

**City of Moorhead  
Park Advisory Board**

**Meeting Agenda  
May 19, 2009  
Hjemkomst Center, 202 1st Avenue North  
4:00 PM**

	<u>REMARKS</u>
1. Call To Order/Roll Call	_____
2. Recognitions/Presentations/Introductions	_____
3. Approve Meeting Minutes	_____
4. Citizens Addressing the Board	_____
5. Agenda Amendments	_____
6. 2010 Proposed Capital Improvement Projects	_____
7. 2010 Proposed Parks and Recreation Fees	_____
8. Flood Mitigation - Park Facilities	_____
9. Information/Update	_____
10. Adjourn	_____

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**CITY OF MOORHEAD  
PARK ADVISORY BOARD  
DRAFT Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, April 21, 2009  
Moorhead Sports Center  
324 24<sup>th</sup> Street South  
Moorhead, Minnesota 56560**

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Moorhead Park Advisory Board (PAB) was held at the Moorhead Sports Center, Moorhead, Minnesota, on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of April 2009.

**Members Present:** Randy Bach, Heidi Durand, Lila Hazemann, Greg Lemke, Ron Schneider, Rick Stotts, Diane Wray-Williams

**Members Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Larry Anderson, Parks and Forestry Division Manager; Holly Heitkamp, Recreation Division Manager; Karen Stremick, Office Specialist, Mark Hintermeyer, Moorhead City Council

**Visitors Present:** Jeff Miller, Field of Dreams Committee; Del Jordahl, Field of Dreams Committee/RL Engebretson Architects; Don Beutler, Red River Valley Softball Association; John Welsch, Red River Valley Softball Association

**2. RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS**

None

**3. MINUTES – March 18, 2009**

Bach motioned to approve the minutes of the March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 PAB Meeting, seconded by Stotts. All votes were in favor; the motion carried.

**4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

None

**5. AGENDA AMENDMENTS**

None

**6. MATSON FIELD UPDATE**

Jeff Miller was present from the Field of Dreams committee to update the PAB on the progress at Matson Field. All items in Phase 1 of the Matson Field renovation plan have been completed. These items include the new dugouts, the retaining wall and the safety nets. Miller stated that fundraising for Phase 2 is down; however, they are starting a new campaign called “1,000 for 1,000” that is currently being announced on local radio stations.

Miller stated that \$300,000 has been raised so far which included funding from the City and the grant from the Convention and Visitors Bureau. Project costs to date total

\$270,000. The original project including Phases 1 through 3 was projected at \$1.8million. Miller invited PAB to have a member attend their meetings. This person

could update the PAB on the projects progress and act as a liaison between the two groups.

A motion was made by Lemke to have Rick Stotts attend the Field of Dreams Committee Meetings and act as a liaison between the PAB and the Committee. The motion was seconded by Bach. All votes were in favor; the motion carried.

**7. DEHUMIDIFICATION SYSTEM GRANT SUBMITTAL-MOORHEAD SPORTS CENTER**

Staff informed the PAB that a grant application could be submitted to improve the dehumidification system within the Moorhead Sports Center. The grant funding is part of the federal stimulus package. During tournaments, when both sheets are in use, there is fogging issues within the arenas. Improving the dehumidification system would help rectify this issue and allow the facility to sell additional summer ice. Arenas in the Minneapolis/St Paul metro area have received funding to improve the humidification systems in a cost effective manner. Stevens Engineering from Minneapolis would be writing the grant application and would only be compensated if the grant was awarded.

A motion was made by Bach recommending that the Moorhead City Council allow Staff to submit a grant application for funds to improve the dehumidification system at the Moorhead Sports Center. The motion was seconded by Durand. All votes were in favor; the motion carried.

**8. FLOOD UPDATE**

Anderson updated the PAB on the status of park land flooding in Moorhead. All Gooseberry Mound Park reservations for May have been cancelled and June is questionable. The park will not be accessible to staff until the water level is at 29 feet; however, Anderson was able to view the park from the west side of the river. The Large Shelter was completely covered in water which could result in extensive repairs and only the roof of the Small Shelter was visible. Damages will be unknown until staff is able to access the park and any damages resulting from the flood will be submitted to FEMA for reimbursement. The Hjemkomst Center was surrounded by a ring dike and closed to the public. Revenue losses will be submitted to FEMA. The buildings in Riverfront Park, Woodlawn Park, and the Log Cabin were all flooded and damages will be submitted to FEMA. The new location for Trollwood Performing Arts sustained water under the stage. Water did not get into their main buildings. Landscaping that was to assist in flood protection was not completed last fall as anticipated. The Meadows and Village Green Golf Courses have both opened for the season.

**9. RED RIVER VALLEY SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION-UTILITY FEE**

Red River Valley Softball Association (RRVSA) was present to request the utility fee for the Centennial Athletic Complex Concession Stands be waived. The fee is new this year in the amount of \$1,000.00. John Welsch, President of RRVSA stated that his organization was not aware that a utility fee would be assessed until after they had already established their participation fees for 2009. He said their organization was not

opposed to paying the fee in the future when they could adjust their participation fee to help pay for the utility fee.

PAB members were concerned that waiving the fee for RRVSA would set a precedent for other organizations who might request fee waivers. Although there were some PAB members who felt that the fee should be waived since RRVSA was not aware of the fee until they received their new contract in January and that they had already established their 2009 participation fees, an exception might be appropriate.

A motion was made by Lemke to deny the request made by RRVSA to waive the utility fee for 2009. The motion was seconded by Durand. Durand, Hazemann, Lemke, Schneider, Stotts and Wray-Williams were in favor of the motion, Bach was opposed; the motion carried.

**10. UPDATE/INFORMATION**

Chair Schneider adjourned the meeting

Respectfully submitted by:

Karen Stremick  
Office Specialist  
Moorhead Parks and Recreation



May 19, 2009

**Subject: Parks 2010 - Capital Improvement Projects**

**Recommendations:** To review and prioritize the list of 2010 Capital Improvements requests recommended by staff

**Background:** The process to request funding for capital improvement items is:

- Annually staff assembles a list of requested park improvements and associated costs
- The Park Advisory Board reviews, prioritizes, and makes recommendations for approval to the City Council
- The list of requests is submitted to the City Manager for review/recommendation along with all other City department requests
- The Mayor and City Council review and approve items based on available funds

**Key Issues:** Critical factors when assessing inclusion and prioritization of the capital improvement list include:

- There are limited funds available to be distributed to all City departments
- The flood and potential mitigation monies affect on priorities
- Upgrading older park amenities to attract new users
- Prioritizing construction of new neighborhood parks
- Balancing the maintenance needs of existing facilities with significant upgrades, including but not limited to Southside Regional Park building construction, Centennial Athletic Complex playground installation, MB Johnson Park improvements and Matson Field

**Financial Considerations:** Limited funds are available so the selection of projects to fund and their priority will need to be established.

**Policy Considerations:** As per City of Moorhead resolution number 87-410 the Park Advisory Board is asked to give recommendation on the Parks and



Recreation Division's needs, including facilities, programs, future park locations, ongoing capital improvements, and maintenance of existing assets.

