AGENDA

RECREATION COMMISSION

Recreation Commission: July 20, 2026 at 5:30 PM

Village Hall 740 Hillgrove Avenue, Western Springs, IL 60558

A. Call to Order

B. Approval of Minutes

1. October 13, 2025 Recreation Commission meeting minutes

C. Public Comment

D. New Business

1. Recreation Department Overview
2. Special Events Recap and Summer Camp Updates
3. Athletics and Tower Trot Recap
4. Senior Program Overview and Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt Recap

E. Other Business

F. Adjournment

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RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING
October 13, 2025

A. CALL TO ORDER: E. Piotrowski called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

Commissioners present: W. Lyday, E, Piotrowski and M. Healy. D. Rassmussen arrived at 5:56 pm. Absent: Ted Pappas Also present: Recreation Administrative Coordinator, Ryan Harrison, Recreation Supervisor, Mike Kenny, Recreation Program Manager, Rita Ligeikis, Interim Director of Recreation, Nancy Flores and Assistant Village Manager, Casey Biernacki.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Commission reviewed the minutes from the November 2, 2024 meeting. W. Lyday made a motion to approve the minutes; M. Healy seconded the motion. Roll call was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. INTERIM DIRECTOR OF RECREATION REPORT: N. Flores reviewed the preliminary budget with the Commission. Line items with significant changes were highlighted and explained such as special events, updated summer camp program and the Grand Ave Community Center 2nd floor bathroom project. W. Lyday asked for an update on the 2025 capital projects. N. Flores reported that the following projects are in the works: Recreation building landscaping at the circle, and installation of a PA system at the Recreation Center and Grand Ave Community Center. M. Kenny added that the Grand gym floor project has been completed.

2. RECREATION SUPERVISOR KENNY: M. Kenny gave an overview of his written report which included a recap on the Tower Trot and athletic program. The Tower Trot had a total of 689 participants. Healing Hearts for Ashley will not be partnering with the event going forward so the 2026 Tower Trot will run as an in-house event without a charity partner at this time. Regarding athletics, he will be hiring a new Tennis Pro to help revamp and lead the tennis program. Travel Basketball tryout took place from 8/18-8/22. We have a record number of teams this year with the addition of a 3rd grade team.

3. RECREATION PROGRAM MANAGER REPORT: R. Ligeikis gave a summary of her written report which included the conclusion and success of the Wednesday French Market murals and entertainment, Safety Village and the dwindling enrollment over the years for summer camp. A survey for summer camp has been developed to gather the community's needs and desires to create an engaging and enriching new summer camp. She also reported on the success of the Halloween Hoopla and the addition of new activities. Lastly, a new upcoming holiday event being offered is Breakfast with Buddy.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE COORDINATOR HARRISON: R. Harrison gave a summary of his written report which included current work progress such as creating and editing the Winter brochure, marketing for programs and Halloween Hoopla, updating our website and sending out program evaluations. He also reported on various Senior programs and the new membership tier that will be introduced in January 2026 along with Facebook stats and the creation of mural each week for the French Market.

E. OTHER BUSINESS: W. Lyday stated that some residents in her neighborhood were wondering about Springdale Park. C. Biernacki stated that information regarding the project has been on our website and in Tower Topics, however, the Village was responsible for removing the shelter and the Park District is responsible for the storm water project and rebuilding the shelter. W. Lyday asked who makes the decision on when Pickleball goes outside? M. Kenny responded by saying he does and that the outdoor season is May-October.

F. ADJOURNMENT: W. Lyday motioned, and M. Healy seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Roll call was taken and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rita Ligeikis
Recreation Program Manager/Commission Secretary

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
RECREATION COMMISSION
Recreation Commission: July 20, 2026

AGENDA ITEM D.1.

To: Recreation Commission
From: Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager, Nancy Flores, Interim Director of Recreation
CC: Ellen Baer, Village Manager
RE: Recreation Department Overview

Recommendation
None

Summary
Below is a summary of several Recreation Department initiatives.

Sponsorship program
This year, the Recreation Department launched a sponsorship program that promoted the Village of Western Springs' events and amenities to potential businesses to become an integral part of local traditions that define our community. Western Springs' diverse calendar draws thousands of residents and visitors annually, from the historic Tower Trot, to our bustling French Market and summer festivals. The 2026 Sponsorship Opportunities Guide outlines a variety of high-impact platforms to expand the reach for local and regional business. To date, we have had 20 sponsors that brought in $5,750.00.

Grand Avenue Second Floor Bathroom (Design Underway)
Staff engaged 845 Design Group to design improvements to the 2nd floor bathrooms at the Grand Avenue Community Center. The existing two (2) bathrooms are comprised of multiple stalls, originally designed for the school and do not meet current ADA requirements. The new design is expected to meet ADA standards with the intent of developing two (2) single unisex bathrooms. Design is underway and the project is expected to be bid in August, with construction commencing in the fall.

Landscaping Budget Amendments (Coyotes/Tree Removal)
Staff is in the process of assessing the scope of the tree removal around the Recreation Center and also connecting with animal control to discuss options and next steps for addressing the issue of coyotes.

Independent Contractor Agreements
The Village has existing contractual relationships with Mattix Music, Premier IL (Grand Avenue Preschool), Kensington School, Montessori School of Western Springs, Jay's Footwork, and the

Western Springs Historical Society. Staff has updated the independent contractor agreement pricing and included an exhibit outlining the exact areas being utilized by each contractor, for all parties besides the Western Springs Historical Society. The new agreements are for a five (5) year term. Approval of these agreements are expected for consideration in August. Staff is working with the Village Attorney to develop a separate agreement with the Historical Society that more closely considers the partnership between both agencies.

Budget recommendations

RecDesk Mobile App

A customer-facing mobile app designed to make it even easier for our community to access programs, manage accounts, and stay connected on the go. Our patrons will be able to register on the go, browse programs, check the calendars, complete waivers, receive real-time updates, reminders, push notifications, and a seamless payment process.

Playground

The playground equipment located behind the recreation building is showing signs of wear and tear. Staff have been replacing parts over the past several years. Generally, the lifespan of a playground is around 20 years. Staff requested a quote for replacing the playground equipment from Landscape Structures, who was involved in the original installation of the structure back in 1998/1999 and is familiar with the structures and layout.

New Summer Events

Fun at the Tower 6/25 & 7/16; The inaugural Fun at the Tower event was a success. Parents and children alike enjoyed the inflatable jumpies, face painting, board games and especially the cotton candy. Staff received positive feedback onsite and via social media; the comments and community were looking forward to the next Fun at the Tower scheduled for 7/16. Staff will be planning to recommend a third Fun at the Tower event in 2027, offering one each month from June through August.

French Market

The Recreation Department has planned the activities and events coinciding with the French Market including the entertainment, murals and onsite representation to promote upcoming events. The community has embraced the entertainment which appears to have increased French Market foot traffic.

Summer Springs Summer Camp Program

Summer Springs in the new summer camp program offered by the Recreation Department. The program includes many new activities, field trips and learning opportunities. Recreation Program Supervisor Rita Ligeikis has done a nice job not only planning field trip destinations but also exposing the campers to areas within Western Springs that may be new to them, including a tour of the police station and water plant. Summer camp also includes clinics provided by our Tennis Titans program, Spartz Basketball program, and pool trips. The campers visit local establishments including Oberweis, Starbucks and Tropical Snow. In addition, the Theatre of Western Springs performed Music Man on June 30th for our campers.

Theater Community Partnership
Village staff have been working together with The Theatre of Western Springs (TWS) to partner on future events and collaborate to cross-promote events. As a result, TWS will provide a half page in their upcoming playbills for the Recreation Department to promote their programs. Additionally, TWS representatives will attend the Halloween Hoopla on October 16 as a sponsor, providing an engaging activity while promoting their programs.

