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Village Of Hamel

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The current Hamel Community Park was created by the Hamel Businessmen's Club in 1957 and was gifted to the Village in the 1980s. Hamel's new Park will be the first one created by the Village.



Open from 9-10:30 a.m. on Mondays, except for Holidays and days when schools are cancelled due to winter weather.

Bread of Life Food Pantry is sponsored by the Alhambra Hamel **Ministerial Alliance** (AHMA) and is supported by member congregations of the Alliance and a host of community groups and individuals.

Donations are always appreciated. You can drop off donations at DK's or any AHMA member location.

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A New Park for Hamel

The Village of Hamel recently acquired a 3.25-acre parcel of land off Hamel and Klueter Avenues that will serve as a new neighborhood park and add to the Village's public lands.

Adding green space north of IL Rt 140 has been a planning goal of the Village for some time, and the need for more green space was noted in Hamel's recently adopted Comprehensive Plan. As the Village continues to grow, keeping the ratio of available public land to homes helps the Village retain the "small town feel" that so many residents cite as being important to them.



The property, which is currently planted with corn, had been zoned for single family residential use for over a decade. The previous owners, Keith and Ginger Behrhorst, worked with the Village over several months to assure that the property would become a park.

The process to design and fully build out the new Park will take between 2 and 3 years. As a neighborhood park, the new space will be accessible from

dawn to dusk and have tree and shrub screening on the north and east sides to help define it as green space and separate from surrounding homes and businesses.

Hamel residents will be asked for input as the design progresses. Plans for surveys and public input on the new park will be scheduled for 2023, and the Village is planning to apply for the 2023 OSLAD grant to help with development of the property.





HALLOWEEN IN HAMEL

TRick or Treat in the Park

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH • 1-3PM

OUTDOOR EVENT - DRESS WARMLY!

VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!
CAUL 618-633-2484



Trick or Treat in Hamel sunday, october 30TH • 6-8PM