

Covid-19 Updates Related to the Public Usage of Bremen Park Facilities

Parks and Recreation are essential to the public welfare and wellbeing. Safely enjoying the outdoors provides numerous physical and psychological benefits to all our visitors. Given our current national health crisis, there may never be a more important time for parks to serve the public.

After weeks of attempting to keep many of our facilities open, it has become apparent that some activities provide too high of a temptation for highly social interaction or opportunities for interaction with "high touch" surfaces and we, like many other national, state, and local agencies need to modify our strategy.

The Bremen Park Board implemented the following strategies to combat the spread of Covid-19:

1. By direct order of Governor Holcomb, all playgrounds will remain closed. Three signs have been posted in conspicuous areas of each playground notifying the public of this mandate.
2. Karen's Bark Park, the tennis courts, the skate park, all basketball courts, and all volleyball courts will be locked or removed. We will attempt to place signage at the entrance to each of these facilities.
3. All restroom facilities will remain locked.
4. The park office will remain locked to the public.
5. Picnic tables, aside from the ones already in the park, will remain in storage.
6. Some private facility rentals will be canceled or postponed until a later date. If your rental has been affected, you will be contacted at least three weeks prior to your scheduled event.

These policies will remain in effect until at least April 22nd unless Governor Holcomb lifts the social distancing mandate before then.

Please continue to use the park system while still socially distancing through activities like:

Kick a soccer ball at the soccer fields

Toss a football at the football fields

Hit some balls at the baseball or softball fields

Take a run or walk on the paved walking trails throughout the park system

Explore the woods on the unpaved walking trails through the woodlands

Test your patience and skill bird watching at the wetlands

Fly a kite from the top of Frog Hill

Roll down the hills at Shadyside

This list is not comprehensive but intended to serve as a few examples of ways to continue enjoying the park system in this unprecedented time. Please enjoy these and similar activities while safely socially distancing (at least six feet) from people outside your immediate household.

Please understand these decisions are not taken lightly.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in these trying times.

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