50th Anniversary of the Tower Trot 2027
Staff are soliciting feedback from participants in the 2026 Tower Trot as well as hosting at least 2 community meetings that will look to gain insight and feedback as staff begins to plan for the 50th anniversary.

Financial Impact

None

Recommended Motion

None

Strategic Plan Alignment

Community Engagement

File Attachments

1. Recreation YTD Budget thru 06.2026

6/26 INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT

FOR 2026 06

ACCOUNTS FOR: 210 RECREATION FUND		ORIGINAL APPROP	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	MTD ACTUAL	ENC/REQ	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USE/COL
00								
210 RECREATION FUND								
210 31002	PROPERTY TAX-PRIOR YEAR	0	0	-115,657.43	.00	.00	115,657.43	100.0%
210 31003	PROPERTY TAX-CURRENT	-216,424	-216,424	-95,789.08	-5,710.21	.00	-120,634.92	44.3%
210 31005	SEASPAR LEVY	-171,582	-171,582	-75,818.93	-4,519.76	.00	-95,763.07	44.2%
210 31012	PROPERTY TAX-IMRF	-32,365	-32,365	-14,554.53	-867.63	.00	-17,810.47	45.0%
210 33901	CAPITAL GRANT	0	0	-1,000.00	.00	.00	1,000.00	100.0%
210 34801	TENNIS	-113,560	-113,560	-100,526.43	-6,162.00	.00	-13,033.57	88.5%
210 34805	SPARTZ BASKETBALL	-344,520	-344,520	-36,602.00	-9,117.00	.00	-307,918.00	10.6%
210 34807	TOWER TROT	-28,000	-28,000	-19,956.79	.00	.00	-8,043.21	71.3%
210 34809	KENSINGTON	-281,346	-281,346	-115,495.00	.00	.00	-165,850.82	41.1%
210 34810	MONTESSORI	-36,138	-36,138	-14,835.00	.00	.00	-21,303.00	41.1%
210 34813	JO'S FOOT WORK	-50,876	-50,876	-31,541.37	.00	.00	-19,334.49	62.0%
210 34814	FITNESS	-7,354	-7,354	-7,098.00	-1,052.00	.00	-256.00	96.5%
210 34815	EARLY CHILDHOOD	-90,820	-90,820	-15,308.04	-100.00	.00	-75,511.96	16.9%
210 34816	YOUTH SPORTS	-53,937	-53,937	-1,402.50	-5.00	.00	-52,534.50	2.6%
210 34818	SPECIAL EVENTS	-17,540	-17,540	-6,419.00	250.00	.00	-11,121.00	36.6%
210 34819	CONTRACTED PROGRAMS	-94,612	-94,612	-57,878.20	-5,951.50	.00	-36,733.80	61.2%
210 34820	ADULT SPORTS	-49,845	-49,845	-11,363.25	-425.50	.00	-38,481.75	22.8%
210 34832	COOP PROGRAMS	-26,157	-26,157	-12,737.00	-175.00	.00	-13,420.00	48.7%
210 34833	SENIOR CENTER	-3,800	-3,800	-2,609.00	-114.00	.00	-1,191.00	68.7%
210 34836	CAMPS	-85,775	-85,775	-50,496.56	-1,324.56	.00	-35,278.44	58.9%
210 36112	ILLINOIS FUNDS	-30,550	-30,550	-17,225.96	.00	.00	-13,324.04	56.4%
210 36118	IMET CONVENIENCE	-8,000	-8,000	-5,915.89	-999.44	.00	-2,084.11	73.9%
210 36202	RECREATION FACILITIES	-25,000	-25,000	-21,059.17	-2,492.68	.00	-3,940.83	84.2%
210 36204	GAP	-200,865	-200,865	-99,011.34	-16,554.54	.00	-101,853.54	49.3%
210 36205	HISTORICAL SOCIETY	-7,320	-7,320	-3,606.00	-601.00	.00	-3,714.18	49.3%
210 36207	MUSIC MAKERS	-28,265	-28,265	-16,757.47	-2,824.50	.00	-11,507.33	59.3%
210 36299	OTHER MISCELLANOUS REVEN	0	0	-6,146.06	-400.00	.00	6,146.06	100.0%
TOTAL		-2,004,651	-2,004,651	-956,810.00	-59,146.32	.00	-1,047,840.54	47.7%
66 RECREATION								
6601210 ADMINISTRATION-RECREATION								
6601210 40100	FULL TIME SALARIES	271,970	271,970	117,700.68	20,274.39	.00	154,269.32	43.3%

6/26 INCOME & EXPENSE REPORT

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ACCOUNTS FOR: 210	RECREATION FUND	ORIGINAL APPROP	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	MTD ACTUAL	ENC/REQ	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USE/COL
6601210 40200	PART TIME REGULAR	2,000	2,000	545.11	.00	.00	1,454.89	27.3%
6601210 40250	PART TIME - OTHER	0	0	561.00	.00	.00	-561.00	100.0%
6601210 40300	OVERTIME	0	0	218.96	218.96	.00	-218.96	100.0%
6601210 45100	EMPLOYER IMRF CONTRI	25,211	25,211	10,981.60	1,899.72	.00	14,229.40	43.6%
6601210 45200	EMPLOYER FICA/MEDI C	20,445	20,445	8,243.12	1,454.33	.00	12,201.88	40.3%
6601210 45300	EMPLOYER HEALTH INS	55,825	55,825	34,714.00	6,688.60	.00	21,111.00	62.2%
6601210 45320	EMPLOYER DENTAL CONT	1,800	1,800	830.39	152.68	.00	969.61	46.1%
6601210 45350	EMPLOYER LIFE INS CO	696	696	267.06	47.26	.00	428.94	38.4%
6601210 50100	PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	142,750	142,750	62,028.67	15,504.19	.00	80,721.33	43.5%
6601210 50199	OTHER PROF TECH SERV	1,000	1,000	165.00	.00	.00	835.00	16.5%
6601210 50210	VILLAGE ATTORNEY	6,000	6,000	250.00	.00	.00	5,750.00	4.2%
6601210 50400	TRAINING/CONFERENCES	5,270	5,270	1,341.72	635.00	.00	3,928.28	25.5%
6601210 50500	MEMBERSHIPS/ASSOCIAT	17,750	17,750	1,885.03	.00	.00	15,864.97	10.6%
6601210 50700	EXP REIMBURSE/MTGS E	2,500	2,500	296.58	49.95	.00	2,203.42	11.9%
6601210 51200	PRINTED MATERIALS	5,750	5,750	796.25	.00	.00	4,953.75	13.8%
6601210 51710	IRMA ANNUAL CONTRIBU	30,000	30,000	30,000.00	.00	.00	.00	100.0%
6601210 51920	TELEPHONE EQUIP MAIN	2,000	2,000	2,123.43	1,049.20	.00	-123.43	106.2%
6601210 52660	SOFTWARE SUPPORT	13,713	13,713	8,364.75	.00	.00	5,347.80	61.0%
6601210 52715	CREDIT CARD FEES	28,000	28,000	9,679.01	1,251.32	.00	18,320.99	34.6%
6601210 55010	BOOKS/SUBSCRIP/PUBLI	500	500	.00	.00	.00	500.00	.0%
6601210 55100	SUPPLIES	6,500	6,500	2,060.14	800.00	.00	4,439.86	31.7%
6601210 55507	SPECIAL EVENTS SUPPL	6,250	6,250	51.00	.00	.00	6,199.00	.8%
6601210 55905	POSTAGE	2,000	2,000	.00	.00	.00	2,000.00	.0%
6601210 60035	OFC FURNITURE & EQUI	31,119	31,119	19,127.75	19,127.75	11,008.83	982.72	96.8%
6601210 62016	PARK DIST CONTRIBUTI	29,000	29,000	.00	.00	.00	29,000.00	.0%
6601210 65003	INTERSERVICE CHARGES	30,000	30,000	15,000.00	2,500.00	.00	15,000.00	50.0%
6602210 RECREATION SERVICES								
6602210 40250	PART TIME - OTHER	190,000	190,000	46,577.94	10,052.51	.00	143,422.06	24.5%
6602210 40300	OVERTIME	500	500	84.71	84.71	.00	415.29	16.9%
6602210 45100	EMPLOYER IMRF CONTRI	0	0	7.85	7.85	.00	-7.85	100.0%
6602210 45200	EMPLOYER FICA/MEDI C	13,775	13,775	3,480.92	775.19	.00	10,294.08	25.3%
6602210 45350	EMPLOYER LIFE INS CO	0	0	.25	.25	.00	-.25	100.0%
6602210 53620	RECREATION GYM RENTA	2,000	2,000	576.00	.00	.00	1,424.00	28.8%
6602210 53720	SEASPAR	171,582	171,582	85,712.50	.00	.00	85,869.50	50.0%
6602210 53728	INCLUSION COSTS	2,000	2,000	.00	.00	.00	2,000.00	.0%
6602210 53732	CO-OP PROGRAMS	18,642	18,642	467.78	47.78	.00	18,174.22	2.5%
6602210 53734	SENIOR CENTER	3,700	3,700	925.38	91.50	.00	2,774.62	25.0%
6602210 53735	FITNESS	6,300	6,300	.00	.00	.00	6,300.00	.0%
6602210 53736	CAMPS	51,440	51,440	2,873.10	841.01	.00	48,566.90	5.6%
6602210 53737	SPARTZ BASKETBALL	262,876	262,876	96,011.26	2,537.21	.00	166,864.74	36.5%
6602210 53740	CONTRACTED PROGRAMS	69,147	69,147	17,555.10	5,341.60	.00	51,591.90	25.4%

