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Moore Park

The park continues to be used on a daily basis. We've had a wedding ceremony, several birthday parties and a church picnic. The Moore School softball season is over. The CYAA baseball season continues. With only the front ballfield being used this year, we've only had to mow the grass once, saving some money. The Garden Club planted some flowers for me in the planter by the pavilion and I'm mulching and watering them on a regular basis. There are a number of maintenance issues in the park that need to be addressed and I'm working with the CYAA and some volunteers on them. The Eagle Scout sign project is coming along nicely, with Matt Hawes finalizing his plans. There will be a spaghetti supper fundraiser at the Masonic Hall Saturday, June 25th to help fund the project.

Skateboard Park

The additional donated equipment has been installed in the park. The vendor's representatives came from Joplin, MO, leaving there the Sunday morning before the tornado hit. Needless to say, there was concern about their loved ones. Despite that, they managed to get the equipment installed, with a lot of hard work and effort. They finished up the next Saturday and the kids were trying to get at the equipment while they were finishing up. We held them off until Sunday to let the seam fillers set up, but it's been non-stop since then. The setup looks fantastic now, with the concrete structures compatible with the existing structures and professional looking. We're still looking at a compatible surplus concrete structure from the Exeter skateboard park that we can have, if we can get it moved. The two signs from the park that were torn down have been reattached. The skateboard park users also spent some time cleaning up the trash left over from the winter and are doing a great job of taking care of the park. Now that the equipment has been installed, I have the rebar and will be fastening the telephone poles permanently in place.

Summer Recreation Program(s)

For the third year in a row, there wasn't any interest in the former summer recreation program. I'm continuing to work with the public and providers to implement summer recreation program suggestions for the 2011 season.