



CITY OF MERRILL

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JULY MEETING NOTICE

The Merrill Parks and Recreation Commission will have a meeting on **Wednesday, July 7, 2021 at 4:15 p.m. at the Merrill City Hall**. Phone info: Phone: 401-830-2234

PIN: 661 924 106 #

Voting members of Commission: Jean Ravn, Brian Artac, Kyle Gulke, Joan Tabor, John Vanlieshout, Amanda Groth and Dan Novitch

The following items will be included on the agenda:

1. Approve minutes from previous meeting.
2. Approve claims.
3. Public Comment
4. Discuss potentially designating area along West 64 as a park or green space.
5. Continued discussion on potential Forestry Ordinance changes and modifications.
6. Discuss potential land availability for acquisition (70 acres) adjacent to City Forest.
7. Monthly reports.
8. Set date for next meeting.
9. Public comment
10. Adjournment

Submitted by

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan Novitch".

Dan Novitch, Chairperson
Parks and Recreation Commission

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PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

MAY 5, 2021

The Merrill Parks and Recreation Commission met on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 4:15 p.m., at Merrill City Hall.

Members Present: Dan Novitch, Kyle Gulke, Jean Ravn, Joan Tabor, and John Van Lieshout (Phoned in)

Members Excused Absent: Brian Artac

Department Staff Present: Dan Wendorf and Dawn Smith

***Motion by Ravn, seconded by Tabor to approve the minutes from the April meeting.

***Carried unanimously.

***Motion by Van Lieshout, seconded by Gulke, to approve the claims from April.

***Carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

Jim Wedemeyer, 204 Van Renesselaer, Merrill. This is regarding location of the Scott Tower. At the Friends of the River Bend Trail meeting we could not decide on a location but we all agreed that the tower would be a great place for pictures or graduation pictures. I think location #2 would be the best location, but I do think we should move it to the east a little bit so that there would be excellent view of where the tower used to sit.

Greg Hartwig, W7729 Rose Len Court, Merrill. I do not like #3 because I feel it is too far away from public view. I feel #1 is not in the site of the security cameras and more security cameras would need to be purchased in order to see the tower. I feel #2, if moved to the east a little bit would be a good spot for the tower; it would be covered by the security cameras and great public view.

Steve Sabatke, 2801 Thielman St., Merrill. Steve stated that he was granted permission to take a look at the tower and in his opinion the tower is in better shape than he thought. Steve stated that it can be repaired and he was willing to draw up the specs to help refurbish it. Steve stated that he believes site #1 would be the best place to put the tower. #2 is flat ground and it would need some ventilation under it and #3 is on a slope. Steve stated that he is willing to help with the project.

The next item on the agenda was to re-visit T.B. Scott Tower location decision. Wendorf stated that at the March meeting a decision was made where to place the tower but since then there has been some concerns over tower placement. Wendorf stated that Ascension is paying to refurbish and move the tower, but they would like a decision made at tonight's meeting as to where the tower will be going so they can start the process. Wendorf stated 3 main themes have been historical context, visibility and accessibility and originality and in his opinion site #2 would be the most logical location. Van Lieshout stated that he like location #2 but would also like to see it moved to the east a little. Mayor Woellner stated that he thought placing the tower down the hill, by the trail head at Riverside Park would be a good location and people could see the tower coming into town or leaving but admitted it had its limitations with accessibility. Tabor

questioned what the purpose of the tower was? Historical or for pictures and use. Wendorf stated that the tower really wasn't that big and it's not like an entire wedding party would fit in it nor was it intended to be a gazebo. Mayor Woellner said the only way to make that happen was to cut one of the railing off and put steps on it and that would take away from it being original. Novitch stated he felt it should stay as is to preserve the structure. Ravn and Groth also stated that it should stay in its original historical value. Gulke preferred location #2 and sliding east.

***Motion made by Ravn, seconded by Tabor to place the tower at site location #2, but move it to the east so that you will be able to see the view of the hill where the tower used to sit.

***Carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was continued discussion on Prairie Trails to River Bend connector trail. Wendorf stated that he needed the Park and Recreation Commission to approve the bike route designation request so that the information could be sent to the Board of Public Works for approval of the routes.

***Motion by Gulke, seconded by Ravn to refer the designated bike route to the Board of Public Works for approval of the recommended bike route.

**Carried unanimously.

The next item on the agenda was discussing designs from recent partnership with MHS Graphic Design class for potential park merchandise sale. Wendorf stated that Kyle came up with the idea of having some park merchandise available for purchase to help promote the Park and Recreation Department. Tabor stated that it was really neat to see how the high school kids see the parks and came up with some really nice logos. Novitch questioned who would do the production of the shirts. Wendorf stated that the department would be responsible for the production. Mayor Woellner thought it would be nice to see different shirts made every year. Gulke stated that he would like to thank the high school kids for their creations.

The next item on the agenda was monthly reports. Wendorf asked if anyone had any questions. Novitch questioned if Jim Yates and Joe Weckwerth keep track every year of the first time they mow grass for the season and plow snow for the season. Wendorf stated that yes, unofficially. Wendorf stated that it has been very nice to see the parks being used and ball diamonds are getting a lot of use. Wendorf stated that he was in Rhinelander last week and was able to see the dome that they just recently put up and it was large enough for 2 ball diamonds, a football field, tennis courts and pickle ball courts. Wendorf stated that he would like to see the school and the city work together and possibly in the future build one in the community. It would really bring in a lot of people.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 2 at 4:15 p.m. at the Merrill City Hall.

Public Comment: Kyle Gulke, 1504 Jackson Street, Merrill, WI. stated he was reading the packet that was sent out and really liked this particular paragraph because there is so much truth in it: Policymakers and elected officials at all levels of government should take notice and support greater and more stable taxpayer funding of parks and recreation. Local park and recreation agencies not only help raise the standard of living in our neighborhoods, towns and cities, they also spark economic activity that can have ripple effects well beyond any initial expenditure in creating jobs and prosperity throughout our nation.

***Motion by Tabor, seconded by Ravn to adjourn at 5:07 p.m.

***Carried unanimously.

Dawn Smith
Recording Secretary

MAY					
ACE HARDWARE	TRASH BAGS	5/7/2021	205644	\$78.96	55400-03-50000
ACE HARDWARE	HYDRAULIC	5/3/2021	22393	\$39.98	55420-03-50000
ACE HARDWARE	DRAWSTRING BAGS/BIT/BULBS	5/3/2021	205494	\$49.96	55200-03-40000
ACE HARDWARE	ELBOW, COUPLE COOPER	4/13/2021	204891	\$20.34	55200-03-50000
ACE HARDWARE	PIPE INSULATION/COUPLE	4/26/2021	105326	\$19.15	55200-03-50000
ACE HARDWARE	FASTENERS	4/28/2021	205327	\$6.00	55200-03-50000
AGRA INDUSTRIES	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/17/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
ALLISSA ZAJACKOWSKI	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
AMERICAN WELDING	HELIUM TANKS	4/30/2021	7785595	\$70.75	55300-03-41500
AMERICAN WELDING	CYLINDER RENTAL	4/30/2021	4485127	\$52.45	55200-02-15000
ASHLEIGH WAYNE	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/11/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
BADGER SWIMPOOLS	COBALT BULLNOSE TILE	4/19/2021	50555	\$222.80	55420-03-50000
BAUMGART WASTE REMOVAL	GARBAGE HAULING	5/1/2021		\$148.00	55400-02-23600
BOB'S WEST 64	CHECK ALTERNATOR	4/22/2021		\$181.98	55200-03-50000
CALI GEHRUNG	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/11/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
CINTAS	UNIFORMS JIM AND JOE	4/22/2021	4082209454	\$71.18	55200-03-46000
CINTAS	UNIFORMS JIM AND JOE	4/29/2021	4082864053	\$128.93	55200-02-46000
CINTAS	UNIFORMS JIM AND JOE	5/6/2021	4081516983	\$71.18	55200-03-46000
CINTAS	MOPS/MATS	5/5/2021	4083514852	\$189.90	55400-02-23250
CINTAS	MATS/MOPS	5/13/2021	4084193608	\$128.93	55200-03-46000
CLAIRE ZIMMERMAN	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
COLOR CREATIONS	2 PART SHELTER RESERVATION FORM	4/26/2021	164	\$99.70	55200-03-10000
DAMARC QUALITY INSPECTION	INSPECTION OF MECHANICAL REFRIG.	5/18/2021	51771	\$130.00	55400-02-16700
DEB MOELLENDORF	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
E-FIRSTAIDSUPPLIES	INSTANT COOL PACKS	5/1/2021		\$95.00	55300-08-41500
FERGUSON	PARTS FOR SHOP	4/26/2021	6051926	\$19.39	55420-03-50000
FERGUSON	PARTS FOR SHOP	4/26/2021	6047415	\$591.53	26-31-5390
FERGUSON	PARTS FOR SHOP	5/3/2021	105637	\$374.22	55420-03-50000
HOLIDAY WHOLESALE	AQUATIC CENTER CONCESSIONS	5/11/2021	9739591	\$1,541.70	55420-03-40100
JEAN ENGLISH	SECURITY DEPOSIT	4/26/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
JILL HANSON	SECURITY DEPOSIT	4/26/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
KNUDSON SHEET METAL, INC	GUTTERS AND DOWNSPOUTS	4/22/2021	80572	\$13,385.00	CAPITAL 2021
KRUEGER PLUMBING	INSTALL WATER METER/WATER LATERAL PROJECT	4/29/2021	31985	\$1,751.13	CAPITAL KITCHENETTE

