and began to promote slow moving products to reduce pro shop inventory.


## Administrative Initiatives (10/1/20 - 10/31/20)

- Attend all administrative staff meetings as scheduled.
- Attend ALL-Staff meetings when scheduled.
- Attend demos of Golf POS systems.
- Continue to help in the transition of Executive Director as directed.
- Updated reader board for October.
- Continue to monitor COVID-19 State and Federal compliance plans and modification of guidelines.
- Finish outing season with Sycamore Chamber Golf Classic and The Pumpkin Scramble.
- Finalize and place directional signage and tools to route golfers during construction of Bridge \#4.
- Monitor construction of Bridge number 4 and have information updates and pictures placed on our websites and social media.
- Prepare and schedule eblasts. Develop and distribute posters, flyers and entry forms for the Pumpkin Scramble.
- Complete high school golf meet schedule and begin communication for next season.
- Begin to meet with golf manufacturing representatives and order spring 2021 merchandise.
- Begin to prepare golf carts and cart barn for winter storage.
- Work with Theresa and Melissa to complete repairs of the lower level storage area of the clubhouse after the flood damage and help organize these areas to be more efficient and better control of stock.
- Begin to develop winter golf marketing plan with Sarah Rex.
- Continue to monitor pro shop sales and promote slow moving products to reduce pro shop inventory.
- Begin meeting with outing planners for the 2021 golf season.

To: Board of Commissioners
From: Jeff Donahoe
Subject: Monthly Report
Date: $\quad$ September 22, 2020
Administrative Initiatives (9/1/20-9/30/20)

## Golf

- From July $27^{\text {th }}$ thru September $6^{\text {th }}$ we only received .6 " of rain. For the week of Sept. 6 thru Sept. $12^{\text {th }} 5.5$ " rain was tallied with several rounds of rain throughout the week. Typically, this amount of rain would flood the river but as it was so low, it only went up 6-8" total. The course took the rain well and although carts could not run for a few days, the turf rebounded quickly.
- The turf is back to growing at full speed. Staff is again working on keeping up with mowing and trimming all areas of the course. We are working around the constant golf traffic as best we can as September has not slowed down the golfers.
- We continue to spray for disease as needed, prune low limbs, and we will aerate the greens later in the fall now as we will host the IHSA girls’ regional meet on the $29^{\text {th }}$ and Chamber Day on October 2.
- The new irrigation system has performed well with the dry weather. We did have to have one of the pump intake shafts replaced as the impellers that pull the water up became dislodged. This was all warranty work and a new shaft was supplied and installed.
- Seeded areas east of the river from the flood damage continue to fill in. New seed has been added several times as warm, dry, mid-summer conditions are not conducive to growing bent grass.
- I attended several meetings dealing with the new bridge at 15 tee. At this time, it looks like the removal of the old bridge and supports will start the week of October $5^{\text {th }}$. The new supports will then be constructed and the new bridge, which is being built, should be ready for placement at the end of October or the beginning of November.


## Sports

- Baseball and softball are playing every day now as the fall season has begun. The effort to have spectators sit along the foul lines and behind the home run fences has gone well. This eliminates crowding behind the home plate areas and the teams can spread out on both the dugout benches and the spectator bleachers.
- I am in constant contact with league leaders to coordinate field requests and field prep schedules for both games and practices. Without soccer this fall, the ball fields are in high demand.
- Staff has continued to mow, trim, add ag lime to infields, work on landscaping, and painting foul lines. They are now prepping ball fields every day by dragging and chalking as the game schedules dictate.
- The new soccer complex continues to mature. Additional seed was added in late spring by the contractor as most areas are still thin, and they are still responsible for maintaining the turf with seed and mowing until $95 \%$ of turf areas are filled in to our satisfaction. The hot, dry summer weather has delayed this process thru the summer, but since the rain last week, they are out again this week to seed, mow, and fertilize to help thicken the turf. We will assess improvements later this fall.
- The splash pad continues to function well. The cooler September days when nobody signs up the unit is turned off. The last scheduled day of use for the season is September $27^{\text {th }}$.
- We had a delay in the pool underground pipe system inspection. The company owner who performs the service had a medical setback and I am awaiting the date he is cleared to work again which I will know on the $17^{\text {th }}$ of September. He would then be able to perform the work soon after he is cleared.


## Parks

- I attended staff and Board meetings.
- Attended welcome meetings with Director Bailey along with information sharing meetings with both Directors.
- Attended meetings with Rec. staff for event planning.
- We have started allowing shelter rentals with limited numbers and have turned on the drinking fountain at the dog park just for the dogs to get water. All other outdoor bathrooms and fountains will remain closed.
- Attended soccer complex meetings and zoom meetings with rec. staff and sport field user groups for fall season planning.
- Staff continues to mow/trim the parks weekly, keep up with garbage, make playground repairs, trim/remove trees, and trail branches, spray weeds in landscape and natural areas, mulched landscape beds, and watered trees during the drought. The parks have been well used this year as people find safe ways to recreate outside.
- I continue to inspect the Midwest Museum twice a week for HVAC function, sprinkler/water pipe leaks, and any other issues and have repairs made as needed.
- I attended the meeting for the contractor who will install the new playground equipment at Dr. Ovitz Park starting next month. I will work
with the awarded contractor once the project begins which is currently scheduled for mid-October. We did receive all the playground equipment at the shop to hold until the contractor begins.
- I also have met with both Directors about the trail projects that are in the works for more familiarity as the Director transition takes place. We met with ERA engineers last week to get on the same page as the project moves forward. The tree removal will start next month on the trail segment 1 after the leaves fall.
- I have started the process of filling the full-time mechanic position. We look to have it filled by mid-November as we waited until after Bob's memorial on the $19^{\text {th }}$ to advertise the job.
- I am spending time with Director Bailey when able to provide background information on our maintenance practices and current projects. We are touring our properties and facilities as time allows to familiarize her with all we do and have going at the Park District.


## Administrative Initiatives (10/1/20-10/31/20)

- Attend all staff, Board, and planning meetings.
- Attend trails planning meetings and construction beginning with City, staff, engineers, and contractors.
- Work with contractors and engineers as the soccer complex grow-in continues.
- Work with golf bridge contractor as project begins.
- Work with Ovitz Park playground equipment installer as installation begins.
- Work with rec. staff and sport field user groups as they continue fall sports leagues with current State regulations being followed.
- Work with the Director on transition planning on projects and other items with new Director. Spend time with new Director showing her all our properties and facilities.
- Staff will continue with standard maintenance and work on some fall recovery of turf areas from summer stress which can include seeding, aerating, fertilizing.
- Shut down the splash pad at the end of September and drain the system for winter. We also plan to seal the concrete pad.
- Gather pricing for possible 2021 Capital budget purchases and projects.
- Continue to work with sports groups until the end of the season in late October.
- Work with the Lions group for the Pumpkin Fest pumpkin decoration display at the circle drive by the Good Tymes shelter.

To: Board of Commissioners
From: Jonelle Bailey
Subject: Monthly Report
Date: $\quad$ September 22, 2020

## Administrative Initiatives (9/1/20 - 9/30/20)

- Attend all Staff, Board and Planning meetings.
- Attend future trails planning meetings with City, Staff and Engineers
- Attend soccer complex addition construction meetings.
- Work with golf bridge contractor as project begins
- Work with Ovitz Park Playground equipment installer as installation begins.
- Work with recreation staff and sport field user groups as they continue Fall sports leagues with current State Regulations.
- Work with outgoing Director on transition planning for programs, projects, and planning.
- Staff will continue with standard maintenance and work on some fall recovery of turf areas from summer stress which can include seeding, aerating, fertilizing.
- Bridge \#4 Golf Course:
- Contact with IDNR and Army Corps regarding processing the application for Permits.
- Followed up with John Sauter and Mark Bushnell at City of Sycamore apprised of IDNR and Army Corps status as they needed those permits to complete City's review and permit approval.
- South Sports Complex Project:
- Reviewed budget projections for the project
- Met with Dan and Bill Kroeger to create a transition timeline.
- Met with Superintendents and reviewed the overlapping, shared, support structures and associated files, documents, drawings, and park district commitments.
- Review Budget Timelines with Jackie
- Prepared the Election Packets
- Met with City Manager, Shodeen contact regarding options for Reston Park Platts.
- Walk through of all parks with Jeff


## Administrative Initiatives ( $\mathbf{( 1 0 / 1 / 2 0 - 1 0 / 3 1 / 2 0 )}$

- Attend all Staff, Board and Planning meetings.
- Attend all administrative staff meetings as scheduled.
- Attend ALL-Staff meetings when scheduled.
- Attend soccer complex addition construction meetings.
- Work with Ovitz Park Playground equipment installer as installation begins.
- Work with recreation staff and sport field user groups as they continue Fall sports leagues with current State Regulations.
- Work with outgoing Director on transition planning for programs, projects, and planning.
- Set up Golf POS demos.
- Continue to meet with the Superintendents regarding transition and learning each area needs and roles.
- Continue to monitor COVID-19 State and Federal compliance plans and modification of guidelines.
- Sycamore Golf: Bridges:
- Review the Finalize and place directional signage and tools to route golfers during construction of Bridge \#4.
- Monitor construction of Bridge number 4 and have information updates and pictures placed on our websites and social media.
- Review Marketing needs and timelines with Sarah Rex.
- Review Grants ITEP, IDOT and OSLAD
- Deadline dates and next steps
- Review all construction projects and next steps
- Work with Staff to complete repairs of the lower level storage area of the clubhouse after the flood damage and help organize these areas to be more efficient and better control of stock.
- Learn the Recreation and Golf POS systems and review the various reports
- Budget preparations start
- Capital budget items
- Pool
- Sports fields
- Trails
- Neighborhood Parks
- Equipment Replacements
- Operational items
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Sycamore Park District,
Thank you for your donations of Sick time for Bob. Thank you for the patients and help you Gave him through his Pancreatic Cancer Journey.

