



Agenda

Park & Recreation
Online GoToMeeting
20 Second Avenue SW, Oelwein
April 20, 2020 - 5:30 PM

Call to Order:

Roll Call: Berryman, Burkhart, Cantrell, Gearhart, Johnson, Jorgensen, Meska, Stasi, Stewart, Taylor

Attending:

Absent:

Approval of Minutes

1. Consideration of a motion approving the minutes of the February 17, 2020 meeting

Motion: 2nd:

Aye: Nay:

Redgate and Woodlawn Proposal

Motion: 2nd:

Aye: Nay:

Parks/Cemetery Report

Recreation Report

Board Member Updates

Adjournment

Next Meeting: May 18, 2020



Minutes

February Park & Rec
20 Second Avenue SW, Oelwein
February 17, 2020 - 5:15 PM

Call to Order Gearhart 5:18

Roll Call: Berryman, Burkhart, Cantrell, Gearhart, Johnson, Jorgensen, Meska, Stasi, Stewart, Taylor

Attending: Berryman, Cantrell, Gearhart, Johnson, Stewart, Taylor

Absent: Burkhart, Jorgensen, Meska, Stasi

Approval of Minutes

1. Consideration of a motion approving the minutes of the January 21, 2020 Park and Rec meeting

Motion:Stewart 2nd: Berryman

Aye: All Nay: None

Guest: None

Trails Committee Update

Johnson met with Jon Biederman a couple of times this past month and went over the next segment of trail to be completed this season. The trails committee also met this month as they discussed their progress with trail work. Johnson showed the new website that he has been working on with trail donation information included. The committee talked about easements and future fundraising avenues to take. Johnson met with Kent Nelson this week as Johnson prepared a new presentation for Kent to take to Fidelity to propose a larger donation for trails. In their meeting, Kent explained to Johnson that Fidelity would be giving the City \$10k for trails, \$5k in 2020 and \$5k in 2021. Johnson told the board that he is working on the REAP grant for the City which is through the IDNR. This grant is a non-matching grant in which the City can receive up to \$100k.

Nicotine – Free Policy

1. Consideration of a motion approving 100% nicotine-free policy

Johnson told the board that he has talked with Ashley Havenstrite with Helping Services about a nicotine-free policy for parks and trails. Johnson stated that the policy includes all nicotine products including vaping and all other forms of smoking devices. Johnson stated that all persons are asked to extinguish and/or cease use of products before entering the property. The program provides 12” x 12” signage at no cost for the life of the program. Johnson explained that if the board approves this policy, it would go to council for a resolution to be passed which is a prerequisite for the program. Gearhart asked about adult softball league if it would cover them as well. Berryman motioned to pass with exception of camping and fishing areas like other communities have done with this program.

Motion:Berryman 2nd: Gearhart

Aye: All Nay: None

Woodlawn Sign

1. Consideration of a motion for final design layout of welcome sign

Johnson discussed with the board that he met with the donor and a contractor to discuss the outlay of the new sign. Johnson discussed that he wanted a low maintenance sign and the donor agreed

that wanted a clean appearance. Johnson showed pictures of existing welcome to Oelwein signs and it was agreed that the new sign would be similar to those signs without the pea gravel and plantings in front. The new sign will only have one column on the ends with caps on the top of the columns. The design may include two small pads in front or to the sides of the columns for two large pots for some flowers or flower box.

Motion: Taylor 2nd: Berryman

Aye: All Nay: None

Parks Report

The park department website is still a work in progress but will have our forms for departments on it and will be very user friendly. First aid kits at both the park maintenance shop and the cemetery. Jay has been continuing his efforts on truck maintenance and working on getting his certifications. The cemetery employees have been in to remove snow multiple times on city sidewalks. Jay went out Tuesday with a dozen work orders from City Hall to clear sidewalks on private properties who had not cleaned their sidewalks of snow yet.

