



NOTICE OF A MEETING
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Wednesday, November 29, 2023 @ 12:00 p.m.
City Hall – Second Floor Conference Room
200 W. Vulcan Brenham, Texas 77833

- 1. Call Meeting to Order**
- 2. Citizen and Visitor Comments**

WORK SESSION

- 3. Discussion Regarding Expansion of Pickleball Facilities in the Brenham Parks System (page 3-5)**
- 4. Discussion Regarding Operating Hours of the Blue Bell Aquatic Center for Calendar Year 2024 (page 6-8)**

REGULAR SESSION

- 5. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Approval of the Minutes from the October 18, 2023, Regular Meeting (page 9 -16)**
- 6. Approval of 2024 Meeting Dates (page 17)**
- 7. Staff Updates: (page 18-24)**
 - Recreation**
 - Blue Bell Aquatic Center**
 - Parks Maintenance**
 - Administration**

- 8. Adjourn**

CERTIFICATION

I certify that a copy of the November 22, 2023 agenda of items to be considered by the City of Brenham Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was posted to the City Hall bulletin board at 200 W. Vulcan, Brenham, Texas on November 22, 2023 at _____ a.m./p.m.

Tammy Jaster, Staff Liaison

City of Brenham Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

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I certify that the attached notice and agenda of items to be considered by the City of Brenham Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was removed by me from the City Hall bulletin board on the _____ day of _____, 2023 at _____ a.m./p.m.

Signature

Title



To: Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

From: Dane Rau, Director of Public Works

Subject: Discussion Regarding Expansion of Pickleball Facilities in Brenham Parks System

Date: November 16, 2023

There has been much discussion recently about the expansion of pickleball in the Brenham Parks System. Over the last couple of months staff was presented with an expansion plan of additional courts at Jackson St Park by local pickleball advocates. We have evaluated the plan that was presented and read carefully over all the comments that were received. We have taken them into consideration as we decide on when and where the next pickleball expansion will be. Currently, pickleball expansion is farther out in the Parks Capital Improvement Plan (28-29).

With the first plan and approach that was submitted to city staff it was understood that significant private funds may be able to move expansion of pickleball courts up in the capital plan. After seeing the plan, it initially had pickleball expansion toward the east side of the park with no mention of additional parking or a resolution on where basketball courts would move? There is much discussion to be had regarding is Jackson St Park the right place for expansion and how will the park and surrounding area absorb an expansion of 20-22 courts? Or does this expansion need to wait for possible expansion at the Brenham Family Park? Or does expansion take place at Jackson to meet community needs but only an additional 6 courts?

City of Brenham staff has been looking at options to present to the Parks Board and City Council if significant private funds were available and only earmarked for Jackson St Park. In order to accommodate some of the concerns related to basketball and parking we have come up with another plan that could potentially work if Jackson St Park was selected as expansion of pickleball. This is only a 2nd look at where pickleball could be expanded at Jackson and not affect basketball and add additional parking. This is not moving forward, only ideas to consider.

With Phase 1 of Jackson St Park beginning in 2024 which will involve ADA upgrades, restroom/pavilion enhancements, electrical upgrades, and new play areas for young children this would be the time to look at the entire park. You will see a different version of expansion of pickleball which shows it moving to the middle of the park. This is an open space that does not host competitive play and needs improvements as it relates to electrical upgrades to the

field lighting. This area is used by youth football and a couple select soccer teams for practices only and they could be easily relocated to other open-space areas in Brenham. City staff believes that this space would be better as it would move pickleball to the middle, farther away from the residential homes and will allow basketball to stay where it is at. It will allow expansion of parking where the current pickleball courts are at as well as easily expand parking at the current parking lots off Mansfield St. This is a very doable option if private funds were received, and it was decided that expansion of pickleball was best for Jackson St Park.

The two big questions that we need direction on is:

1. Is significant private funding going to be available and is that tied to Jackson St Park for Pickleball Expansion?
2. Is Jackson St Park the right place to expand pickleball with 20-22 courts or do we look at another park with more space? (Maybe at the city's expense)



Jackson St Park Pickle Ball Discussion Plan



1 inch = 167 feet





To: Brenham Community Development Corporation
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

From: Tammy Jaster, Aquatics & Recreation Superintendent

Subject: 2024 Blue Bell Aquatic Center Revenue Options

Date: November 14, 2023

The Blue Bell Aquatic Center was tasked to evaluate the current budget, operating hours, and programs and compare operations to similar facilities. If possible, to present ways to increase revenue and/or lower daily operation cost. Staff dug deep with research and site visits to similar facilities, finding not many with the amazing amenities the City of Brenham has to offer.