KYLE WEAVER	SHELTER REVENUE	5/11/2021	VOUCHER	\$65.00	10-45200-46722
KYLE WEAVER	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/11/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
LINCOLN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	BIERMAN FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER	5/19/2021		\$165.00	55420-03-40500
LINCOLN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	BIERMAN FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER	5/19/2021		\$105.00	55420-03-40500
LINCOLN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	BIERMAN FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER	5/19/2021		\$275.00	55420-03-40500
LINCOLN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	BIERMAN FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER	5/19/2021		\$192.00	55420-03-40500
LINCOLN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	BIERMAN FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER	5/19/2021		\$275.00	55420-03-40500
LINCOLN COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/11/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
MENARDS	WIRE SHELF/SUPPORTS/WALL CLIPS	5/3/2021		\$79.12	55300-03-40000
MENARDS WAUSAU	WIRE SHELF/SUPPORTS/WALL CLIPS	5/3/2021	82792	\$79.12	26-31-5390
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	GORILLA GLUE/WRECKING BAR	4/20/2021	22393	\$43.94	55200-03-50000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	BOLT EYE	4/22/2021	19274228124	\$39.92	55200-03-50000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	90 DEGREE ELBOW	4/12/2021	19274228124	\$1.98	55200-03-50000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	KEY/BRUSH	5/12/2021	205792	\$90.95	55400-03-50000
MERRILL DISTRIBUTING	URINAL BLOCKS	4/26/2021	1565549	\$48.50	55200-03-40000
NANCY DEWAR	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/17/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
NELSON'S POWER HOUSE	BLOWER	5/3/2021	323249	\$303.13	55200-08-90500
PREMIER	BENCH PLATES	10/27/2020	13054	\$46.00	RIVER BEND BENCH REV ACCOUNT
RACHEL WALDBURGER	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
REBECCA HUSE	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/17/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
RTL ELECTRIC	SKATE PARK	4/27/2021	6448	\$939.26	CITY FOREST TIMBER SALE
RTL ELECTRIC	AQUATIC CENTER	4/27/2021	6447	\$126.89	55420-03-50000
RTL ELECTRIC	OTT'S PARK/TENNIS COURTS	4/27/2021	64446	\$521.48	55200-03-50000
RYAN FLATUEU	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/17/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
SAM CLUB	AQUATIC CENTER	5/12/2021		\$482.68	55420-03-40100
SAM'S CLUB	SUPPLIES FOR AQUATIC CENTER	5/10/2021		\$318.92	55420-03-40100
SARA KLEBENOW	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/17/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
SARAH HALL	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
SILVER CREEK SERVICES	PORTABLE TOILET RENTAL	5/2/2021	167997	\$125.00	55200-02-15000
SUNRISE BROADCASTING	ADVERTISING	5/4/2021		\$249.00	55400-03-41000
THE LIFEGUARD STORE	RESCUE TUBE/HEAD IMMOBILIZER	4/28/2021	698961	\$302.67	26-31-5390
TYYEK WRISTBANDS	WRISTBANDS FOR POOL	4/30/2021		\$157.19	55420-03-40000
WALMART	AQUATIC CENTER SUPPLIES	4/28/2021	104200314	\$64.75	55420-03-40000
WALMART	BIRTHDAY PARTY SUPPLIES	5/6/2021	7.41127E+14	\$34.02	55300-03-41500

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AJ CONTRACT SERVICE	AQUATIC CENTER	5/11/2021	35588	\$4,111.00	55420-03-40000
ALL AMERICAN SWIM	SUPPLIES FOR POOL	5/27/2021	3000615549	\$305.75	55420-03-40000
ALL AMERICAN SWIM	HEAD IMMOBILIZER/ BAG MASK	5/27/2021	3000615549	\$305.75	26-31-5390
ALL AMERICAN SWIM	UMBRELLA FOR LIFEGUARD CHAIRS	6/7/2021	3000615757	\$220.58	26-31-5390
ALLISON LANNIEGAN	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/14/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
AMANDA GOEDEN	REFUND ON CLASS	5/26/2021		\$10.00	
AMERICAN WELDING	AQUATIC CENTER SUPPLIES	5/17/2021	7809919	\$450.00	55420-03-40000
AMERICAN WELDING	CARBON DIOXIDE REFRIGERATED	5/14/2021	7807671	\$424.54	55420-03-40000
AMERICAN WELDING	CHEMICALS FOR POOL	6/10/2021	7861978	\$428.04	55420-03-40000
AMERICAN WELDING	CYLINDER RENTAL	5/31/2021	7843635	\$74.44	55300-03-41500
AMERICAN WELDING	POOL CHEMICALS	5/31/2021	7843169	\$54.91	55200-02-15000
ATCO INTERNATIONAL	CENTURION	5/19/2021	10578129	\$266.00	55200-03-40000
ATCO INTERNATIONAL	POP UP SWIPES	6/10/2021	132383	\$266.00	55300-03-41500
BAJA'S	SHIRTS FOR EMPLOYEES	6/1/2021	18071	\$815.70	55300-03-41500
BAUMGART WASTE REMOVAL	GARBAGE HAULING	6/7/2021		\$148.00	55400-02-23600
BETH BADEAU	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/26/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
BRANDT EXTINGUISHERS	ANNUAL INSPECTION	5/26/2021	11970	\$103.75	55200-02-15000
BRENDA JOHNAS	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/26/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
BRIDGES VITURAL	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/21/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
CAROLYN ROBL	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/26/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
CHARITY DUPKE	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/9/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
CHARLOTTE STENBERG	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/26/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
CINDY SWOPE	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/7/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
CINTAS	UNIFORMS JIM AND JOE	5/20/2021	8084900265	\$71.10	55200-03-46000
CINTAS	UNIFORMS	5/27/2021	4085524342	\$186.68	55200-03-46000
CINTAS	DUST MOP,MATS	6/4/2021	4086265760	\$189.90	55400-02-23250
CINTAS	UNIFORMS JIM/JOE	6/4/2021	4086265821	\$71.18	55200-03-46000
CINTAS	UNIFORMS JIM/JOE/RYAN	6/10/2021	4086851378	\$135.45	55200-03-46000
DAN PAGE	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/8/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
DAVE'S COUNTY MARKET	DISTILLED WATER/DISH SOAP	5/20/2021		\$8.46	55420-03-40100
DAVE'S COUNTY MARKET	DISTILLED WATER AND MUSTARD	5/25/2021		\$8.74	55420-03-40100
DAVE'S COUNTY MARKET	SEA SALT	5/25/2021		\$5.18	55420-03-40100
DAVE'S COUNTY MARKET	WATER	6/5/2021		\$24.95	55420-03-400100

