

Parks

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City of Pataskala Parks and Recreation Department Council Report

Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide quality programming that's inclusive to all residents in our community by offering sports, health and wellness opportunities as well as giving the community options to take advantage of our open spaces.

Vision:

Our recreation vision is to provide quality programming that's inclusive to all residents in our community by offering sports, health and wellness opportunities as well as giving the community options to take advantage of our open spaces.

Administrative

- Volunteer Park Improvements
 - > Playground is completed.
 - Parking lot is being reworked and will be completed.
 - > Split rail fencing is installed. There is still a little more to go which will be completed by the end of February.
 - > Grass restoration work.
- Foundation Park: Athletic Field Development Project: Preliminary planning for the future of our parks and recreation program growth. Additional parking will be included in the plan as well for this facility improvement.
 - ➤ Due the cost of the full project we are working with engineers in 2023 for additional parking. Cost of the parking based on the engineer's estimate which is set to come early March. We will have several exhibits with parking lot options within the park to show council and to gather feedback.

Freedom Park Walking Path-

- An invoice will be sent to LPD to receive \$25,000. Once the \$25,000 is received by the CFO we will come back to council for a supplemental.
- Seeking to put project out to Bid in Spring of 2023.
- Working with Verdantas to do the following: Site plan, proposals for engineering of path and parking lot.
- Project: Walking path with an alternate bid to include the parking lot expansion



Park Projects completed/to be completed:

- ➤ Pool facility inspections will begin in February.
 - o Concrete patch work is needed.
 - Caulking
 - o Fence repairs needed around baby pool.
 - Water pipe work is scheduled for late March.
 - o Grass will be fertilized and overseeded.
- ➤ Municipal Park Dugouts:
 - We have added improvements to the dugouts and will be placing stone down where the benches are located. This project will be completed by the 1st week of March.
- ➤ Changing soccer field layouts at Foundation Park, Measurements completed to ensure we can now have enough fields for all age groups to practice during the week.
- Installation of park signage will be taking place over the next few weeks.
 - o Citizens Park Signs Replacement
 - o Identifying all parking lots in Foundation Park has been completed.
 - o Municipal Park Signage replacement will be completed in March.
 - o Install lot identification at Volunteer Park
- ➤ Citizens Park Fence Project
 - Designed to add aesthetics and separation from the adjacent properties and to delineate the entrance of the park.
 - A letter was sent to residents who are adjacent to the property to inform them
 that the installation of a fence will commence in late February/ Early March
 while the ground is still wet.

Parks and Recreation News/ New Updates:

Aquatic Hiring Process

- Extending aquatic offers to 7 applicants as of 2/14/23. Working with HR to help with this process.
- ➤ Hiring until all positions available are filled to operate the swim lesson program and regular pool operations such as managers and lifeguards and guest service team members.
- The goal is to hire/onboard as much of our previous staff early as possible in the year to allow for training to begin in April 2023
- ➤ Pataskala Spring Swing Softball Tournament
 - Hosting April 2nd all proceeds will benefit the Pataskala Shop with a Cop Program
 - o Pataskala PD will be participating

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Citizens Park • Foundation Park • Freedom Park • Karr Park • Liberty Park • Municipal Park • Volunteer Park

Join us this spring and summer for Community Open House Meetings held at our beautiful Pataskala Parks. Learn more about what we offer, and ideas for the future. Give us your feedback about what you would like to see!

Meetings begin at 7:00 PM and last about one hour. Enjoy all our parks have to offer!

Be sure to visit the Pataskala Parks & Recreation booth at the *Pataskala Community Fireworks, Saturday, July 1* at Foundation Park.

Tuesday, May 16

at Foundation Park

Tuesday, June 20

at Freedom Park

Tuesday, July 18

at Karr Park

Tuesday, August 22

at Citizens Park

Tuesday, September 19

at Volunteer Park







Whether you are looking for a relaxing escape, a bonding moment with your kids, or a fun afternoon with your friends, Pataskala Parks and Recreation offers fishing in several of our ponds located in your Pataskala parks.

In 2023, the Pataskala Parks Department will be offering local families the opportunity to fish on select Saturdays. The program is located at Foundation Park.

The following will be offered from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. each day listed below:

April 29 | May 6 | May 13 | June 3 June 24: Outdoor Adventure Day Event

- 1. Fishing poles can be checked out.
 - 2. Bait will be available for free.
- 3. Hands-on help will be available by experienced anglers.

If you are interested in helping create a love for fishing in the community and would like to be involved with this opportunity, please contact the Parks Manager.

Become a Passport to Fishing Instructor!

FOR MORE INFORMATION

and to sign up for this event:

740.927.3512

pataskalaparks@ci.pataskala.oh.us

Registration Ongoing

www.pataskalaparksandrecreation.com

Click Program Registration to register for each session
under Outdoor Recreation tab.







REGISTRATION: FEBRUARY 8 - MARCH 24, 2023 COST TO PLAY IN TOURNAMENT: \$225

All proceed will go towards the Pataskala Shop with a Cop program which is held in December each year in Pataskala

What if tournament is cancelled due to field conditions and weather? Your team will be refunded OR a credit will be given on the account for the team to enter another league or tournament held in the same year.

Website to register: https://secure.rec1.com/OH/city-of-pataskala-oh/catalog

When is the tournament being held: April 2nd

Who can participate: Adults 18+

Where: All games will be located at Foundation Park, 10255 Mcintosh Rd., Pataskala, OH 43062

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