



Council Report
City of Pataskala Parks Department
Lenier Crawford, Parks Manager

➤ **New Items**

• **New Operational Updates**

- Soccer Program
 - Fall Youth Soccer games will not be held on 9/2/23 and 9/23/23 due to the Labor Day Holiday and the Tractor Show Event.
 - We have 5 middle school teams this Fall season. Of those 5, 3 teams are male, and 2 teams are female.

➤ **Ongoing Items**

• **Foundation Park**

- Planning Conaway's Trail fence work for safety concerns.
 - The poles we installed were removed by park goers and thrown into the river. We are still planning to replace them at the end of summer with sturdier material.

• **Municipal Park**

- Electric to the pole near the shelter for the security camera was installed 8/30/23.
- Those cameras will be connected soon by the security vendor.

• **Karr Park**

- The large old sink was replaced with a new stainless-steel version.
- The shelter concrete pads were pressure washed.

- **Citizens Park**

- The aeration equipment for the pond at this park has been installed. The necessary electrical work for that equipment is scheduled for a September installation.

- **Volunteer Park**

- The Lion's Club event dedicating the Lion's Grove took place on August 26th. The department received several compliments about Volunteer Park following that event.

- **Freedom Park**

- Freedom Park Improvements project update
 - The walking path and the parking lot at Freedom Park will be the base bid. The basketball court and volleyball court projects will be alternate bids.
 - This project bid opening will be advertised in late September of 2023. We are aiming to open the bids the week of October 23rd.
 - Once a bid is selected, an invoice will be sent to LPD to receive the \$25,000 for their share of this project. Following that, we will come back to the council for a supplemental to account for those funds.

- **Liberty Park**

- Playground/woods
 - Parks staff has planned to do the following projects at Liberty Park:
 - Cut trees down past the bridge to establish a safe trail around the pond.
 - Add fencing within the woods which connect Morrison Farm neighborhood and Liberty Park along the newly cleared path. There is a lot of foot traffic from that neighborhood to the park. We will use a maximum of 6 split rail fence pieces to create an aesthetically pleasing entranceway into the park.
 - Contacted tree vendor as a catalpa tree is down and we need services. This work is being scheduled.

- **Park Manager Updates**

- Pool closes on Labor Day for the end of the 2023 season.

Respectfully submitted,

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