Minnetonka
Parks & Trails

Minnetonka Mills: In 1852, this site became the area’s first settlement. Three
succeeding mills operated here starting in 1853 until the last was demolished in 1893.

Burwell House: The Burwell House was built in 1833 and has been restored to its
original condition. Its history is intertwined with previous milling industries nearby.

Town Hall: Starting 1907, this greek-revival style building housed the first town council,
then the village council and finally the city council.

Glen Lake: In 1907, a new general store allowed farmers to shop locally rather than
travel to Hopkins or Minneapolis. Rail transportation spurred future growth.

Glen Lake Sanitarium: Opened in 1916 by Hennepin County, it was one of the leading
tuberculosis treatment centers in the world.

Groveland: Minnetonka’s first school was constructed here. Succeeding structures
have replaced the original. Groveland Elementary School is now over 130 years old.

Groveland Cemetery: Established in 1856, it is still in use today.

Gray’s Bay Dam: Water levels have been controlled here since 1897 when a wooden
der was constructed. In 1979, the present-day concrete dam was opened.

Oak Knoll: Originally a farming community, in the 1920s it became a retreat for
families from Minneapolis. Today only remnants are left of the once-vital community.

Minnetonka Civic Center: Built in 1971, the campus includes city hall, community
center, senior center, ice arenas, police station and fire station #1.

Rules for Minnetonka’s Trails

- Maximum speed is 15 miles per hour.
- When overtaking fellow trail users, warn them with a bell, whistle or horn, and say
  “Passing on your left” or “Passing.”
- Bikers must yield to pedestrians.
- You must pick up droppings from your dog. Plastic bags are provided in dispensers.
- Dogs must be on a close 6-foot leash.
- Obey all traffic signs and basic rules of the road.
- Stay on improved parts of trails. No stopping or loitering.
- Horses and motorized vehicles (except handicapped) are prohibited.
- Trails open at 5am and close at 10pm.

Bikers are encouraged to wear helmets.

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