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6602210 55502	TENNIS	5,800	5,800	2,874.96	2,874.96	.00	2,925.04	49.6%
6602210 55503	EARLY CHILDHOOD	9,205	9,205	1,496.72	64.83	.00	7,708.28	16.3%
6602210 55504	YOUTH SPORTS	13,545	13,545	16,175.75	.00	.00	-2,630.75	119.4%
6602210 55505	ADULT SPORTS	3,150	3,150	.00	.00	.00	3,150.00	.0%
6602210 55506	TOWER TROT	20,720	20,720	17,322.92	14,502.92	.00	3,397.08	83.6%
6602210 55507	SPECIAL EVENTS SUPPL	23,901	23,901	9,662.78	2,783.54	.00	14,238.22	40.4%
6603210 BUILDING SERVICES								
6603210 40100	FULL TIME SALARIES	40,925	40,925	14,646.66	1,254.28	.00	26,278.34	35.8%
6603210 40250	PART TIME - OTHER	60,000	60,000	32,157.12	3,686.72	.00	27,842.88	53.6%
6603210 45100	EMPLOYER IMRF CONTRI	3,795	3,795	1,357.81	116.28	.00	2,437.19	35.8%
6603210 45200	EMPLOYER FICA/MEDI C	7,720	7,720	3,415.54	366.09	.00	4,304.46	44.2%
6603210 45300	EMPLOYER HEALTH INS	15,725	15,725	6,651.19	395.43	.00	9,073.81	42.3%
6603210 45320	EMPLOYER DENTAL CONT	303	303	131.90	8.66	.00	171.10	43.5%
6603210 45350	EMPLOYER LIFE INS CO	116	116	35.02	2.50	.00	80.98	30.2%
6603210 52010	INTERIOR MAINTENANCE	45,545	45,545	15,580.80	1,633.08	8,960.00	21,004.20	53.9%
6603210 52300	LANDSCAPING/LAWN MAI	6,300	6,300	300.00	300.00	4,300.00	1,700.00	73.0%
6603210 53200	UTILITIES	19,390	19,390	7,293.17	1,049.65	.00	12,096.83	37.6%
6603210 55300	BUILDING SUPPLIES	15,170	15,170	8,004.56	1,272.71	.00	7,165.01	52.8%
6603210 60015	BLDG & BLDG IMPROVEM	8,600	8,600	16,425.00	.00	.00	-7,825.00	191.0%
6605210 GRAND AVE COMMUNITY CENTER								
6605210 40100	FULL TIME SALARIES	40,925	40,925	14,646.68	1,254.28	.00	26,278.32	35.8%
6605210 45100	EMPLOYER IMRF CONTRI	3,795	3,795	1,357.81	116.28	.00	2,437.19	35.8%
6605210 45200	EMPLOYER FICA/MEDI C	3,135	3,135	955.35	84.01	.00	2,179.65	30.5%
6605210 45300	EMPLOYER HEALTH INS	15,725	15,725	6,651.21	395.43	.00	9,073.79	42.3%
6605210 45320	EMPLOYER DENTAL CONT	303	303	131.89	8.66	.00	171.11	43.5%
6605210 45350	EMPLOYER LIFE INS CO	116	116	35.04	2.50	.00	80.96	30.2%
6605210 50320	GENERAL ARCHITECTURA	13,000	13,000	.00	.00	.00	13,000.00	.0%
6605210 52010	INTERIOR MAINTENANCE	30,390	30,390	16,081.00	1,518.00	9,226.00	5,083.00	83.3%
6605210 52300	LANDSCAPING/LAWN MAI	4,200	4,200	260.00	260.00	1,513.92	2,426.08	42.2%
6605210 53200	UTILITIES	18,460	18,460	8,522.10	1,028.90	.00	9,937.90	46.2%
6605210 55300	BUILDING SUPPLIES	0	0	10.48	10.48	.00	-10.48	100.0%
6605210 60015	BLDG & BLDG IMPROVEM	182,991	182,991	.00	.00	8,118.92	174,871.84	4.4%
TOTAL RECREATION		2,142,960	2,142,960	783,687.50	126,423.15	43,127.67	1,316,145.01	38.6%
TOTAL RECREATION FUND		138,310	138,310	-173,122.50	67,276.83	43,127.67	268,304.47	-94.0%
	TOTAL REVENUES	-2,004,651	-2,004,651	-956,810.00	-59,146.32	.00	-1,047,840.54	
	TOTAL EXPENSES	2,142,960	2,142,960	783,687.50	126,423.15	43,127.67	1,316,145.01	

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	ORIGINAL APPROP	REVISED BUDGET	YTD ACTUAL	MTD ACTUAL	ENC/REQ	AVAILABLE BUDGET	PCT USE/COL
GRAND TOTAL	138,310	138,310	-173,122.50	67,276.83	43,127.67	268,304.47	-94.0%

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RECREATION COMMISSION
Recreation Commission: July 20, 2026

AGENDA ITEM D.2.

To: Recreation Commission
From: Rita Ligeikis, Recreation Program Manager
CC: Ellen Baer, Village Manager, Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager, Nancy Flores, Interim Director of Recreation
RE: Special Events Recap and Summer Camp Updates

Recommendation
Presentation Only

Summary
Halloween Hoopla
This event was held on Friday, October 24, 2025. The event consisted of carnival type games, arts and crafts and a balloon artist in the gym, as well as Trick or Treating at our Spooky Village while Ghost Spidey entertained the crowd. Newly added this year was a decorated pumpkin patch located in the back of the Recreation building, pumpkin painting and a pumpkin weight guess. The Rec Team set up the pumpkin patch the day before the event. The gym, pumpkin painting and Spooky Village was set up and decorated the day of the event. We had 250 kids attend this event with their parents. Volunteers are crucial to making this event special. Twenty-six volunteers were in attendance to work games, candy and craft stations. Recommendations for next year buy a skeleton for the casket and maybe add a hayride or a hay treasure hunt.