Respectfully Submitted,



Holly Heitkamp  
Recreation Division Manager, CSD

**Department/Response Person:** Holly Heitkamp, Recreation Division Manager  
Larry Anderson, Parks and Forestry Manager

**Attachments:** Attachment I - Matrix of Capital Improvements





**2010 BUDGET  
SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET REQUESTS**

ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	FUNDING SOURCE	FUNDING REQUEST	CITY MANAGER PROPOSAL		
				OPERATING	CAPITAL	OTHER
<b>COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT</b>						
<b>Parks-Recreation</b>						
3	Splash Park 120 Acre Park		325,000			
3	Southside Dog Park		50,000			
<b>New Park Development</b>						
1	Hampton		60,000			
1	Village Green 6th Community Park (Includes Splash Park & Bldg)		1,700,000			
3	Johnson Farms Neighborhood Parks		760,000			
3	Stonemill Ponds		?			
<b>Park Improvements (existing)</b>						
2	Allyson Parkway Neighborhood Park		414,000			
2	Riverfront and Davy Parks (includes some demolition items)		597,000			
3	Woodlawn Community Park (includes demolition of items)		960,000			
3	South Park		700,000			
3	Morningside		400,000			
<b>Village Green Clubhouse</b>						
1	Air Conditioning in Kitchen		5,500			
2	Interstate Billboard - 16th hole		10,000			
3	Keg Cooler for Village Green		2,600			
<b>Meadows Clubhouse</b>						
1	Clubhouse Chairs (Replacement)		9,900			
1	Retaining Wall Outside		30,000			
2	Door Replacement		4,000			
2	Clubhouse Carpet (Replacement)		10,000			
2	Grease Hood/Chemical Transfer		1,800			
3	Junior Tee Markers		2,200			
<b>Hjemkomst Center</b>						
1	Mechanical/Chiller work		5,000			
1	Carpet Extractor		5,500			
1	Snow blower		1,500			
1	Energy Analysis-Retrofit Motors		grants?			
1	Humidifier Parts		5,000			
3	Toilet and Grout Cleaner for Bathroom		3,500			
<b>Sports Center</b>						
1	Water Heaters (Replacement of Last 2)		12,000			
1	Compressor Overhaul 1991 (Retrofit )		9,000			
1	Locker Room Flooring Replacement (North Side)		25,000			
3	Motors for the South Bleacher System (Replacement)		3,000			
3	New DVR Recorder and Camera for Back Entrance		6,000			
<b>Meadows Maintenance</b>						
1	5040 Toro Sand Pro		20,000			
2	Light Duty Utility Cart (replacement)		9,000			
<b>Village Green Maintenance</b>						
1	Pump Repair-Irrigation on Front 9		5,000			
2	Tree Planting		3,000			
3	Pump house Upgrades		20,000			
4	Small Utility Trailer		1,500			
5	Electric Brush		4,700			
6	Asphalt-Maintenance Shop Parking Lot		15,000			
<b>Park Maintenance-Operations</b>						
1	Park Improvements		200,000			
2	Replacement of Litter Receptacles		10,000			
3	Begin Furnace Replacement at NRC's		12,000			
4	Bike Path Replacement		50,000			
5	Begin Sidewalk Replacement at NRC's		9,500			



May 19, 2009

**Subject: 2010 Proposed Park and Recreation Fees**

**Recommendations:** Staff respectfully requests the Park Advisory Board (PAB) review the 2010 proposed Parks and Recreation Division fees and consider raising fees on an average of 3%.

**Background:** Annually, the Parks and Recreation Division staff recommends a series of fee adjustments necessary to recover the increases in direct costs associated with program delivery.

Generally, adult recreation programs are priced to receive 100 percent of direct costs or more. Youth programs aim to meet this goal, but often fees are insufficient to cover the direct costs of program delivery and result in modest subsidies. We look for 50% recovery of direct costs for youth programs.

**Key Issues:** Fees are reviewed based on both a direct cost of service and competitive market trends. Fargo is recommending a 3 - 4% increase in 2010 for all recreation program fees but does not set their fees until August. The attached document includes the 2009 Fargo rates. Please note that the 2009 Fargo golf rates were significantly discounted due to the flooding.

In 2008, the Park Advisory Board made a motion to increase fees on an average of 3% with rounding to the nearest quarter or a number divisible by two, if cost sharing applies. An example of this included golf cart rental.

Significant changes being recommended in the 2010 fee schedule include:

- Soccer fees were reduced during the 2007- 2009 seasons to compensate for the loss of irrigated soccer fields. The proposed soccer fees that are being recommended would reflect current market levels in 2010 when Moorhead's new soccer complex is in full use.
- There are specific areas that Recreation Program Supervisors have identified and are recommending no increase for 2010 (See green shaded areas on Attachment I)
  - Open Gym targets kids that do not participate in organized sports the opportunity to stay active and busy after school, the fee to participate is \$1.00



- Wading Pools have always been a neighborhood amenity in Moorhead and would require a well thought out policy to begin charging for admittance. There are pool attendants but no licensed lifeguards on duty.
  - The Moorhead Ice Show already priced well above the regional market and fees were increased in 2009. The Ice Show Director historically has been within the budget allowed for expenses so the Ice Show actually turns a small profit. All parents pay to attend the shows and many attend multiple showings, so increasing this fee would primarily affect the parents who have required attendance.
  - Staff is also not recommending that we raise the price for golf range balls due to the regional market. Pricing may be similar but the quantity is greater in Fargo.
- A new fee suggested for 2010 is a summer ice fee. Summer ice is more expensive to make and maintain due to heat and humidity. Fees for renting ice time in the Moorhead Sports Center are increasing but are still not at the level that covers the direct costs of providing service. Local competition keeps ice rental rates artificially low.
  - In 2009 a concession stand utility fee was approved. As contracts with organizations such as Moorhead Youth Soccer, Babe Ruth Baseball and others are renewed, the utility fee will be included in their contracts.

**Financial Considerations:** The 2010 proposed fee schedule should maintain user affordability and market competitiveness while increasing program revenue. Scholarships are available for qualified participants through the Metro Youth Partnership, Clay County Collaborative and Lakes and Prairies Community Action for qualified participants.

**Legal Considerations:** It is within the scope and authority of the Park Advisory Board to make a recommendation and the subsequent establishment of program and facility fees to the Moorhead City Council for final approval.

**Policy Considerations:** By resolution, the PAB is given the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed Parks and Recreation Division program and facility fees.