DAVE'S COUNTY MARKET	POOL SUPPLIES	6/10/2021		\$36.60	55420-03-40100
DAVE'S COUNTY MARKET	SUPPLIES FOR POOL	6/13/2021		\$50.22	55420-03-40100
ELIZA TROJANOWSKI	GAS	6/4/2021	VOUCHER	\$22.00	55200-03-53000
ETCO ELECTRIC SUPPLY	SMITH CENTER SUPPLIES	6/8/2021	1377263	\$869.78	55200-08-91000
FAYE CANTERLE	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/7/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
GREEN LAWN UNDERGROUND SPRINKLERS	SPRING START UP	7/1/2021	21-20851	\$125.00	55200-02-15000
GREEN LAWN UNDERGROUND SPRINKLERS	LIONS PARK	7/1/2021	21-20852	\$200.00	55200-02-15000
HOLIDAY WHOLESALE	CHIPS AND CHEESE	5/19/2021	9744743	\$207.90	55420-03-40100
HOLIDAY WHOLESALE	AQUATIC CENTER SUPPLIES	5/25/2021		\$294.30	55420-03-40100
HOLIDAY WHOLESALE	AQUATIC SUPPLIES	5/26/2021	9756588	\$294.30	55420-03-40100
HOLIDAY WHOLESALE	AQUATIC CENTER	6/8/2021	9770234	\$724.43	55400-03-40100
HOLIDAY WHOLESALE	POOL SUPPLIES	6/8/2021	9770134	\$724.45	55420-03-40100
JAMIE KRAUSE	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/14/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
JANET THOMPSON	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/7/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
JENNIFER BARTO	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/26/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
JESSICA COATES	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/26/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
JODI ROMANG	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/7/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
KASI HOLT	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
KATERI ACHTERBERG	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/8/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
KYLEIGH GIESE	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
LEE RECREATION	PICKELBALL SYSTEM/WHIP NET	5/22/2021	13417-21	\$1,162.00	TIMBER SALE ACCT.
LEE RECREATION	MEMORIAL BENCH/CONTOUR BENCH	6/11/2021	13416-21	\$2,502.00	26-31-5395
LINDER ELECTRIC MOTORS	FIX FREEN SLIDE PUMP	6/3/2021	62839	\$1,868.40	26-31-5390
MARGE NASS	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/26/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	TRASH BAGS	5/21/2021	206071	\$49.98	55200-03-40000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	HYDRAULIC CMNT	5/10/2021	205692	\$12.99	55200-03-40000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	SPONGE/SPRAY	5/8/2021	205660	\$29.57	55200-03-40000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	ADAPTERS	6/3/2021	19274228124	\$14.47	55200-03-40000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	FASTENERS	5/27/2021	19274226124	\$15.76	55200-03-40000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	UTILITY GLOVES	5/24/2021	206128	\$7.99	55200-03-40000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	FASTENERS	5/26/2021	206208	\$18.28	55200-03-40000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	FASTENERS/AERATOR	5/28/2021	206270	\$25.94	55200-03-40000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	ANTIFREEZE/UTILITY GLOVES	5/26/2021	206205	\$17.96	55200-03-40000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	ENTRY KNOB TULIP SS	6/1/2021	206328	\$18.99	55200-03-50000

MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	BRASS SHUT OFF HOSE	6/2/2021	206345	\$10.99	55200-03-50000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	WEED & FEED	6/2/2021	206364	\$49.99	55200-03-4000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	NYLON FLAG	6/4/2021	206422	\$36.99	55200-03-4000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	SPRING LINK	6/4/2021	206424	\$19.98	55200-03-40000
MERRILL DISTRIBUTING	AQUATIC CENTER	5/28/2021	6042021	\$526.25	55420-03-40100
MERRILL DISTRIBUTING	AQUATIC CENTER	6/7/2021	1570595	\$161.70	55420-03-40100
MERRILL DISTRIBUTING	AQUATIC CENTER	6/8/2021	1570666	\$544.00	55420-03-40100
MERRILL DISTRUTING	SUPPLIES FOR POOL	6/12/2021	1571181	\$164.70	55420-03-40100
MERRILL DISTRUTING	SUPPLIES FOR POOL	6/15/2021	1571579	\$1,007.25	55420-03-40100
MERRILL DISTUBUTING	URINAL BLOCKS	5/20/2021	1568544	\$237.05	55200-03-40000
MERRILL DISTUBUTING	FOOD AQUATIC CENTER	5/25/2021	1568923	\$536.74	55420-03-40100
MERRILL FOTO NEWS	ADVERTISING	5/30/2021		\$233.00	BLACK SQUIRREL SCURRY
MERRILL FOTO NEWS	ADVERTISING	5/30/2021		\$180.00	55400-03-41000
MERRILL FOTO NEWS	ADVERTISING	5/30/2021		\$225.00	55300-03-41500
MERRILL STREET DEPARTMENT	P-8	5/11/2021	17916	\$107.29	55200-03-50000
MERRILL STREET DEPARTMENT	P-7	5/26/2021	17934	\$134.91	55200-03-50000
MERRILL STREET DEPARTMENT	P-4	5/24/2021	17930	\$435.85	55200-03-50000
MERRILL STREET DEPARTMENT	P-0	5/27/2021	17938	\$146.74	55200-03-50000
MERRILL STREET DEPARTMENT	P-0	5/13/2021	17920	\$138.41	55200-03-50000
MICHELLE FRANCE KAPellen	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
MID WISCONSIN BEVERAGE	SODA/GATORADE	5/24/2021	2765468	\$600.00	55420-03-40100
MID WISCONSIN BEVERAGE	SODA FOR MACHINE	5/17/2021	2763975	\$793.20	55420-03-40100
MID WISCONSIN BEVERAGE	AQUATIC CENTER	6/7/2021	2768829	\$155.00	55420-03-40100
MID WISCONSIN BEVERAGE	AQUATIC CENTER	6/7/2021	2768830	\$161.00	55420-03-40100
MID WISCONSIN BEVERAGE	POOL SUPPLIES	6/14/2021	2770319	\$200.00	55420-03-40100
MIDWISCONSIN BEVERAGE	SODA FOR MACHINE	6/1/2021	2767045	\$132.00	55420-03-40100
MIDWISCONSIN BEVERAGE	POOL SUPPLIES	6/14/2021	2770320	\$396.00	55420-03-40100
MIKE GOEDEN	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/7/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
MOLLY LOKA	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
MOLLY LOKA	SHELTER CANCELLATION	6/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$60.00	10-45200-46722
PER MAR SECURITY SERVICES	SMITH CENTER	6/8/2021	1203870500	\$500.76	55420-02-95000
PRECISION LASER CUTTING, LLC	POWDER COAT PRIMER AND ORANGE	5/26/2021	35425	\$100.00	55420-03-50000
RENEE GRUND	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/8/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
RH NEESE MEDIA	ADVERTISING GOLF COURSE	4/12/2021	7889	\$298.00	55400-03-41000

ROXI BURROW	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/14/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
RTL ELECTRIC	AQUATIC CENTER REPAIRS	5/21/2021	64506	\$4,707.79	26-31-5390
RTL ELECTRIC	STANGE PARK/REPAIR BALLARD LIGHTS	6/2/2021	64529	\$114.75	55200-03-43000
SAM'S CLUB	SCHOOL SWIM SUPPLIES/FOOD	5/24/2021		\$269.88	55420-03-40100
SAM'S CLUB	AQUATIC CENTER	6/6/2021		\$75.38	55420-03-40100
SAM'S CLUB	POOL SUPPLIES	6/9/2021		\$472.38	55420-03-40100
SAM'S CLUB	SUPPLIES FOR POOL	6/14/2021		\$55.92	55420-03-40100
SARA CARLSON	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/8/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
SARA WISNIEWSKI	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/7/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
SARAH TOMAYCIK	SECURITY DEPOSIT	5/21/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
SERVICE MOTOR COMPANY	BLADE	6/4/2021	P21528	\$191.34	55200-03-40000
SHERRI KRIEDEL	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
SILVER CREEK SERVICES, LLC	PORTABLE TOILET	5/31/2021	168022	\$125.00	55200-02-15000
ST. STEPHENS	REFUND PARK RENTAL	6/8/2021	VOUCHER	\$85.00	10-45200-467222
ST. STEPHENS	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/8/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
SUNRISE BROADCASTING	ADVERTISING	6/1/2021		\$249.00	55400-03-41000
TONYA BRZOZNOWSKI	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/3/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
WALMART	AQUATIC CENTER SUPPLIES	5/18/2021		\$134.07	55420-03-40000
WALMART	BIRTHDAY PARTY SUPPLIES/AQUATIC	5/21/2021		\$100.07	55300-03-41500
WALMART	SUPPLIES FOR POOL	6/2/2021		\$140.44	55420-03-40000
WALMART	POOL SUPPLIES	5/20/2021		\$42.38	55300-03-41500
WALMART	SUMMER PLAYGROUND SUPPLIES	6/2/2021		\$57.23	55300-03-41500
WALMART	SUMMER PLAYGROUND SUPPLIES	6/10/2021		\$8.57	55420-03-40100
WALMART	SUMMER PLAYGROUND SUPPLIES	6/14/2021		\$57.03	55300-03-41500
WAUSAU CHEMICAL	AQUATIC CENTER	6/18/2021	316220	\$1,738.30	55420-03-50000
MERRILL DISTRIBUTING	AQUATIC CENTER SUPPLIES	6/22/2021	1572417	\$516.77	55420-03-40100
MERRILL DISTRIBUTING	AQUATIC CENTER SUPPLIES	6/29/2021	1573384	\$796.95	55420-03-40100
HOLIDAY WHOLESALE	AQUATIC CENTER SUPPLIES	6/23/2021	9781575	\$478.25	55420-03-40100
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	BUCKETS	6/29/2021	207151	\$19.98	55400-03-40000
MERRILL ACE HARDWARE	BIRD SEED FOR PROJECTS	6/23/2021	206998	\$9.00	55300-03-41500
AMERICAN WELDING	CHEMICALS FOR POOL	6/29/2021	7836572	\$331.60	55420-03-50000
STAINLESS SPECIALISTS	COIL CLEANER	6/22/2021	38530	\$1,051.60	55400-02-16250
FERGUSON	PARTS FOR REPAIR	6/10/2021	6119494	\$476.61	55200-08-91000
CINTAS	UNIFORMS	6/24/2021	4088101113	\$135.45	55200-03-46000