Sincerely,
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From: Bryan Henning [bryan.j.henning@gmail.com](mailto:bryan.j.henning@gmail.com)
Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2020 8:40 PM
To: Sarah Rex [sarahr@sycamoreparkdistrict.com](mailto:sarahr@sycamoreparkdistrict.com)
Subject: Splash Pad

Our family had so much fun at the splash pad today. We haven't been able to enjoy many "normal" things this summer with our toddler, so it was great to see him so happy. Thought I'd share some photos with you all!

Thanks again!

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From: Stacie Graham [svarner@gmail.com](mailto:svarner@gmail.com)
Sent: Tuesday, August 25, 2020 2:44 PM
To: Jackie Hienbuecher [jackieh@sycamoreparkdistrict.com](mailto:jackieh@sycamoreparkdistrict.com)
Subject: Re: residency

## Good Afternoon Jackie,

Thank you so much for that.

It was our first time visiting the splash pad and our little guy had a BLAST!

Thank you for creating a great space for us to feel safe through social distancing while still being able to take advantage of the district's resources.

Have a great week!

Stacie Graham

On Tue, Aug 25, 2020 at 9:36 AM Jackie Hienbuecher [jackieh@sycamoreparkdistrict.com](mailto:jackieh@sycamoreparkdistrict.com) wrote:
Good morning!

I noticed your account is listed as non-resident. I have updated your residency and refunded the extra amount you paid for the splash pad.

Have a great day!

Jackie Hienbuecher, CPRP

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# SYCAMORE PARK DISTRICT 

## Board of Commissioners

Date of Board Meeting: September 22, 2020

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

## AGENDA ITEM: Monthly Report-Superintendent of Recreation Services: For Information Only

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Tonight, I will present the Kishwaukee Special Recreation Association Director, Dawn Schaefer, to give you information about our special recreation service.

Schaefer was hired as Executive Director in September of 2018. The agency has 2 full-time staff, 1 part-time and several instructors and volunteers that run the various programs.

KSRA serves five park districts: Dekalb, Flagg-Rochelle, Genoa, Sandwich, and Sycamore Districts.

KSRA holds a Joint Agreement with the five park districts and is reviewed every 4 years.

Sycamore Park District has a Memorandum of Understating with KSRA for use of the Park District facilities. This agreement is reviewed yearly. KSRA conducts programs at the Sycamore Park District such as the walking club, Friday night Socials, Summer Camp, and its newest program, KSRA Play afterschool program.

KSRA provides inclusion services and adaptive equipment for SPD programs when needed.

FISCAL IMPACT:
STAFF RECOMMENDATION: For Information Only. PREPARED BY: Theresa Tevsh, Superintendent of Recreation Services

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REVIEW/APPROVAL:
BOARD ACTION: None


# SYCAMORE PARK DISTRICT 

Board of Commissioners
Date of Board Meeting: September 22,2020

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

## AGENDA ITEM: Memorial for Bob Swedberg

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: As we mourn the loss of long-time employee Bob Swedberg, we wanted to come up with an option to memorialize his long-term service to the Sycamore Park District. Staff discussed options and decided that since Bob spent most of his time working at the maintenance facility it makes sense to post a sign on the front entrance of the building acknowledging Bob and the years of employment at the District. The sign would read similar to the following: "Robert "Bob" Swedberg Memorial Facility Sycamore Park District employee 1980-2020"

FISCAL IMPACT: Cost of sign to be determined
STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approve memorial sign on maintenance building as described.

PREPARED BY: Jeff Donahoe, Superintendent of Parks and Facilities EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REVIEW/APPROVAL: BOARD ACTION:


## SYCAMORE PARK DISTRICT

Board of Commissioners

Date of Board Meeting: September 22,2020

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

## AGENDA ITEM: SECOND COMMUNITY SURVEY FINDINGS: Final Report and Presentation

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Attached you will find the final draft of the Sycamore Park District 2nd Resident Survey Report from the spring 2020 survey. Ron of Ron Vine and Associates will join the meeting virtually to present findings, interpret the data, and field questions before finalizing his report.

Through a PowerPoint presentation, Ron will engage the Board in conversations about using this data to prioritize projects and apply it to long-range planning for Sustaining the Legacy: 2025.

Because two of Ron's contracted onsite visits did not happen (One from December 2019 and this meeting due to COVID-19), he has offered to adjust his contract to include an additional 3 to 6 months of consulting services. He will work closely with Jonelle to determine how and when he can support staff and the Board in developing performance measures and planning initiatives based on this data.

NOTE: If you would like either of the following, please email Sarah at sarahr@sycamoreparkdistrict.com.

- Printed copy of the attached report
- PDF or printed copy of the 353 -page cross tabular data

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: This report is being shared in preparation for Ron's presentation and to allow Board members to begin

FISCAL IMPACT: No additional impact at this time.
PREPARED BY: Sarah Rex, Recreation Supervisor
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REVIEW/APPROVAL: $\int z$
BOARD ACTION:

## Sycamore Park District 2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Resident Survey Report-Volume 1

## Prepared for the Sycamore Park District



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## Section 2: Summary of Methodology

## Summary of Methodology for Sycamore Park District $2^{\text {nd }}$ Resident Survey

The "2020 Sycamore Park District Resident Survey" was conducted to drill down on key input from citizens obtained in the 2019 survey. Questions on this survey were initially developed based on a study session with the Sycamore Park District Board on January 21 and feedback with Park District staff and a focus group with Executive Directors of Community Providers held on January 22. Following the on-site meetings, refinement of the survey continued, led by the Park District Board, Dan Gibble, Executive Director, Sarah Rex, Recreation and Marketing Supervisor and Ron Vine, President of Ron Vine and Associates.

The list of household addresses for the survey was obtained from Melissa Data. Melissa Data is a nationwide company that specializes in mailing lists. They are one of the largest providers of mailing lists in the United States and continually update their database through multiple sources.

Surveys were mailed to a random sampling of 4,000 residents. Three thousand of the surveys were sent to resident households who had not received the 2019 mailed survey and 1,000 to households who had received the 2019 survey. Mailed surveys included a postage paid envelop to return the surveys. Those receiving a mailed survey were also given an opportunity to complete the survey on-line with a unique password for each recipient. Only households who received a mailed survey could, as an option, complete the survey on-line. This methodology ensured that only one (1) survey could be completed by any household.

The guaranteed number of completing surveys was 400 surveys. This guarantee was far exceeded with 594 surveys being completed. Of the 598 surveys that were completed, 482 surveys were completed by mail and 112 over the web. The 594 completed surveys provided a $95 \%$ level of confidence and a margin of error of $+/-4 \%$.

## Section 3: Summary of Key Findings

## Sycamore Park District Community Pool

Finding \#1: Thirty-five percent (35\%) of household respondents used the Sycamore Park District Swimming Pool in 2019. Sixty-five percent (65\%) of household respondents did not use the Sycamore Park District Pool at all in 2019.

Finding \#2: On an annual basis, the Sycamore Park District has about $\$ 350,000$ to spend on repairs and improvements at all Park District parks, trails, recreation facilities, sports diamonds, sports fields, golf courses, pavilions, etc. Out of the $\$ 350,000$ per year, $32 \%$ of respondent households would support paying under $\$ 50,000$ per year to fund large repair bills at the Sycamore Park District Community Pool to keep the Community Pool open. An additional $32 \%$ would be willing to pay between $\$ 50,000-$ $\$ 100,000$. Nineteen percent (19\%) would be willing to pay $\$ 100,001-\$ 200,000$, with $6 \%$ being willing to pay $\$ 200,001-\$ 3,000,000$ and $11 \%$ being willing to pay all of the $\$ 350,000$ to keep the pool open.

Finding \#3: From a list of 11\% potential improvements to the Sycamore Park District Community Pool, respondents who did not use the pool in 2019 were asked to indicate the two improvements that would get their household to use the pool in the future. These improvements were "if I have children/grandchildren" and "if there was adult only time at the pool".

## Walking, Hiking, and Biking Trails

Finding \#4: From a list of six choices, respondents when asked to indicate all the projects their household would support to maintain walking, hiking and biking trails over the next 5 years. Eighty-six percent (86\%) of respondent households indicated trail connections around the City. The next highest rated projects respondents would support were crosswalks for trail connections (68\%) and rest areas (e.g. shade, water, fountains) at (66\%).

Finding \#5: Out of the same choices indicated in Finding \#4, respondents were asked to indicate which TWO walking, hiking and biking projects their household would most support doing over the next 5 years. Fifty-nine (59\%) of respondent households indicated trail connections around the City as their first choice and 19\% indicated trail connections around the City as their $2^{\text {nd }}$ choice.

## Neighborhood Parks

Finding \#6: Out of 5 choices, when asked to indicate ALL the neighborhood park projects their household would support the Sycamore Park District doing over the next 5 years, $67 \%$ of households indicated update security lights. All 5 types of projects received at least $41 \%$ respondent household support.

