

Sen. Griffo secures funding for New Hartford parks renovations, upgrades

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NEW HARTFORD - State Sen. Joseph Griffo, R-I-C-Rome, announced today that he has secured \$250,000 for the Town of New Hartford to make renovations and improvements to Sherrill Brook Park, the Washington Mills Athletic Park and Chadwicks Park.

Here is a breakdown of some of the work and improvements that will take place at each park:

Sherrill Brook: · Dog park upgrades and drainage · Pickle ball courts · Upgrade to playground area · Aluminum bleachers · Recycling trash containers · New signage · Upgrade all outside LED lighting · Upgrade exterior bathrooms and replace doors · Improve concession stands Washington Mills Athletic Park: · Batting cages · Painting the main building · Upgrade pavilion · Improve picnic area by the creek · Recycling trash containers

· New signage

· Picnic benches · Upgrade all LED outside lighting · Improve concession stands Chadwicks Park: · Add LED outdoor lighting in new parking lot · Upgrade pavilions and replace roof · Install volleyball court · Repair extend parking area · Add change machine for the splash pad · Recycling trash containers · New signage · Upgrade all LED outside lighting · Improve concession stands The planning and design phases are complete and construction has started. It is anticipated

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"Our local parks play a major role in enhancing a community's appeal to its residents, tourists and newcomers," Sen. Griffo said. "As such, it is important that we ensure that these

spaces are modernized, inviting and safe places for people and families to gather. I am pleased that this funding will be used to enhance, renovate and improve these parks."

"This project will build and enhance our parks and other outdoor recreation activities for our community for years to come," said Town of New Hartford Supervisor Paul Miscione. "Whether it's at the park or at school, investing in public lands is an investment in our communities. I would like to thank Senator Griffo for his efforts in securing this important funding."

"While New Hartford already has great parks, it is always good to look for ways to improve and grow," said Assemblyman Brian Miller, R-New Hartford. "I want to thank Sen. Griffo for obtaining this funding because it will help the town to make improvements that will be benefit residents, visitors and families."