Breakfast with Buddy
This was a new event this year and the first to offer a meal. Food was provided by Honeybee Café in Western Springs. It consisted of pancakes, sausage and bacon. Starbucks sponsored the hot cocoa and Mariano’s sponsored the juice and coffee. Other activities at the event included a craft, a reading of The Elf book, pictures with Buddy, letter to Santa, candy guess and a hot chocolate bar. We had 4 volunteers help at the event. A survey was emailed to all participants and respondents indicated they really enjoyed the Buddy the Elf character & event. The program ended with about $800.00 in revenue. Some constructive feedback was to add more tables for breakfast; add a 2nd child rate and start the set-up for the event the day before.

Little Sweetheart Dance
The 2026 Little Sweetheart Dance was well attended with 159 participants. This was the first time holding the event at the Recreation Center Gym instead of the Grand Avenue gym. We catered the food from the Brookfield VFW. Participants started the event by receiving a tiara or

crown, followed by dinner, dancing to a DJ and sweets table. Other activities included themed crafts, a mural, games and a photo-op station. The new balloon drop was a huge success. Prizes were raffled off and children left with a goody bag. The event was enjoyed by all and made almost $1,500 in revenue. Some recommendations for next year regarding the food/drinks are giving a specific count of adults vs kids, buying more water for the participants, ordering less salad, and opting for homemade mac 'n cheese. Also ensuring we have enough crayons and tablecloths, and strategic in announcing the Balloon Drop.

Breakfast with Bunny

This was the first year the Recreation Department offered the Breakfast with the Easter Bunny event. Seventy-one participants came out to enjoy the event. When we noticed enrollment was slow, we reduced the price for a sibling from $30.00 (R) and $35.00 (NR) to $5.00 (R) /$8.00 (NR). The event included breakfast with eggs, bacon and sausage, French toast from Honeybee as well as donut holes from Kirschbaum's and beverages from Mariano's and Starbucks. Participants were able to visit and dance with the Easter bunny, partake in a craft, color the mural and go on an egg hunt in Safety Village with over 1000 eggs. Some additional activities included games, a candy guess and raffle prize which were also part of the event; and children left with a goody bag. Program ended with about $230.00 in revenue. Recommendations for 2027: A few changes we would make regarding the food would be to reduce the amount of scrambled eggs ordered, and switch to pancakes instead of French toast. When providing the food count differentiate between adults and kids. Plan more games, at least 3. Add a pancake station where kids can add sprinkles, chocolate chips, etc. Research an in-house rabbit petting zoo.

Safety Village summary

Safety Village kicked off on 6/8/26 this year with 132 participants, 122 from Western Springs, 2 from LaGrange Park and 5 from LaGrange. Staff, volunteers and both the Fire and Police Departments worked together nicely, and the program ran very smoothly. Our Safety Village Coordinator has proposed the Master Schedule for next year and will be working with our Fire Department to update the videos shown during the program.

Summer Camp Update

Session 1 of Summer Springs Camp started on 6/15/26 and ended 6/26/26, there were 18 kids and 4 counselors. Campers enjoyed many activities including fitness days with the Chief of Police and Deputy Village Clerk, special lunch days, field trips to the Brookfield Zoo, Roller Rink and Hinsdale Swimming Pool. Staff are utilizing the Recreation Building and gymnasium along with Spring Rock Park in their daily activities.

Session 2 has just started with 47 participants and 6 counselors. See Camp calendar for activity information.

Financial Impact

None

Recommended Motion

None

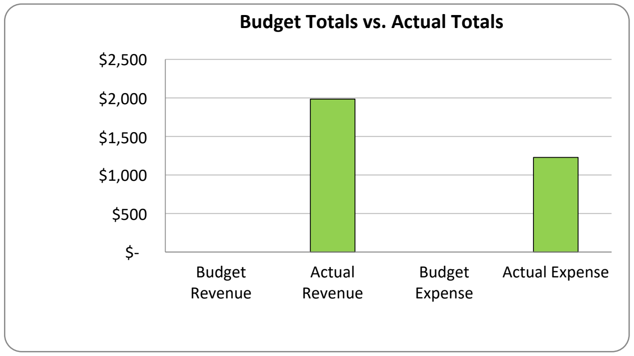
Strategic Plan Alignment

Community Engagement

File Attachments

1. Copy of Breakfast with Buddy overview RB
2. Copy of Breakft Easter Bunny overview RB
3. Copy of Sweetheart Dance overview RB
4. Halloween Hoopla 2025 Recap RB

2025 Breakfast with Buddy Overview



Revenues:	Budget	Actual	Variance
Registration - 64		$ 1,985.00	$ 1,985.00
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Total Revenues:	$ -	$ 1,985.00	$ 1,985.00

Expenses:	Budget	Actual	Variance
Buddy		$ 330.00	$ 330.00
Honey Bee		340.00	340.00
LGH Choir Donation	-	100.00	100.00
Decorations & Supplies		298.05	298.05
Murals		15.00	15.00
Misc		81.62	81.62
	-		
	-		
			-
	-	-	-
Total Expenses:		$ 1,164.67	$ (1,165)

Revenue Less Expenses	Budget	Actual	Variance
Net Income	**$ -**	**$ 820.33**	**$ 820.33**

Payroll & Benefits:	Budget	Actual	Variance
Ari Albores	-	42.00	(42.00)
Building Supervisor (1@1.25 hrs)	-	21.25	(21.25)
Volunteers (4 @2 hrs= 8)			
Total Payroll & Benefits:	$ -	$ 63.25	$ (63.25)

Summary:

The Breakfast with Buddy was a new event this year and also the first to offer a meal. Food was provided by Honey Bee Café in Western Springs. It consisted of Pancakes, sausage and bacon. Starbucks sponsored the hot cocoa and Marianos sponsored the juice and coffee. Other activities at the event included a craft, reading of The Elf book, pictures with Buddy, letter to Santa, candy guess and a hot chocolate bar. We had 4 volunteers help at the event. A survey was emailed to all participants, although we have had a limited number of respondents, everyone really enjoyed the Buddy the Elf character & event. Some contructive feedback provided was to add more tables for breakfast, most enjoyed the length of event however some would like it a little shorter. We will continue to promote the survey among the participants so we can gather feedback from at least half of the participants.

For Next year:

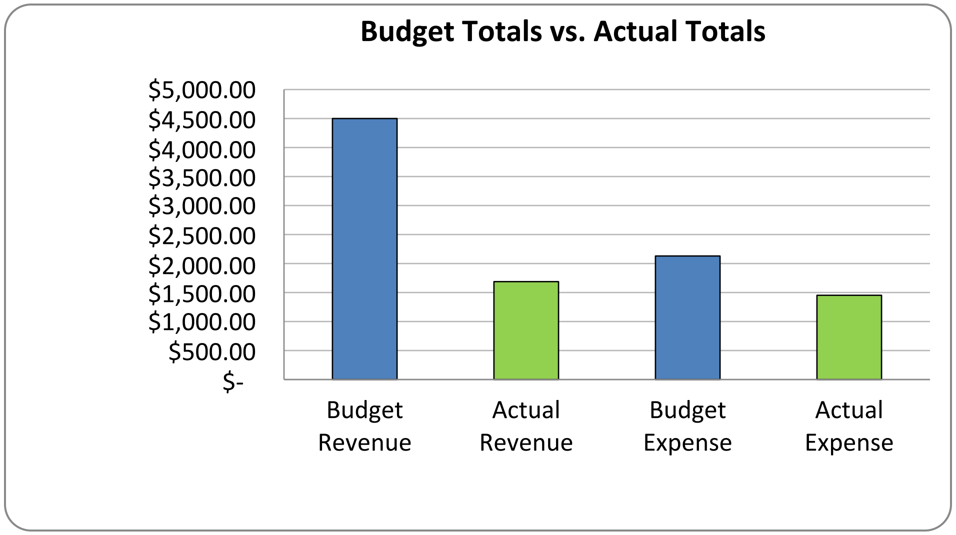
Additional tables and tableclothes needed. I would like to revisit the cost of the adults and maybe add an addl child fee and discuss food choices. We should also block out the gym the night before so we can do some set up.