Finding 7: Out of the same 5 choices indicated in Finding \#6, respondents were asked to indicate which TWO types of projects their household would most support the Sycamore Park District doing in neighborhood parks over the next 5 years, $34 \%$ of household respondents indicated update security lighting as their $1^{\text {st }}$ choice and $16 \%$ indicated update security lighting as their $2^{\text {nd }}$ choice.

## Ball Diamonds and Soccer Fields

Finding \#8: Out of 8 choices, when asked to indicate ALL the types of projects to maintain ball diamonds and soccer fields their household would support the Sycamore Park District doing over the next 5 years. The highest percent of households ( $66 \%$ ) indicated "add additional shade areas for spectators". At least $34 \%$ of households picked each of the other 7 choices.

Finding \#9: Out of the same 8 choices indicated in Finding \#8, respondents were asked to indicate which TWO types of projects their household would most support the Sycamore Park District doing to maintain ball diamonds and soccer fields over the next 5 years, $43 \%$ of households indicated "add additional shaded areas for spectators" as their $1^{\text {st }}$ or $2^{\text {nd }}$ choice. No other potential project received more than $25 \%$ of households choosing it as either there $1^{\text {st }}$ or $2^{\text {nd }}$ choice.

## Parks

Finding \#10: Out of 12 parks, respondents were asked to indicate ALL of the parks they visited in 2019. Seventy-four (74\%) of households indicated they had visited Rotary/Lake Sycamore Park in 2019. No other park was visited more than $41 \%$ of respondent households in 2019.

Finding \#11: Out of the same 12 parks, indicated in Finding \#10, respondents were asked to indicate which ONE park was closest to their household. Eighteen (18\%) of households indicated Rotary/Lake Sycamore Park and $16 \%$ indicated Old Mill Park. No other park was chosen as being closest to their residence by more than $12 \%$ of respondents.

## Providers of Recreation, Sports, and Fitness Services

Finding \#12: Out of 9 different providers of recreation, sports and fitness services providers, respondents were asked to check ALL the providers they used in 2019. Seventy-seven (77\%) of household respondent households indicated they had used the Sycamore Park District for recreation, sports and fitness services in 2019. Libraries were used by $69 \%$ of respondent households in 2019. No other provider was used by more than $44 \%$ of respondent households in 2019.

## Programs, Classes and Activities

Finding \#13: Out of 20 different programs, classes and activities offered by the Sycamore Park District, household respondents were asked to check ALL the activities they had a need for and then if they had a need, if they had participated in the activity over the past 12 months. The activity that respondents had the highest need for was special events. Seventy-nine (79\%) of respondents indicated they had a need for special events, and of this $79 \%$ of households, $84 \%$ indicated they had participated in the activity over the past 12 months.

Finding \#14: Out of the same 20 programs, classes and activities indicated in Finding \#13, offered by the Sycamore Park District, household respondents were asked if their need was fully met, mostly met, partly met, or not met at all. Team sports-competitive (43\%) and team sports-recreational (40\%) were the programs, classes and activities that had the highest percent of those indicating "have a need" having their needs being "fully met".

Finding \#15: Out of the same 20 programs, classes and activities indicated in Finding \#12 offered by the Sycamore Park District, household respondents were asked to indicate which activities were the $1^{\text {st }}$ most important, $2^{\text {nd }}$ most important, $3^{\text {rd }}$ most important and $4^{\text {th }}$ most important to their household. Sixty-five (65\%) of households indicated special events as one of their top 4 choices, far more than any other program, class, or activity.

## Sycamore Park District Community Center

Finding \#16: Sixty-five (65\%) of household respondents indicated they visited the Sycamore Park District Community Center in 2019. Less than $20 \%$ of resident households visited the Community Center at least 1 day a week.

Finding \#17: From a list of 8 programming spaces at the Sycamore Park District Community Center, respondents were asked to select ALL the programming spaces they had used. The most used program space was the indoor track, with $42 \%$ of Community Center visitors having used this program space. The next highest program space that was used was basketball courts with $36 \%$ of Community Center visitors having used this program space.

## Section 4: Summary of Survey Questions and Analysis

Question \#2: From the following list, please check ALL the walking, hiking and biking projects you would support the Sycamore Park District doing over the next five years to maintain walking, hiking and biking trails.

Analysis: Trail connections around the City ( $86 \%$ ) was the project that the highest percent of households would support, followed by crosswalks for trails ( $68 \%$ ), and rest areas for shade, water fountains, etc. ( $66 \%$ ). Importantly, households with children under 10, households with children 10-19, households with no children and adults 20-54, and households with no children and adults 55 and over, each selected trail connections around the City as the \#1 project the highest percent of households would support.

Additionally, households with children under 10, households with children 10-19, households with no children and adults 20-54, and households with no children and adults 55 and over, each selected trail connections around the City, crosswalks for trail connections and rest areas (e.g. as shade, water fountains, etc.) as the 3 projects the highest percentage of households would support.


## Question \#3: Which TWO projects from Question \#2 to maintain walking, hiking and biking trails would you most support?

Key Findings: By a wide margin, trail connections around the City was the project respondents would most support by a combination of $1^{\text {st }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ choices for the Sycamore Park District to maintain over the next 5 years. While $86 \%$ of households (previous page) would support trail connections around the City, $77 \%$ of respondents selected trail connections around the City as the \#1 project (59\%) or $2^{\text {nd }}$ project (19\%) they would support. Clearly, trail connections around the City is by far, the most supported project for the Sycamore Park District to maintain over the next 5 years.


Question \#4: From the following list, please check ALL the neighborhood parks projects you would support the Sycamore Park District doing over the next five years.

Key Findings: Over $50 \%$ of households support the Sycamore Park District "upgrading security lighting" (67\%), "playground equipment" (64\%), and "shade areas" (56\%) over the next 5 years. "Updates for security lighting" is supported by a higher percentage of households without children than with children. Support for the Sycamore Park District is high across households with and without children. Along with "update security lighting", support to "maintain play equipment" and support "improve shade areas" are the only projects supported by over $30 \%$ of households with and without children.

Based on the results of the 2019 survey, satisfaction with trails, and neighborhood parks were both high. Trails, swimming pool, and neighborhood parks were the 3 types of projects that were most important for the Sycamore Park District to pay attention to over the next 5 years.


## Questions \#5: Which TWO projects from the list on Question \#4 do you feel are most important for you and members of your household?

Key Findings: "Updating security lighting" (50\%) and "updating playground equipment" (49\%) were by a wide margin the two projects that received the most support as the most important neighborhood park projects, based upon respondents top 2 choices. Of the 5 types of projects, $52 \%$ of households with children under 5 , selected playground equipment as their $1^{\text {st }}$ choice. Only $16 \%$ or less of households with older children (10-19), no children and adults (2054) and no children and adults 55 and over selected playground equipment as their $1^{\text {st }}$ choice. Upgrading sports fields, was far most supported by households with children 10-19, then any other type of household.


## Questions \#6: From the following list, please check ALL the projects you would support the Sycamore Park District doing over the next five years to maintain ball diamonds and soccer fields.

Key Finding: "Adding additional shaded areas for spectators" (66\%) was the project the highest percent of respondents would support to maintain baseball diamonds and soccer fields over the next 5 years. In every age of respondent households, ( 35 and under to 75 and over) "adding additional shaded areas for spectators was the project supported by the highest percentage of respondents. "Adding additional shaded areas for spectators" (66\%), "improving conditions of parking lots" (48\%), and "Improving conditions of unpaved parking "were the top 3 most supported projects for the Sycamore Park District to take over the next five years for any length of residence (under 5 years to over 20 years).


## Questions \#7: Which TWO projects from the list on Question \#6 do you feel are most important for you and members of your household to maintain baseball diamonds and soccer fields?

Key Findings: "Adding additional shaded areas for spectator seating" (43\%) and "adding additional shaded areas for players" (25\%) were the projects that received the most support, based upon respondents top 2 choices. By a very wide margin, "adding additional shades areas for spectators" was the \#1 most supported project for the Sycamore Park District to maintain baseball diamonds and soccer fields over the next 5 years. Twenty-two ( $22 \%$ " of respondents picked "add additional shaded areas for spectators" as their $1^{\text {st }}$ choice to support, which was a nearly equal percentage to the $1^{\text {st }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ choices for all the other types of projects.


Questions \#8: From the following list, please check ALL the parks members of your household visited in 2019.
Key Finding: By a wide margin, Rotary/Lake Sycamore Park was the park that was visited by the highest percentage of households in 2019. For households with children and without children, Rotary/Lake Sycamore was the park visited by the highest percentage of households in 2019. Rotary/Lake Sycamore Park was also the most visited park for every length of residence (under 5 years to more than 20 years), age of respondent (under 35 to 75 and over), and gender of respondent.


## Questions \#9: Which park from the list in Question \#8 is closest to your residence?

Key Findings: Rotary/Lake Sycamore Park had the highest percent of respondents (18\%) indicate it was closest to their residence. Sixteen (16\%) of respondents indicated Old Mill Park. While 74\% of respondents indicated they had visited Rotary/Lake Sycamore Park in 2019, only 18\% indicated Rotary/Lake Sycamore Park to be nearest to their residents. Since $74 \%$ of respondents indicated they had used Rotary/Lake Sycamore Park in 2019, this strongly indicates that the park serves resident households throughout the community.


Questions \#10: Please check ALL the providers of recreation, sports and fitness services in the Sycamore community you and members of your household used in 2019.