ADS ON BOARDS	CLEAN HOCKEY BOARDS/BOX BOARD SPONGE	6/25/2021		\$635.00	55400-08-82000
MICHELLE BURGNER	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
DAVE'S COUNTY MARKET	DISTILLED WATER/DISH SOAP	6/28/2021		\$21.74	55300-0341500
BADGER SWIMPOOLS	SENSOR	6/9/2021	50910	\$552.52	55420-03-40000
HAWKINS	POOL CHEMICALS	6/16/2021	3513231	\$3,862.87	55420-03-40000
ETCO ELECTRIC SUPPLY	BREAKER BOX	6/17/2021	3367073	\$43.01	55400-03-50000
ANDREW BANECK	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
NEW TESTAMENT	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
CAROLYN ROBL	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
CINDY MARTIN	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
TOM HENRICH	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
EMILY LINDSLEY	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$100.00	10-21-7200
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
ANDREW BANECK	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
WALMART	DISTILLED WATER	6/29/2021		\$8.00	55300-03-41500
NASSCO	PAPER TOWEL	6/28/2021	6009684	\$117.93	55400-03-50000
VIP OFFICE PRODUCTS	THERMAL PAPER	6/29/2021	0110511-001	\$11.96	55300-03-10000
WALMART	BANDAGES FOR POOL	6/29/2021		\$29.16	55420-03-40000
NASSCO	PAPER TOWEL FOR PARKS	6/28/2021	6009691	\$400.47	55400-03-50000
BRANDON BOYCE	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
KELLY DAVID	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
CRYSTAL DEARTH	SECURITY DEPOSIT	6/28/2021	VOUCHER	\$50.00	10-21-7200
NORTHWOODS	BLUE SPRUCE TOILET BOWL CLEANER	6/28/2021	306023	\$148.33	55200-03-40000
SAM'S CLUB	SUPPLIES FOR POOL	6/30/2021	2369	\$70.08	55300-03-41500

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		CARBON DIOXIDE		10 55420-03-50000	Repair/Maint. Supplies		331.60
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			331.60				
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01-1 ONE TIME VENDOR							
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I-6/21L,ARCHER PKRE		ARCHER, LYNN:PARK REFUND	50.00				
6/25/2021	1	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N			
		ARCHER, LYNN:PARK REFUND		10 21-7200	Park Shelter-S Deposits		50.00
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			50.00				
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01-004256 BADGER SWIMPOOLS							
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I-50357		DEWINTERIZE POOL / OPENING	1,640.11				
6/25/2021	1	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N			
		DEWINTERIZE POOL / OPENING		10 55420-03-40000	Operating Supplies		1,640.11
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			1,640.11				
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01-1 ONE TIME VENDOR							
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I-6/21M,BRIGGS		BRIGGS, MICHELLE:PARK REFUND	100.00				
6/25/2021	1	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N			
		BRIGGS, MICHELLE:PARK REFUND		10 21-7200	Park Shelter-S Deposits		100.00
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			100.00				
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01-004260 FERGUSON ENTERPRISES INC							
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=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			371.30				
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01-1 ONE TIME VENDOR							
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I-6/21T.LOKEMOEN		LOKEMOEN, TRACY:PARK REFUND	50.00				
6/25/2021	1	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N			
		LOKEMOE, TRACY:PARK REFUND		10 21-7200	Park Shelter-S Deposits		50.00
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			50.00				

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01-000523 MERRILL DISTRIBUTING, INC ✓							
I-1570666		HOT DOGS, PRETZELS, COOKIES	544.00 ✓				
6/25/2021	1 ✓	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N			
		HOT DOGS, PRETZELS, COOKIES		10 55420-03-40100	Concession Supplies	544.00	
I-1571181		CHEDDAR SAUCE, TORTILLA CHIPS	164.70 ✓				
6/25/2021	1 ✓	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N			
		CHEDDAR SAUCE, TORTILLA CHIPS		10 55420-03-40100	Concession Supplies	164.70	
I-1571375		PUSH POPS, HOT DOGS, ICE CREA	390.45 ✓				
6/25/2021	1 ✓	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N			
		PUSH POPS, HOT DOGS, ICE CREAM		10 55420-03-40100	Concession Supplies	390.45	
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			1,099.15				
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01-003982 MID-WISCONSIN BEVERAGE ✓							
I-2771821		SLUSHIE	42.00 ✓				
6/25/2021	1 ✓	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N			
		SLUSHIE		10 55420-03-40100	Concession Supplies	42.00	
I-2771822		SODA / PROPEL	303.60 ✓				
6/25/2021	1 ✓	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N			
		SODA / PROPEL		10 55420-03-40100	Concession Supplies	303.60	
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			345.60				
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01-000540 NAPA AUTO PARTS ✓							
I-898831		BRAKE FLUID	17.98 ✓				
6/25/2021	1 ✓	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N			
		BRAKE FLUID		10 55200-03-50000	Repair/Maint. Supplies	17.98	
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			17.98				
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01-004086 NASSCO, INC. ✓							
I-6005268		NASSCO HARD RL TOWEL	23.59 ✓				
6/25/2021	1 ✓	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N			
		NASSCO HARD RL TOWEL		10 55400-03-50000	Repair/Maint. Supplies	23.59	
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			23.59				

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01-002452 NELSON'S POWERHOUSE ✓					
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✓	✓	STIHL- 280* .095 ORANGE LINE		10 55200-03-40000	Operating Supplies 15.99
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			15.99		
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01-1 ONE TIME VENDOR ✓					
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I-6/21S.SABATKE PK		SABATKE, SARAH:PARK REFUND	50.00 ✓		
6/25/2021	1	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N	
✓	✓	SABATKE, SARAH:PARK REFUND		10 21-7200	Park Shelter-S Deposits 50.00
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			50.00		
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01-1 ONE TIME VENDOR ✓					
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I-6/21K. SPENCER		SPENCER, KATHY:PARK REFUND	120.00		
6/25/2021	1	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N	
✓	✓	SPENCER, KATHY:PARK REFUND		10 45200-46722	Park Shelter Reservation 70.00
		SPENCER, KATHY:PARK REFUND		10 21-7200	Park Shelter-S Deposits 50.00
--- VENDOR TOTALS ---			120.00		
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01-000584 WAUSAU CHEMICAL CORP. ✓					
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I-316790		BAGGED CALCIUM CHLORIDE	324.00 ✓		
6/25/2021	1	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N	
✓	✓	BAGGED CALCIUM CHLORIDE		10 55420-03-40000	Operating Supplies 324.00
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			324.00		
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01-1 ONE TIME VENDOR ✓					
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I-6/21-E.WICKI		WICKI, ELAINE: PARK REFUND	50.00 ✓		
6/25/2021	1	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N	
✓	✓	WICKI, ELAINE: PARK REFUND		10 21-7200	Park Shelter-S Deposits 50.00
=== VENDOR TOTALS ===			50.00		
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01-1 ONE TIME VENDOR ✓					
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I-6/21-K.WICKMAN		WICKMAN, KIM:PARK REFUND	100.00 ✓		
6/25/2021	1	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N	
✓	✓	WICKMAN, KIM:PARK REFUND		10 21-7200	Park Shelter-S Deposits 100.00
--- VENDOR TOTALS ---			100.00		

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I-6/21-B. WOLLER		WOLLER, BRIAN:PARK REFUND	50.00			
6/25/2021	1 ✓	DUE: 6/25/2021 DISC: 6/25/2021		1099: N		
		WOLLER, BRIAN:PARK REFUND		10 21-7200	Park Shelter-S Deposits	50.00
		=== VENDOR TOTALS ===	50.00			
		=== PACKET TOTALS ===	4,739.32			

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** TOTALS **

INVOICE TOTALS	4,739.32
DEBIT MEMO TOTALS	0.00
CREDIT MEMO TOTALS	0.00

BATCH TOTALS	4,739.32
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** G/L ACCOUNT TOTALS **