CHART DATA

2025	
Budget Revenue	
Actual Revenue	$ 1,985.00
Budget Expense	
Actual Expense	$ 1,227.92

Credit Card Fees:
No expense account in 4002 for CC Fees.

2026 Breakfast with Easter Bunny Overview



Revenues:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Registration - 71		$ 1,688.00	$ 1,688.00
			-
Total Revenues:	$ -	$ 1,688.00	$ 1,688.00

Expenses:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Easter Eggs		$ 182.00	$ 182.00
Honey Bee Café		840.00	840.00
Kirschbaum donuts	-	30.00	30.00
Mural		10.00	10.00
Crayons		41.40	41.40
Crafts Supplies		14.48	14.48
Easter Bunny Costume	-	73.45	73.45
Treat bags w/goodies	-	58.11	58.11
Decorations		208.28	208.28
	-	-	-
Total Expenses:		$ 1,457.72	$ 1,457.72

Revenue Less Expenses	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Net Income	**$ -**	**$ 230.28**	**$ 230.28**

Payroll & Benefits:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
	-		-
	-		-
4Volunteers at 3 hrs=12hrs			
Total Payroll & Benefits:	$ -	$ -	$ -

Summary:

This was the first year the Recreation Dept offered the Breakfast with the Easter Bunny event. Seventy-one participants came out to enjoy the event. We noticed enrollment was slow so we adjusted the pricing for the 2nd child from $30.00 and $35.00 to $5.00 R/$8.00 NR. The event included breakfast with eggs, bacon and sausage, french toast from Honey Bee as well as donut holes from Kirschbaums and beverages from Mariano's and Starbucks. Participants were able to visit and dance with the Easter bunny, do a craft, color the mural and go on an egg hunt in Safety Village with over 1000 eggs. Some additional activities included games, a candy quess and raffle prize which were also part of the event; while children left with a goody bag. Ryan Harrison, our Administrative Coordinator was the Easter Bunny.

Reccomendations for 2027:

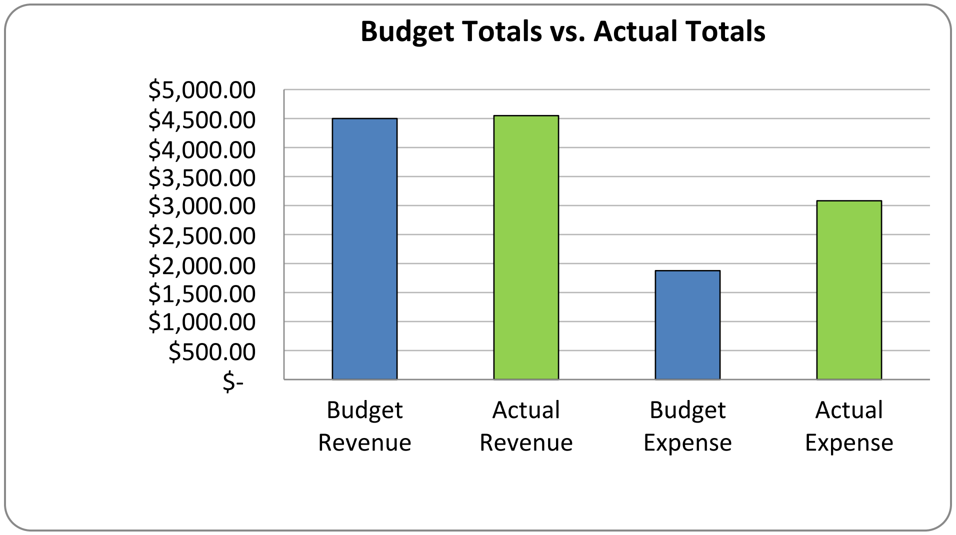
A few changes we would make regarding the food would be to reduce the amount of scrambled eggs ordered, and switch to pancakes instead of french toast. When providing the food count differentiate between adults and kids. Plan more games, at least 3. Add a pancake station where kids can add sprinkles, chocolate chips, etc. Research an in house rabbit petting zoo.

CHART DATA

2026	
Budget Revenue	$ 4,500.00
Actual Revenue	$ 1,688.00
Budget Expense	$ 2,130.00
Actual Expense	$ 1,452.72

Credit Card Fees:
No expense account in 4002 for CC Fees.

2026 Little Sweetheart Dance Overview



Summary:

The 2026 Little Sweetheart Dance was well attended with 159 participants. This was the first time holding the event at the Recreation Center Gym instead of the Grand Ave gym. We catered the food from the Brookfield VFW. Participants started the event by receiving a tiara or crown, followed by dinner, dancing to a DJ and sweets table. Other activities includes a ballon drop, craft, mural, games and a photo opp station. Prizes were raffled off and children left with a goody bag. The event was very succesful.

Revenues:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Registration - 159		$ 4,550.00	$ 4,550.00
			-
Total Revenues:	$ -	$ 4,550.00	$ 4,550.00

Expenses:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
DJ Dalis		$ 300.00	$ 300.00
Catering		1,485.00	1,485.00
Supplies	-	779.66	779.66
Decorations		271.01	271.01
GF cookies		65.88	65.88
Noodles n Company		65.95	65.95
Kirschbaum cookies	-	114.50	114.50
	-		
			-
	-	-	-
Total Expenses:		$ 3,082.00	$ (3,082.00)

Revenue Less Expenses	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Net Income	**$ -**	**$ 1,468.00**	**$ 1,468.00**

Payroll & Benefits:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Ari Albores - no extra hrs	-	-	-
	-		-
Volunteers 3 @ 2 hrs = 6 hrs			
Total Payroll & Benefits:	$ -	$ -	$ -

For Next year:
Don’t anounce the balloon drop. More water.
Less salad. Give kids vs adult count. Do not
buy heart balloons. Homemade Mac n cheese

Make sure we have enough tableclothes

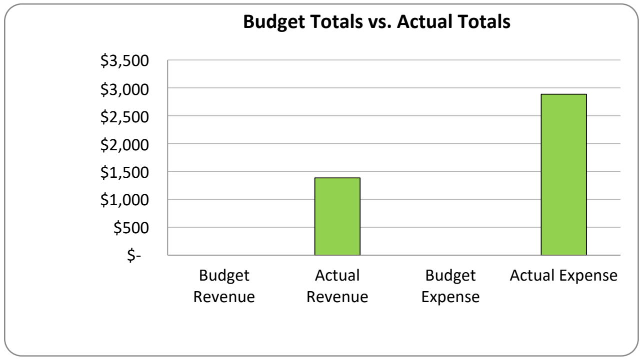
buy crayons

CHART DATA

2026	
Budget Revenue	$ 4,500.00
Actual Revenue	$ 4,550.00
Budget Expense	$ 1,877.00
Actual Expense	$ 3,082.00

Credit Card Fees:
No expense account in 4002 for CC Fees.