Respectfully Submitted,



Holly Heitkamp  
Recreation Division Manager

**Department/Response Person:** CSD/Holly Heitkamp, Recreation Division Manager

**Attachments:** 2010 Proposed Fee Schedule



## 2010 FEE SCHEDULE

PROGRAM	2008 FEES	09 INCREASE	2009 FEES	3% INCREASE	2010 FEES	FARGO PARKS 2009	COMMENTS
<b>AQUATICS</b>							
<b>Municipal Pool:</b>							
Municipal Pool: Youth/Adult	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$2.00	.25 / 5%	\$2.25	\$1.90 / \$2.75	
Lap Swim	\$1.50	\$0.25	\$1.75	\$0.00	\$1.75		uneven change
Season Pass: Individual Youth	\$32.00	\$1.00	\$33.00	\$1.00 / 3%	\$34.00	\$45.00	
Season Pass: Individual Adult	NA		NA			\$58.00	
Season Pass: Family	\$72.00	\$2.00	\$74.00	\$2.00	\$76.00	\$120.00	
Municipal Pool Rental	\$60 hr (2 lifeguards) \$90 hr (3 lifeguards)	\$2 for 2 and \$2.75 for 3	\$62 hr (2 lifeguards) \$92.75 hr (3 lifeguards)	\$2 for 2 \$3 for 3	\$64.00 \$95.75		
Wading Pools: Daily Admission	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Wading Pools: Rental (hourly)	\$30.00	\$1.00	\$31.00	\$1.00	\$32.00		
Marlins Swim Club	\$12.00	\$2.00	\$14.00	\$0.50	\$14.50		Contract
<b>Water Exercise:</b>							
Water Exercise Card - 08 punch	\$25.00	\$0.75	\$25.75	\$0.75	\$26.50	N/A	
Water Exercise Card - 16 punch	\$40.00	\$1.25	\$41.25	\$1.25	\$42.50	N/A	
Water Exercise Card - 24 punch	\$55.00	\$1.75	\$56.75	\$1.75	\$58.50	N/A	
<b>Swimming Lessons:</b>							
Learn to Swim: Preschool	\$27.00	\$1.00	\$28.00	\$1.00	\$29.00	\$29.50	
Learn to Swim: Level 1-7	\$32.00	\$0.00	\$32.00	\$1.00	\$33.00	\$29.50	
Learn to Swim: Parent/child	\$27.00	\$1.00	\$28.00	\$1.00	\$29.00		
Private Swim Lessons	\$42.00	\$0.00	\$42.00	\$1.25	\$43.25		
Adaptive Swimming Lessons	\$35.00	\$1.00	\$36.00	\$1.00	\$37.00	\$29.50	
<b>BASEBALL</b>							
American Legion/VFW	each \$2,250.00	\$68.00	\$2,318.00	\$70.00	\$2,388.00		Contract
Babe Ruth	\$100 / day 4 fields	contract	\$50 per game	\$1.50	\$51.50 per game		
Amateur Baseball	\$90.00	\$3.00	\$93.00 per game	\$3.00	\$96.00 per game		
Baseball light usage	\$15.00 sgl/\$25.00 dbl \$100.00 max	\$2. sing \$3 dbl.	\$18 sig /\$28.00 dbl \$125 mx.	.50 sig / \$1.00 dbl \$5 max	\$18.50sig / \$29 dbl \$130 max		
High school baseball	contract	contract	contract		contract		contract
Concession building lease			Utilities Estimate		60% of utility bill		new fee for some
<b>Youth Leagues:</b>							
T-ball/pop-up/knothole/softball	\$35.00	\$1.00	\$36.00	\$1.00	\$37.00	\$29.50	
Big Bopper age 5	\$30.00	\$1.00	\$31.00	\$1.00	\$32.00	\$29.50	
<b>BASKETBALL</b>							
Open Gym	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$1.00		\$1.00		
Youth Basketball	\$35.00	\$1.00	\$36.00	\$1.00	\$37.00		
Mini Basketball	\$30.00	\$1.00	\$31.00	\$1.00	\$32.00		
<b>CRICKET</b>							
Cricket	\$15 per player	\$50 per game	\$50 per game	\$2.00	\$52 per game	N/A	
<b>FOOTBALL</b>							
FM Athletic youth f-ball (annually)	\$2,000.00	contract	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00	\$37.50	Contract
<b>GOLF</b>							

## 2010 FEE SCHEDULE

PROGRAM	2008 FEES	09 INCREASE	2009 FEES	3% INCREASE	2010 FEES	FARGO PARKS 2009	COMMENTS
Weekday-9holes/Jr/Sr b-4, 1pm	\$11.50	\$0.50	\$12.00	\$0.25	\$12.25	\$8.75/\$10.00	
Weekday-9holes/ Adult	\$17.50	\$1.00	\$18.50	\$0.50	\$19.00	\$12.50	
Weekday-18holes/Jr/Sr b-4, 1 pm	\$18.00	\$0.50	\$18.50	\$0.50	\$19.00	\$11.75-\$16.50	
Weekday-18holes/ Adult	\$25.00	\$0.75	\$25.75	\$0.75	\$26.50	\$23.75	
Weekend-9holes/Jr/Sr after 4pm	\$12.50	\$0.50	\$13.00	\$0.25	\$13.25	\$8.75/\$11.75	
Weekend-9holes/Adult	\$19.50	\$0.50	\$20.00	\$0.50	\$20.50	\$10.00	
Weekend-18holes/Jr/Sr/ after 4p	\$20.00	\$0.50	\$20.50	\$0.50	\$21.00	\$11.75-\$16.50	
Weekend-18holes/ Adult	\$28.00	\$1.00	\$29.00	\$1.00	\$30.00	\$23.75	
Weekend-6hole(meadows only)	\$13.50	\$0.50	\$14.00	\$0.25	\$14.25		
Twilight-4:30pm-close (fri,sat,sun only)	N/A	\$0.50	\$20.00	\$0.50	\$20.50	\$17.50	
Frequent Players Card	\$25.00	\$0.75	\$25.75	\$0.75	\$26.50		
Season pass: Jr under 17 yrs	\$175.00	\$5.25	\$180.00	\$5.00	\$185.00	\$123.00	*Fgo Reduced price for flood
Restricted pass: single course	\$350.00	\$15.50	\$365.00	\$10.00	\$375.00	\$231.00	" "
Restricted pass: both course	\$450.00	\$15.50	\$465.00	\$10.00	\$475.00	\$324.00	" "
Non-Restricted Pass: single	\$550.00	\$15.50	\$565.00	\$10.00	\$575.00	\$386.00	" "
Non-Restricted Pass: both	\$650.00	\$15.50	\$665.00	\$10.00	\$675.00	\$540.00	" "
Household single course	\$925.00	\$30.00	\$955.00	\$30.00	\$985.00	\$694.00	" "
Household Both course	\$1,025.00	\$30.00	\$1,055.00	\$30.00	\$1,085.00	\$972.00	" "
Tee to Green	\$1,000.00	\$30.00	\$600.00	\$0.00	\$600.00		
Banner Advertising	\$600.00	\$18.00	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$150.00		
Full Page Advertising	\$1,200.00	\$36.00	\$250.00	\$0.00	\$250.00		
Leaderboard advertising	\$750.00	\$22.50	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$750.00		
Gold Pass	\$1,300.00	\$50.00	\$1,350.00	\$50.00	\$1,400.00		
Course improvement fee/ passes	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00		(included in rates)
Cart Rental: Meadows 9-holes	\$17.50	\$0.50	\$18.00	\$0.50	\$18.50	\$12.50-\$14.50	
Cart Rental: Meadows 18-holes	\$28.50	\$1.00	\$29.50	\$0.50	\$30.00	\$26.00	
Cart Rental: Village Green 9-holes	\$16.00	\$0.50	\$16.50	\$0.50	\$17.00		
Cart Rental: Village Green 18-holes	\$25.50	\$0.50	\$26.00	\$0.50	\$26.50		
Private Cart Use: Annual	\$260.00	\$8.00	\$268.00	\$7.00	\$275.00	\$200.00	
Practice Range: Junior Basket	\$1.75	\$0.25	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$2.00	\$2.50	Different size buckets
Practice Range: Adult Basket	\$4.00	\$0.00	\$4.00	\$0.00	\$4.00	\$5.00	Mhd smaller buckets
Practice Range: 30 Bucket Punch Card	\$75.00	\$2.25	\$77.00	\$3.00	\$80.00	\$67.50	
Senior Tour (18-holes)	\$11.00	\$0.25	\$11.25	\$0.25	\$11.50		
Voluntary Improvement: 9-holes	\$0.25	\$0.00	\$0.25	\$0.00	\$0.25		included in rates
Voluntary Improvement: 18-holes	\$0.50	\$0.00	\$0.50	\$0.00	\$0.50		included in rates
Per Pass	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00		included in rates
<b>Junior Golf &amp; Lil Linkers:</b>							
Junior Golf	\$40.00	\$1.25	\$41.00	\$3.00	\$44.00	\$43.25	6 wks - 1.5 hours (Mhd)
Lil Linkers Golf (4-6 years)	\$20.00	\$0.50	\$20.00	\$4.00	\$24.00		
<b>SPRINGS CENTER</b>							
Rink Rental:							