The old yellow supervisor truck is not road worthy so the department is getting rid of that vehicle along with another truck. Johnson has been working on pool paperwork this past week updating information, times, and dates. Johnson also met with Matt Vogel this week for the annual meeting to go over coverage on buildings and equipment. Johnson was invited by the Masons group to come and talk to them this past month about the park department and go over some projects they have planned for this upcoming year. Johnson ordered the slide top canopy for the slide at the pool with the money we received from the RJ McElroy Foundation.

This week Johnson has been busy working on various grants. On Thursday, Johnson turned in the City application for the Paint Iowa Beautiful grant with Diamond Vogel paint. This grant will supply us enough paint to paint the 50 picnic tables and the shelter at the campground if the city if chosen. Johnson received an email from Upper Iowa University requesting a project for their Day of Caring, which will be in the end of April. Johnson sent out an outline for this painting project so the University can decide on this project. Johnson requested 30+ people for this project as it is a one-day event and there is a lot of painting to complete.

Johnson met with the pool managers this past week and went over some work on the new website. Johnson stated that Lisa Nolan would be returning to manage the facility once again along with Emily Woods directing swim lesson programs. Johnson stated that they are aggressively going after lifeguard recruitment this year. The managers are going to start knocking out dates for group and private lessons so we can get lesson forms on the website for this spring. At Woodlawn, Johnson stated that they have had seven burials and two cremations this year thus far.

Johnson showed the board six different design of children’s slides for the aquatic center. Johnson explained that he would like to take the designs to the elementary schools and let the kids decide which slide design to get. Johnson would like the kids to bring a canned good to vote to donate to the local pantry and the class with the most-winning votes would receive a day pass to the pool this season.

Recreation Report: None

Board Member Updates: None

Adjournment 5:55

Motion: Berryman 2nd: Stewart

Aye: All Nay: None

Next Meeting Date: 3-16-2020



City of Oelwein - Red Gate Park
Shelter/ Bathroom Upgrade &
Woodlawn Improvements
April 2020

Submitted By
Joshua Johnson MA
Park Superintendent

Tornado 3-28-2020

On March 28th the City had an EF-1 tornado touch down in Red gate Park and Woodlawn Cemetery that had sustained winds of 107 MPH. With the insurance money that the City received from this event, we would like to complete the following projects.

Shelter replacement/modern bathroom

The main shelter in Redgate Park was 50' x 21', which had a large ash tree fall on it. We would like to replace the shelter using the existing concrete slab, moving the support pillars to the outside of the concrete pad opening up the area to utilize better. On the west end of the shelter, we would like to add a modern bathroom with running water that would be under that same roof as the shelter. The bathroom would measure 12' x 21' with the doors facing the west. A sidewalk would start at the park driveway and traverse east to the bathroom with a sidewalk going around the bathroom on both ends accessing the shelter. Contractors would install a countertop on the back wall of the bathroom inside the shelter with multiple outlets for patrons to utilize when they rent the shelter. The new shelter will be a steel roof for longevity; no picnic tables were damaged in the tornado. This bathroom project is pending that the water flow and volume are enough to supply this bathroom project, we will know more when we can turn the water on.

Holding tank

Redgate Park already has a ¾" water line run to it through Woodlawn, under West Charles Street to an old drinking fountain in the park. The closest sewer is at the corner of W Charles and 13th Avenue approximately 800LF from the proposed site. Our solution would be to install a 2,000-gallon holding tank would be buried to collect the waste from the bathrooms. We anticipate at most an annual pumping of this holding tank, which can be completed with City equipment.

Tree Grinding

All the trees that the city lost were piled in the SW corner of Woodlawn, which we estimated at 40 trees per site. T & W Grinding out of Delhi currently takes care of the cities yard waste site. Randy quoted me a price of \$600 per hour to complete the grinding. I budgeted for one 8-hour day of grinding as the pile is easily accessible which they should be able to go through easily. We are allowing people in one at a time to cut up the trees to take for firewood. Once the grinding takes place, it will be easier to transfer the grindings to the yard waste site deemed necessary, or can be left for departmental use and citizens to take.