2025 Halloween Hoopla Recap



Revenues:	Budget	Actual	Variance
Registration 250 kids		$ 1,385	$ 1,385
			-
Total Revenues:	$ -	$ 1,385	$ 1,385

Expenses:	Budget	Actual	Variance
Pumpkins,Hay, Stalks		$ 886.20	$ (886.20)
Balloon Artist		300.00	(300.00)
Fun Express	-	259.44	(259.44)
Decorations		116.96	(116.96)
Ghost Spidey		323.32	(323.32)
Scarecrows		34.93	(34.93)
Candy	-	786.30	(786.30)
New Game	-	49.30	(49.30)
Pumpkins Painting		50.24	(50.24)
	-	-	-
Total Expenses:		$ 2,806.69	$ (2,806.69)

Revenue Less Expenses	Budget	Actual	Variance
Net Income	**$ -**	**$ (1,421.69)**	**$ (1,421.7)**

Payroll & Benefits:	Budget	Actual	Variance
Clara Maney	-	80.00	(80.00)
	-		
Total Payroll & Benefits:	$ -	$ 80.00	$ (80.00)

Summary:

The Halloween Hoopla was held on Friday, Oct 24th this year. The event consisted of carnival type games, arts and crafts and a balloon artist in the gym as well as Trick or Treating at our Spooky Village while Ghost Spidey entertained the crowd. Newly added this year was a decorated pumpkin patch located in the back of the Rec building, pumpkin painting and a pumpkin weight guess. The Rec Team set up the pumpkin patch the day before the event. The gym, pumpkin painting and Spooky Village was set up and decorated the day of. We had 250 kids attend this event with their parents. Volunteers are crucial to make this event special. Twenty-six volunteers were in attendance to work games, candy and craft stations.

For Next year:

For Next year: We would like to replace another game, buy a skeleton for the casket and maybe add a hayride or a hay treasure hunt.

CHART DATA

2025	
Budget Revenue	
Actual Revenue	$ 1,385.00
Budget Expense	
Actual Expense	$ 2,886.69

Credit Card Fees:
No expense account in 4002 for CC Fees.

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
RECREATION COMMISSION
Recreation Commission: July 20, 2026

AGENDA ITEM D.3.

To: Recreation Commission
From: Mike Kenny, Recreation Supervisor - Athletics
CC: Ellen Baer, Village Manager, Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager, Nancy Flores, Interim Director of Recreation
RE: Athletics and Tower Trot Recap

Recommendation
None

Summary
Tennis Titans
632 total participants registered

TOTAL REVENUE		$ 94,024.00
TOTAL EXPENSE		68,655.00
NET SURPLUS	WS REC 27% ($6,849.63)	$ 25,369.00

*This is approximate as registrations are still coming in.

First session classes started the week of June 8th – July 2nd, we had some crazy weather the month of June, from rain delays to extreme heat. Amanda Hanlon and Tennis Titans did a great job staying on top of things and offered numerus make-up opportunities via sign-up Genius. As well as bringing popsicles out to help kids cool off on extremely hot days at the end of the session. Despite Mother Nature's challenges, it was wonderful to see everyone learning, improving, and having fun on the courts. Second session classes will run July 13th – August 6th.

Tower Trot (recap attached)
We would like to thank all our participants for joining us on Memorial Day to run the 49th Annual Tower Trot in Western Springs. It was a beautiful day, while 696 runners hit the neighborhood streets, each aiming for their personal best. Everyone enjoyed refreshments, snacks, face painters, balloons, and the selfie station, adding to the festive atmosphere.

Special guest and Title Sponsor, Senator Susie Glowiak-Hilton, helped kick off the event. Of the 696 participants, 461 were from Western Springs, and 19 came from nine different states, including Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, Tennessee, New York, Florida, California, Wisconsin, and Nevada. Notably, John Klafta traveled all the way from Los Angeles, California to join us. This year’s Tower Trot was a wonderful celebration of community, health, and friendly competition, and we can’t wait to make the next one even bigger for our milestone 50th Anniversary. If you'd like to contribute ideas or participate in the anniversary planning, please contact Mike Kenny, mkenny@wsprings.com, 708-246-9070 x428.

Travel Basketball (Blazers & Wildcats)
247 total Participants
26 teams

TOTAL REVENUE		$248,727
TOTAL EXPENSE		178,351
NET SURPLUS	WS REC 27% ($19,001.52)	$70,376

The 2025–2026 Travel Basketball season officially wrapped up in mid-March. This year, the program expanded to 26 total teams (15 boys teams and 11 girls teams) with 247 total participants—up from 23 teams and 223 participants during the 2024–2025 season!

Looking ahead, tryouts for the 2026–2027 Boys Blazers & Girls Wildcats (grades 3rd–8th) will take place August 10th – August 14th. We are currently securing gym space with local school districts for the upcoming season's practices and games.

Rec Basketball League
363 total Participants
37 teams

TOTAL REVENUE		$46,184
TOTAL EXPENSE		19,902
NET SURPLUS	WS REC 57% ($14,980.74)	$26,282

Our popular in-house Rec Basketball league for boys and girls in grades 1st–8th offers one practice per week with games on Saturdays. This past season, we had 37 teams and 363 total participants. Practices begin in December, and the game schedule runs from January through mid-March.
Our basketball program continues to thrive—between our travel and rec leagues, we are proud to have over 600 kids participating in basketball!

Open Gym Update
149 total participants as of 7-5-26
$764 in total revenue

We frequently receive inquiries about open gym availability and facility use, and we are committed to adding more options whenever space allows. So far, we have hosted 47 open gym dates with 149 participants. New for July: We’ve introduced a monthly calendar scheduling all available gym dates and times. We've also included a QR code to make registration quick and easy.

Power Play Grant
In December 2025, the Western Springs Recreation Department applied for the Power Play

Beyond School Grant through the Illinois Association of Park Districts (IAPD). This program supports the implementation of model initiatives focused on health, nutrition, and fitness for students in grades K–12. On March 27, 2026, we were notified that we received a $1,000 grant. This year, the IAPD awarded a total of $27,000 in PowerPlay! funding, distributing $1,000 grants to 27 member agencies. With this funding, Recreation staff collaborated to launch a new youth fitness program at Summer Springs Camp. Western Springs Police Chief Sean Gilhooley and Deputy Village Clerk Jill Izzo have partnered with us, visiting camp weekly to lead campers through various exercises and workouts while promoting healthy habits. This program has been a fantastic addition to our revamped summer camp, and the grant funds were used to purchase the essential new equipment needed to make it a success. We will re-apply for the Grant when it becomes available in 2027.

