



COUNTY OF KENOSHA

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Public Works/Facilities Committee Parks Division Status Report for June, 2022

- **Kemper Center:** *We Energies relocated the primary electric line along Kemper Center's shoreline on 6/13/22. Original electric line was exposed within the revetment due to continued erosion along the shoreline.*
- **Petrifying Springs Park Playground #4:** *Brush clearing and tree removal was completed by park staff in early June. Contractor anticipated to complete grading, excavation, and trails in early July. Landscaping, playground edging, and site preparation will occur in July and August. Playground equipment and surfacing installation anticipated by fall, 2022.*

Total project budget: \$300,000

Total expenses dedicated to-date: \$281,960

Project completion status: 30%

Project estimated completion: Fall, 2022

- **Pringle Nature Center:**
 - *AmeriCorps' last day was on 6/3 and aiding in the construction of the nature playground, clearing brush for a new trail, and the removal of invasive species. Park staff and eagle scouts plan to completed final nature playground features in summer, 2022.*
 - *See attached report.*
- **Seasonal Recruitment:** *The Parks are continuing to search for seasonal employees including lifeguards, beach manager, fee collector, short-term maintenance, long-term maintenance, and mechanic.*
- **Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP):** *The SYEP will return this season to aid in projects within Petrifying Springs Park, Kemper Center, Fox River Park, Silver Lake Park, and Bristol Woods Park.. The SYEP is part of a partnership between Kenosha County and the Community Impact Program to offer summer jobs to at-risk youth within Kenosha and will run from 6/27/22 – 8/18/22.*
- **UW-Parkside & Petrifying Springs Park Comprehensive Trail Plan:** *Pedestrian bridge helical piles and site grading completed at the four bridge sites by the contractor. The Prefabricated bridges are anticipated to arrive mid-August with park staff to install by fall, 2022. Multi-use trail construction to the 3-mile trail expansion nearing completion and anticipated to be completed by August.*

*Total project budget: \$200,000
Total expenses dedicated to-date: \$141,004
Project completion status: 60%
Project estimated completion: Fall, 2022*

- ***Public/Private Multi-use Trail Expansion:*** *Conceptual design will be finalized this year for the proposed four-mile multi-use trail within Thelen Sand and Gravel property. The proposed multi-use trail employs easements on several geographically critical, Thelen Sand and Gravel properties that would enable the construction of an 8-mile (4 in Kenosha County) “trail backbone” – resulting in connections to a broad range of parks/recreational amenities, tourist destinations, businesses and neighborhoods in Kenosha, Lake and McHenry counties.*

Special Events

June

- *6/28/22 – Twilight Jazz: Kemper Center*

July

- *7/21/22 – Food Truck Series: Petrifying Springs Biergarten*
- *7/20/22 – Lakefront Lounge: Kemper Center*
- *7/30/22 – Symphony in the Garten: Petrifying Springs Park*

August

- *8/9/22 – Twilight Jazz: Anderson Arts Center*
- *8/11/22 – Perseids Meteor Shower: Pringle Nature Center*
- *8/17/22 - Lakefront Lounge: Kemper Center*
- *8/20/22 – Picnic in the Park: Petrifying Springs Park*
- *8/23/22 – Twilight Jazz: Anderson Arts Center*

Weekly Events/Activities

- *5/7/22 – 9/25/22 (Saturdays and Sundays) - Warrior Poet Yoga: Various County Parks:*
- *6/13 – 8/15 (Mondays) – Yoga in the Park: Petrifying Springs Park*
- *6/16/22 – 8/4/22 (Thursdays) Bristol Woodstock Concert Series*
- *6/17/22 – 8/19/22 (Fridays) Gruber Law Offices Presents Movie Night in the Park*