



Parks and Recreation Department

2024 Budget

Recreation Department Mandate

To provide healthy, enjoyable and safe recreation programming and facilities.



Parks and Recreation Department Roles and Responsibilities

Provision of parks and recreation spaces and programming to meet the needs of the residents and visitors within Brock Township.

Maintenance of all parks, greenspaces, play structures, sports fields and trails.

Summer, Winter and March break day camps providing inclusive and exciting programming for learning, engaging and growing.



Parks and Recreation Department 2023 Achievements (narrative and metrics)

- Officially designated the Smallmouth Bass Capital of Canada
- Completion of the 2023 Parks, Recreation and Culture Master Plan
- First electric Zamboni in Brock Township
- Outdoor movies in all three towns in the summer
- Implementation of before and after care for summer day camps
- Additional safety netting installed at Foster Hewitt Memorial Community Centre



Parks and Recreation Department 2024 Work Plan

- Start of Sunderland Arena renovation planned for April 2024
- Replacement play structures with inclusive components
- Continuation of before and after camp programming
- Second electric Zamboni scheduled to be delivered in fall 2024
- Additional outdoor movies during summer months



Parks and Recreation Department 2024 Department Overview

The Parks and Recreation department provide programming both directly and through partnerships with service providers, for all age groups and abilities.

The department also provides spaces and facilities for this programming including arena and community centres, open spaces in parks and sports fields along with the Beaverton waterfront area and splash pad



Parks and Recreation Department 2024 Departmental Highlights

- Official designation as Smallmouth Bass Capital of Canada
- First electric Zamboni for Brock ice surfacer received and put into service, reducing greenhouse gas production
- Trial of the REALice cold water system, reducing greenhouse gas production by not having to heat water for ice floods



Parks and Recreation Department New Initiatives and New Staffing



- Creation of off-leash dog park
- Tree inventory for parks and green spaces to maintain and build tree inventory
- Creation of pickleball courts
- Inclusion councillor for summer day camp
- Continuation of No Mow May initiative
- Rewilding and naturalization of specific areas to reduce grass cutting and trimming while adding more native plant species and pollinators into public spaces

Parks and Recreation Department 2024 Outlook



- Several projects planned to create and maintain public parks and open spaces
- Continued repairs and improvements to parks and recreation buildings and spaces
- Review and implementation of recommendations from Parks,
 Recreation and Culture



Thank you