Key Findings: The Sycamore Park District (77\%) and Libraries (69\%) were the most used providers. These were also the only two providers that over $50 \%$ of respondents used. Importantly, the Sycamore Park District was the \#1 provider of recreation, sports and fitness services for households with children under 10, households with no children and adults 20-54 and households with no children and adults 55 and over. Public schools were the \#1 provider of recreation, sports and fitness services to households with youth 10-19.


Question \#11: Looking to the future, please check the FOUR ways you feel will be most important for the Sycamore Park District to focus on to keep your household informed about parks, trails, facilities and programs.

Key Findings: 67\% of household indicated that a Printed Activity Guide (Delivered) was one of the FOUR ways for the Sycamore Park District to keep your household informed about parks, trails, facilities and programs, Sixty-one percent (61\%) indicated social media, and $57 \%$ indicated On-line Activity Guide (Website). The Printed Activity Guide (delivered), social media, and On-Line Activity Guide were the 3 ways households who have lived in the Sycamore Park District for under 5 years through 20 years and more, would prefer to keep their household informed about parks, trails, facilities and programs.


Questions \#12: From the following list, please circle "YES" for the activities and programs your household has a need for. Of those activities or programs indicated as "YES", please check "YES" if you or a member of your household participated in the activity or program during the past 12 months.

Key Findings: Out of 20 programs and activities listed, $79 \%$ indicated their household had a need for special events. Of those $79 \%$ who had a need, $84 \%$ said their household had participated in a special event over the past 12 months. Fifty-five percent ( $55 \%$ ) of households indicated their household had a need for adult fitness classes and programs, with $47 \%$ of those households indicating they had participated in adult fitness classes and programs over the past 12 months. It is important to note that while $92 \%$ of households who have a need for special events have participated in special events over the past 12 months, only $37 \%$ of households who have a need for lifelong learning classes (38\%) have participated in lifelong learning classes in the past 12 months.


## Question \#12 continued



Questions \#12: Please indicate if you or members of your household has a need for each type of Program or Activity and if "Yes", were your needs Fully Met, Mostly Met, Partly Met, or Not Met?

Key Findings: Team sports (recreation) was the only program or activity where at least $40 \%$ of households who had a need for the program or activity indicated their needs were fully met ( $40 \%$ ) with an additional $27 \%$ indicating their needs were mostly met. Seventy-nine percent (79\%) of households indicated a need for special events. Thirty-two percent ( $32 \%$ ) of households indicated their needs for special events were fully met and $49 \%$ indicated their needs were mostly met. Fifty-five percent ( $55 \%$ ) of households indicated having a need for adult fitness classes and programs, but only $22 \%$ of those households indicated their needs were fully met and $38 \%$ indicated their needs were mostly met.


Questions \#12: Please indicate if you or members of your household has a need for each type of Program or Activity and if "YES", were your needs Fully Met, Mostly Met, Partly Met, or Not Met? (continued)


Questions \#12: Please indicate if you or members of your household has a need for each type of Program or Activity and if "YES", were your needs Fully Met, Mostly Met, Partly Met, or Not Met (continued)

Households Who Have a Need for a Program/Activity and if Yes, are Their Needs Fully Met, Mostly Met, Partly Met, or Not Met


Questions \#12: Please indicate if you or members of your household has a need for each type of Program or Activity and if "YES", were your needs Fully Met, Mostly Met, Partly Met, or Not Met? (continued)


## Questions \#13: From the following list please indicate the Programs and Activities that Are Most Important to Your Household (Based on $1^{\text {st }}$ Most Important, $2^{\text {nd }}$ Most Important, $3^{\text {rd }}$ Most Important, $4^{\text {th }}$ Most Important)

Key Findings: By a wide margin, special events were the $1^{\text {st }}$ Most Important program or activity (31\%) and $65 \%$ program or activity (based on the sum of the top 4 choices". The next most important program or activity is adult fitness and wellness classes and programs, with $14 \%$ indicating these programs as the $1^{\text {st }}$ most important choice, and $38 \%$ indicating them as one of their top 4 choices.

Out of twenty types of programs, fifty-six (56\%) of households indicated either special events, adult fitness classes, or team sports-recreational was the \#1 most important program or activity for their household. Particular attention to these three programs and activities is a key strategy to increase usage of the community center, sports diamonds and soccer fields, etc. both by increasing the frequency of participation from current users and/or gaining participation from those households who do not currently participate in programs and activities.


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## Question \#14: Did you or any member of your household visit the Sycamore Park District Community Center in 2019 (Check ONE)

Key Finding: 65\% of households indicated "YES" that their household had visited the Sycamore Park District Community Center in 2019, and $35 \%$ indicated "NO, that their household had not visited the Community Center in 2019. Eightyseven ( $87 \%$ ) of households with children under 10, and $72 \%$ of households with children $10-19$ visited the Community Center in 2019. This was a far greater percentage of visitors than households that did not have children. Forty-five percent (45\%) of households with no children and adults 20-54 visited the Community Center in 2019, and 53\% of households with no children and adults 55 and older visiting the Community Center.

Percent of Households Who Visited the Sycamore Park District Community Center in 2019


> - No - Yes

Question \#15: Approximately how often did at least one member of your household use the Sycamore Park District Community Center in 2019? (Check ONE) Note: Only households who had at least one member who visited the Sycamore Park District (Question \#17) answered this question.

Key Findings: $26 \%$ of household users visited the Sycamore Park District Community Center at least one time per week. Households without children and adults 20-54, used the Community Center more frequently, e.g. either daily or several days per week, than households with children and households without children and adults 55 and older.

While only $45 \%$ of households without children and adult 20-54 visited the Community Center in 2019, 30\% of those households visited the Community Center either daily, several days per week, or 1 day per week. In comparison, $87 \%$ of households with children under 10 visited the Community Center in 2019 . However, only $16 \%$ of households with children under 10 used the Community Center either daily, several days per week, or 1 day per week.

This means that there are great opportunities to increase the percentage of households with no children and adults 20-54 to use the Community Center and also opportunities to increase the frequency of usage from households with children under 10.

## How Often Households Who Indicated they Visited the Sycamore Park District Community Center Used the Center



- Several days a week - 1 day a week - Several days per month - Several days per year - None

Question \#16: From the following list, please check ALL the program spaces and activities you have used at the Sycamore Park District Community Center.

Key Findings: The indoor track (42\%) basketball courts (36\%) and the Pathway Fitness Facility (28\%) were the most used program spaces and activities. The average user, used nearly 2 program spaces and activities. While $42 \%$ of all households used the indoor track, a far greater percentage (62\%) of households without children and adults 55 and over used the indoor track. While $28 \%$ of all households use Pathway Fitness, only $19 \%$ of households with children under 10 use the indoor track, as compared to $53 \%$ of households without children and adults 20-54.


## Question \#17: Approximately how many days did at least one member of your household use the Sycamore Park District Community Pool in 2019.

Key Findings: $22 \%$ of households visited the Community Pool between 1-9 days. Six percent (6\%) of households used the Sycamore Park District Pool 10-24 days, and 7\% used the Community Pool 25 days or more. 64\% of households indicated they did not use the Sycamore Park District Pool at all. There is a significant relationship between using the Community Center and using the Community Pool. Fifty-four (54\%) of households who used the pool in 2019 did not use the Community Center in 2019, as compared to $85 \%$ of households who did not use the Community Pool in 2019 and also did not the Community Center. For example, as the graph below shows, $32 \%$ of ALL respondents have used the Sycamore Park District Pool over the past 2 years. However, usage is very impacted by the type of household respondent. As the chart below shows, $54 \%$ of households with children under 10 used the Pool over the past 2 years and $56 \%$ of households with children 10-19 used the Pool over the past 2 years.


Question \#18: The Sycamore Park District Pool was built in 1983 and your response to this question will help the Board of Park Commissioners to be proactive in the management and planning for this aging facility. Over the past 10 years, the park district has spent approximately $\$ 500,000$ for repairs/replacements at the Swimming Pool.

On an annual basis the park district has about $\$ 350,000$ available for maintenance and upkeep of 16 parks, the golf course, clubhouse, all its pavilions, shelters, ball diamonds, sports fields and the repair/upkeep of park district equipment, roads and HVAC.

If the Board is faced with additional large repair bills at the pool, how much of this $\mathbf{\$ 3 5 0 , 0 0 0}$ would you want the park district to spend to keep the pool open (Check ONE)

Key Findings: 32\% of households indicated under \$50,000 per year and an additional $32 \%$ indicated $\$ 50,000$ to $\$ 100,000$. Nineteen (19\%) of households indicated $\$ 100,001$ to $\$ 200,000$ and $6 \%$ of households indicated $\$ 201,000-$ $\$ 300,000$. Eleven percent ( $11 \%$ ) of households indicated all of the $\$ 350,000$. In total, $64 \%$ of households indicated they would invest $\$ 100,000$ or less per year to fund large repair bills for the Community Pool.


Question \#19: If you did not use the Sycamore Park District Community Pool in the past 12 months, what would get you to use the pool in the future? Check the top TWO actions that would get you to use the pool in the future.

Key Findings: Thirty percent (30\%) of households indicated they would use the pool in the future if they have children/grandchildren. Twenty-seven percent ( $27 \%$ ) indicated if there was an adult only time to use the pool, $24 \%$ if there was more shade, and 24\% if a lazy river was added.