Below are some findings and recommendations for consideration of the Blue Bell Aquatic Center.

1. City Council, Parks Board & BCDC approved a Resident / Non-Resident Daily Admission Fee Schedule for the Blue Bell Aquatic Center. As well as a Resident / Non-Resident Monthly and Yearly Fee. The last increases to the Blue Bell Aquatic Center memberships were in 2012. **COUNCIL Meeting 11/16/23**

Blue Bell Aquatic Center

	Current	Budget Impact	TOTAL IMPACT:
Daily Admission	\$105,863.00	\$142,215.00	\$36,352.00
Monthly / Yearly Memberships	\$101,660.00	\$142,785.00	\$41,125.00
OVERALL IMPACT			\$77,477.00

2. City Council, Parks Board & BCDC approved a slight increase or change to the Carousel fee changing from \$1/rider per day to \$1/ride. **COUNCIL Meeting 11/16/23**
 - o It is hard to tell what this budget impact would be but for the 2023 Season we had 5217 riders that had unlimited rides the days they were there.
3. Staff is recommending that we charge for Floats-N-Flicks movie nights at the BBAC. Normally this event is free to the public, as the event license and equipment is funded by BCDC but the event does require that we have staff and Lifeguards onsite to work, that cost is not included in the funding. Recommendation from staff is the regular entrance fee or pool pass. **COUNCIL Meeting 11/16/23**

Floats-n-Flicks

	Visitors	Current	Recommendation Individual	Budget Impact	Budget based on 1/3 attendance
June	373	\$0	\$5	\$620.00	124 x \$5.00
July	171	\$0	\$5	\$285.00	57 x \$5.00
TOTAL IMPACT		FREE		\$905.00	

4. Finally, Staff has been asked to consider closing one day per week and what that might look like. Currently, the Blue Bell Aquatic Center is open during the peak of the season (June-August) in all 3 pools; 7 days a week. We average 27 – 86 people per hour during this time.

In the Fall/Spring we are open 6 days a week with 2 indoor pools, averaging 10 – 14 people per hour. Staff has looked at all programming, schedules, staffing, etc. and is recommending the following. Here are a couple of possible options to consider and the impact it would have)

A. Closing ½ day during the off-Season proposal Friday afternoons 4-7pm.

- 38 Fridays in off season (school year)
- 5 – 6 staff members (Lifeguards, Head Guards, Front Desk)
- 912 total hours for 38 Fridays (24 hours per afternoon; 4-hour shifts)
- **912 x \$10.00/hour -- \$9,120.00 Savings**

B. Starting Pool Opening Times moving from 6am to a 7am start time.

- 260 days (year-round)
- 4 – 5 staff members (Lifeguards, Head Guards, Front Desk)
- Hard to find Part Time Staff.
- 260 total hours (1 hour per day)
- **260 x \$10.00/hour -- \$2600.00 Savings**

C. Year Round Closing on Mondays or another day of the Week

- Peak Season being open Tuesday – Sunday (Memorial Day – Labor Day)
- Off Season being open Tuesday – Saturday (Labor Day – Memorial Day)
- This would affect aerobic schedules, swim team schedules, programming for camps, etc.
- 52 days
- 8–12 staff members (Lifeguards, Head Guards, Front Desk, Concessions)
- 3714 total hours (3 shifts ranging in hours of 6 – 8 hours)
- **3714 x \$10.00/hour -- \$37,140.00 Savings**
 - **Peak Season – 14 days; 1890 hours; 8 staff; \$18,900**
 - **Off Season – 38 days; 1824 hours; 21 staff; \$18,240**

Comparing our daily hourly attendance for offseason/ peak season and looking at the whole picture. **You will see that of the total visits for the year 67,721 (2023) 41,734 of those were during our summer months.** Those are normally daily visits paying a little more to come enjoy the pool. Also bear in mind since COVID we

