



Memorandum

May 8, 2024 Agenda Items

To: Riverwalk Commission

From: Tiffani Picco, Riverwalk Operations Manager, 630-848-3590

Date: May 1, 2024

Re: **Naperville Park District's Monthly Field Report for the Riverwalk Commission Regular Meeting**

Field Report for April, 2024:

- Edging, mulching, and spraying of tree rings and landscape beds has started
- Trees, perennials, and shrubs have been planted in many areas of the Riverwalk
- Staff installed one of our standard Riverwalk benches on the lower walk, just east of the Amphitheater, as discussed at last month's meeting
- Much of the Riverwalk turf has been aerated, fertilized, and over seeded. Mowing began the week of April 15th. We are also trialing an organic product (C20 by Precision Organics) for the turf at the Grand Pavilion that supposedly will eliminate the need to core aerate and will increase soil porosity, water-holding capacity, and nutrient mineralization. This product was applied April 18.
- Work has begun on the Prairie Nature Garden with curbs poured by DPW staff, the turf has received its first application of herbicide, and the pavers will be set soon. Park District staff will install the two benches after the pavers are complete.
- Multiple volunteers have been utilized for tasks such as mulching, pulling garlic mustard, and weeding

Carillon Update – provided by Brett Sprague

- Carillon tours are set to begin May 11

Other points of interest:

- The paddleboat and kayak rentals are scheduled to be open Saturdays and Sundays from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm beginning May 11, and will be open seven days a week beginning the weekend of May 25th.
- Centennial Beach has been filled and is scheduled to open Memorial Day weekend.