



April 2019 Board Cycle

Milwaukee County Parks

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Date: March 21, 2018

To: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors

From: Guy Smith, CPRP, Executive Director

Subject: **Milwaukee County Parks Disc Golf (INFORMATIONAL)**

Issue

Informational report regarding Disc Golf Courses in Milwaukee County Parks.

Background

Disc Golf was established in the Parks system during the mid 1980's as a free sport, but in the spring of 2015, Parks received a request from avid disc golf player and volunteers to move our Disc Golf Courses to a pay-to-play model. Among the many reasons for the need to move towards a pay to play system were the cost of course upkeep, the lack of volunteers maintaining the courses, an aging infrastructure, and the need for park employee and ranger presence. Parks currently has five (5) pay-to-play Disc Golf Courses, and various small practice courses throughout the system.

Currently a Season Disc Golf Pass costs \$40 and a Day Pass costs \$5. Fees are collected via an honor system at each of the pay stations installed at the five courses, or via park ranger patrols, and at our main park offices. All fees collected are utilized to pay for the upkeep of the courses, ranger enforcement, as well as the purchase of new baskets, tee pads, and other disc golf materials.

In addition, Parks' Disc Golf Courses host leagues and tournaments. A permit is required to host either one in addition to the participant daily/seasonal pass fee. League play is limited to run at one specific course for no more than one day per week (Monday-Friday) for a maximum 12 week period and the cost is \$100 per league. A schedule must be provided to our Sports Office along with other information as it pertains to the specific league. Tournament rentals are exclusive, and the courses are not open to the public during the tournament rental time and the cost is \$210 per tournament.

Recommendation

No action requested. Informational item unless further action required.



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Attachments

- Attachment 1 – 2019 Disc Golf Update Presentation

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