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PROGRAM	2008 FEES	09 INCREASE	2009 FEES	3% INCREASE	2010 FEES	FARGO PARKS 2009	COMMENTS
Summer Ice Rental:				New fee	\$120.00		
Ice Rental: 8 am-10 pm	\$105.00	\$5.00	\$110.00	\$5.00	\$115.00		2009 rates from Fargo / WF
Ice Rental: 10 pm-8 am	\$85.00	\$3.00	\$88.00	\$3.00	\$91.00		
Dry Floor Rental: Rink 1 (daily)	\$650.00	\$20.00	\$670.00	\$20.00	\$690.00		
Dry Floor Rental: Rink 2 (daily)	\$1,000.00	\$30.00	\$1,030.00	\$30.00	\$1,060.00		
HS Ice Rental: contract (hourly)	\$92.50	\$3.00	\$95.28	\$2.72	\$98.00		
A Games	\$510.00	\$15.00	\$525.00		\$541.00		Contract
A & B Games	\$730.79	\$21.91	\$752.70	\$46.30	\$799.00		contract
Red River Valley Figure Skating Spring/Summer/Fall contract (hourly)	\$85.00	\$3.00	\$88.00	\$2.00	\$90.00		Error in 07/08 pd \$66.07
Red River Valley Internation Classic	\$105.00	\$5.00	\$110.00	\$3.25	\$113.25		
Concordia Ice Rental: contract (hourly)	\$92.50	\$2.75	\$95.25	\$5.80	\$101.05		contract
Concordia Game Rate contract	\$550.00	\$16.50	\$566.50	\$34.50	\$601.00		contract
MYHA ice rate (non prime)	\$85.00	\$3.00	\$88.00	\$3.00	\$91.00		(Fargo 650 hr free ice then \$76)
Figure Skater Locker Rental	\$25.00	\$0.75	\$25.75 / per locker	\$0.25	\$26.00		
Professional & Other Hockey: Prime	\$105.00	\$5.00	\$110.00	\$3.00	\$113.00		
Professional & Other Hockey: Games	\$650.00	\$50.00	\$700.00	\$25.00	\$725.00		
<b>SKATING LESSONS</b>							
Hockey Skills/Novice/Adults	\$45.00	\$1.25	\$46.25	\$1.25	\$47.50	\$45.75 adult	
Skate with US: Tots	\$35.00	\$1.00	\$36.00	\$1.00	\$37.00		
Learn to Skate: Levels 1-6	\$40.00	\$1.00	\$41.00	\$1.00	\$42.00	\$34.75	
Advanced Skater Ice Time: Daily Pack	\$85.00	\$2.50	\$87.50	\$2.50	\$90.00		
Advanced Skater Ice Time: Season Pack	\$150.00/\$300.00	\$5.00/\$10	\$155/\$310	\$5 / 10	\$160 / 320		
<b>ICE SHOW TICKETS</b>							
Ice Show Tickets: 6-12 years old	\$4.00	\$0.25	\$4.25	\$0.00	\$4.25		odd change raise in 2011
Ice Show Tickets: 13 + years old	\$6.00	\$0.25	\$6.25	\$0.00	\$6.25		odd change raise in 2011
<b>PICNIC KIT RENTAL</b>							
Picnic Kit Rental: Monday-Thursday	\$10.00	\$0.25	\$10.25	\$0.25	\$10.50		
Picnic Kit Rental: Friday-Sunday	\$10.00	\$0.25	\$10.25	\$0.25	\$10.50		
NRC Rental (Year Round)	\$25.00hr/\$100.00max	.75/\$3	\$25.75hr/\$103.00 max	.75 / \$3	\$26.50 hr/\$106 max		
<b>SHELTER RENTAL</b>							
Gooseberry Park Shelter - Large (daily)	\$75.00	\$3.00	\$78.00	\$2.00	\$80.00		
Gooseberry Park Shelter - Small (daily)	\$40.00	\$1.25	\$41.25	\$0.75	\$42.50		
Davey/Memorial Park Gazebo (daily)	\$25.00	\$10.00	\$35.00	\$1.00	\$36.00		
<b>NRC SUMMER PROGRAMS</b>							
Tiny Treasures	\$30.00	\$7.00	\$37.00	\$1.00	\$38.00		
Summer Park Program	\$45.00	\$3.00	\$48.00	\$1.50	\$49.50	\$32.40	
Kids Art Program	\$30.00	\$1.00	\$31.00	\$1.00	\$32.00	\$45.20	
<b>NRC SUMMER PROGRAMS cont</b>							
Pre-school Art (new program)	\$15.00	\$0.50	\$15.50	\$0.50	\$16.00	\$11.00	
Adaptive Summer Day Camp	\$30.00	\$2.00	\$32.00	\$1.00	\$33.00	\$32.40	
<b>SOCCER FIELD RENTAL</b>							



