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Hampshire OKs impact funds for new park

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The Hampshire Village Board this week approved the release of \$325,000 in impact fee money to the village park district for the construction of Dorothy J. Schmidt Park.

The district recently received a grant from the state of Illinois to reimburse half of the cost of the project, which is already underway. Executive Director Bob Whitehouse said dirt has been removed, the walking paths have already been cut and the pavilion is slated for construction next. The facility will include a basketball court and playground equipment at completion.

In other business, the board:

- Approved the closure of Maple Lane from Washington Avenue to the alley behind the Name Your Game sports memorabilia store and arcade. The store will be hosting a grand opening from 11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. today. Store owner Gina Pearson said members of the Chicago Slaughter football team will be in attendance from noon to 2 p.m. signing autographs, and free hot dogs will be given out.
- Heard from Trustee Jan Kraus who announced there will be oil waste recycling from 9 a.m. to noon today at the maintenance yard on Klick Street.

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