have reduced hours of the Leisure Pool by 14 hours a week (12 weeks = 168 summer hours) to assist with cost saving measures.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	6a – 1p & 4p -7p Indoor 1230p – 630p Leisure	6a – 1p & 4p -7p Indoor 1230p– 630p Leisure	6a – 1p & 4p -7p Indoor 1230p–630p Leisure	6a – 1p & 4p -7p Indoor 1230p – 630p Leisure	6a– 1p & 4p -7p Indoor 1230p–630p Leisure	9a–1p OffSeason 10a–5p Summer	CLOSED offSeason 1p–5p Summer
OffSeason Average	142.61	147.45	148.76	152.79	106.30	39.09	CLOSED
People/Hour	12.96	13.40	13.52	13.89	9.39	9.77	CLOSED
Outdoor Pool Average	416.82	461.91	520.00	463.82	547.45	544.40	342.73
People/Hour	32.06	35.53	40.00	35.68	42.11	77.77	85.68
Total Visits	10,218	10,704	11,477	10,938	9,733	9,476	5,175
Summer Total	4,981	5,612	6,093	5,440	6,267	8,166	5,175

Assisting in a few areas can relieve some pressure off the General Fund as our Parks & Recreation departments are a Quality-of-Life Service we offer to our citizens and guests. Recommendations from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board & Brenham Community Development Corporation will be taken to City Council for final approval.



MINUTES

CITY OF BRENHAM PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

October 18, 2023

A regular meeting of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, beginning at noon at Brenham City Hall – Conference Room 2-A, 200 W. Vulcan Street, Brenham, Texas. Due to the number of visitors, we moved the meeting down to the City Council Chambers.

Members Present:

Bill Betts, Delbert Boeker, Dusty Robinson, Ginger Bosse, Lee Chalmers, Tina Henderson, and Wendy Buth

Members Absent:

Andrea Fischer and Courtney Mason

City of Brenham Staff Present:

Director of Public Works Dane Rau, Casey Redman, Tammy Jaster and Kyle Branham

Citizens/Others Present:

Brent Nedbalek; Cyndee Smith; JC Robinson; Janice Kramer; Joey Robinson; Ken Miller; Linda Yochim; Leslie Fuerite; Lort Needham; Matthew Wehring; Melinda Faubion; Mark Klimowicz; Mark Whitehead; Michael Luchak; Mike Coleman; Reva Pennington; Robert Lovelidge; Sonja Patterson; Suzanne Callaway; Sharon Guelker; Sally Mitchell; Tom Yochim; Umberto Coppola

Media Present:

KTEX/KWHI – Mark Whitehead
Brenham Banner Press - Natlie

1. Chairman Bill Betts called the meeting to order

2. Citizen/Visitor Comments

No comments outside of the agenda items were discussed.

WORK SESSION

3. Discussion Regarding Expansion of Pickleball Facilities at Jackson Street Park

Public Works Director Dane Rau started this discussion. Dane thanked all that came and were in attendance for the Parks Board Meeting. The City of Brenham has been approached about the possible expansion of pickleball at Jackson Street Park. The current pickleball courts were repurposed in 2019 consisting of 6 courts. Over the past 4 years the local pickleball league has increased from 20 members to over 200 as well as the popularity of the sport nationally and locally. Currently we are working with Burditt Consultants about a Phase I Improvement to Jackson St Park which will address aging infrastructure and upgrades to key elements such as ADA upgrades, restrooms, electrical, and newer play areas. This was budgeted for in the 2023-24 BCDC budget at \$715,000.

Since that time staff have been approached with a vision plan consisting of up to four phases which could expand pickleball at Jackson Street Park. This is only a very rough draft of a vision plan that was presented to city staff from pickleball advocates. No engineering or site measurements were conducted, just a vision plan. Staff was also approached about private funds assisting with expansion of additional courts and amenities at Jackson St Park.

We would like to get the boards opinion on expanding pickleball at Jackson St Park compared to another park for long-term and hear from local pickleball advocates. If this is something that the board wishes to pursue now would be the time to include it in the engineering agreement with Burditt Consultants so we can determine the site plan and projected costs.

Attached for your review is the preliminary vision plan that was presented to City Staff in which a private/public partnership could be a possibility.