## 2010 FEE SCHEDULE

PROGRAM	2008 FEES	09 INCREASE	2009 FEES	3% INCREASE	2010 FEES	FARGO PARKS 2009	COMMENTS
Soccer Leagues Traveling	\$8.50	\$0.50	\$9.00	\$0.50	\$9.50		
Soccer Tournaments	\$27 per field	\$3.00	\$30.00/ field per day	\$1.00	\$31.00/field per day		we paint
Soccer Camp	52 per field	\$2.00	\$54.00 per field	\$1.50	\$55.50 per field		
MYouth Soccer Tournament	\$8.25	\$0.75	\$9 per game	\$0.25	\$9.25 per game		they paint
Agassiz Master Soccer League - 4 fields	\$16.50	\$1.50	\$18.00	\$0.50	\$18.50 per person		
General Use Request			\$54 per field per day	\$2.00	\$56 per day		
Tops Soccer	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		they paint
<b>SOFTBALL ASSOC FIELD RENTAL</b>							
Softball Assoc / church / youth	\$215.00	\$6.50	\$221.50	\$7.50	\$229.00		Contract
Softball Assoc - Field (hourly)	\$25.00	\$1.00	\$26.00	\$6.50	\$32.50		contract
Non Association Fee 4 fields (daily)	\$175.00	\$5.00	\$180.00	\$5.50	\$185.50		
Non-Association Fee 8 fields (daily)	\$300.00	\$10.00	\$310.00	\$9.25	\$319.25		
Softball Assoc Tournament-4 fields (daily)	\$125.00	\$5.00	\$130.00		\$130.00		contract
Lights	\$15.00 per hr	\$0.50	15.50 per hour	\$2.50	\$18 per hour		
Softball Assoc Tournament-8 fields (daily)	\$220.00	\$10.00	\$230.00		\$230.00		Contract
Advised Softball	\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00		
<b>STICKBALL</b>							
Stickball	\$0.00		\$0.00				N/A start up sport
<b>TAE KWON DO</b>							
Tae Kwon Do	\$45.00	\$0.00	\$45.00	\$1.25	\$46.25		3 year contract
<b>TENNIS</b>							
Tennis Lessons: Begin/Adv Begin	\$30.00	\$1.00	\$31.00	\$1.00	\$32.00	\$40.00	Mhd shorter season
Tennis Lessons: Intermediate	\$35.00	\$1.00	\$36.00	\$1.00	\$37.00	\$40.00	Mhd shorter season
Tennis Lessons: Advanced	\$45.00	\$1.25	\$46.25	\$1.75	\$47.50	\$40.00	Mhd shorter season
<b>VOLLEYBALL</b>							
Co-Rec Volleyball (Fall)	\$260 / team	\$8.00	\$268 / team	\$8.00	\$276.00	\$278 / per team	
Co-Rec Volleyball (Spring)	260 / team	\$8.00	\$268 / team	\$8.00	\$276.00	\$278 / per team	
Women's Volleyball	\$260 per team	\$8.00	\$268 / team	\$8.00	\$276.00	\$278 / per team	
Men's Volleyball	\$260 / team	\$8.00	\$268 / team	\$8.00	\$276.00	\$278 / per team	
Elementary Volleyball	\$35.00	\$1.00	\$36.00	\$1.00	\$37.00	\$45.75	



**May 19, 2009****Subject: Flood Mitigation – Moorhead Park Facilities**

**Recommendations:** It is respectfully requested that the Park Advisory Board approve and make recommendation to the City Council to relocate the Log Cabin Folk Arts building from its current location in Woodlawn Park, at 315 4<sup>th</sup> Street South, to M B Johnson Park, 3601 11<sup>th</sup> Street North and to demolish and remove certain park structures damaged by the flood.

**Background:** Continual flooding in the Woodlawn and Riverfront Parks has caused extensive damage to buildings and infrastructure. Park Maintenance employees clean and restore these areas, at a significant cost to the City, only to have them flood again. In late 2007, the City commissioned a study by SRF Consulting to assess these areas in regards to what amenities could withstand being located in flood prone areas. The study recommended demolition of much of the existing infrastructure. The 2009 flood has further damaged these areas.

One of the Woodlawn Park structures needing to be addressed is the Historic Log Cabin. This structure has been used for many programs including but not limited to; “Tuesday’s in Moorhead”, art shows, concerts, book and poetry readings, children’s art programs, musical instrument making, yoga, and storytelling. Due to the repeated flooding, the foundation is structurally unsound rendering the building unusable.

**Key Issues:**

Historic Log Cabin: With the continual flooding at Woodlawn Park the foundation under the Log Cabin continues to buckle and show signs of moving away from the main structure. In October 2007, park staff requested Moorhead Building Official Kurt Wenzel inspect the foundation and structure. Wenzel recommended a structural engineer, also inspect the property. After the structural engineer reviewed the property, the consensus was that this structure is in dire need of a new foundation and should not be occupied until corrective action is taken. The building use was suspended and this building was again affected by flood water in 2009 and has further deteriorated

The land surrounding the foundation continues to erode due to the constant flooding, leaving the site unable to sustain this structure. Evidence of this is also prevalent on the west side of the patio. Other issues with the current site include:



- The proximity to 4<sup>th</sup> Street raising safety concerns during events
- Very limited off street parking available
- No restroom facilities

The Woodlawn Park Neighborhood Group leader was contacted for comment about the Log Cabin and has not responded by the time of this writing. There was also a suggestion to photograph and videotape the art on the Riverfront Park Shelter to recognize the citizen work and keep this documentation into posterity in the archives.

Larry Anderson, Parks and Forestry Division Manager, previously obtained estimates from contractors to relocate the Historic Log Cabin. The estimates received included:

\$ 9,000	New foundation
\$ 2,500	Demo old foundation and fill
\$35,000	Move building
\$ 1,800	Move stone figurehead carvings
<u>\$ 1,200</u>	<u>Landscaping at new and old sites</u>
\$49,500	Estimated Total

Suggestions for a new location that is not prone to flooding but would allow for the continued use of this structure would be;

- M.B. Johnson Park
- Davy Memorial Park, which is the original location of the stagecoach stop where the logs came from
- Robert A Fogel Reparian Forest, there are no restrooms or heated buildings at this location

Woodlawn and Riverfront Parks: Other structures severely affected by the 2009 flood that City Staff are recommending demolition on include;

- Riverfront Park
  - Neighborhood Recreation Building
  - Tennis Courts
- Woodlawn Park
  - Baseball Fields agrilime and backstop
  - Wading Pool
  - Playground
  - Restroom Facility

Hjemkomst Center: The clay from the temporary dike was relocated to the parking lot to be reused in raising the permanent protection at the Hjemkomst Center from 40 feet to 43 feet around 95% of the building. The shipping and



receiving doors are at 38.5 feet and would need a temporary levy when predictions for river crests above that level are made. Permits and funding are currently being sought with the help of Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) and the Army Corps of Engineers.

Gooseberry Park: The Large Shelter was entirely under water, the Small Shelter realized flood water three-fourths up the posts, and the restrooms had approximately three feet of flood water. They are in the process of being cleaned by Park Maintenance staff. There is damage to the roof of the large shelter. A structural engineer will provide a review prior to any use.

**Financial Considerations:** The estimates for the demolitions for the various facilities and amenities are listed on Attachments I and II. Funds are being sought through the Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) to complete this work.

**Legal Considerations:** Once a building is deemed unsafe to occupy by the Building Official, all activities held at that structure will cease and desist until corrective action is taken.