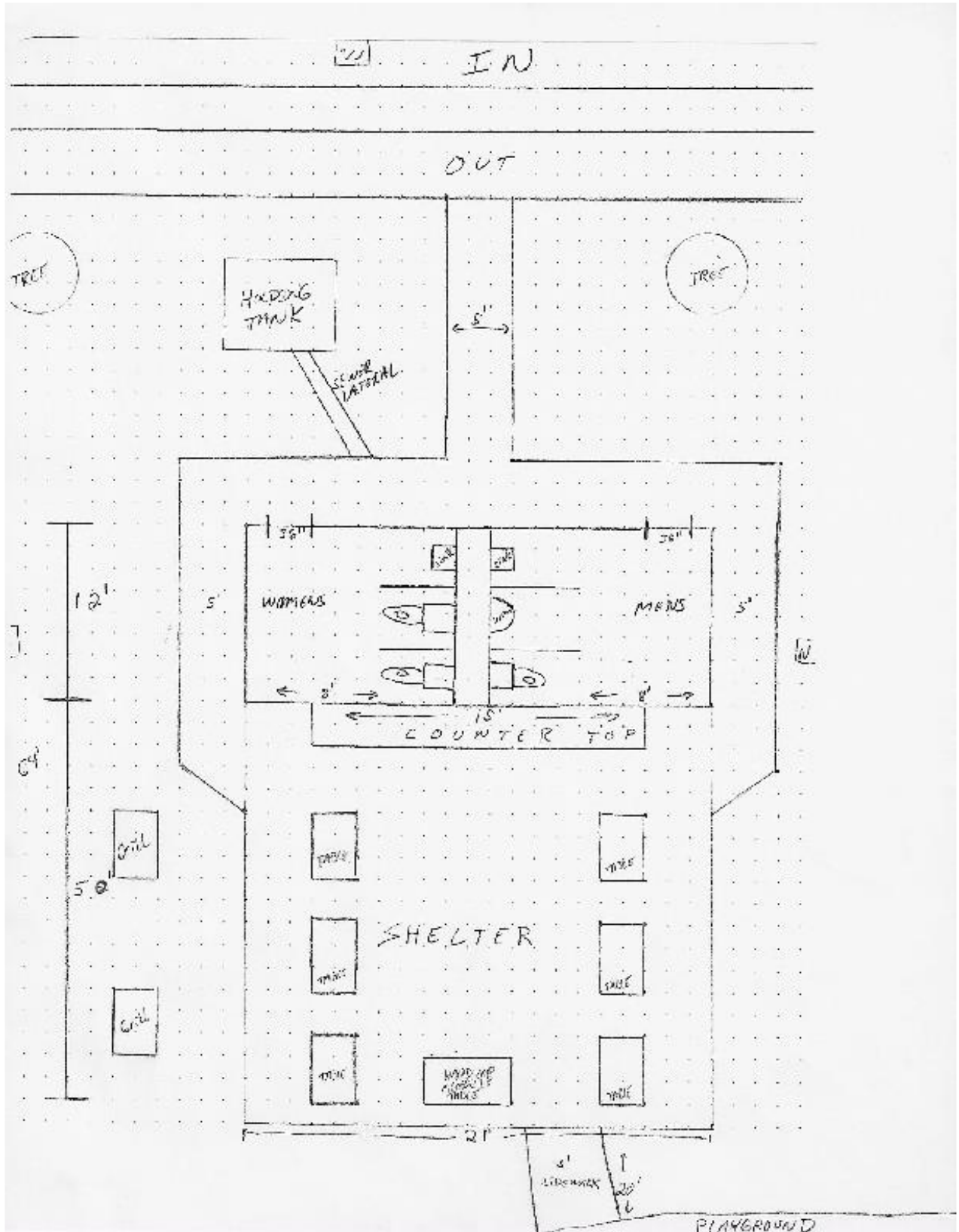
Headstone placement

In all 58 headstones were knocked over in this tornado event. The workers reset the majority of the stones, which were smaller. West Union Monument Company can come down and reset monuments that are larger that staff cannot handle with City equipment and fasten to the foundations.