JC Robinson spoke on behalf of the Pickleball proposal/expansion. JC presented a powerpoint. CNBC reported that in 5million players in 2021... in 2022 that number jumps to almost the population of Texas. 186 members of the Brenham Pickleball Club. Families, High School kids, Fire Department members all enjoying the sport. Growth is happening with our Senior Citizens but among all age groups in the community. It is a multigenerational sport. A&M has converted some of their tennis courts into permanent pickleball courts and other colleges as well. Intro to pickleball was a big outreach to the community as it appealed to all age groups. Proposal to get 4 consecutive phases for Jackson Park so that it could be a regional location, wanting to put in a total of 22 courts. Would love to make the courts into something that can be educational for all ages, as well as youth camps, fitness classes, and other activities with the complex. This would be an economic boom to offer our complex to USPA, it would also appeal on a national level. JC spoke with people in Colorado Springs Pickleball and they put \$27,000 into events for their community and made a 833% RMI on revenue. Phase 1 starts with a proposed refurbishment of the old basketball courts, turning it into more pickleball courts. There were lots

of talks about all the options for basketball courts. Wanting to redo walkways, possibly get a storage room and more. Phase 2 would be expanding into the bocce area and adding 6 additional courts. Phase 3 depending on Phase 2, is the only way it will work. Phase 4 is what can reach to a national level- going west adding an additional 6 courts. Discusses concerns about parking came up and it was stated that with current parking lots, we could add 20 parking spots. There was then discussion about raising money.

Mark Klimowicz also spoke on Pickleball saying other places he has gone for pickleball. And that they have more courts being used, as much as Brenham. Pickleball is like a family. Everyone is always welcoming here and in other areas. When we go to another area, we stay and put heads on beds, and enjoy what the communities have to offer. National tournament going to Dallas there are lots of big PROS moving to the area for the Pickleball sport.

Reva Pennington, spoke on behalf of the basketball courts. She stated that a large number of kids use the basketball courts, and she wants people to acknowledge that not all the kids have easy access to drive to these parks, so she thinks they still to be within walking distance of where they currently are. She believes it is important to keep the basketball courts for all the kids that use it that walk to the park to use it.

Brent Nedbalek states that a park is for not just for one event alone it needs to be looked in to. That all kids play pickleball and not all kids play basketball. He thinks it is more beneficial to have more than one thing at the park to be user-friendly for all citizens. Brent is a youth basketball coach and uses the courts often for practices. They normally play at the Rock Gym, but the gym is not available after hours for teams to practice. The park basketball courts are useful for kids to play, practice and get better in their sport.

Edna Harris, apologies for coming in late as this is a noon meeting and hard for people to get to the meeting during the noon hour. Mrs. Edna goes into the demographics of people that go to the parks and does not agree that the basketball court should be taken down. She talks about how they do not have to pay to use that for practicing purposes because the Rock Gym does not allow practice times. The courts serve a large demographic of youth, citizens, Blinn students, etc. She would highly encourage the board to consider refurbishing the park for users for all citizens.

Board member Ginger Bosse asked about the usage of the Rock Gym for practice. Mrs. Harris stated that unless there are games, there isn't available for use for teams to practice and many of the teams practice at Jackson Street Park as it is central to the kids on the teams. Bosse also asked the Pickleball representatives if they had approached Blinn athletics or the board about the possibility of putting courts on the Blinn campus. Pickleball stated they contacted the athletic director and suggested that they add basketball courts, but concert is that it is just for students. Blinn got rid of basketball courts to make more parking lots. This all occurred when the Kruse Recreation Center was built.

Dane stated that once the courts at Blinn was removed, there was an increase of users at Jackson Street Park. Dane then described the usage of the courts and fields then goes into explaining that they are still trying to figure out things with engineers and he acknowledges that all places are being heavily used. Dane discusses the traffic and explains how they work with PD. He also responds as to why it is beneficial to have Pickleball all at one facility because it is helpful for tournament purposes, not having people scattered all around town.

Board member Ginger Bosse asked about the possibility of the options of Pickleball in the new Family Park off of Hwy 290. Dane explained that might be an option, but speaking to the Pickleball group that the request would be to add courts to Jackson Street. Bosse asked about the feeling from the neighborhood and neighbors and what that feeling was. A homeowner stated that it is concerning if there is hundreds of cars and people in their backyard and what that looks like.

Director of Public Works Dane Rau stated that we did a survey to see what the community needs are, but what people wanted to see in the park. He also stated that we are in the very early stages of the remodeling of the park. What is the most value for our dollar and what is the need/want for Jackson Street Park. Pickleball is a great sport, and we are excited to have it in our community and what that looks like.

An unknown person starts talking about the issues that traffic could cause on that road if they are trying to get that number of people Mr. Robinson is referring to. The question is asked why it has to be a compound. She mentioned that it could possibly be more beneficial to have pickleball courts at more than one park. This would allow users in all the walking community the opportunity to play the sport.

Umberto Coppola states how he thinks that the community needs to be setting up more pickleball courts not private neighborhoods.

