

August 2019 Monthly Report



August was a crazy, busy, and rewarding time for the Parks and Recreation Department. Rewarding because so many members of the Community came out to participate by attending Movies in the Park, the Wellness Fair, Fun in the Park and to top it off a fantastic Community Block Party including free food and a free amazing concert put on by Britnee Kellogg. This event included activities and information booths hosted by every City Department in Wilsonville, complete with the (very popular) SMART Train and Giant 3D Frog.

The August Activity Guide is out in the community with some great new classes including Prenatal Yoga, Intro to Meditation Workshop, Creative Writing and more. Events taking place over the next few months include the Harvest Festival and Fall Frolic 5K taking place on Saturday October 26th 9-12, the Community Tree Lighting held on December 4th at Town Center Park 5:30-7:30PM. A Howl-A-Ween dress up contest is offered this year on September 19th, 5:00-7:00PM at the Memorial Park Dog Park where Dogs and their owners can dress up to win prizes.

The Parks Crew has done a masterful job keeping the parks safe, attractive and clean under heavy summer usage. With taking over the maintenance of Piccadilly Park in Villebois and responsibility for Hathaway, Willow Creek and Landover Parks the parks staff was in need of some staffing help. Thanks to City Council and our City Manager, we were able to hire a great young man, Dustin Schull. Dustin comes to Wilsonville from Minnesota with excellent qualifications and we are extremely proud to have him on board. When taking over Hathaway, Willow Creek and Landover staff promised to enhance this area with better maintenance and new, safe play equipment. I'm happy to say this project is complete and the new equipment is open for business. From the Parks and Recreation Department to the best citizens anywhere, thank you and it's a pleasure working for you.

-Mike McCarty



Recreation Updates:

August flew by in a whirlwind! The Community Block party was a huge success and featured free food from Wilsonville Catering and a wonderful concert by country music artist Britnee Kellogg. The 3D chalk art installation by artist Naomi Haverland was also a huge hit. Overall, the City was very pleased with the turn out, and great feedback was collected through our new engagement platform, Let Talk Wilsonville!



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Fall Registration opened on August 19th. A ton of new classes are being offered such as, Teen Outdoor Adventure programs, A Howl-A-Ween Dog Costume Contest, Tai-Chi Chih, Prenatal Yoga, Sourdough Bread Baking, Homemade Pizza Making, Time-Out Tuesdays, Creative Writing, Therapeutic Essential Oils, and Stress Buster– the inner bottom line.

The classics and holiday specials are back such as the annual Community Tree Lighting and toy drive, the Harvest Festival and Fall Frolic 5k, and Mini Hoopers Basketball Program.

Recreation Updates:

- The Community Center has a new Nutrition Coordinator I—Welcome to the team Sarah Reynolds!
- The Parks Maintenance Team has a new Maintenance Specialist—Welcome to the Team Dustin Schull!
- A donor plaque for those who contributed to the General MacArthur statue was installed at the Korean War Memorial in Town Center Park.



What's going on with that pile of dirt at the Dog Park?

The large pile of dirt and accompanying boulders, that have been located at the community garden have been moved to the existing dog park for future use in the slated BMX/Pump track. The new dog park location should see fencing as early as November, and will be open in Spring of 2020 featuring a new bathroom, a dog washing station, shelters, and benches.

Certifications!

Ahsamon Ante-Marandi, Program Coordinator, completed her Prenatal Yoga Teacher Training! She is now certified to teach both Prenatal and Mama and Baby yoga classes! She will begin offering those classes this fall at the Community Center.

Erica Behler, Recreation Coordinator, passed her Certified Parks and Recreation Professionals (CPRP) exam and now holds that certification which is awarded through the National Recreation and Parks Association (NRPA).



Upcoming Events:

- Howl-A-Ween: Sept. 19, Memorial Park Dog Park 5-7pm
- New Kicks on the Block: Sept. 8, Memorial Park 10 am—1 pm
- Recreation Coordinator, Erica Behler goes to Sister City: Kitakata, Japan— Oct. 1-5
- Harvest Festival & Fall Frolic 5k: Oct. 26, Murase Plaza 8:30 am—12 pm

Board Updates:

Parks & Rec. Board: The Board will meet on Thursday, September 26th.

Wilsonville Community Seniors Inc.: Cindy Allen has joined the Board. Cindy has been involved with the Senior Trips and the Bakery program so her decision to officially join the Board came as no surprise.

Parks Maintenance Updates:

- Crews fell three dead trees at current dog park while Dog park was closed for dirt project
- Installed erosion control around dirt and boulder pile at current dog park
- Three new playgrounds are installed, safety audits were done and playgrounds opened, two at Hathaway and one at Landover
- Worked on grading of future dog park
- Aerated soccer fields for healthier grass and safer fields
- Pruned damaged tree at Sophia Park
- Tree service helped remove damaged tree at Water treatment plant
- Hosted volunteer work event for Lyon
- Repaired leak at Stein-Barn water spigot



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Dirt removal at Community Garden- relocated to Memorial Park Dog Park for future pump track construction



Parks Maintenance Updates:

Aeration of Soccer Fields



Tree Removal at Memorial Park Dog Park



Parks Maintenance Updates:

New Playground installation at Landover Park



Parks Maintenance Updates:

New Playground installation at Hathaway Park