Section 5: Cross-Tabular Analysis

## Cross-Tabular Charts of Survey Findings

Section 4 contains narrative and graphs of overall findings for each question on the survey. Cross-Tabular analysis allows you to mine these findings specific to key demographic groups and key findings of survey questions.

Volume 2 of this Report contains Tabular and Cross-Tabular findings for the following:

1. All households
2. Households with and without Children
3. Gender
4. Households by Length of Residency
5. Respondents by Age
6. Respondents by Gender
7. Households by Usage (YES or NO) of Community Center in 2019
8. Frequency of Households Usage of Community Center in 2019
9. Dollar Amount Willing to Pay to Keep the Sycamore Park District Community Pool Open
10. Respondents by Frequency of Using the Community Pool in 2019

The following pages illustrate tabular and cross-tabular charts and narratives to assist in mining the survey results for usage in strategic decision-making.

## Trail Projects

As the chart below shows, out of 6 types of improvements, $77 \%$ of respondent households indicated "develop trail connections throughout the City" as the $1^{\text {st }}$ or $2^{\text {nd }}$ most important trail project for the Sycamore Park District to take over the next 5 years for their households. Based on the sum of respondent households top 2 selections, "develop trail connections throughout the City" was the most important trail project for all categories of households with and without children".

Trails (walking, hiking, biking) were one of the two most important improvements for households and the future of the Sycamore Community in the $1^{\text {st }}$ survey done in 2019. Clearly trails are very important in the community and "developing trail connections throughout the City", "developing rest areas", and "developing crosswalks for trail connections" are the highest priorities for trails.


## Neighborhood Park Projects

As the chart below shows, out of 5 types of improvements, $50 \%$ of all households chose "updating security lighting" as the most Important neighborhood parks project for all households.

Trails (walking, hiking, biking) were one of the two most important improvements for households and the future of the Sycamore Community in the $1^{\text {st }}$ survey done in 2019. "Updating security lighting" was the \#1 most important project for households with children 10-19, households with no children and adults 20-54, and households with no children and adults 66 and over. For all households "updating playground equipment" was the $2^{\text {nd }}$ most important project. However, by a wide margin, "updating playground equipment was the most important project for households with children under 10.

Respondent household were most satisfied with neighborhood parks in the $1^{\text {st }}$ survey conducted in 2019. Additionally, out of sixteen choices, neighborhood parks were the $2^{\text {nd }}$ most important park, trail or facility to maintain or improve over the next 5 years by the Sycamore Park District. Results from the 2019 survey showed that only $26 \%$ of households were very satisfied with the adequacy of park lighting. Based on results from the 2019 and 2020 surveys, maintaining and improving neighborhood parks is of high priority for the Sycamore Park District.


## Usage of Parks

Out of 12 parks provided by the Sycamore Park District, the chart below shows the percentage of households who visited each park in 2019, based on how many years the respondent household had lived in the Sycamore Park District.

Seventy-four (74\%) of all households visited Rotary/Lake Sycamore Park in 2019. As shown in the chart below, by a wide margin, Rotary/Lake Sycamore Park was used the most by residents who lived in Sycamore under 5 years, from 5-10 years, from 11-20 years, and more than 20 years.

Additionally, it is important to note that all 10 existing parks listed in the survey, had at least $9 \%$ of households using the park in 2019, which is a very good service distribution.


## Ball Diamonds and Soccer Fields

From a list of 8 options, respondent households were asked to select the $1^{\text {st }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ projects that were important to their households. Out of the 8 options, respondents selected add additional shaded areas for spectators (44\%), add additional shaded areas for players (25\%), and install lights in parking areas. (24\%).

Under "add additional shaded areas for spectators", the highest percent of households who selected this choice was households with children under 10 ( $51 \%$ ), followed by $48 \%$ of households with children 10-19. Games for children are generally held earlier in the day and have more spectators (parents, siblings, grandparents) than games for adult only households.
"Installing lights in parking areas" are much more important to households with no children and adults 20-54 and households without children and adults 55 and over, than households without children.

Adding Additional Shaded Areas for Spectators is the Most Important Improvement (Based on Sum of Top 2 Choices


## Providers of Recreation, Sports, and Fitness Services in the Sycamore Community that Your Household Used in 2019

Out of 9 providers of recreation, sports, and fitness services respondents were asked to check all the providers that their household had used in 2019. These providers were libraries, hospital, Sycamore Park District, public schools, churches, YMCA, private fitness facilities, museums, and country club.

As the chart below shows, the Sycamore Park District was the provider used by the highest percent of households for the entire community, households with children under 10, and by households without children. Public schools were the provider used by the highest percent of households with children 10-19.

The Sycamore Park District was the only provider that at least $69 \%$ of households with children and without children used in 2019. A high percent of households with children under $10(82 \%)$ used the Library as one of their providers and a high percent of households with children 10-19 (87\%) used the public schools as one of their providers. Between $41 \%$ and $46 \%$ of all types of households both with and without children used the Hospital. It is noteworthy, that the average household used between 3-5 providers in 2019, showing a market for multiple agency usage.


## Looking to the Future, Ways that are Most Important to Your Household to Keep Them Informed.

Looking to the future, respondents were asked to check the 4 most important ways (out of six choices) the Sycamore Park District could focus on to keep their household informed about parks, trails, facilities and programs. Out of the six options, the highest percentage of respondents selected the Printed Activity Guide (delivered), social media, and the On-line Activity Guide (Website).

The chart below shows the percentage of households who checked each of these ways and the percentage of households with and without children who checked each way to focus on.

It is noteworthy that social media was the most important way to be kept informed for households with children under 10, households with children 10-19, and households without children and adults 20-54. For each of these types of households, at least $61 \%$ of households selected social media as one of their most important ways to be kept informed in the future. However, only $35 \%$ of households with no children and adults 55 and over selected social media as one of their top 4 most important ways.

Fifty (50\%) of households with no children and adults 55 and over selected the newspaper as one of their four most important ways to be kept informed, far higher than for households with children under 10, households with children 10-19, and households with no children and adults 55 and over.


## Programs offered by Need for the Program, How Well Need is Being Met, Participated in the Program in 2019, and Importance of Program

From a list of 20 programs, respondent households were asked a series of questions regarding the program. Special events were the program that had the highest percent of respondents indicated they had a need for the program. The chart below indicated how respondents who had a need for special events responded to a description of the program.

Need for program. Out of the 20 programs, $79 \%$ of respondents indicated they had a need for the program. The need for special events is much higher than for any of the other 19 programs.

Needs are mostly met or fully met. Out of the $79 \%$ of households having a need for special events, fully $81 \%$ (of the 79\%) having a need indicated their needs were either mostly met or fully met. Teams sports (recreation) and team sports (competitive) have the next highest percent of households who had a need, indicate their need was fully or mostly met.

Participated in program in 2019. Eighty-four percent (84\%) of households having a need participated in the program in 2019. Again, this is a very high percent of households having a need and also participating in the program.

Top 4 most important. Sixty-five percent (65\%) of all households indicated that special events were one of the 4 most important programs (out of 20 programs) that were most important to their household. This was almost double, the percentage of households who indicated adult fitness classes and programs as one of their top 4 most important programs, followed by team sports (recreational) at 31\%.


## Visitation to Sycamore Park District Community Center

Respondents were asked if members of their household had visited the Sycamore Park District Community Center in 2019. As is clear from the graph below, $87 \%$ of households who have children under $10,72 \%$ of households with children 10-19, and 53\% of households with no children and adults 55 and over visited the Community Center in 2019. Only in households with no children and adults 20-54 did visitation fall below 50\%. Fully $65 \%$ of all respondent households had visited the Community Center in 2019.


## Frequency of Visitation to the Sycamore Park District Community Center

More households with children visited the Sycamore Park District Community Center in 2019 than households without children. However, households with no children visited the Community Center more frequently than households without children.

As indicated on the previous page, $87 \%$ of households with children under 10 visited the Sycamore Park District in 2019. However, of this $87 \%$ only $6 \%$ of respondent households visited the Community Center several times per week, with an additional $11 \%$ visiting the Community Center 1 time per week.

In comparison, as indicated on the previous page, only 45\% of households without children and adults 20-54 visited the Community Center in 2019. However, of the $45 \%$ who visited the Community Center in 2019, $35 \%$ visited the Community Center at least a few times per week, and $3 \%$ visited the Community Center 1 time per week.

As the chart below clearly shows, while a higher percent of households with children visited the Community Center in 2019, than households without children. The frequency of visitation was significantly higher for households without children than households with children.

This indicates that the Sycamore Park District has opportunities to increase the on the frequency of visitations from households with children, and opportunities to increase the percentage of households without children to visit the Community Center.


## Program Spaces and Activities Used at the Sycamore Park District Community Center

From a list of 8 different program spaces at the Sycamore Park District Community Center, respondents were asked to indicate all the program spaces and activities that have used at the Sycamore Park District Community Center. The chart below shows the percentage of program spaces used by the highest percent of all households and how that usage breaks down by household types. This cross-tabular analysis shows:

- Forty-two (42\%) of all households used the indoor track, while $62 \%$ of households with no children and adults 55 and over used the indoor track.
- Thirty-six (36\%) of all households used basketball courts, while $63 \%$ of households with children 10-19 used basketball courts. Forty-two (42\%) of households with children under 10 also used basketball courts.
- Twenty-eight ( $28 \%$ ) of all households used the Pathway Fitness Center, while $53 \%$ of households with no children and adults 20-54 used the Pathway Fitness Facility.
- Thirteen (13\%) of all households participated in fitness programs while $25 \%$ of households with no children and adults 20-54 participated in fitness programs.