Road repairs

Spend the rest of the available funds on seal coat

Shelter / Bathroom



Description and Specifications

Red Gate Restroom

12' x 21''

Ladies Side**8' x 12'**

- Ladies – Two ADA Kohler Model # K-3551 Archer Comfort Height 2 piece elongated toilet
- Ladies – one Bobrick B-1556 Series Frameless Mirror
- Ladies – Two Sloan flush valves
- Ladies – Two ADA Bobrick B-4288 Surface mounted multi-roll toilet paper dispenser
- Ladies – Two Bobrick B-5806 x 24 24" (610mm) ADA Grab Bars
- Ladies – Two Bobrick B-5806 x 48 48" (1220mm) ADA Grab Bar
- Ladies – One Brenham ADA sink model # K-1999-8N-0
- Ladies – One Delta Faucet 86T1153 86T Two Handle Metering Slow-Close Bathroom Faucet, Chrome
- Ladies – One Bobrick B-7120 Quiet Dry Series ADA surface mounted Hand Dryer
- Ladies – Two Interior lighting - 20w-vapor-tight-led-jelly-jar-light-2200-lumens-caged-ceiling-mount-light-5000k/5463/

Men's Side**8' x 12'**

- Men's – One ADA Kohler Model # K-3551 Archer Comfort Height 2 piece elongated toilet
- Men's – One ADA Kohler Model #K-4920-T Branham urinal
- Men's - One Bobrick B-1556 Series Frameless Mirror
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Restroom

- Building material – split block to match other modern bathrooms
- Cement floor – minimum of 4" thickness – 3500# - in building plus rat wall around perimeter.
- 5' wide concrete sidewalk from the road to bathroom and surrounding bathroom on north and south sides for access to shelter. In addition, 20' of sidewalk from the east end of the shelter to the playground.
- Epoxy paint wall - white
- Two - 36" commercial grade steel doors/frames with closers/locks keyed same
- 4" block or poured concrete wall between stool and urinal – 8' tall x 4' long – men's side
- 4" block or poured concrete wall between stool and urinal – 8' tall x 4' long – Ladies side
- Three lockable doors of steel construction for stalls – one men's, two ladies
- Hose bib hook up on west outside wall between doors
- 100w-led-parking-lotshoebox-area-light-w-optional-photocell on exterior west end
- 8' sidewalls
- Follow all City guidelines for electrical and plumbing specifications
- Trench $\frac{3}{4}$ " water line from existing fountain with $\frac{3}{4}$ " PEX tubing, NL fittings, approx. 70'

Holding tank

- 2000 gallon holding tank buried between road and bathroom to south of sidewalk
- Follow all City guidelines for plumbing specifications

Shelter

- Roof Pitch 4-12
- 70' in length, green steel roof – picture included
- 15' counter top mounted to east wall of restroom, ADA accessible
- Square D 100 amp service– Overhead, mounted on east outside wall of bathroom
 - 20 amp - Square D breakers
- 8 – GFCI all-weather outlets equally mounted above countertop
- Lighting – (Three) LED Canopy Lights - Dimmable - 5000K - Surface Mount or Conduit Install - 55W (175W MH Equivalent) - 6,600 Lumens Part Number: LPG-50K55P

Steel Roof



PARKS MONTHLY REPORT, MARCH 2020
PARKS / CEMETERY / AQUATICS / CAMPGROUND

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Maintenance



Downtown baskets



Cremation



Digging



Security Doors



Wings



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Pool slide



Bleacher construction

Cleaning up



Signage

Upgrades

Pool maint.

