

MAYOR REPORT – Alan Winslow, Village of Bethalto

2018 is slated to be another busy year in Bethalto.

As we continue with repairs of the sanitary sewers, this year's main focus will be storm water improvements, primarily starting at the Airport and proceeding north to Albers Lane.

Memorial Day weekend will see the opening of the new Splash Pad located at the site of the former swimming pool. The concession and changing building on site has been remodeled and updated and the playground adjoining this facility is getting a facelift this spring.

Visitors to the Arboretum will see the new trail and lighting system that were installed over the winter. This spring the Arboretum will be dressed up with new grass and annual flowerbeds will be planted to add some color for visitors to enjoy.

The trail through the Arboretum is the first phase of a Village wide trail system that will eventually connect to the Madison County Trail System. In 2018 we plan to extend the trail from the Arboretum, south on Moreland Rd. to Route 140. If we receive a trail grant that we applied for last fall, we will extend the trail from the west end of the arboretum through Central Park to Prairie St. also this year.

This winter saw the completion of two parking lots and a concession / restroom building at the new sports complex off Stadium Dr. Later this spring we will finish two more parking lots and sidewalks, which will allow the fields to open for play this summer.

The Village recently launched a new website that is rich in information. Everything that you could want to know about the Village is available at www.bethalto.com.

Contracts have been awarded for the construction of the final phase of E. Central this summer. This project will add curbing, storm gutters, pavement, and a third lane near Parkside Grade School. Construction will occur while school is dismissed for the summer.

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