## Days Visited the Sycamore Park District Community Pool in 2019

From 6 different choices, respondents were asked how many days residents of their household had used the Sycamore Park District Community Pool. Sixty-five (65\%) of respondents indicated they had not used the Sycamore Park District Community Pool in 2019. Twenty-two (22\%) of respondents indicated 1-9 days. Six (6\%) indicated 10-24 days and 5\% indicated 20-49 days. Two (2\%) of respondents indicated 50 days or more.

The chart below shows that $44 \%$ of respondent households will children under 10 did not use the Community Pool at all in 2019, compared to $48 \%$ of households with children 10-19 not using the Community Pool in 2019. Usage drops off significantly in households without children. Eighty-five (85\%) of households without children and adults 20-54 did not use the pool in 2019 and $88 \%$ of households without children and adults 55 and over did not use the pool in 2019.

Households with children used the Community Pool more frequently than households without children. Twenty-two ( $22 \%$ ) of households with children under 10 and $17 \%$ of households with children 10-19 used the Community Pool 10 or more days in 2019. In comparison, only $4 \%$ of households with no children and adults $20-54$ and only $2 \%$ of households without children and adults 55 and over used the Community Pool in 2019.


## Maximum Amount of Money Willing to Spend to Keep the Sycamore Park District Community Pool Open

Respondents were told in the survey, that the Sycamore Park District currently spends approximately $\$ 350,000$ per year for large repair bills for all types of parks, trails, sports facilities, recreation facilities, and swimming pool. Respondents were asked the maximum amount of the $\$ 350,000$ they would want the Sycamore Park District to spend to keep the pool open.

Thirty-seven percent (37\%) of households who did not use the Community Pool at all would only be willing to spend under $\$ 50,000$ per year, while $21 \%$ of households who used the pool 25 days or more would be willing to spend under $\$ 50,000$, Fifteen percent ( $15 \%$ ) of households who did not use the Community Pool at all were willing to pay $\$ 100,001-$ $\$ 200,000$ per year, while $27 \%$ of households who used the Community Pool 25 days or more would be willing to pay \$100,001-\$200,000 per years


If Your Household did not use the Sycamore Park District Community Pool in the last 12 months, what $\mathbf{2}$ actions, by the Sycamore Park District, would get you to use the Community Pool in the future?

Out of a list of 11 choices, $27 \%$ of all households selected "if there was adult-only time at the pool". Only $1 \%$ of households with children under 10 selected "adult-only time at the pool. "If there was an adult- only time at the pool", and "if there was more shade" are both improvements that could be made with relatively little if any capital investment.

Thirty-two percent (32\%) of households with children under 10 selected "adding a Lazy River" while only $15 \%$ of households who did not use the pool indicated "add a Lazy River". "Add a Lazy River" would be a significant capital investment. "Renovating the bathhouse, which was selected by $27 \%$ of households with children 10-19 would also be a major repair project, although not nearly as expensive as a Lazy River.


# Section 6: Sycamore Park District Community Pool Major Findings 

## Overview

One of the major purposes of the Sycamore Park District $2^{\text {nd }}$ Resident Survey was to understand issues related to current use/non-use of the Sycamore Park District Community Pool, frequency of Community Pool Usage, financial support for major repairs to keep the Community Pool open, importance of various improvements that could get nonusers of the Community Pool in 2019 to use the Community Pool in the future, and the relationship of using the Community Pool and usage of the Sycamore Park District Community Center. Findings of the $2^{\text {nd }}$ survey build upon resident input from the $1^{\text {st }}$ Resident Survey, which identified the Sycamore Park District Community Pool as one of the most important parks, trails and facilities to receive attention from the Sycamore Park District over the next five years. When similar questions were asked on the two surveys, findings of the $2^{\text {nd }}$ Resident Survey were compared to findings of the $1^{\text {st }}$ Resident Survey.

## Ten (10) Key Survey Findings Regarding the Sycamore Park District Community Pool

1. Only $35 \%$ of household respondents used the Community Pool in 2019.

One (1\%) of all household respondents used the Community Pool 75 days of more, and an additional 1\% used the Community Pool 50-74 days. 22\% of all respondents only used the Community Pool 1-9 days in 2019, with an additional 6\% using the Community Pool 10-24 days, and 5\% using the Community Pool 25-49 days. Interestingly, between $9 \%$ and $12 \%$ of all respondents under 35 years old and 65-74 years old indicated their households used the Community Pool in 2019.

In the $1^{\text {st }}$ Resident Survey, $33 \%$ indicated they had used the pool over the past 2 years.
2. More than $80 \%$ of households with no children did not use the Sycamore Park District Community Pool in 2019.

Eighty-five (85\%) of households without children and adults 20-54 and $88 \%$ of households without children and adults 55 and older did not use the Community Pool at all in 2019. In the $1^{\text {st }}$ Resident Survey $90 \%$ of households with no children and adults 20-54 and $86 \%$ of households with no children and adults 55 and over did not use the Community Pool.
3. Thirty percent (30\%) of all households selected "if I have children/grandchildren" and $27 \%$ chose "if there was adult-only time at the pool" as one of their 2 most important actions that would get them to use the pool in the future.

While, $30 \%$ of all households chose "if I have children/grandchildren" as one of their top 2 choices, fully 50\% of households with no children and adults 20-54 and $40 \%$ of households with no children and adults 55 and over chose this action. Though $27 \%$ of all households selected "if there was an adult-only time to use the
pool", 44\% of households with no children and adults 20-44 and 45\% of households with no children and adults 55 and over chose this action.

Since $85 \%$ of households with no children and adults 20-54 and $86 \%$ of households with no children and adults 55 and over did not use the pool in 2019, these two actions could be very helpful in increasing usage from these types of households. These two improvements would cost a relatively small amount of money.
4. Twenty-four (24\%) of all households selected "if there was more shade" as one the 2 major ways to get them to use the pool in the future.

Fully $38 \%$ of households with children under 10 and $30 \%$ of households with no children and adults 20-54, selected "if there was more shade". Importantly on the $1^{\text {st }}$ Resident Survey, $30 \%$ of households selected shade areas as one of their 3 most important improvements to emphasis in the next 5 years. Also, in the $1^{\text {st }}$ survey, only $8 \%$ of households where "very satisfied" with shade areas. The importance of improving shade areas was noted in the $1^{\text {st }}$ Resident Survey and the $2^{\text {nd }}$ Resident Survey. This improvement would cost a relatively small amount of money.
5. Sixteen (16\%) of all households who did not use the Community Pool in 2019, selected "if the bathhouse gets renovated "as 1 of the 2 ways to get them to use the Community Pool in the future. This improvement was most important to households with children 10-19. In the 1st survey, renovating the bathhouse was the most important improvement for both users and non-users. Note: "If I have children/grandchildren" or "if there was an adult time only at the pool" were not offered as choices in the $1^{\text {st }}$ survey. Renovating the bathhouse would cost a substantial amount of capital dollars.
6. Twenty-four (24\%) of all households selected "if a lazy river was added" as 1 of the 2 ways to get them to use the Community Pool in the future. Fully, $32 \%$ of households with children under 10, and $31 \%$ of households with children 10-19 selected "if a lazy river was added" as one of the top 2 ways to get them to use the Community Pool in the future.
7. Households who used the Sycamore Park Community Pool in 2019 were far more likely to have used the Sycamore Park District Community Center than households who did not use the Community Pool. There is definitely a relationship between use of the Community Pool and usage of the Community Center. Eighty-five ( $85 \%$ ) of households who used the Community Pool in 2019 at least 10 or more days, also used the Community Center in 2019. Only 54\% of households who did not use the Community Pool in 2019, used the Community Center in 2019.
8. Although only $35 \%$ of respondent households used the Community Pool in 2019, $68 \%$ of households would be willing to pay at least $\$ 50,000$ a year for major capital repairs at the Community Pool to keep the pool open.

Respondents were informed in the survey that the Sycamore Park District, on average, allocated S350,000 per year to spend on major capital projects for all parks, trails, and recreation facilities, including the Community Pool, and asked how much they would be willing to pay per year for large repairs bills to keep the pool open. It is important to note that $68 \%$ of households would be willing to pay $\$ 50,000-\$ 350,000$ per year, while only $35 \%$ of households used the Community Pool in 2019.
9. While the vast percent of households would pay for major repairs to keep the Community Pool open, the amount of those dollars will most likely not be sufficient to pay for anticipated large repairs.

Only $11 \%$ of all households would pay all of the $\$ 350,000$ for large repairs and an additional $6 \%$ would be willing to pay $\$ 200,000$ to $\$ 300,000$ per year. Nineteen ( $19 \%$ ) would be willing to spend $\$ 100,001-\$ 200,000$. The remaining $64 \%$ of households would be willing to pay either under to $\$ 50,000$ per year or $\$ 50,000-$ $\$ 100,000$ per year.
10. As indicated under Finding \#7, users of the Sycamore Park District Community Pool in 2019 were more likely to have also use the Sycamore Park District Community Center than non-users of the Community Pool. There are strong opportunities to offer and cross-market needed program services at both the Community Center and the Community Pool.