An unknown person asks if there is a minimum number of courts that would appeal to both pickleball members and still keep the basketball courts for everyone? Someone also asked about tennis courts and using them. Director of Public Works Dane Rau stated that we share the tennis courts with BISD and those courts are available for public play outside of school practice and tournaments.

Mr. Robinson said 14 but that doesn't allow for any tournaments, which doesn't give us the expected revenue.

With almost an hour of discussion Board Chairman Bill Betts concluded the work session reassuring the citizens that this was the first step of the refurbishment of Jackson Street Park. We are just getting started with this process and it effects our community, bringing money to the community and we want to get this right. That this was great discussion that the Parks Board as well as City Staff would take into consideration

REGULAR SESSION

4. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Approval of the Minutes from the August 23, 2023, Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Board Member Delbert Boeker and seconded by Board Member Dusty Robinson to approve the minutes from the August 23, 2023, regular meeting.

Chairperson Bill Betts called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Board Member Andrea Fischer	Absent
Board Member Bill Betts	Yes
Board Member Courtney Mason	Absent
Board Member Delbert Boeker	Yes
Board Member Dusty Robinson	Yes
Board Member Ginger Bosse	Yes
Board Member Lee Chalmers	Yes
Board Member Tina Henderson	Yes
Board Member Wendy Buth	Yes

5. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon New Rates for 2024 Parks and Recreation Facilities and Programs, Including the Blue Bell Aquatic Center

Public Works Director Dane Rau started this discussion. Per Chapter 19, Parks and Recreation, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Brenham fees for all parks and recreation activities shall be set by resolution of the City Council. Each year rates are evaluated and brought to the Parks Board for consideration. At the October 14, 2020, meeting, staff recommended an increase in the rental of Henderson Field from \$100 to \$175 per day, eliminate the field light fee of \$50 per field per day and increase the price per field rental by \$25, and clarified the League fee language. Proposed rates were recommended by the PARB and approved by the Council in December 2020.

Parks and Recreation is a quality of life so we will never make money on the Aquatics/Parks within the community. Council asked us to look at resident/nonresident rates... Aquatic Center, Animal Shelter, and Library have all been tasked to look at this option. The Aquatic Center is first on the list as we publish rates and go to print with our parks and rec guides. With a steady increase in expenses, staff is looking at ways to narrow the gap between expenses and revenue for all facilities. The addition of turf fields, the rising costs for maintenance and upkeep, and the competitive part-time pay have led to the following recommendations.

Below is an outline of the recommended changes for 2024.

- Staff is presenting a Resident / Non-Resident Fee Schedule for the Blue Bell Aquatic Center. Resident Fees would have a slight increase and Non-Resident fees would also increase. Last increases to the Blue Bell Aquatic Center daily admission and passes were in 2018.
- Staff is presenting a slight increase or change to the Carousel fee changing from \$1/rider per day to \$1/rider each time.
- Staff is presenting a slight increase in Field and Facility Rentals
- Staff is looking to the Board for direction regarding rental fees for private usages for Pickleball Courts as well as Disk Golf as we have had some tournament directors' approach to host tournaments at both of these locations.

Included in the memo is the 2024 Parks and Recreation Proposed Fee Schedule. Recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will be taken to City Council in November for approval before publishing rates. If adopted these rates are estimated to increase revenues for **Parks by \$35,000** and **Aquatics by roughly \$85,000**, ultimately narrowing the gap when comparing revenues and expenses.

2024 Parks and Recreation Fee Schedule

Facility Rentals

	Current Half Day	Proposed Half Day	Current Whole Day	Proposed Whole Day
All Sports Building			\$200	\$250
Fireman's Kitchen	\$100	\$150	\$150	\$200
Add Finke Pavilion			\$300	\$350
Fireman's Rock Room	\$60	\$75	\$100	\$150
Henderson Kitchen	\$60	\$75	\$100	\$150
Jackson Street Kitchen	\$60	\$75	\$100	\$150
Amphitheatre	\$100	\$150	\$150	\$200

Half days are 7am - 2pm or 3pm - 10pm

Whole days are 7am - 10pm

All rentals require a \$100 deposit

Carousel \$1/ride or \$40 min/hour

Field Rentals

Tournament Reservations	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
Baseball/Softball Field per Day	\$125	\$150
Baseball/Softball TURF Field per Day		\$250
Schulte Baseball Field per Day	\$200	\$250
Henderson Baseball Field per day	\$200	\$250
Fireman's Baseball Field per day	\$275	\$300
Additional Field Prep per Game	\$35	\$35
Multi-use Field per Day	\$100	\$100
Rankin Field per Day	\$275	\$300
Pickleball Courts (6 complex)		\$300
Disc Golf (18 Hole complex)		\$300

