

Parks Dept. Monthly Report for August 2023

(Regular Daily Seasonal Maintenance Not Included)

- **In the month of August, the Parks Staff trimmed 46 trees, and removed 13 trees in City of Fort Morgan Right-of-Ways. Staff also planted 14 trees and ground/removed 4 stumps. So far in 2023 Parks Staff have trimmed 693 trees, removed 86 trees, planted 33 trees, and ground/backfilled 16 stumps in City of Fort Morgan Right-of-Ways.**
- **In the month of August, seven (7) trees in the City of Fort Morgan Right-of-Ways were trimmed by private contractors, with an additional three (3) trees removed. So far in 2023 private contractors have trimmed 29 trees and removed 19 trees.**
- Completed in-house equipment repairs to truck, cart, mowers, tractor, SmithCo sprayer, aerator, trimmer, pressure washer cart, and sweeper. This was all done in addition to scheduled servicing of equipment as well.
- Overnight watering continued across all sites including regular head audits/repairs, multiple valve repairs, spot watering, and seasonal/programming adjustments being completed on a nightly basis. Three main line repairs were completed, along with repairs to well house plumbing and irrigation clocks. Y-strainers were acid washed at all the appropriate pump/well houses.
- Pool maintenance continued throughout the month including the successful completion of the Marlins Swim Team State Meet. Issues with the east pool boiler (flow switch) were worked on as the end of the season is slated for Labor Day weekend.
- Continued upkeep of all flower beds across sites including weed pulling, deadheading, and manual watering.
- Made repairs to the Riverside Park Lift Station fusing/wiring.
- Began work on painting the Skate Park bowl edges.
- Worked on repairs to the 4" discharge line in the Bike Tunnel.
- Treated all ponds throughout the month with Pond Clear for algae prevention/control.
- Completed rehab efforts to turf on the east end of Mothers Park.
- Still maintained all athletic fields post-baseball season. This included spraying/manually pulling of warning track weeds, along with maintenance road between A/B. Skins were maintained as well to avoid broadleaf emergence.
- Continued regular playground inspections/repairs.
- Assisted Golf Maintenance with removal of broken branches/hangers above 1 tee box, front of 7 tee box.
- Worked on painting trash receptacles.
- Cleaned up seasonal use areas of the Parks Shop including Chemical Room, front Cart Shed.
- Edged areas of need throughout the Parks systems.
- Responded to/repairs graffiti/vandalism/property damage sustained at the Twamore restrooms, Jaycee Park well house, Bandshell, Glenn Miller Park picnic tables, Rainbow Bridge, Canfield Park, Bike Tunnel, and Brenda Joy Skate Park.
- New signs were installed at the south entrance to Rainbow Bridge.
- Following heavy winds, regularly responded to calls for down/broken branches in need of removal/chipping.
- Sand Pro'd/drug playgrounds and volleyball courts.
- Brush hogged mowed all the native/dike areas throughout the Parks systems.

- Cleaned Riverside Park Pond aerators.
- Fogging for mosquito control took place across all quadrants in town every Thursday night in August.
- Regularly swept all Parks of excess debris from mowing.
- Adjusted/programmed motion sensors in Optimist Park, Brenda Joy, and Riverside Park restrooms.
- Per CIRSA Playground Report, began repairs to benches and playground apparatuses listed in the recommendations.
- Opened Fields A/B and set them up for City Rec Flag Football.
- For weed prevention/control, backpack/wide area sprayed areas of need throughout the Parks systems including perennial/annual beds, mulch beds, rock beds, bare areas, and turf. Manual eradication of areas was also regularly done throughout the month.
- Staff members attended a 3-day PPMA training in Aurora.
- Assisted Fieldhouse Staff by applying 160 gallons of glyphosate via broadcast spraying throughout the east end of the property. Also aerated/seeded/top dressed/leveled the playground turf.
- Continued maintenance efforts in the trails systems including spraying of trails for weeds, mowing, and cleanup.
- Regular cleanup of the bike tunnel continued.
- Continued work on cleanup of the Wapa bunkers.
- Transferred 250 gallons of N-Phuric acid to the Softball Field injection system.
- Made repairs to the sinks in the Portable Restroom.
- Regularly responded to calls for debris cleanup throughout town because of high winds and difficult weather conditions.
- Continued trimming areas of need throughout the Parks systems.
- Continued layout/setup of all soccer fields being utilized at Jaycee Park. The end of season is scheduled for September 1.
- Continued clean up, trimming, and mowing efforts of both Disc Golf Courses. All work was completed in time for regularly scheduled events.
- Fire Building Inspections were completed with compliance work being conducted after receiving the report.
- Re-allocated/delivered picnic tables to multiple City sites who requested them. Portable restroom was also delivered, maintained, and returned to regularly scheduled events throughout August.
- Regularly accommodated approved requests for special events and shelter rentals throughout the month of August.
- Staffing Updates: FT Parks GMW Alcon Ortiz transferred to PT status, putting staff one FT GMW short for much of the month. Posting of the position was completed with interviews planned for early in September. The two remaining seasonal staff members are now working modified hours leaving primary maintenance the departmental focus.