Respectfully Submitted,



Holly Heitkamp  
Recreation Division Manager, CSD



Larry Anderson  
Parks & Forestry Division Manger, OPS

**Department/Response Person:**

OPS/ Larry Anderson, Parks and Forestry Division Manager  
CSD/ Holly Heitkamp, Recreation Division Manager



**Attachments:** Attachment I SRF Cost Estimates-Riverfront/Davy Park  
Attachment II SRF Cost Estimates-Woodlawn Park/Log Cabin



**Woodlawn Community Park**  
 (2008 Construction Costs)

NOTES	ELEMENT	UNIT	UNIT COST	QUANTITY	COST
	<b>GENERAL AND SITE PREPARATION</b>				<b>\$161,600.00</b>
1	Mobilization/construction staking/general grading	lump sum	\$37,830.00	1	\$38,000.00
	Demolish playground, splash pool, ball diamond	lump sum	\$30,000.00	1	\$30,000.00
	Demolish and remove roadway	lump sum	\$22,000.00	1	\$22,000.00
	Realign disc golf courses tees	lump sum	\$5,000.00	1	\$5,000.00
	Erosion control	lin ft	\$3.00	600	\$1,800.00
	Log cabin removal				
	New foundation	lump sum	\$9,500.00	1	\$9,500.00
	Demo old foundation and fill	lump sum	\$15,000.00	1	\$15,000.00
	Move building	lump sum	\$37,100.00	1	\$37,100.00
	Move stone figurehead carvings	lump sum	\$1,900.00	1	\$1,900.00
	Landscaping at new and old building sites	lump sum	\$1,300.00	1	\$1,300.00
	<b>UTILITIES</b>				<b>\$29,500.00</b>
	City water connection	lin ft	\$65.00	100	\$6,500.00
	Sewer lift station	each	\$17,500.00	1	\$17,500.00
	Sanitary sewer connection	lin ft	\$55.00	100	\$5,500.00
	<b>PAVING, TRAILS, AND PARKING</b>				<b>\$174,600.00</b>
6	Roadway paving	sq yd	\$35.00	2500	\$87,500.00
6	Bituminous parking lot	sq yd	\$38.00	1500	\$57,000.00
	Concrete curb and gutter	lin ft	\$16.00	1580	\$25,300.00
	6" x 18" concrete play area curb	lin ft	\$30.00	160	\$4,800.00
	<b>SITE FURNISHINGS</b>				<b>\$109,700.00</b>
	Benches	each	\$1,500.00	4	\$6,000.00
	Trash receptacles	each	\$500.00	3	\$1,500.00
	Drinking fountains	each	\$5,500.00	2	\$11,000.00
	Bicycle racks	each	\$1,200.00	2	\$2,400.00
	Picnic tables	each	\$1,500.00	6	\$9,000.00
	Grills	each	\$750.00	1	\$800.00
	K-5 play equipment	lump sum	\$35,000.00	1	\$35,000.00
	Pre-K play equipment	lump sum	\$25,000.00	1	\$25,000.00
	Dog park fence	lin ft	\$25.00	760	\$19,000.00
	<b>LANDSCAPING</b>				<b>\$19,500.00</b>
2	Turf seeding	acre	\$2,000.00	3	\$6,000.00
3	Irrigation	sq ft	\$0.50	7000	\$3,500.00
	Wood fiber mulch for playground	lump sum	\$10,000.00	1	\$10,000.00
	<b>LIGHTING</b>				<b>\$49,500.00</b>
	Parking lot and roadway lights	each	\$4,500.00	11	\$49,500.00
4	Trail lights	each	\$3,500.00	0	\$0.00
	<b>ARCHITECTURE</b>				<b>\$315,000.00</b>
5	Recreation building (1,500 sft)	lump sum	\$240,000.00	1	\$240,000.00
7	Splash pool	lump sum	\$75,000.00	1	\$75,000.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				<b>\$859,400.00</b>
	10% general contingency				\$85,940.00
	10% architecture and engineering contingency				\$85,940.00
	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>				<b>\$1,031,280.00</b>

NOTES:

- Mobilization/staking/general grading is calculated at approximately 5% of total project cost.
- Seed area is assumed to be the active recreation part of the park including the multi-use field.
- Irrigation locations include high visibility areas around the park elements and the multi-use field.
- All trails are existing. No lighting proposed on trails.
- Park building costs range from \$125-150/sft for a pre-fabricated, basic structure to \$185-200/sft for a typical architect-designed structure.
- Roadway/parking lot costs do not include storm sewer construction.
- Pool cost varies considerably depending on size and amenities.

**Riverfront and Davy Parks**  
 (2008 Construction Costs)

NOTES	ELEMENT	UNIT	UNIT COST	QUANTITY	COST
	<b>GENERAL AND SITE PREPARATION</b>				<b>\$66,900.00</b>
1	Mobilization/construction staking/general grading	lump sum	\$23,980.00	1	\$24,000.00
	Demolish and remove building	lump sum	\$11,700.00	1	\$11,700.00
	Demolish and remove tennis courts	lump sum	\$5,000.00	4	\$20,000.00
	Demolish and remove parking lot	lump sum	\$10,000.00	1	\$10,000.00
	Erosion control	lin ft	\$3.00	400	\$1,200.00
	<b>UTILITIES</b>				<b>\$18,000.00</b>
	City water connection	lin ft	\$65.00	150	\$9,750.00
	Sanitary sewer connection	lin ft	\$55.00	150	\$8,250.00
	<b>PAVING, TRAILS, AND PARKING</b>				<b>\$122,200.00</b>
5	Roadway paving	sq yd	\$35.00	160	\$5,600.00
5	Bituminous parking lot	sq yd	\$38.00	2700	\$102,600.00
	Concrete curb and gutter	lin ft	\$16.00	650	\$10,400.00
	10' bituminous trail	sq yd	\$30.00	120	\$3,600.00
	<b>SITE FURNISHINGS</b>				<b>\$14,000.00</b>
	Benches	each	\$1,500.00	2	\$3,000.00
	Trash receptacles	each	\$500.00	1	\$500.00
	Drinking fountains	each	\$5,500.00	1	\$5,500.00
	Bicycle racks	each	\$1,200.00	1	\$1,200.00
	Picnic tables	each	\$1,500.00	2	\$3,000.00
	Grills	each	\$750.00	1	\$800.00
	<b>LANDSCAPING</b>				<b>\$3,000.00</b>
2	Turf seeding	acre	\$2,000.00	1.5	\$3,000.00
	<b>LIGHTING</b>				<b>\$167,000.00</b>
	Parking lot lights	each	\$4,500.00	6	\$27,000.00
3	Trail lights	each	\$3,500.00	40	\$140,000.00
	<b>ARCHITECTURE</b>				<b>\$112,500.00</b>
4	Restroom building (900 sft)	lump sum	\$112,500.00	1	\$112,500.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				<b>\$503,600.00</b>
	10% general contingency				\$50,360.00
	10% architecture and engineering contingency				\$50,360.00
	<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>				<b>\$604,320.00</b>

NOTES:

- Mobilization/staking/general grading is calculated at approximately 5% of total project cost.
- Seed area is assumed to be the active recreation part of the park including the multi-use field.
- One light every 50 feet on park trails. Lighting included on trails east of reconstructed parking lot.
- Park building costs range from \$125-150/sft for a pre-fabricated, basic structure to \$185-200/sft for a typical architect-designed structure.
- Roadway/parking lot costs do not include storm sewer construction.



