

The North Mankato Parks Department

ANNUAL REPORT 2016

Personnel

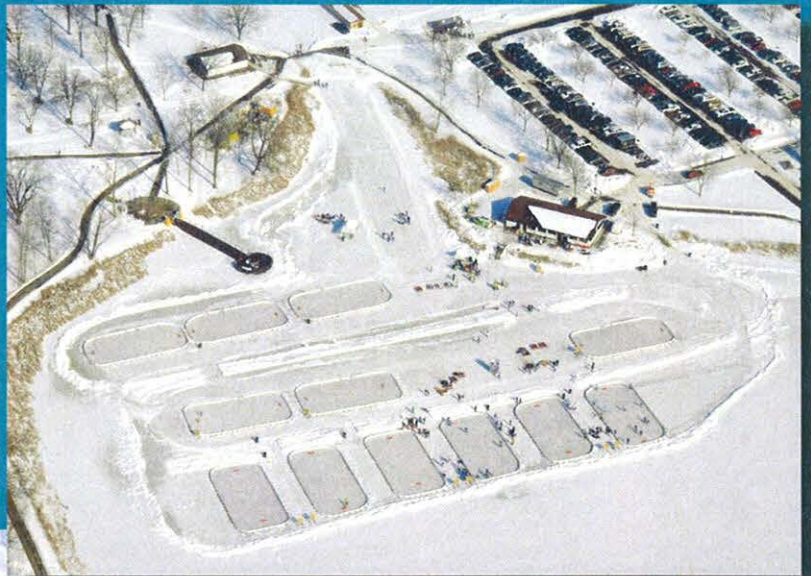
Park Superintendent
Park Foreman
Caswell Sports Director
Park Maintenance (4)
Seasonal Staff (16)

Partners

Greenspace Advisory Committee
YMCA
Nicollet Soil and Water Conservation District
United Way
Minnesota DNR
South Central College
MRCI
Kiwanis
Sentence to Serve
Boy Scouts Troop 29
North Mankato Master Gardeners
Community Education and Recreation
Volunteers of North Mankato
Pollinator Summit
Bolton & Menk

Major Events in 2016

Anthony Ford Pond Hockey Tournament
Gorilla Run
MS Walk
Blues on Belgrade
Bell's on Belgrade
Bookin' on Belgrade
Bier on Belgrade
North Star Bike Race
Art Splash
Rip Roar Kid's Triathlon
Fun Days
Caswell Volleyball Tournament
Girl's State Softball Tournament
NAFA World Series
North Mankato Triathlon
Movies in the Park
5K Runs (6)



The Parks Department is responsible for maintaining the following community assets:

- 21 parks
- 250 acres of park space
- 43 acres of prairie
- 10.6 miles of trails
- 12 ballfields
- 9 volleyball courts
- 8 tennis courts
- 67 playground structures
- 17 shelters/restrooms
- Spring Lake Swimming Pool
- 1 hockey rink
- 4 skating rinks
- 9.3 miles of sidewalk



Additional services provided:

- Flower planting and upkeep
- Snow removal for sidewalks and trails
- Boulevard Tree Program
- Mayor Monarch Pledge

2016 Projects

Installation of expression swings in Wheeler Park and Spring Lake Park

Repaired and painted all park benches

Painted 8 playground structures and all park spring toys

Provided repairs, paint, and landscaping to 12 park signs

70 trees planted in boulevards and parks

80 trees cut down/removed

92 stumps ground and filled

Constructed portable restroom enclosure in Benson Park

Resurfaced tennis courts in Wheeler Park

Installed bright star bench in Benson Park

Buckthorn eradication

Wood chip trail in Bluff Park

Seeding of prairie in Bluff Park

Shingled shelter roof at Caswell Park

Installed backstop at Caswell North Soccer Field

Improved railings at Caswell Park to be compliant to building code

2016 Statistics

Parks & Pool



Caswell Park Softball Complex

Mowing/trimming	340 hours
Fertilizing	32 hours
Aerating	42 hours

Caswell North Soccer Fields

Mowing/trimming	270 hours
Fertilizing	20 hours
Aerating	42 hours

Spraying 220 hours