BANK	YEAR	ACCOUNT	NAME	AMOUNT	=====LINE ITEM=====		=====GROUP BUDGET=====	
					ANNUAL BUDGET	BUDGET OVER AVAILABLE BUDG	ANNUAL BUDGET	BUDGET OVER AVAILABLE BUDG
2021	10	-21-0000	Accounts Payable Control	4,739.32**				
	10	-21-7200	Park Shelter-S Deposits	500.00				
	10	-45200-46722	*NON-EXPENSE	70.00	10,000-	753.92-		
	10	-55200-03-40000	Operating Supplies	15.99	10,000	7,244.21	373,895	231,596.32
	10	-55200-03-50000	Repair/Maint. Supplies	17.98	9,500	7,451.08	373,895	231,594.33
	10	-55400-03-50000	Repair/Maint. Supplies	23.59	5,500	5,023.52	109,575	62,679.58
	10	-55420-03-40000	Operating Supplies	1,964.11	13,750	3,538.88	156,375	98,407.20
	10	-55420-03-40100	Concession Supplies	1,444.75	18,000	9,332.44	156,375	98,926.56
	10	-55420-03-50000	Repair/Maint. Supplies	702.90	7,250	3,831.37	156,375	99,668.41
	99	-14-0010	Due from General Fund	4,739.32 *				
			** 2021 YEAR TOTALS	4,739.32				

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** POSTING PERIOD RECAP **

FUND	PERIOD	AMOUNT
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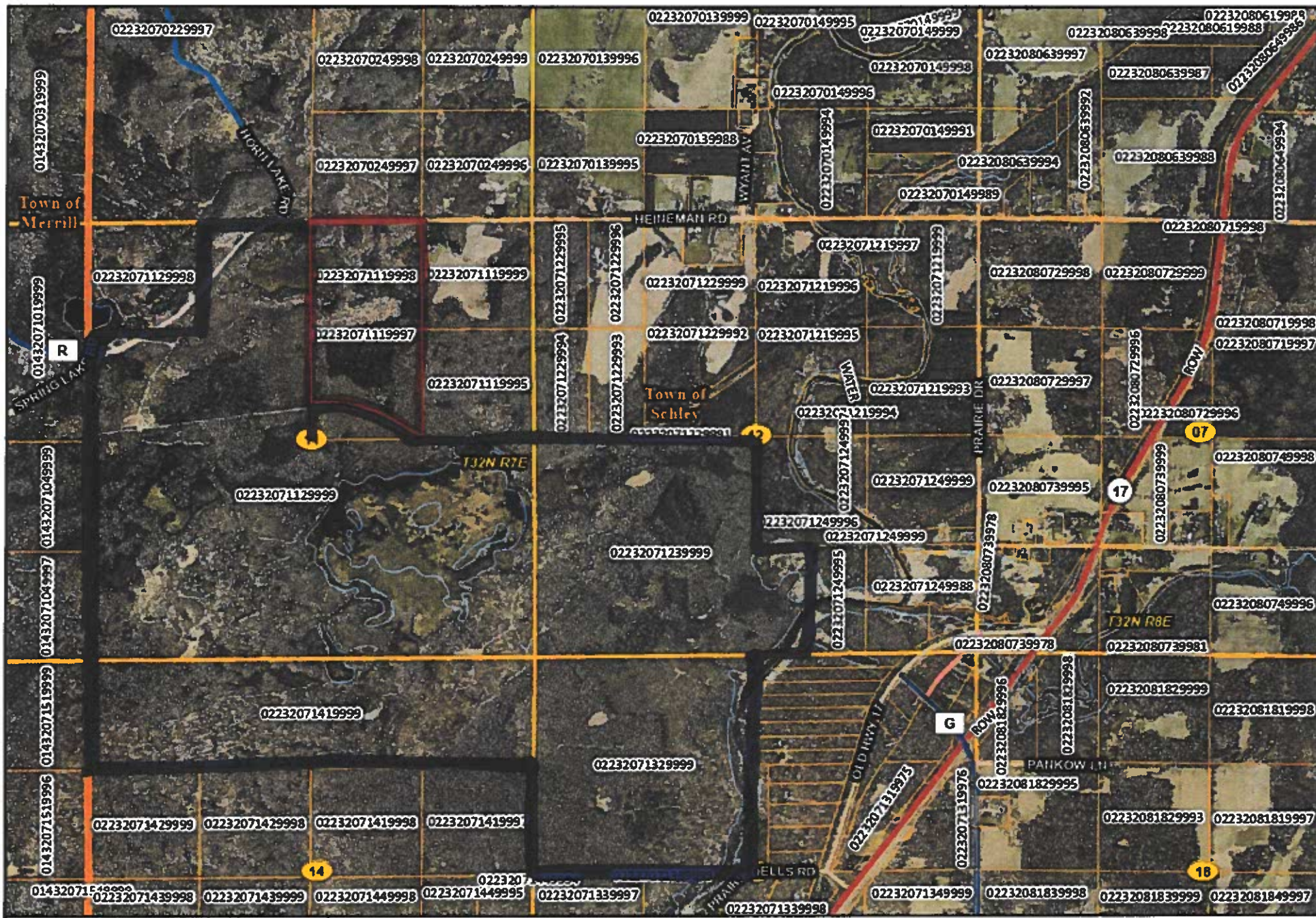
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** END OF REPORT **

TOTAL ERRORS: 0 TOTAL WARNINGS: 0

— Sumnicht Property

— City Forest



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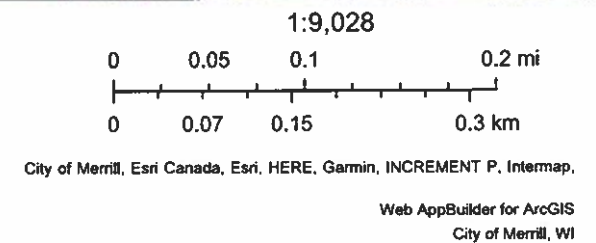
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 City Limit

 W 64 Greenspace



ARTICLE V. - TREES AND SHRUBS

Sec. 14-123. - Statement of policy and applicability.

- (a) **Intent and purpose.** It is the policy of the city to regulate and establish policy for the control of planting, removal, maintenance and protection of trees and shrubs, in or upon, all public areas and terrace areas to eliminate and guard against dangerous conditions which may result in injury to persons using the streets, alleys, sidewalks or other public areas; to promote and enhance the beauty and general welfare of the city; to prohibit the undesirable and unsafe planting, removal, treatment and maintenance of trees and shrubs located in public areas; and to guard all trees and shrubs, both public and private, within the city against **damage and** the spread of disease, insects or pests.
- (b) **Application.** The provisions of this article shall apply to trees and shrubs growing, or hereafter planted, in or upon public areas and terrace areas, and also to all trees and shrubs, growing or to be planted, in or upon any private premises which shall threaten the life, health, safety or welfare of the public or of any public areas.

(Code 1993, § 6-4-1)

Sec. 14-124. - Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Board means the board of parks and recreation commissioners as constituted under this Code.

Boulevard or terrace areas mean the land between the normal location of the street curbing and sidewalk. Where there is no curb and gutter, the area four feet from the curblines shall be deemed to be a boulevard for the purpose of this article. The term "boulevard" has the same meaning as the term "terrace." Where there are no sidewalks, the area four feet from the curb shall be deemed boulevard areas under this article. **Or as determined by GIS mapping.**

Clear-sight triangle means a triangle formed by the existing or proposed curblines of two or more intersecting streets, roads or alleys and, a third line connecting specified points on those curblines in order to provide vehicular traffic an unobstructed view at intersections.

Evergreen tree means any woody plant, normally having one stem or trunk and bearing foliage in the form of needles and crowns which extend from ground level throughout its entire height.

Forester means a person appointed by the common council to serve as city forester and administrator of this article. Unless otherwise provided, the city forester shall be the parks and recreation director.

Maintenance and protection means and includes all operations of trimming, pruning, spraying, injecting, fertilizing, treating, bracing, doing surgery work and cutting any tree or shrub above or below ground.

Major alteration means trimming a tree beyond necessary trimming to comply with this article. Crowning 30 percent or more of natural growth is considered a major alteration.

Person means a person, firm, association or corporation.

Public areas means and includes all public parks and other lands owned, controlled or leased by the city, except the terrace areas.

Public nuisance means any tree, shrub or part thereof which, by reason of its condition, interferes with the use of any public area; is infected with a plant disease; is infested with injurious insects or pests; is injurious to public improvements, or endangers the life, health, safety or welfare of persons or property.

Public trees and shrubs means all trees and shrubs located, or to be planted, in or upon public areas.

Shrub means any woody vegetation or a woody plant having multiple stems and bearing foliage from the ground up, reaching a height of less than 12 feet.

Tree means any woody plant, normally having one stem or trunk bearing its foliage or crown well above ground level to heights of 12 feet or more.

(Code 1993, § 6-4-2)

Sec. 14-125. - Abatement of tree diseases and public nuisances.