**2009 CAPITAL PROJECTS  
PROGRESS REPORT**

Alm Park and Riverview Estates Park Tennis Courts	Decided After Bids for Play Equipment and Wading Pool are Received
Buland Park Playground Replacement	July
Downtown Bike Path Replacement	July
Golf Maintenance - Meadows	Reallocate Chair Replacement Funds to Landscaping Due to Basement Drainage/Water Damage
Golf Maintenance - Village Green	Completed
Hjemkomst Center Parking Lot Seal	Summer/Fall - FEMA/After Clay Dike Built
Knapp Park Playground Replacement	July
Log Cabin Foundation	Flood Repair/FEMA
Moorhead Sports Center	Completed
Municipal Pool Heater	May
Municipal Pool Replacement Doors	May
Riverfront Park Disc Golf Course	Flood Repair
Riverfront Park Building and Tennis Courts	Flood Damage/FEMA
Wading Pool Drain Upgrades (Required by state law)	May

## Highlights of the *Active in Moorhead (AIM) Coalition: 2009 Neighborhood and College Meeting Results* for the Moorhead Park Board

**Purpose:** A series of neighborhood and college meetings were conducted by the Active in Moorhead (AIM) coalition, which is a partnership between the City of Moorhead, the Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments (Metro COG), and Clay County Public Health with funding from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota. The partnership is working to promote active living in Moorhead, and is working in collaboration with the city's comprehensive planning process. Detailed notes were taken by North Dakota State Data Center staff during the meetings for later analysis.

**Study Design:** Four neighborhood meetings (at Moorhead Public Library, the Hjemkomst Center, Horizon Middle School, and S.G. Reinertsen Elementary) and two college meetings (at Minnesota State University - Moorhead (MSUM) and Concordia College) were conducted between January and March 2009. The meetings involved an interactive clicker presentation, in which participants answered various questions in real time using a "clicker" device similar to a remote control and viewed instantaneous feedback from the collective group. Discussion was encouraged throughout the meeting. The report, *Active in Moorhead (AIM) Coalition: 2009 Neighborhood and College Meeting Results*, presents the qualitative analysis of the responses. Results represent an assessment of the themes discussed by participants who attended the meetings, and should not be viewed as generalizable to the entire city of Moorhead. This document presents a selection of participant comments during the meetings, followed by a selection of recommendations from the full report that are relevant to the Moorhead Park Board.

### A SELECTION OF PARTICIPANT COMMENTS RELATING TO PARKS

- Participants said that wanting to be outside, fun/pleasure/social time, and needing exercise were the most motivating reasons to be physically active.
- Participants were asked what barriers to active living they experienced, and what would encourage them to be more active on a daily basis:
  - There isn't an indoor swimming pool, and outdoor pool does not have convenient times.
  - Need an adult pool where kids aren't running around, perhaps through adult-only hours.
  - I swim to keep in shape, but I can only swim at MSUM.
  - Want neighborhood parks with sledding areas/hills in the winter for kids.
  - More cross country skiing trails that are groomed.
  - Need community centers for winter with a pool, basketball courts, walking facility, etc.
  - The parks have bathrooms but they are always locked up; same is true for sporting events (e.g., ball fields) – why do we even have the bathrooms?
  - We need park benches for watching the children play and more equipment for older children.
  - Desire a city-owned community center that offers affordable membership (with water park, volleyball park, etc.).
  - I play tennis and the tennis courts in north Moorhead need to be refinished.
  - Access to natural walking areas, private space to get out in nature; unpaved are less expensive and natural, easier to maintain.
  - More on the Moorhead side of the river path, more inviting like the ND side (grass not as nice, branches on the path).
  - More places for community gardens that you could walk to.
  - Better lighting, immediately replacing lights that are out (I will go out walking at night, but my wife won't).
  - Need a central place for information about all activities going on in the city (city, parks, school, etc.), which would increase attendance at those events as well.
  - You can't circle around on a path if you are riding bike for relaxation or exercise; the paths just stop and then you have to navigate the city streets.
  - Bike path all along the river on the Moorhead side that is kept up.
  - The flooding and mud issues by the rivers are discouraging because the trails/paths are covered in water sometimes.
- Participants were asked how satisfied they are with the opportunities to get outside in their neighborhood, and how easy and pleasant it is to be active within their neighborhood:
  - There's no space where you can just enjoy the outdoors. It's strictly functional space on campus and in my neighborhood, too. All the land is in use for something. There's just not a place where I could sit underneath a tree and do my homework here on campus.

- We enjoy winter. We are probably not considered good neighbors because we snowshoe through people's backyards and up into the trees and hills. There is this fabulous space that is cut off from public use because it is in people's yards.
- College fields used to be open to the community and not fenced; now it is locked. The most obvious open space is inaccessible.
- The parks are very open here, but there's no bench to sit to read. It's just open space. I have lived in other cities where there are cement benches here and there to just sit and spend the day. There's nothing like that here.
- There are so many developments of apartments and townhouses but there is not very much land for parks.
- If there was enough money, a park above the flood plain would be great! All of them flood.
- We need to build up the parks and make the grass nice.
- Things that help me be satisfied is that the neighborhood has a park and it has a pool (the pool is a big factor).
- Updating play equipment has made such a difference so that more kids can go out and play.
- One big plus is that kids can gather and play at all the parks.
- When I was younger (in the 1960s/1970s), there were games, activities, and crafts available during the day in the summer. Those aren't available now; you can't just go and participate – you have to go and sign up somewhere or else you can't participate.
- Activities weren't just for the younger kids in Crookston; there were a lot of various activities available for many ages that aren't available here.

## RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO PARKS

- Extend bike paths
- Have more dedicated biking/walking paths and trails
- Create a better trail system that connects parks in Moorhead
- Improve paths for safety of rollerbladers
- Clear bike trails of snow in the winter
- Build a permanent bike bridge
- Keep tennis courts in good condition
- Provide access to natural walking areas
- Make open spaces accessible to the public (e.g., college fields)
- Provide accessibility to the river in all seasons
- Mimic strengths of paths along river in North Dakota on the Minnesota side (connectivity, maintenance, etc.)
- Add more benches to parks
- Increase ratio of nonfunctional space (i.e., open green space) to functional space
- Improve connectivity (e.g., between cul-de-sacs when trying to walk, bike, and rollerblade)
- Build a park above the flood plain
- Water park for people who don't go to the lakes
- More opportunities to be "outdoorsy"
- Create a skate park
- Replace the picnic shelter and add benches at Woodlawn Park
- Make a southside dog park
- Make a short par 3 golf course, focused on youth
- Address use of snowmobiles in town (including backyards)
- Pick up branches, keep grass watered and mowed in the parks
- Keep Frisbee parks well-maintained
- Do prompt clean-up of parks and trails after flooding
- Revitalize areas that need it (e.g., Bennett Park, Woodlawn Park)
- Build an indoor swimming pool, and expand hours for outdoor pools (with some hours for adults without kids present)
- Offer winter outdoor activities (e.g., groomed cross-country skiing trails, sledding areas, hockey rink, snowshoeing)
- Look into creating an indoor community center (with a water park, basketball courts, walking facility, etc.) with an affordable membership
- Arrange activities, games, crafts, etc. for people to show up to participate in (not all sign-up)
- Have activities for people of all ages (like in Crookston)
- Create a central place for information about all activities going on in the city
- Encourage people to be out and about, makes it feel like more of a community
- Have an annual event in each park
- Make parks as user-friendly as possible (e.g., bathrooms being open, enough benches, updated playground equipment)

## Stay Busy This Summer With Moorhead Parks and Recreation

Are you looking for something to do this summer? Moorhead Parks and Recreation has plenty to offer the whole family!