Website



Lifeguard Orientation

Park and Recreation www.cityofoelwein.org

Oelwein Family Aquatic Center

Lifeguard Manual

Park and Recreation www.oelwein.fun

Trail Donation – Fidelity Bank \$10,000



Trail support- Community Bank \$5,000

Charitable Foundation - Trails \$250,000

Friends of the Oelwein Municipal Urban Trail

To support, promote, enhance and protect The Oelwein Municipal Urban Trail, and its trail connectors now and for future generations.

Type of membership (Check one):

Business (\$1,000+ per year)

Corporate (\$5,000+ per year)

Trail Segment (\$10,000 one-time gift)

Pledges may be paid all at once or in installments. (If applicable, please select your choice.)

Monthly Quarterly Annually \$ 2500 in 2020

Business Community Bank of Oelwein \$ 2500 in 2021

Address 150 1st Street SE

City Oelwein

State IA Zip Code 50662

NORTHEAST IOWA CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Churchill T. Williams - 1915 - 2005
Founder and President - 1989 to 2002

March 23, 2020

Joshua Johnson, Park Superintendent
City of Oelwein
20 2nd Avenue SW
Oelwein, Iowa 50662

Dear Joshua,

Please find enclosed a check for the amount of \$250,000. This check represents the first payment of the commitment Northeast Iowa Charitable Foundation has made for the Oelwein Municipal Urban Trail project.

Trees Forever \$5,000

(319) 373-0650 • (800) 369-1269
www.treesforever.org
80 W 8th Avenue • Marion, IA 52302

March 20, 2020

Joshua Johnson
Park and Recreation Superintendent, City of Oelwein
20 2nd Ave SW
Oelwein, IA 50662

Dear Joshua,

Congratulations! The City of Oelwein has been awarded a \$5,000.00 project grant for 2020 from Branching Out, an Alliant Energy and Trees Forever partnership. Because of recent changes to utility energy efficiency plans, **these funds are to be used ONLY for trees near buildings and planted for energy efficiency benefits.** Your project is one of 31 projects statewide that Alliant Energy is sponsoring. Trees shade homes and neighborhoods, block and redirect cold winter winds, reducing winter heating, so they provide a direct energy efficiency benefit to customers. Your funding is contingent on the following changes to your tree planting plans: Your planting project meets direct energy efficient guidelines, no changes are needed.

Diamond Vogel \$300

Keep Iowa Beautiful
Paint Iowa Beautiful
Diamond Vogel

Dear Paint Iowa Beautiful Award Recipient,

Congratulations on being a 2020 Award Recipient. We appreciate the pride you have in your community as evidenced by the desire to improve it.

Your award certificate gives you the details on how to redeem it, but it is really quite simple: purchase the paint through your local Diamond Vogel store and show submit your

Fayette County Community Foundation \$10,000

Local organizations receive more than \$120,000 in FCCF grants

The Fayette County Community Foundation (FCCF) has announced \$121,251 in grant funding by 22 projects of organizations serving Fayette County as part of its 2020 grant cycle.

Grants are awarded through Fayette County Community Foundation's competitive process to projects in the program areas of art and culture, community development, education, environment, health, historic preservation and human services. Grant applicants must be a 501(c)(3) designated organization by IRS code or government entity serving Fayette County in order to be considered for funding.

This year's grant awards come at a time when social gatherings of more than 10 persons are not to be made, due to the worldwide efforts to control the coronavirus pandemic. The traditional annual award ceremony for distribution of the grants cannot be held. The FCCF also noted that grant decisions were determined prior to the COVID-19 outbreak and to a different extent.

and nonprofits. These nonprofits receiving grants may choose to shift funding to general operating support in response to this public health and economic crisis. The FCCF will discuss decisions with these nonprofits on a one-on-one basis.

"The Fayette County Community Foundation is proud to partner with these nonprofits who are making a difference in our local communities," said Vicki Rowland, chair of the FCCF governing committee. "While the Community Foundation is not able to hold its annual award celebration at this time due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus, grant checks will be mailed, and we look forward to seeing the impact in Fayette County."

