



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Merkes and Common Council
From: PRD Tungate *BT*
Date: January 15, 2015
RE: Recommended changes to Parks and Recreation programs and services for 2015

BACKGROUND

On January 12, 2015, the Park Board took action to recommend the following fee changes for 2015.

ANALYSIS

There are very few overall recommended changes for 2015. The move to lower the non-resident fee for Tiny Tots may seem unusual at first glance. With fee reciprocity, very few people actually need to pay the non-resident fee. Also, the proposed \$20 non-resident fee difference aligns more closely (percentage wise) with other recreation programs. Maximizing registration helps to ensure Tiny Tots will remain available to the many residents who now and in the future will register for this program.

The new bench fee reflects a shift to a less expensive standardized bench. Revisions to our cemetery fees will put us in line with what the city of Neenah charges and are generally just a little below several locally operated church cemeteries.

Following is a summary of the proposed changes to Parks and Recreation fees for 2015.

Parks: No changes for Park fees

Rec: Tiny Tots

Resident fee was \$75.00; proposed \$80.00

Non-Resident fee was \$130.00; proposed \$100.00

Other: Bench Donation current fees are \$2,000.00; proposed \$1,500.00

Cemetery:

Adult Grave current Resident fee is \$575.00; proposed \$600.00

Adult Grave current Non-Resident fee is \$750.00; proposed \$775.00

Infant Grave current Resident fee is \$225.00; proposed \$250.00 *no change to NR rates*

Adult Opening (burial) current Resident fee is \$575.00; proposed \$600.00 *no change to NR rate*

Infant Opening (burial to age 2) current Resident fee is \$325.00; proposed \$350.00

Infant Opening (burial to age 2) current Non-Resident fee is \$375.00; proposed \$400.00

Saturday Opening (add'l charge) current Resident fee is \$200.00; proposed \$250.00 *no change to NR rate*

Winter Burial (Dec 1-April 1 add'l charge) current Non-Resident fee is \$120.00; proposed \$100.00 *no change to Res rate*

Week Day Overtime (after 3:00pm add'l charge) current Resident fee is \$100.00; proposed \$175.00 *no change to NR rate*

RECOMMENDATION

Common Council action to approve the fee changes recommended by the Park Board.