A variety of programs start throughout the summer. Call us now to check on availability in Junior Golf lessons, Summer Park Programs, Tiny Treasures, Preschool and Kids Art Programs, Swimming Lessons, Tae Kwon Do, Adaptive Aquatics, and Adaptive Summer Day Camp.

Check out the Moorhead Municipal Pool, neighborhood wading pools, The Meadows and Village Green golf courses, and join us during the many special events throughout the summer.

You can see all the programming options and special events at [www.cityofmoorhead.com/parks](http://www.cityofmoorhead.com/parks) or call 218-299-5340 for more information.

Take time this summer to get out in the community and enjoy the miles of bike and walking trails and Moorhead's many parks. Celebrate summer with Moorhead Parks and Recreation!

### Summer Special Events

June 9 – RiverArts

- 5:00 to 8:30 pm in Davy Park
- Marcoux Corner takes the stage at 6:00 pm
- Horse drawn carriage rides, games and activities for the kids, art vendors, food vendors, farmers market, and much more
- Free!

June 25 – Summer Splash

- 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Moorhead Municipal Pool
- Free admission to the pool, water games, diving contest, take a ride on the giant slip and slide, and much more!

June 30 – Neighborhood Park Party

- 6:00 to 8:00 pm in Northeast Park
- Face painting, crafts, inflatable games, and more
- Free!

July 14 – RiverArts

- 5:00 to 8:30 pm in Davy Park
- Penny and Pals takes the stage at 6:00 pm
- Horse drawn carriage rides, games and activities for the kids, art vendors, food vendors, and much more
- Free!

July 23 – Watermelon Festival

- 2:00 to 4:00 in Gooseberry Park
- Inflatable games, contests, rocket launching, face painting, fresh watermelon and much more
- Free!

July 28 – Neighborhood Park Party

- 6:00 to 8:00 pm in Alm Park
- Face painting, crafts, inflatable games, and more
- Free!

August 11 – RiverArts

- 5:00 to 8:30 pm in Davy Park
- Silverado takes the stage at 6:00 pm
- Horse drawn carriage rides, games and activities for the kids, art vendors, food vendors, and much more
- Free!

August 17 – Dog Swim

- 5:00 to 8:00 pm at South Park and Northeast Park wading pools
- Let your four-legged friends cool off in the pool!
- Admission is \$2.00 per dog and proceeds benefit the Moorhead Dog Park
- Dogs should have a collar, ID tags, be properly licensed, vaccinated, and in good health to participate

August 25 – Neighborhood Park Party

- 6:00 to 8:00 pm in Riverview Estates Park
- Face painting, crafts, inflatable games, and more
- Free!

September 11 – 19 – Greater Moorhead Days

- Watch for more details in the next issue of City Insights!

Visit [www.cityofmoorhead.com/parks](http://www.cityofmoorhead.com/parks) for more details!

*Photos to include: carriage rides at riverarts, couple on bikes, rocket launching*



## SPECIAL EVENT ALERT

**What: The Miracle League Project Announcement**

**When: Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm**

**Where: Hjemkomst Center in Moorhead**

### Guest

**Speakers:**

Robert Chambers	Rotary District 5580 Governor
Judy Siegle	Elite wheelchair athlete, acclaimed author, and representing member of the local Miracle League committee
Holly Heitkamp	Recreation Division Manager for Moorhead Parks & Recreation
Adair Grommesh	Director of HOPE, Inc. in Moorhead, MN

We will kick-off The Miracle League project with this special announcement for local Rotary clubs and media, as well as Moorhead City Council and Park Board members, and other city staff members.

The Miracle League™ program provides an opportunity for children with mental and/or physical challenges to play baseball. With a specially-designed rubber turf field, The Miracle League makes dreams come true for children with special needs.

The FM Rotary Foundation became affiliated with The Miracle League Association ([miracleleague.com](http://miracleleague.com)) and joined the efforts of Moorhead Parks and Recreation to bring this unique opportunity to the Southside Regional Park in Moorhead, MN. The Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks quickly joined the initiative as a project partner in the fund-raising drive.

The field will eventually play host to various ball leagues for the special needs children of the local area, including Moorhead, Fargo, and West Fargo. Programs like HOPE, Inc. and FM Challengers are already on-board to help in the project, as well as serve as key resources in implementing the sports programs locally.



Please support the FM Rotary Foundation, Fargo-Moorhead RedHawks, and Moorhead Parks & Recreation in bringing this field to our communities!

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It's more popular than ever with a waiting list of over 200 golfers, some of whom now have to wait at least two years to get on the tour.

And you thought qualifying for the PGA Tour was hard?

"I think it's become something where you get a real cross-section of people," said Lowell Tehven, the tour's vice president. "People from all walks of life play with us."

It costs a one-time fee of \$10 to get your name on the waiting list.

Membership is capped at 400, which was recently expanded from 350.

The club also expanded the minimum number of tournaments entered to keep your membership from three to five. That usually isn't too big of a problem, especially considering the all-out good time the golfers seem to have.

"I think it's a great social thing for people," said Al Traaseth, the tour's treasurer.

As usual, the Senior Tour makes stops all over the area. The courses are glad to have them because they're organized, they play in the morning and they play relatively fast, said Village Green professional Russ Nelson.

"I look forward to having them," he said. "I don't follow their scores but for the most part, 90 percent are getting out socializing, getting away from the house and getting a little exercise."

The Tour encourages golfers to not play with the same four players on a weekly basis. Asked if it could do two separate tours because of the waiting list, Tehven said they would – if they could.

"If we could administratively handle it," he said. "We've talked about it, but we just don't have the horses to do it and to make it work. We need some more volunteers."

There was plenty to do this week. The event on Monday in Fertile, Minn., was canceled because of poor weather. Also canceled was a May 6 date at Maple River near Mapleton, N.D., but added was a May 7 date at Pebble Lake in Fergus Falls.

In all, this year's Tour consists of 30 tournaments.

"It's really a good experience," Tehven said. "There are so many wonderful golf courses around the area. The ones that really surprise you are the small-town nine-holers. They're just wonderful."

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