The grant recipient organizations are listed by the following funding areas as follows, including the grant amount and the project to be funded:

In the funding area of Art and Culture, The Grand Theatre of Oelwein received \$9,490 for new flooring for the theatre.

In grant awards were:

distributed for Community Betterment

In Harkeville, the American Legion Post 312 received \$10,000 for phase two of its Building Repair Project, interior repair.

Mayfield received \$2,660 for Evolve XL Radar Speed Signs.

The City of Oelwein Parks and Recreation Department received \$10,000 for park election improvements.

In Wadena the public library received \$2,062 for computer upgrade and window replacement, and the Park Committee was given \$4,000 for a lighting project.

Northeast Iowa RC&B received \$2,060 for River Bluffs Access. Heavy for engaging visitors with a promotional banner and new maps.

Two grants were presented in the funding area of Education.

In Iowa College Avenue Network received \$1,500 for

the project Life After High School — Building Iowa's Future Workforce.

Junior Achievement of Oelwein Iowa received \$2,015 for the project Inspiring Future Leaders of Fayette County.

In the funding area of Environment, Fayette County's Conservation received \$10,000 for the Turkey Creek Watershed River Recreational Corridor Trail Assembly and Interpretive Project. Take a Kid Outdoor (TKO) of Fayette County was awarded \$1,350 for 2020 youth events.

In the Health funding area, NAMI Northeast Iowa was awarded \$2,000 for Fayette County 2020 Outreach, and North Fayette Valley Community Care-Health received \$4,200 for the project Hidden in Plain Sight: We Can't Stop What We Don't Know.

In the area of Historic Preservation there were three awards. The East

Historical Society received \$5,138 for the Light Historical Museum electrical renovation. St. Louis Historical Society was granted \$10,000 for stem windows and frame restoration of its museum. The Wausonia Historical Society received \$6,729 for the Brunson Homestead roof renovation.

In the funding area of Human Services, six grants were awarded.

The City of West Union Police Department \$10,000.

Friends of the Family Homeless Services received \$4,000. Otter Creek Valley Outlets was granted \$1,577 toward the West Union Quilt of Valor Project.

Parent Share and Support received \$2,625 for its project, "Operation New Competitor." River Valley Center was granted \$5,790 for Fayette County Social Assault Crisis Response Toolkit. Valley FreshFood was awarded \$10,000 for the project facility construction.

Decisions on grant awards are determined by a local committee, in compliance with the U.S. Community Foundations.

Tornado Damage

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The Tornadoes of March 28 2020

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Overview

A strong storm system moved through the central U.S. on March 28, 2020. This brought a strong warm front northward into northeast Iowa and far southwest Wisconsin. Thunderstorms formed during the afternoon hours north of the warm front and brought many reports of small hail covering the ground. In the late afternoon and early evening, storms formed near the warm front and produced brief tornadoes which caused damage in Oelwein, Iowa, near Maynard, Iowa, and north of Potosi, Wisconsin.



Radar Loop of the Tornado-producing

Tornadoes
Photos
Radar / Graphics
Storm Reports

Tornadoes:

Tornado - Oelwein, IA
FAYETTE COUNTY

Date	March 28, 2020
Time (Local)	6:30-6:36 pm
EF Rating	EF-1
Est. Peak Winds	107 mph
Path Length	4 miles
Max Width	120 yds
Injuries/Deaths	0 / 0

Summary:

A rain-wrapped tornado formed near the Fayette Co. line south of Oelwein and raced north-northeast into the west side of the city. The tornado caused damage to apartment buildings and trees. The tornado lifted north of the city of Oelwein.