(a) *Declaration.* The common council declares any of the following to be a public nuisance and therefore subject to abatement:

- (1) Any tree, shrub or part thereof, located upon any public or private property which by reason of its condition, interferes with the use of a public area, is infected with an infectious plant disease, is infested with injurious insects or pests, is injurious to public improvements, or endangers the life, health or safety of persons or property.
- (2) All trees, hedges, billboards, or other obstructions, which prevent persons driving vehicles (to include ATV's, UTV's, or bicycles) on public streets, alleys, or highways from obtaining a clear view of traffic when approaching an intersection or pedestrian crosswalk.

(b) *Abatements.*

- (1) *Public areas.* Whenever the city forester shall find on examination that a public nuisance exists upon any public area except in any area zoned conservancy, he shall immediately cause such nuisance tree or shrub to be treated, trimmed, removed, or otherwise abated in such a manner as to destroy or prevent the spread of the nuisance. The manner in which the nuisance shall be abated shall be determined by the city forester.
- (2) *Private premises.* If the city forester shall determine, with reasonable certainty upon inspection or examination, that any nuisance tree or shrub exists in or upon any private premises within the city, he shall notify the owner of such premises, or his agent, in writing, that said nuisance tree or shrub must be treated, trimmed, removed or otherwise abated. Said written notice shall specify the nature and exact location of the nuisance, the manner in which the nuisance shall be abated, and the time limit in which the nuisance shall be abated, which shall not be less than 15 days after issuance of said notice, unless the city forester shall determine that immediate action is necessary for the public safety.
- (3) *Abatement by city.* If the owner of private premises, or his agent, shall refuse or neglect to comply with the terms of the written notice within the time specified, the city forester shall cause the public nuisance to be abated and shall report the expenses thereof to the city clerk who shall enter it as a charge against the property upon which the tree or shrub is located. No damage shall be awarded to the owner for the destruction of trees or shrubs pursuant to this section.

(Prior Code, § 12.24.040; Code 1993, § 6-4-6)

Sec. 14-126. - Regulations regarding public trees and shrubs.

(a) *Clear-sight triangle.* No tree, shrub, hedge, or other growth exceeding 30 inches in height above street grade shall hereafter be planted in any clear-sight triangle within the city. The limits of each clear-sight triangle shall be determined by measuring 30 feet each way at the corner of the street intersection.

- (b) *Obstruction of signs, signals, travel.* All trees and shrubs located upon any public way, or upon any private premises adjacent to the public way, shall be kept trimmed so that the lowest projecting branches provide a clearance height of not less than 14 feet above the public street, and not less than nine feet above the public sidewalk. The city forester may waive the provisions of this section for newly planted or naturally low-profile trees, if he determines that they do not interfere with public travel, obstruct the light of any street light, obstruct the view of any traffic sign or signal, or endanger public safety.
- (c) *Violations.* Any tree, shrub or part thereof, found to be in violation of the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, shall be declared to be a nuisance and shall be subject to abatement as set forth in section 14-125.

(Prior Code, § 12.24.050; Code 1993, § 6-4-7)

Sec. 14-127. - Planting public trees and shrubs.

(a) *Requirements.*

- (1) *Permit required.* No person shall plant, remove, maintain, or protect any public tree or shrub, or cause such work to be done, without obtaining a written permit from the city forester.
- (2) *Application and approval.* Any person desiring to plant, remove, maintain, or protect any public tree or shrub shall apply in writing to the city forester for a permit to do such work. Such application shall specify the location and description of the proposed work. If the city forester determines that the proposed work is necessary and in accordance with the purposes of this article, taking into account the safety, health and welfare of the public, location of utilities, public sidewalks, driveways and street lights, general character and aesthetic quality of the area in which the tree or shrub is located or proposed to be located, and the soil conditions and physiological needs of the tree or shrub, he shall issue a permit to the applicant.
- (3) *Conditions of approval.* The size, genus, species and variety of trees and shrubs to be planted in terraces, tree banks and boulevards and the manner of planting shall be submitted to the city forester for approval before commencement of such work. All planting, maintenance and trimming of trees in terraces shall be the responsibility of the individual property owners. No trees, except the types named in this section, shall be planted in or upon any public street or place. They shall be planted, only after written permission has been received from the city forester, which permit shall state the name of the applicant, his address, the property on which the trees are to be planted and the type to be planted.
- (4) *Permit form, expiration, compliance, inspection.* Permits shall be issued by the city forester on a standard form and shall include a description of the work to be done and shall specify the genus, species, variety, size, grade and location of trees or shrubs to be planted, if any. Any work done under such permit shall be performed in strict compliance with the terms thereof. The city forester may inspect all work performed pursuant to this section. Permits issued under this section shall expire three months after issuance.

(b) *Approved standard trees.*

- (1) Only the following named standard trees shall be planted in the streets of the city with a six-foot terrace: **MAPLE SPECIES SHOULD BE AVOIDED DUE TO OVER-STOCKED NUMBERS. . . .**
ASH SPECIES SHOULD ALSO BE AVOIDED DUE TO EAB These lists will be changed quite dramatically and be referred to Arboricultural Specifications Manual that will be developed
 - a. Schwedler Maple (*Acer platanoides schwedleri*).
 - b. Red or Scarlet Maple (*Acer vubrum*).**Burgundy Belle Maple (*Acer rubrum* 'Magnificent Magenta')**
Matador Maple (*Acer x freemanii* 'Baillston')

Northwood Red Maple (*Acer rubrum* 'Northwood Red')

Inferno Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum* 'Jeferno')

Firefall Maple (*Acer x freemanii* 'AF#1')

Autumn Blaze Maple (*Acer x freemanii* 'Jeffersred')

Sienna Glen Maple (*Acer x freemanii* 'Sienna Glen')

c. Norway Maple (*Acer platanoides*).

d. Sugar Maple (*Acer saccharum*).

e. American Elm (*Ulmus americana*).

f. Moline Elm (*Ulmus americana* var. *moline*).

Princeton Elm (*Ulmus Americana* 'Princeton')

Regal Elm (*Ulmus* 'Regal')

New Horizon Elm (*Ulmus americana* 'New Horizon')

St. Croix Elm (*Ulmus americana* 'St. Croix')

g. Scarlet Oak (*Quercus coccinea*).

h. Pin Oak (*Quercus Palustris*).

Northern Pin Oak (*Quercus ellipsoidalis*)

i. Red Oak (*Quercus vubra*).

Heritage Oak (*Quercus robur* x *macrocarpa* 'Clemons')

Swamp White Oak (*Quercus bicolor*)

Prairie Stature Oak (*Quercus x bimundorum* 'Midwest')

Bur Oak (*Quercus macrocarpa*)

Regal Prince Columnar Oak (*Quercus x warei* 'Long')

Majestic Skies Northern Pin Oak (*Quercus ellipsoidalis* 'Bailskies')

Ironwood (*Ostrya virginiana*)

k. Crimson King Norway Maple.

l. Schwedler's Norway Maple.

m. Moraine seedless Honey Locust.

n. White Birch.

Yellow Birch (*Betula lutea*)

Heritage River Birch (*Betula nigra* 'Cully')

Parkland Pillar Birch (*Betula platyphylla* 'Jefpark')

Whitespire Birch (*Betula populifolia* 'Whitespire')

o. Crimean Linden (type of basswood).

American Linden (*Tilia americana*)

American Sentry Linden (*Tilia americana* 'McK Sentry')

Greenspire Linden (*Tilia cordata* 'Greenspire')

- p. Ginkgo (ornamental, slow growing) (male only).
- (2) The city forester may allow planting of hybridized species of the hardwood trees listed in subsection (1) of this section. All trees planted shall have a diameter of not less than 1¼ inches at a point three feet above the ground.
- (c) **Approved trees.** The following named trees are hereby approved for planting where the terrace shall be at least four feet wide:
 - (1) Japanese Tree Lilac (*Syringa amurensis japonica*).
 - Snowdance Japanese Tree Lilac (*Syringa reticulata* 'Bailnce')**
 - Ivory Silk Japanese Tree Lilac (*Syringa reticulata* 'Ivory Silk')**
 - Miss Kim Lilac (*Syringa patula* 'Miss Kim')**
 - (2) Washington Hawthorn (*Crataegus phaenopyrum*).
 - (3) Mountain Maple (*Acer spicatum*).
 - (4) Scanlon Red Maple (*Acer rubrum conica scanlon*).
 - (5) Rancho Sargent Cherry (*Prunus sargentii columnare*).
 - (6) Pyramidal European Ash (*Fraxinus excelsior pyramidalis vink*).
 - (7) Globe Norway Maple (*Acer platanoides globosum*).
 - (8) Globe single seed Hawthorn (*Crataegus monogyna inermis*).
 - Thornless Cockspur Hawthorn (*Crataegus crus-galli* var. *inermis*)**
 - (9) Hop Hornbeam (*Ostrya virginiana*).
 - (10) Idaho Locust.
 - Northern Acclaim Honey Locust (*Gleditsia triacanthos* var. *inermis* 'Harve')**
 - Vanilla Strawberry Hydrangea (*Hydrangea paniculata* 'Renhy')**
 - (11) Hawthorne.
 - (12) Flowering Crabs.
 - (13) Pyramidal European Hornbeam.
 - (14) Oakleaf European Hornbeam.
 - (15) Improved Columnar Maple.
 - (16) Little Leaf Linden (European basewood).
 - (17) Black Norway Maple.
 - (18) Erect Norway Maple.
 - (19) Cleveland Norway Maple.
 - (20) Crimson king Norway Maple.
 - Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry (*Amelanchier x grandiflora* 'Autumn Brilliance')**
 - Blue Beech (*Carpinus caroliniana*)**
- (d) **Planting location; objects in terrace.**
 - (1) **There shall be a distance of 50 feet between terrace area trees** depending upon the size of the tree and other factors. Terrace trees shall be planted with equal distance between the sidewalk or proposed sidewalk and back of the curb or proposed back of curb. In terrace areas less than

three feet wide, planting will not be permitted. Terrace area trees shall be a minimum of 30 feet from an intersection.

