

# Parks and Recreation Commission

## Maintenance Report

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**Projects:** Trails were prepped for multiple ski meets this month; the VHS Invitational, Qaniq Challenge and town races. The crew performed quite a bit of brush clearing to make all of the trails accessible.

The order for the new Cottonwood area playground was finalized and is on order with an arrival time of late spring. There are additional playground items that you do not see in the picture below, such as a swing set and fencing. We plan to begin the project in June.



Other new construction tools and items have arrived and are being assembled to be ready for springtime use.

We performed one burial in very cold temperatures, and hopefully with new equipment we have ordered, we will no longer need to burn the ground to thaw it. As shown in the photos, the smoke from the fire makes it very difficult to see while digging.



I also met with three different families to reserve cemetery lots. In January and throughout the rest of the winter, we are rebuilding the bear-damage/destroyed wooden headstones in the Memorial Cemetery. The Pioneer Cemetery research and updating project is ongoing. The area has been GPS and mapped. Boxes of historical information have been found and copied. Now, that same information will be scanned into the City's new digital filing system. New signs highlighting additional information for the Pioneer Cemetery will be ordered and installed this summer. Each lot will be marked with identification lot pins and any damaged or destroyed headstones will be replaced.

**Ski Hill Preparation:** The Ski Hill was operational in late October and has been waiting on snowfall. The inspector was scheduled to fly in but weather caused his flight to be cancelled. Following this, we video-taped the facility operations. These videos were emailed to him for approval. The only item needing to be addressed is the communications between the upper and lower operator's sheds. We have had the phone company out there to determine why the phones do not work and they were unable to make a definite determination. It seems that the wiring between the two locations is damaged. We are requesting confirmation of an alternative communication method to be used in lieu of phones and buzzers. The hill was groomed three times in January after volunteers had packed it with snowmachines several times. There is currently plenty of snow to open in the upcoming weekend, if staff and volunteers are available and trained.

**Snow removal** has been accomplished at our outlying storage facilities. Roads were plowed and roofs shoveled.

Removal of the City Christmas tree has been done.

New bear resistant trash cans have arrived and are assembled and ready for installation.