For example, $55 \%$ of households indicated having a need for adult fitness programs and classes, while only $11 \%$ of households indicated their needs are being "Fully Met". Eighteen (18\%) of households have a need for water fitness classes, while only $11 \%$ indicated their needs are being "Fully Met". By cross-marketing these two types of similar fitness programs, "participation" and "value" for each of these program areas could be increased. Special programming could also be offered at the Community Pool for those having a need for Full-Day Summer Camps and $1 / 2$ Day Summer Camps.

## Section 7: Copy of Survey Instrument

## Survey Cover Letter

## SYCAMORE PARK DISTRICT

COMMUNITY SURVEY: SUSTAINING THE LEGACY - 2025

## Name

Address
City, ST, ZIP

Dear Sycamore Park District Resident,

## WHAT'S THIS ABOUT?

The Sycamore Park District is distributing this survey to better understand residents' priorities and needs for the future. Your input will help shape the District's next long-range plan, Sustaining the Legacy - 2025. All responses are anonymous, and your information is confidential.
If you received a park district survey in October of 2019, note that this survey is a new set of questions that builds upon the feedback received. Please consider participating again.
HOW YOU CAN HELP: Please support this effort by taking a few minutes to complete the enclosed survey.
MAIL OR ONLINE: Either complete the survey on paper and mail it back within 10 days in the enclosed self-addressed, postage-paid envelope or go online using the website below and password provided:
sycamoresurvey.org and enter the password:

> Five winners will
> be randomly
> selected to each
> receive a \$50 Visa gift card
> To enter the drawing,
> simply follow the
> directions at the bottom
> of the page. Or, if you
> respond online, you will
> have the opportunity to
> enter the drawing after
> completing the survey.
> Winners of the random
> drawing will be contacted
> by phone and/ or email.

## WHAT IF I DON'T USE DISTRICT SERVICES?

Even if you are not a current user, we would like to hear from you so we can better serve everyone.
We appreciate your feedback and thank you for your time!
Sincerely.
Sycamore Park District
480 Airport Road
(815)-895-3365
www.sycamoreparkdistrict.com

SYCAMORE PARK DISTRICT SURVEY PRIZE ENTRY
To enter the prize drawing, detach and enclose this entry form: (These prizes are being furnished by RRC Associates)
Name__Email___OR

Daytime Phone
Return with your survey or separately to: RRC Associates, 4770 Baseline Road, Suite 360, Boulder, CO 80303

## Survey Instrument

## Sycamore Park District Community Survey

Through a Community Survey conducted in 2019, residents of the Sycamore Community have identified neighborhood parks, trails, ball diamonds and soccer fields and the Sycamore Park District Community Pool as parks and facilities needing the most attention over the next five years. This survey has been sent to a random sampling of households and will take only 10-12 minutes to complete. We truly value your input!

1. Counting yourself, how many people in your household are?

| Under age 5 | Ages 20-24 | Ages 55-64 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ages 5-9 | Ages 25-34 | Ages 65-74 |
| Ages 10-14 | Ages 35-44 | Ages 75+ |
| Ages 15-19 | Ages 45-54 |  |

## Walking, Hiking and Biking Trails

2. From the following list, please check ALL the projects you would support the Sycamore Park District doing over the next five years to maintain walking, hiking and biking trails.
$\qquad$ (A) Rest areas (e.g., shade, water fountains, etc.) $\qquad$ (E) Directional signs
(B) Air pumping stations
(F) Safety (please list): $\qquad$
(C) Trail connections around the City
(G) Other:
$\qquad$ (D) Crosswalks for trail connections
3. Which TWO projects listed in Question \#2 do you feel are the most important for you and members of your household? [Using the letters in the left-hand column of Question \#2 above, please write in the letters below for your $1^{\text {th }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ choices, or circle "NONE."]

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1^{\text {tr: }}: \quad 2^{\text {no }}: \quad \text { NONE }
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## Small Neighborhood Parks

4. From the following list, please check ALL the projects you would support the Sycamore Park District doing over the next five years to maintain neighborhood parks.
__ (A) Update security lighting
(B) Improve flowers and shrubbery areas
(C) Playground equipment
$\qquad$ (D) Sports fields(E) Improve shade areas
$\square$ (F) Other: $\qquad$
5. Which TWO projects listed in Question \#4 do you feel are the most important for you and members of your household? [Using the letters in the left-hand column of Question \#4 above, please write in the letters below for your $1^{\text {th }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ choices, or circle "NONE."]
$\qquad$ $2^{\text {nd }}$ : $\qquad$ NONE

## Ball Diamonds and Soccer Fields

6. From the following list, please check ALL the projects you would support the Sycamore Park District doing over the next five years to maintain ball diamonds and soccer fields.
$\qquad$ (A) More spectator seating
(F) Conditions of unpaved parking
$\qquad$ (B) Conditions of paved parking lots
$\qquad$
(G) Add additional parking
$\qquad$ (C) Lights in parking areas
(D) Lighting on soccer fields and ball diamonds $\qquad$
(H) Add additional shaded areas for players
$\qquad$
(E) Shaded areas for spectators
7. Which TWO projects listed in Question \#6 do you feel are the most important for you and members of your household? [Using the letters in the left-hand column of Question \#6 above, please write in the letters below for your $1^{\text {tt }}$ and $2^{\text {nd }}$ choices, or circle "NONE."]

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1^{\text {st: }}: \quad 2^{\text {nd }}:-\quad \text { NONE }
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8. From the following list, please check ALL the parks that members of your household visited in 2019.

| (01) Boynton Brothers Park | (02) Charley Lang Park |
| :--- | :--- |
| (07) Kiwanis East Park |  |
| (08) Kiwanis Prairie Park |  |
| (03) Chief Blackpartridge Park | $-\quad$ (09) Leon Larson Park |
| (04) Dr. John Ovitz Park | (05) Elmer \& Stanley Larson Park |
| (06) Founders Park | (10) Old Mill Park |
| (11) Parkside Preserve |  |
| (12) Rotary/Lake Sycamore Park |  |

9. Which park from the list in Question \#8 is closest to your residence. [Please write in the number in the space below for the park that is closest to your residence.]
$\qquad$ Park that is closest to my residence
10. Please check ALL the providers of recreation, sports and fitness services in the Sycamore Community that you and members of your household used in 2019. [Check ALL your household used]
$\qquad$ (01) Public schools
_ (06) Country Club
(02) Libraries
(07) YMCA(03) Private fitness facilities
(08) Churches
$\qquad$ (04) Sycamore Park District
(09) Museums
$\qquad$ (05) Hospital
(10) Other: $\qquad$
11. Looking to the FUTURE, please check the FOUR ways you feel will be most important for the Sycamore Park District to focus on to keep your household informed about parks, trails, facilities and programs.
$\qquad$ (01) Printed Activity Guide (Delivered) $\qquad$ (06) Social media
__ (02) On-line Activity Guide (Website)
(07) Apps (push notifications)
(03) Flyers

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(08) Text messages
(04) E-mail blasts
(09) From friends and neighbors
(05) Newspaper
___ (10) Other: $\qquad$
12. Please indicate if YOU or any member of your HOUSEHOLD has a need for each type of Program or Activity listed below by circling YES or NO to the right of each type of Program or Activity.
If YES, please answer the questions to the right of the Program or Activity regarding "How well are your needs being met?" and "Did you participate in this program or activity during the past 12 months?" If NO, please go to the next type of program.

|  | Type of Program or Activity | Do you have a need for this Program or Activity? |  | If yes, how well are your needs being met in the community? (Circle ONE response) |  |  |  | If Yes, did you participate in this Program or Activity during the past 12 months? (Circle ONE response) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Fully Met | Mostly Met | Partly Met | Not Met | Yes | No |
| A. | Special Events, i.e. festivals, concerts | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| B. | Pre-School Programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| C. | After School Child-Care Programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| D. | Learn to Swim Programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| E. | Water Fitness Classes | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| F. | 1/2 Day Summer Camps | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| G. | Full-Day Summer Camps | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| H. | Cultural Arts Programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| 1. | Performing Arts Programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| J. | Visual Arts Programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| K. | Tumbling/Gymnastics | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| L. | Team Sports (recreational) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| M. | Team Sports (competitive) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| N. | Individual Sports (tennis, etc.) | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| 0. | Sports Training Camps/Clinics | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| P . | Adult Fitness Classes and Programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| Q. | Environment Education Programs | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| R. | Special Needs Programs/Activities | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| S | Martial arts classes | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |
| T. | Lifelong Learning classes, i.e. photography, computers, etc. | Yes | No | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | Yes | No |

13. Which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question \#12 are most important to your household? [Using the letters in Question \#12 above, please write in the letters below for your 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th choices, or circle 'NONE'.]
$\qquad$ 2nd: $\qquad$ 3rd: $\qquad$ 4th: $\qquad$ NONE
14. Did you or any member of your household visit the Sycamore Park District Community Center in 2019?
$\qquad$ (1) Yes [please continue with answering Question \#15]
__ (2) No [please go to Question \#17]
15. Approximately how often did at least one member of your household use the Sycamore Park District Community Center in 2019. [Please Check ONE]
$\qquad$ (01) Daily $\qquad$ (04) Several days a month
$\qquad$ (02) Several days a week $\qquad$ (05) Several days a year
$\qquad$ (03) 1 day a week (06) None
16. From the following list please check ALL the program spaces and activities you have used at the Community Center.