- (2) Trees to be planted must be offset 25 feet from under any utility wires that are less than 35 feet from the ground. Trees may not be planted within 25 feet of utility or light poles. TREE SPECIES SELECTION FOR OVERHEAD UTILITIES MUST BE APPROPRIATE SIZE AT MATURITY
 - (3) Evergreen trees or shrubs shall not be planted in a terrace area.
 - (4) It shall be unlawful to plant or maintain shrubbery, ground cover or other plants not considered to be an approved deciduous leaf tree within terrace areas whose growth is in excess of 24 inches in height above the top of the nearest curb, or where no curb exists, above the existing road grade.
 - (5) No plants shall be planted in the terrace islands where two sidewalks intersect. 24" or less – see above #4??
 - (6) An application for a permit to plant in terrace areas shall be obtained by the property owner at the city clerk's office or the parks and recreation department office and shall be approved or disapproved by the city forester.
 - (7) Terrace areas must not include noxious weeds or noxious grasses; and all lawns and grasses must not exceed eight inches as regulated in section 14-36(b).
 - (8) No foreign objects shall be allowed to enhance the area in or around the terrace areas including, but not limited to, landscape timbers, blocks, rocks, bricks and similar items.
 - (9) If at any time the city, or a utility operating in the city, deem it necessary to do work in a terrace area, they bear no responsibility for damage to plants in the terrace areas. ADD LANGUAGE IN HERE TO ENSURE ANYONE DOING WORK IN TERRACE AREA NEEDS TO TAKE EVERY PRECAUTION TO PROTECT PLANTS IN TERRACE
 - (10) Tree grates OR CUT OUT AREAS shall be provided for terrace trees surrounded by concrete by the adjacent property owner and shall be level with adjacent concrete.
- (e) *Cottonwood and box elder trees prohibited.* No person shall plant or maintain within the city any female tree of the species *Populus deltoidea*, commonly called the cottonwood, or any tree commonly called the seed-bearing box elder or *Acer negundo*, which may now or hereafter, become infested with box elder bugs, and such trees are hereby declared a nuisance. Any person having any such trees on his premises shall cause the same to be removed.
- (f) *Unlawfully planted trees.* Trees, plants or shrubs planted within any terrace or planting easement without the authorization and approval of the city forester may be removed. The city forester shall notify the abutting owner in writing, listing the unlawfully planted trees, plants or shrubs, ordering their removal, and establishing a reasonable time within which such removal shall be accomplished. In the event that removal is not accomplished within the time specified, the city may remove such trees, plants or shrubs and assess the costs thereof to the owner.

(Prior Code, § 12.24.060; Code 1993, § 6-4-8; Ord. No. 2006-26, § 1, 11-14-2006)

Sec. 14-128. - Removal of trees and shrubs.

- (a) *Standards.* In cutting down trees located in public and terrace areas, the tree shall be removed with the root stump grubbed out, or ground out to a depth of at least nine inches below grade measured in a straight line with the normal grade of sidewalk to top of nine inches below grade measured as a straight line, normal grade of sidewalk to top of curb. All wood and debris must be removed from the street prior to the end of each working day and all holes shall be filled to normal grade level with topsoil as soon as practicable. The abutting property owner shall have a right of first refusal to keep the wood, provided such wood is not diseased.

- (b) *Private removal.* No person, firm, organization or corporation shall plant, injure, trim, remove or destroy any tree or shrub located in or upon any public place, until a permit shall have been issued by the city forester. Such permit shall be issued only when the removal, trimming or cutting of the tree or shrub is necessary, as determined by the city forester, because of disease, damage, hazardous condition, and/or location, or its location is such that substantial detriment is done to the property upon which the tree or shrub stands, or property abutting the same. Such permit shall expressly state the premises upon which the tree stands and the location of the tree thereon.
- (c) *Disposals.* If any trees are removed from either private property or from public property adjoining private property, pursuant to law, the city forester shall do the following: **NO CUTTING OF OAK SPECIES BETWEEN APRIL 1ST & OCTOBER 1ST TO TRY AND LIMIT SPREAD OF OAK WILT**
- (1) Arrange for the removal of said tree and/or stump, either through the city street department or by private bid contracts.
 - (2) Any such trees which have fire wood value shall, after being cut into removable lengths, first be offered free to the adjoining landowner, if any; said right of the adjoining landowner shall belong to that landowner alone, and not to other citizens, and the landowner so electing to take said wood shall expressly waive any actions or causes of actions against the city or any employee thereof, resulting from in any way the removal of said trees or wood.
 - (3) The said landowner shall be given written notice of his right to remove the wood lengths from the boulevard within 48 hours.
 - (4) **If the adjoining landowner does not remove said wood, then said wood shall remain the property of the city, and be removed by the city for sale on the open market: FIRST OPTION NOW SHOULD BE FOR URBAN WOOD RE-UTILIZATION – WHERE AND WHEN APPLICABLE**
 - a. Said wood is to be organized at least annually by the city, and the city shall advertise said wood for sale publicly.
 - b. All such wood shall be sold to the highest bidder by sealed written bids, the wood must be removed by the buyer within 20 days of acceptance of the bid.
 - c. Sorting of wood shall not be permitted by the buyer, and the buyer shall remove all wood so purchased; that further, any elm wood shall be disposed of by the buyer no later than April 1, of each year to help prevent the spread of Dutch elm disease.

(Prior Code, § 12.24.070; Code 1993, § 6-4-9)

Sec. 14-129. - Prohibited acts.

- (a) *Damage to public trees.* No person, **business, or contractor** shall, without the consent of the owner, in the case of a private tree or shrub, or without written permits from the city forester, in the case of a terrace-area tree, public tree or shrub, perform or cause to be performed by others any of the following acts:
- (1) Secure, fasten or run any rope, wire sign, unprotected electrical installation or other device or material to, around or through a tree or shrub.
 - (2) Break, injure, mutilate, deface, kill or destroy any tree or shrub or permit any fire to burn where it will injure any tree or shrub.
 - (3) Permit any toxic chemical, gas, smoke, oil or other injurious substance to seep, drain or be emptied upon or about any tree or shrub or place cement or other solid substance around the base of the same.
 - (4) Remove any guard, stake or other device or material intended for the protection of a public tree or shrub, or close or obstruct any open space about the base of a public tree or shrub designed to permit access of air, water and fertilizer.

- (5) Attach any sign, poster, notice or other object on any tree, or fasten any guy wire, cable, rope, nails, screws or other device to any tree; except that the city may tie temporary no parking signs to trees when necessary in conjunction with street improvement work, tree maintenance work or parades.
- (6) Cause or encourage any fire or burning near or around any tree.
- (7) Place any earth fill, rock, trash, or other material within the tree protection zone of any public tree or shrub which may compact or prevent the entry of air and water to the root zone.
- (b) **Excavations.** All trees on any parkway or other publicly owned property near any excavation or construction of any building structure or street work shall be sufficiently guarded and protected by those responsible for such work as to prevent any injury to said trees. No person shall excavate any ditches, tunnels or trenches, or install pavement within a radius of ten feet from any public tree without a permit from the city forester. **Contractors are responsible for any/all damage to any tree**
**Add in Tree Protection Zone as prohibited excavation area*
- (c) *Interference with city forester prohibited.* No person shall:
 - (1) Interfere with or prevent any acts of the city forester, or his agents or employees, while they are engaged in the performance of duties imposed by this section.
 - (2) Refuse to permit the city forester, or his duly authorized representative, to enter upon his premises at reasonable times to exercise the duties imposed by this section.
 - (3) Permit any public nuisance to remain on any premises owned or controlled by him when ordered by the city forester to abate such nuisance.