Financial Impact

None

Recommended Motion

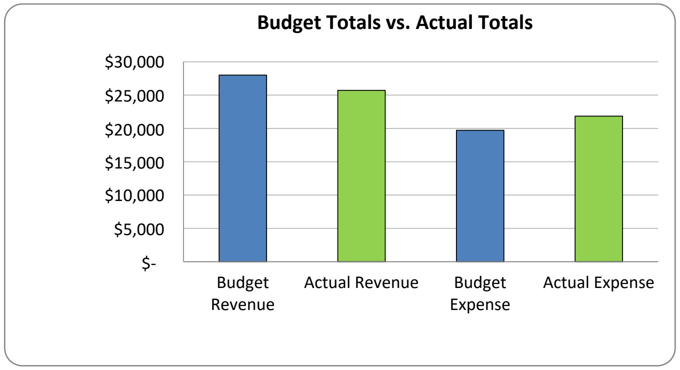
None

Strategic Plan Alignment

Community Engagement

File Attachments

1. 2026 Tower Trot recap mk
2. 2025-2026 Blazers & Wildcats Bball recap
3. 2025-2026 Rec Bball League recap



Revenues:	Budget	Actual	Variance
Registration	$ 28,000	$ 19,986	$ (8,014)
Sponsors/Donations		5,725	5,725
Total Revenues:	$ 28,000	$ 25,711	$ (2,289)

Expenses:	Budget	Actual	Variance
Porta John Rental - LRS	$ 1,200	$ 1,000	$ 200
Sound System/DJ - Greg Evans	800	760	40
Face Painter/Balloon Artist/Sign - Sparkles & Glow Getters	1,000	2,060	(1,060)
Registration & Fees - J3	2,400	3,399	(999)
Water Jugs/foil/trays/bags - Menards	200	225	(25)
T-Shirts - Marathon Sportswear	9,000	8,233	767
Awards / Ribbons - Trophy's Are Us	1,100	902	198
plastic table cloths 12 pack - Amazon		43	
2 Custom Banners - Bannerville		210	
Photographer (Griffin)		175	
Noise makers (Amazon)		55	
Course marking - 2 paint wands (Amazon)		65	
Marianos & Sams Club		259	
2 start/finish banners - Bannerville	-	80	(80)
Total Expenses:	$ 15,700	$ 17,466	$ (959)

Revenue Less Expenses	Budget	Actual	Variance
Net Income	**$ 12,300**	**$ 8,245**	**$ (4,055)**

Payroll & Benefits:	Budget	Actual	Variance
PD Staff hrs (8 officers x 4.5hrs)	2,800	2,855	(55)
PW Staff hrs (4 x 6.5 hrs)	1,220	1,521	(301)
Total Payroll & Benefits:	$ 4,020	$ 4,376	$ (356)

Summary:

The 49th annual 2026 Tower Trot was a huge success with 696 participants (42R in the 5K walk, 55R in the 10K, 258R in the 5k, 26NR in the 5k walk, 34NR in the 10K, 105NR in the 5K, 95 R/NR participated in the Double, and 115 R/NR kids did the Fun Run). We had participants from 9 different states (Illinois, Indiana, Minnesota, Tennessee, new york, Florida, California, Wisconsin & Nevada.

Weather conditions were perfect on race day, despite rainy conditions earlier in the morning, the temapture was perfect for runners. Everyone enjoyed the refreshments, snacks, face painters, balloon artist, and selfie station.

With no charity partner group this was our first year handling Sponsors, volunteers and registration/packet pick-up Friday 8am-6pm and race day. Thank you to all staff who helped with registration (Ellen, Casey, Nancy, Rita, Jenny & Ryan). Thank you to all of our great sponsors. We had 20 Sponsors that brought in a total of $5,750. (Title Sponsors: Senator Susie Glowiak, Heartland Bank, Clarity Wellness; Gold Sponsors: Athletico, Petty & Dragstrem Orthodontics; Silver Sponsors: Chicago Dumpling, Honey Bee Cafe, NAI Hiffman National, Chicago Hawks Hockey Club, Back in Balance Chiropractic & Acupuncture; Bronze: Hillgrove Tap, Village True Value, Tennis Titans, Set Strength & Endurance Training LLC; In Kind: Casey's Market, Fruit Store, Mariano's, Turano Bakery, Elite Fitness & Dunkin Donuts). The Ham radio group (Six Meter Club of Chicago) was a great asset again this year, providing 15 volunteers on the course with constant radio communication throughout the event with any problem areas or safety concerns. WS staff were able to recruit another 18 volunteers to help out as course marshalls and at water stations along the race route.

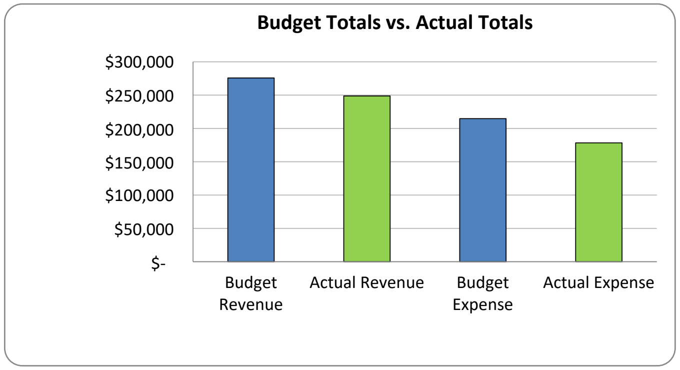
Overall, this continues to be a great community event. Special thanks to Western Springs Police, Fire & Public Works for their help and support with this race. We look forward to next year for our 50th Anniversary.

CHART DATA

2026
Budget Revenue
Actual Revenue
Budget Expense
Actual Expense

$	28,000
$	25,711
$	19,720
$	21,842

2025-2026 Blazers & Wildcats Basketball Overview



Revenues:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Registration (247 registered)	$ 275,720	$ 248,727	$ (26,993)
Total Revenues:	$ 275,720	$ 248,727	$ (26,993)

Expenses:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Spartz Sportz ADMIN fee ($200 per player)		$ 49,400	$ (49,400)
Spartz Team Trainings		34,830	(34,830)
SWSH Training		6,480	(6,480)
DYTBL League Fees		12,350	(12,350)
tournament, team parties, ect.		29,386	(29,386)
Gym Rentals		9,585	(9,585)
Referees		26,320	(26,320)
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Total Expenses:	$ -	$ 168,351	$ (168,351)

Revenue Less Expenses	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Net Income	**$ 275,720**	**$ 80,376**	**$ (195,344)**

Payroll & Benefits:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Scorekeepers		10,000	(10,000)
			-
Total Payroll & Benefits:		$ 10,000	$ (10,000)

Summary:

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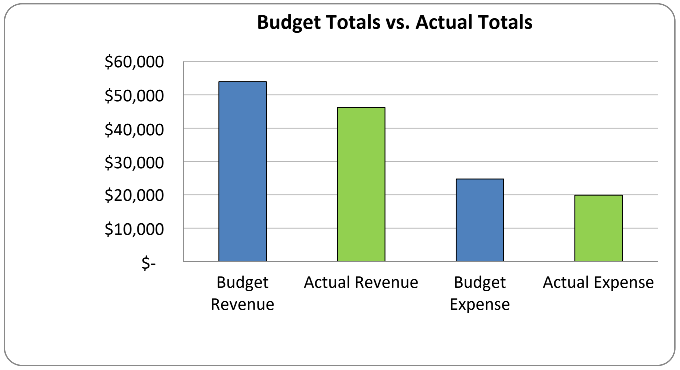
Looking ahead, tryouts for the 2026–2027 Boys Blazers & Girls Wildcats (grades 3rd–8th) will take place August 10th – August 14th. We are currently securing gym space with local school districts for the upcoming season's practices and games.

CHART DATA

2026	
Budget Revenue	$ 275,720
Actual Revenue	$ 248,727
Budget Expense	$ 214,716
Actual Expense	$ 178,351

2025-2026 Rec Basketball League Overview



Summary:

Our popular in-house Rec Basketball league for boys and girls in grades 1st–8th offers one practice per week with games on Saturdays. This past season, we had 37 teams and 363 total participants. Practices begin in December, and the game schedule runs from January through mid-March.

Our basketball program continues to thrive—between our travel and rec leagues, we are proud to have over 600 kids participating in basketball!