Track Map

▼ EF0 ▼ EF1 ▼ EF2 ▼ EF3 ▼ EF4 ▼ EF5 ▼ TSTM

[Downloadable KMZ File](#)

Red Gate Park



Woodlawn Cemetery



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Redgate Park

Front planting damage

Slide damage



Redgate Park damaged swing

Shelter



Redgate Park



Redgate Park shelter roof damage

Woodlawn oak



COVID-19

Mower

Redgate ash tree



Woodlawn



Johnson Funeral



Daily Activities www.oelwein.fun

Cemetery Sign

Security Doors



Tree Trimming

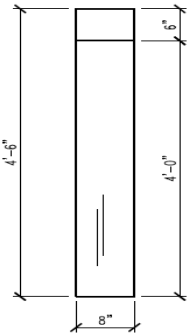


Trail Grant

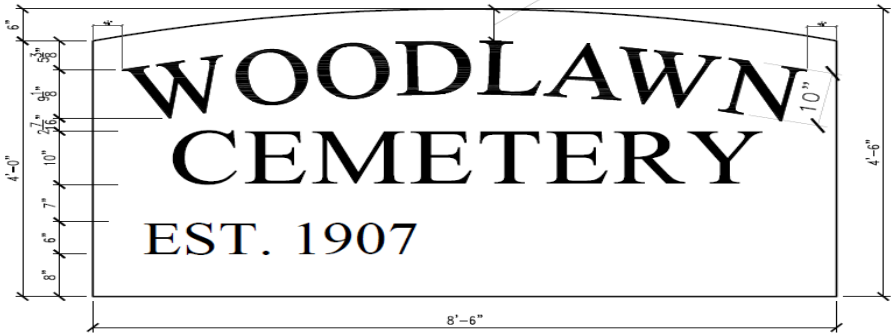
Policy



SAWN BOTTOM, MACHINE SMOOTH ALL OTHERS,
ENGRAVED 1 SIDE W/ BLACK STAIN



END VIEW



FRONT VIEW

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Before



After



Shelter removal



Rockie Williams



Ronnie Graf



Cremation for Geilenfeld



Contractors



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Wings trail project

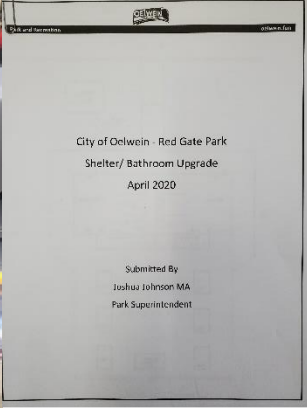


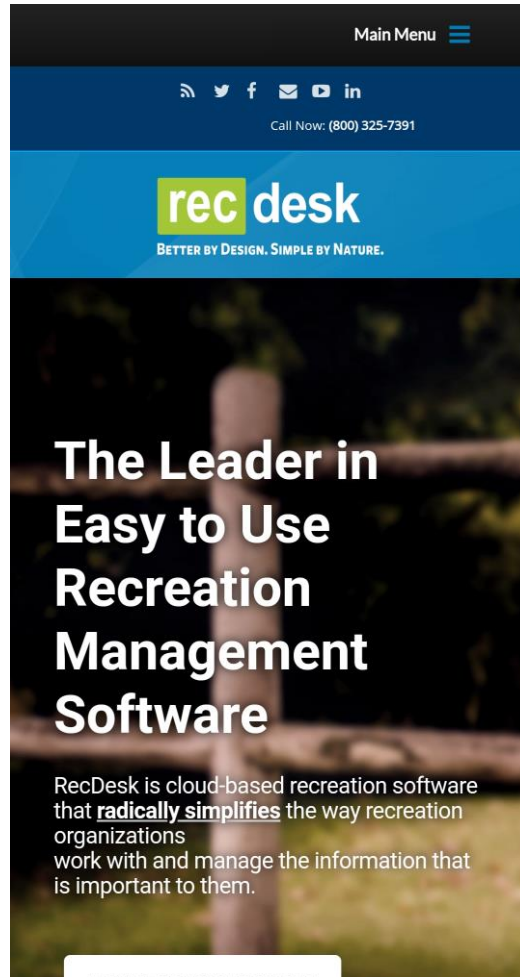
Bleachers

Cremation

Upgrades

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