(Code 1993, § 6-4-10)

Sec. 14-130. - Appeal from determinations or orders.

Any person who receives a determination or order under this article from the city forester, and objects to all or any part thereof, shall have the right to appeal such determination or order, subject to the provisions of this chapter, to the parks and recreation commission within seven days of receipt of the order and the parks and recreation commission shall hear such appeal within 30 days of receipt of written notice of the appeal. After such hearing, the parks and recreation commission may reverse, affirm or modify the order or determination appealed from and the grounds for its decision shall be stated in writing. The parks and recreation commission shall, by letter, notify the party appealing the order or determination of its decision within ten days after the hearing has been concluded. The parks and recreation commission shall file its written decision with the city clerk.

(Code 1993, § 6-4-11; Ord. No. 96-04, 2-13-1996)

Secs. 14-131—14-158. - Reserved.

****Add in PENALTIES TO THIS SECTION:** *Any person found to disturb the root zone, prune, remove, or cause the removal or death of any public tree, shrub, or other plant without a permit shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$??? per incident nor more than the greater of \$1,500 or the calculated value lost according to the latest edition of the Council of Tree and Landscape Appraisers Guide for Plant Appraisal. **In addition to forfeiture, the city may require restitution for the fair market value of the tree(s) and/or shrub(s) which were damaged or destroyed as a result of violation of this ordinance.*

****ADD IN ARBORICULTURAL SPECIFICATIONS MANUAL TO THIS SECTION AND REFER TO THEM (EASIER TO ADJUST SPECS THAN ORDINANCES)**

****ADD IN URBAN WOOD UTILIZATION INTO THIS SECTION FOR BEST USE PRACTICES BY “DISPOSALS” PORTION OF THE ORDINANCE**

****ADD IN TREE PROTECTION ZONE (TPZ) FROM GREEN BAY LANGUAGE:** *The minimum area beneath a tree that must be undisturbed in order to preserve a sufficient root mass to give a tree reasonable chance of survival. The tree protection zone will typically be represented by a concentric circle centering on the tree’s trunk. *Can also be referred to as “drip line”*

****ADD IN PRIVATE PROPERTY TREE AND VEGETATION REGULATIONS:** *The owner of any tree or shrub overhanging any street or right-of-way within the city shall prune the tree or shrub before it interferes with the proper spread of light along the street from a street light or interferes with visibility of any traffic control device or sign or sight triangle at intersections or interferes with the passage of pedestrians or vehicles in the public right-of-way. . . failure to do so may result in City action and potentially be subject to charges for expenses incurred.*

****ADD IN PLANTING PLANS AND NECESSARY APPROVALS FROM DEVELOPERS (COMMERCIAL OR RESIDENTIAL):** *Especially if it involved tree removal or significant tree removal to adjacent private area that could be mitigated with public right-of-way planting – would be at developer/contractor’s expense. Would have to have matching zoning ordinance to this and building permit language?*

****ADD IN INTERDEPARTMENTAL COORDINATION AND COOPERATION LANGUAGE:** *Town of Greenville language is great. . . “Due to the complex nature and often conflicting interrelationships between living plants, such as trees, shrubs, and turf, and public improvements, such as streets, sidewalks, and underground facilities, it is recognized that there is a need to manage both plants and improvements in a manner that will minimize conflict and maximize the benefits to be realized from each.” “Therefore, it is hereby declared to be the intent of the City of Merrill, Wisconsin that there shall exist at all times, a policy of open communication and coordination between various departments and divisions of City government regarding the management, installation and maintenance of the plants or improvements for which they are each responsible.” . . . We are fortunate to have tremendous cooperation and coordination right now but feel this should be included for the future, in the event we don’t have the wonderful interdepartmental cooperation that we are fortunate to have now.*



July 2021 Parks & Recreation Director's Report

Parks: June has come and gone very quickly as usual. Our new full time employee, Ryan Golisch, has been with us for a full month now and has been a tremendous addition to our team. He has been doing an amazing job and has fit right in seamlessly. It has been great to have him because we have been blindingly busy up to this point with the pool, parks, programs, sports, mowing, rentals, etc. The Aquatic Center got off to a fantastic start, with the very warm and sunny weather, we had great crowds! Like any Wisconsin summer, we have had to close the pool a few days due to storms and poor weather but all in all, we are off to a great start. We have our fingers crossed for warm and sunny weather for the remainder of the season. Our park shelter reservations have been unbelievable to be honest. Almost all of our shelters have been booked pretty solid every weekend since they opened on May 1st and will continue that way right up until we close them on October 1st. We are still fielding calls daily on park shelter availability, which is such a welcomed change from this time last year! Youth baseball and softball leagues are coming to an end. There is still quite a bit of travel baseball and softball, along with Jr. Legion. Babe Ruth, Legion, Rangers, and traveling teams remaining in the summer. We hosted the boys traveling baseball tournament on June 11-13 with over 40 teams from all over the State. Outside of a few parking issues at Lions Park (and the rain out on Friday) we were able to get every game played and everyone enjoyed their visit to Merrill. The Girls Fastpitch tournament is July 23-25 at the MARC and will see over 50 teams from all over visit our community and parks. Youth Soccer league begins right away in early July and will continue well into August at the MARC. The Bike Route Designation portion of the Prairie Trails to River Bend Trail Connector was approved at the June Board of Public Works Meeting. I already met with Street Department to work out the details of that route with signage and markings on those roads. The T.B. Scott Tower is scheduled to be moved to its final site at the end of South Park Street on July 1st. They are going to crane it onto a flatbed, move it there, crane it off and set it in place. They will then spend approximately two weeks finishing final painting and shingle install on site. After that is done, we will finish the landscaping, backfilling, interpretive sign, and some sort of fence/barrier to hopefully try and keep it safe. The remediation work at Rotary Park by the Agra Pavilion caused by the Canadian National derailment is finished. They worked very quickly to fix everything and were very good to work with. Now we just wait for the grass seed to sprout and it will look even better than before. The new section of the River Bend Trail (from W 64 to West St) has been paved and looks amazing! Thanks to the always wonderful cooperation we have with the Street Department, we will work with them to get the trail shoulders top soiled and seeded as well as bases for the light poles set up for when there is enough funding to install. We will also need to install fencing along that stretch of trail per the agreement with Lincoln Windows. Our vault toilet for the City Forest is almost complete (they are performing the final paint and sealant as we speak) and will be delivered to the site very soon. We are responsible for excavating the area before they arrive and for backfilling and final landscape work after it is in place. It is a one piece pre-cast concrete structure so they simply hoist it off of the trailer and set it in place and it is ready to go. With the increased activity we have seen out there, it is a much needed amenity and will be very welcomed by all users. On the same topic, I was

contacted by the Sumnicht family regarding the 70 acres that adjoins the City Forest. It is on the agenda for discussion but I do think it makes good sense for us to pursue this property and they are willing to work with us on price and purchase if we are interested in pursuing it. I have a map in the packet for you to look at but the land is useful and its location would be a perfect addition to the City Forest.

Forestry: Luckily things have been fairly quiet on the forestry front after the initial tree leaf out period. Still have a few calls for inspections occasionally and I have been able to keep up with those when time allows. The amount of rain that we have experienced recently has helped lessen the pain of the early heat and dry conditions we had in early June. Our young and old trees have rebounded nicely and are showing good signs of growth. Over the next few months I will be working on the fall tree pruning and removal schedules for the Street Department, as well as our fall tree planting list and final locations. I have also been working on our ordinance review and revision and have an example for you in the packet as well for discussion. We do have until the end of the year to complete that portion of our grant that we received this year. The grant will also cover some additional trees to purchase for planting this fall.

Recreation: Our first month of programs has gone very well so far. Our programs have all been very successful with great numbers and very few issues at all. Our playground program numbers have been down from where we had hoped but they are still good. I know with the number of people still working from home, along with some hesitancy, and Summer School in June we figured we would be down a bit so hopefully that bounces back. We have adjusted what we were going to do according to the numbers that we currently have and it has gone really well. Hopefully the current positive trends with COVID continue so we can keep bringing back all of our programs during all four seasons. We are planning for that right now so we are ready for fall and winter recreation programs.

Smith Center: We have had a busy few months in the arena as well, which is a great thing to see after last year. We hosted a successful June Dairy Breakfast in early June, as well as a number of birthday parties and special events with more on the way. We have been noticing more interest in renting the Smith Center this year and into the future so things are really looking up. We had the boards professionally cleaned again this year to get all of the puck marks and grime off of them so they are ready to go when we put the ice down again this fall and it looks great. We still have a good number of dry floor events yet this season and if all goes well, we will only have more events as time goes on and things continue to improve.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan Wendorf". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. Below the main signature, there is a small, handwritten "dms" in a similar cursive script.

Dan Wendorf
Parks & Recreation Director
City of Merrill