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## **Bowen Street Fishing Dock Enjoys Renovations**

*Community Support Made the Project Possible*

**OSHKOSH, Wis., August 5, 2020** – The Bowen Street Fishing Dock, located at the south end of Bowen Street at the mouth of the Fox River, has been a favorite shore fishing location for people of all ages and abilities for several decades. Due to the age, use and weathering of the wooden dock, the wooden decking has needed replacement. Thanks to a partnership with the Otter Street Fishing Club and the Battle on Bago organizations, the city of Oshkosh was able to replace the decking with composite decking material.

The total cost of the project was \$31,030. The Otter Street Fishing Club and Battle on Bago were able to generously contribute \$16,030, with the remaining \$15,000 being allocated by the city toward the purchase of materials. “The missions of these organizations focus on the betterment of fishing in our community” said Oshkosh Parks Director Ray Maurer. “The city appreciates what these clubs have done and continue to do to support the betterment of fishing on the Lake Winnebago system through the work and dedication of their members.”

With the recent reconstruction of Bowen Street by the city of Oshkosh, the dock’s location now enjoys the addition of sidewalks that lead up to it. The sidewalks provide accessible routes for pedestrians, including those in wheelchairs, with safe access to this community asset. Originally constructed in collaboration with the Otter Street Fishing Club, the wooden dock has provided fishing enthusiasts the opportunity to catch the many fish species of the Winnebago system. The dock is one of the most heavily used in the City of Oshkosh.

For more information about this project, or fishing opportunities in the city of Oshkosh, please contact the Oshkosh Parks Department at (920) 236-5080.

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