| (01) | Basketball courts | (06) Pathway Fitness Facility |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (02) | Volleyball courts | (07) Fitness programs |
| (03) | Pickleball courts | (08) Fitness Assessments |
| (04) | Indoor track | (09) Other: |
| (05) | Dance and aerobic studio |  |

17. Approximately how many days did at least one member of your household use the Sycamore Park District Community Pool in 2019. If no one in your household used the pool in 2019, please check NONE.
$\qquad$ (01) 75 days or more
(04) 10-24 day
(02) 50-74 days
(03) 25-49 days
(05) 1-9 days
$\qquad$ _ (06) None
18. Over the past 10 years, the park district has spent $\$ 500,000$ for repairs/replacements/changes mandated by outside agencies at the district Swimming Pool. On an annual basis the park district has about $\$ 350,000$ available for maintenance and upkeep of 16 parks, the golf course, club house, all its pavilions, shelters, ball diamonds, sports fields, and the repair/upkeep replacement of park district facilities and equipment, roads and HVAC. If the Board is faced with additional large repair bills at our Swimming Pool how much of this $\$ 350,000$ would you want the park district to spend to keep the pool open?
(1) Under $\$ 50,000$
(4) $\$ 200,001$ to $\$ 300,000$
(2) $\$ 50,000$ to $\$ 100,000$
(5) All of the $\$ 350,000$
$\qquad$ (3) $\$ 100,001$ to $\$ 200,000$
19. If you did not use the Sycamore Park District pool in the last 12 months, what would get you to use the pool in the future? [Check your TOP TWO that would make you return]
(01) If I have children/grandchildren
(02) If my doctor recommends it
(03) If I felt safer
(04) If a water slide was added
(05) If the rough decks were replaced
(06) If there was adult-only time at the pool
$\qquad$ (07) If the bath house gets renovated
$\qquad$ (08) If there was a baby pool that was more like a splash pad
(09) If a lazy river was added
(10) If there was more shade
(11) If there was teen-only time at the pool
(12) Other: $\qquad$
20. What is your gender? ___ (1) Male (2) Female
21. What is your age? $\qquad$
22. How long have you lived in the Sycamore Park District?
___ (1) Under 5 years 5 to 10 years (3) 11 to 20 years
(2) 5 to 10 years
(4) More than 20 years

Please share any additional comments regarding how the Sycamore Park District can continue providing parks, trails, facilities, programs, and other services to your household.

Thank you for your participation in this important survey of Sycamore Park District residents!

# SYCAMORE PARK DISTRICT 

## Board of Commissioners

## Date of Board Meeting: September 22, 2020

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

## AGENDA ITEM: QUARTERLY CAPITAL FUNDS UPDATE: Information Only

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: As previously requested, on a quarterly basis you will be provided with the attached report that details the information in the Capital Fund. The report is intended to make clear:

- Where money has been spent thus far.
- Where money will be spent yet this year.
- How much is yet to be spent.
- Estimated completion dates for work in progress or yet to be done.
- Projects that, due to their complexity or timing must be moved to next year, but funds are committed.

Attached is that report.
FISCAL IMPACT: Part of Capital Projects. Dollar amounts shown in report.
STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Information only.
PREPARED BY: Jacqueline Hienbuecher, Superintendent of Finance
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REVIEW/APPROVAL: BOARD ACTION:

## PROJECT

Contingency
PC Replacement/Upgrades
Sports Complex Concessions - 2019 remode
Large Mower
Greens Roller
Major Bridge \#15
Fairway Mower
18th Tee Bank Restoration
Tree Planting
Tennis Court Resurfacing
Field 1 Backstop Net
Old Shop HVAC

2020 YTD YTD Add.'I Net Estimated
BUDGET SPENT SPENT COMMITTED SAVINGS Finish Date
In Progress Completed Still to Be Spent Project Done

## $\$ 30,000$ $\$ 9,500$

## $\$ 9,263$

\$2,822
\$79,575
\$14,724
$\$ 50,814$
\$24,000
\$4,940
\$3,800

## 425,300 \$35,868 \$180,675

## $\$ 237$

-\$2,822
-\$1,575 Apr
\$576 May Fall/Winter 2020
-\$3,314 Apr
Included in Bid for Major Bridge \#15
\$0 May Sept
\$4,060 Apr (received money from School District) \$2,000 June
\$1,075

# SYCAMORE PARK DISTRICT 

Board of Commissioners
Date of Board Meeting: September 22, 2020

## STAFF RECOMMENDATION

AGENDA ITEM: Resolution 04-2020 and Local Assurance Document For Trail Project: Recommend Approval

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The first of two ACTION 2020 trail connection (Rte. 23 to Brickville Road) was completed in 2016 with the help of an IDOT Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) grant. The second trail connection (Sycamore Forest Preserve/Great Western Trail to Old Mill Park) has been broken into two segments. Segment 1 (Sycamore Forest Preserve to Page Street was also supported by an ITEP grant and construction begins this October.

On August 21, 2020, the ITEP grant cycle opened once again and staff will submit an application to help support construction of the final segment (Page Street to Old Mill Park). The attached Resolution, 04-2020, and executed Local Assurance document will be submitted with our IDOT/ITEP Application - deadline November 2.

FISCAL IMPACT: The cost estimate for the entire project is $\$ 1,917,155$. With a successful grant, the Park District will be responsible for $20 \%$ of that cost, $\$ 383,431$.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: I recommend approval of Resolution 042020 authorizing staff to submit a grant to IDOT for ITEP Funds to support the effort to execute the final segment in the Great Western Trail extension to Old Mill Park, and authorizing staff and the President to execute the local assurance documents for this purpose.

PREPARED BY: Sarah Rex, Recreation Supervisor
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REVIEW/APPROVAL:
BOARD ACTION:


## SYCAMORE PARK DISTRICT

## RESOLUTION \#04-2020

## A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ENANCEMENT PROGRAM FUNDS

## Great Western Trail Extension: Sycamore Forest Preserve to Old Mill Park—Segment 2/2

Sequence Number: 21062/Section Number 17-P4006-00-BT
WHEREAS, the Sycamore Park District; and
WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Sycamore Park District has determined that is reasonable, necessary, and desirable to develop a 1.6-mile-long trail segment from the new Sycamore Forest Preserve to Old Mill Park; and

WHEREAS, Segment 1 of the connection was supported by a 2018 ITEP Grant and an application for a continuation of this project would be opportune; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners wishes to continue this work by applying for an ITEP Grant to help with Engineering and Construction costs for Segment 2 of this, totally 0.47 miles with one bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) administers a federally financed grant program that provides funding assistance to local government agencies for community based projects that expand travel choices and enhance the transportation experience by improving the cultural, historic, aesthetic and environmental aspects of transportation culture commonly referred to as the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP); and

WHEREAS this project has support from the City of Sycamore, the Sycamore School District, and all of our local, state, and national elected officials; and

WHEREAS this project is part of the DSATS program of interest, and has been a long-standing component of the DeKalb County Greenways and Trails Plan; and

WHEREAS, this project will help CUSD \#427 address safe routes to school challenges; and
WHEREAS, the Sycamore Park District may receive up to 80 percent reimbursement for eligible project costs and the remaining 20 percent is the responsibility of the Sycamore Park District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Sycamore Park District as follows:

1. The recitals set forth above are incorporated herein and made a part hereof.
2. Staff is hereby authorized to apply for the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program, for the engineering, development, and construction of the "Great Western Trail Extension: Sycamore Forest Preserve to Old Mill Park - Segment 2" and the President of the Sycamore Park District Board of Commissioners is hereby authorized to sign the Illinois Transportation Enhancement

Program "Local Assurance Page" which is a part of said application and is attached hereto and made part of this Resolution as Exhibit 1.
3. The President, Executive Director, Finance Director and Attorney for the District are hereby authorized to take such actions as may be necessary to carry out the terms of said Local Assurance Page.
4. The Secretary is hereby directed to transmit certified copies of this Resolution to the Executive Director and the Director of Finance, and to any other parties needing/requesting the same.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the President and Board of Commissioners of Sycamore Park District this $22^{\text {th }}$ day of September, 2020.

## RESOLUTION \#04-2020

## Great Western Trail Extension: Sycamore Forest Preserve to Old Mill Park-Segment 2

## ROLL CALL VOTE:

Commissioner Doty: $\qquad$

President/Commissioner Kroeger: $\qquad$

Commissioner Graves: $\qquad$

Vice President/Commissioner Schulz: $\qquad$

Commissioner Strack: $\qquad$

APPROVED:

President William Kroeger
September 22, 2020

ATTEST:

Secretary, Jonelle Bailey
September 22, 2020

This page must be signed by a representative of the local sponsoring agency in order for the project to be considered for funding.

The project sponsor certifies that it is willing and able to manage, maintain, and operate the project as a highway authority eligible to receive federal funding. The project sponsor possesses legal authority to nominate the transportation enhancement project and to finance, acquire, and construct the proposed project. The sponsor authorizes the nomination of the transportation enhancement project, including all assurances contained therein. The sponsor authorizes the person identified below as the official project representative to act in connection with the nomination and to provide such additional information as may be required. The project sponsor affirms that, if selected, the project will commence within the time periods defined by the Sunset Clause (refer to Section I of the ITEP Guidelines Manual) and in accordance with departmental policies.

I certify that the information contained in this transportation enhancement application, including attachments, is accurate and that I have read and understand the information and agree to the assurances on this form.

## Name:

## Please print

Title:
Please print

Signature: $\qquad$ Date:

Name of Sponsoring Agency:


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