Revenues:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Registration (363 registered)	$ 53,937	$ 46,184	$ (7,753)
Total Revenues:	$ 53,937	$ 46,184	$ (7,753)

Expenses:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
table top scoreboard (with protection plan)/basketballs	$ 2,000	$ 592	$ 1,408
referee's	11,330	9,304	2,026
jerseys (Marathon Sports)/staff shirts	6,215	5,706	509
medals (Crown Trophy)	1,200	1,165	35
	-		
Total Expenses:	$ 20,745	$ 16,767	$ 3,978

Revenue Less Expenses	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Net Income	**$ 29,192**	**$ 26,282**	**$ (2,910)**

Payroll & Benefits:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Scorekeepers	4,000	3,135	865
			-
Total Payroll & Benefits:		$ 3,135	$ 865

CHART DATA

2026		
Budget Revenue	$	53,937
Actual Revenue	$	46,184
Budget Expense	$	24,745
Actual Expense	$	19,902

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY
RECREATION COMMISSION
Recreation Commission: July 20, 2026

AGENDA ITEM D.4.

To: Recreation Commission
From: Ryan Harrison, Recreation Administrative Coordinator
CC: Ellen Baer, Village Manager, Casey Biernacki, Deputy Village Manager, Nancy Flores, Interim Director of Recreation
RE: Senior Program Overview and Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt Recap

Recommendation

None

Summary

Senior Center Updates:

- A new membership tier was introduced in January of 2026, replacing the existing 3 tiers (Bronze, Silver, and Gold). This tier is $40.00/$50.00 for residents/non-residents and renews annually. Additionally, there is a $20.00 Bridge Fee and a $10.00 Special Event Fee. Membership fees can be pro-rated.
- As of 6/23/2026, we have 80 Seniors enrolled in the annual membership tier, 8 in the bridge only fee, and have had 10 participants use the special event fee.
- Leslie Goddard presentations continue to be a favorite with 30 attendees on February 19th, and 35 attendees on April 9th, 2026. Upcoming presentations are set for August 13th, 2026, where Leslie will be telling the story of Gilda Radner, followed by another presentation on December 10th, 2026.
- January kicked off the year with a new Senior Book Club. Currently have 11 members. This club meets monthly and partners with the Thomas Ford Library who holds the books for the Club.

Since January 6, 2026 several new programs have been introduced: Book Club, Movie Club, Physical Therapy Discussion, Bingo, Dr Heather Johnston & Senior Scam Prevention while 9 existing programs continued from last year.

We currently have 167 members on our mailing list that receive updates about programs, events, and important information.

Teen Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt Recap:
The first annual Teen Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt, held on 3/19/2026, was a great success. We had 41 total registrations. 32 Residents and 9 Non-Residents. Weather conditions were

favorable chilly but dry.

We had 5 full-time staff in attendance and Sergeant A.J. Hull and Pippin, the therapy dog, made a guest appearance. The kids loved seeing Pippin and enjoyed the pizza and free Oberweis ice cream coupon where the kids migrated to after the event. Thank you Oberweis for providing those coupons.

The Teen Flashlight Easter Egg hunt was well received by our teens and will be returning next year even bigger and better.

Building Attendant Updates:
We currently have 18 part-time Building Attendants. All Building Attendants have completed the 2026 Sexual Harassment Training and will be CPR/First Aid trained in the Fall of 2026. Introduced monthly meetings with building attendants and preparing to train staff on RecDesk software to improve customer service experience with our patrons.

Facility Rental Updates:

Location	Hours Rented	# of Groups	Revenue
Grand Ave Gym	50.75	9	$1,301.50
Grand Ave Lower Level	23.75	4	$301.32
Grand Ave WSCCA	6	1	$180.00
Recreation Center Gym	274.50	12	$12,600.70
Recreation Center Rooms 224-226	45.25	5	$703.94

Financial Impact
None

Recommended Motion
None

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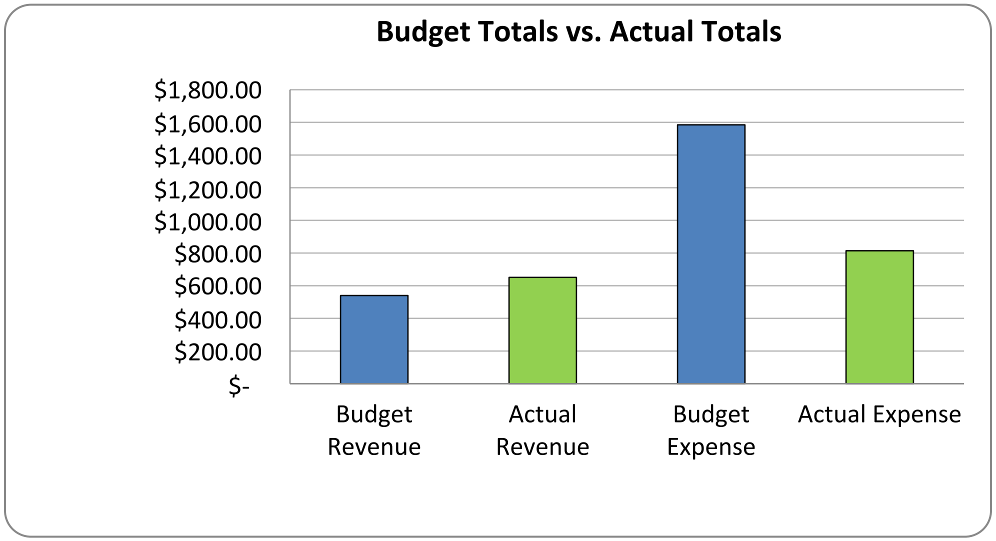
1. 2026 Teen Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt Recap

2026 Teen Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt Overview



Revenues:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Registration	$ 540	$ 651	$ 111
Donations			-
Total Revenues:	$ 540	$ 651	$ 111

Expenses:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Eggs	$250.00	$110.32	$ 139.68
Glowsticks	$150.00	$18.99	$ 131.01
Candy	$200.00	$74.98	$ 125.02
Small Prizes	$250.00	$45.97	$ 204.03
Flashlights	$200.00	$47.98	$ 152.02
Batteries	$100.00	$22.46	$ 77.54
Baskets	$150.00	$54.95	$ 95.05
Cones	$35.00	$ -	$ 35.00
Refreshments & Food	$250.00	$347.94	$ (97.94)
Goodie Bags	-	$7	$ (7.00)
Outdoor Lights	-	$83.48	$ (83.48)
Total Expenses:	$ 1,585.00	$ 814.07	$ 770.93

Revenue Less Expenses	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
Net Income	**$ (1,045)**	**$ (163)**	**$ 882**

Payroll & Benefits:	**Budget**	**Actual**	**Variance**
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Total Payroll & Benefits:	$ -	$ -	$ -

Summary:

The first annual Teen Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt was a great success. We had 41 total registrations. 32 Residents and 9 Non-Residents.

Weather conditions were as good as you could ask for. Mildly chilly and ground was partially soft from previous weather.

We had 5 full-time staff in attendance and Sargeant A.J. Hull and Pippin the therapy dog made a guest appearance. The kids loved it. Kids responded great to hearing about the pizza and free Oberweis ice cream coupon. Thank you Oberweis for providing those coupons.

Overall, this event will be a great staple of the community going forward. The teenagers in the area having an event to look forward to is a great step for the Recreation Department.

For Next year:

We will look to start the Teen Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt around 7:30 PM instead of 7:00 PM. It was not quite dark enough for the flashlights to play an important role. When splitting up the kids before the hunt begins, make sure to have an announcement letting them know they do not start until the countdown has completed.

CHART DATA

2026	
Budget Revenue	$ 540.00
Actual Revenue	$ 651.00
Budget Expense	$ 1,585.00
Actual Expense	$ 814.07

Credit Card Fees:
No expense account in 4002 for CC Fees.