Fields require a \$50 deposit per field
Insurance required for tournaments, league play, and select teams

Field Reservations - recreational use	
Recreational use per day	\$75
Coaching Lessons per year	\$100
Local League fee per player	\$10
Select Team per year	\$250

Blue Bell Aquatic Center

	Current Rate	Resident	Non- Resident
Daily Admission	\$4 fall / \$5 summer	\$5	\$10
Children 3 & under	\$2 fall / \$3 summer	\$3	\$5

	Current Rate	Resident	Non- Resident
Individual Monthly	\$35	\$35	\$50
Individual Annual	\$250	\$350	\$500
Individual Summer	\$85	\$100	\$150
Individual Aerobic Month	\$65	\$65	\$80
Seniors (55+) Month	\$25	\$25	\$35
Seniors (55+) Annual	\$200	\$250	\$350
Seniors (55+) Aerobic Month	\$55	\$55	\$65
Family Month	\$55	\$75	\$100
Family Annual	\$450	\$650	\$910
Family Summer	\$145	\$200	\$280

*Family (max 6): Family consists of two adults and children in the same house.

Private Party Rentals

	Current Rate	Resident	Non- Resident
Therapy	\$200	\$200	\$250
Competition	\$250	\$250	\$300
Outdoor Leisure	\$350	\$350	\$400

Regular Party Rentals

Spring/Fall (Comp Pool Only): Basic \$75 **\$100**
add-on inflatable package starting at \$75-**\$150**
Summer: Splash **\$125** **\$150**

Packages include: Admission for 8 people
6 tables & 16 Chairs (Pavilion has 8 Picnic Tables) 30 min of prep time. Extras:
Bring your own food: \$50; Extra time: \$60/3hrs; Extra Tables: \$5/table

Locker Rentals

	Large Locker	Small Locker
Year	\$150	\$100
Semester	\$65	\$45
Month	\$15	\$10

Programs

	Current	Resident	Non-Resident
Aerobic Daily Drop In		\$10	\$15
Swim Lessons			
Spring & Fall	\$25	\$35	\$45
Summer	\$35	\$35	\$45
Water Babies			
Spring & Fall	\$25	\$35	\$45
Summer	\$35	\$35	\$45
Private Swim Lessons	\$70/4 lessons	\$70/4 lessons	\$100/4 lessons
Lifeguard Training	\$200	\$200	\$250
Lifeguard Instructor	\$250	\$250	\$300
Lifeguard Recertification	\$100	\$100	\$150
Athletic Programs	\$35	\$35	\$45
Splash Splash Spring	\$10	\$20	\$40
Break	/week	/week	/week
Camp CASCADE	\$100	\$100	\$125
Junior Guard	\$100	\$100	\$125



Looking at resident/nonresident rates, Board Member Ginger Bosse asked how we would monitor resident/nonresident, we will be going on an honor system but there are some tools our front desk staff can use to assist in the process. It was clarified that City resident is someone that lives within the city limits and if you live outside the city limits you would pay the nonresident rate. Board Member Bill Betts asked if we have an idea of the numbers of resident vs nonresident. Aquatic & Recreation Superintendent Tammy Jaster stated we did a survey during the peak summer month and the split was about 65 nonresident and 35 residents. Discussion was asked how much it cost to see a movie. \$6 early movie and senior citizens and public is \$8 regular. Dane Rau stated that he thought \$10 was a lot and we might get a lot of feedback from that, but we need to increase rates, but what is that rate. Dane went over the comparison of other pools. Tammy Jaster stated that it was hard to compare our pools with others as we are unique in design. Dane stated that the Aquatic Center is a park and a quality of life but with the increase of chemicals & maintenance along with increase part time rates to help compete with businesses in town, we need to look at options. Board Member Bill Betts asked Tammy thoughts on this. Tammy stated that it would be a challenge to switch to resident/nonresident rates but knowing that there are monthly and yearly rates available and a better deal for the families. Suggestion was \$8.00 per nonresident daily admission instead of the \$10.00.

Dane stated that we were also proposing to increase the Carousel fee from \$1/day/rider to \$1/rider. This is a minor change, but it is a fair change. Staff is also increasing slight increase to facility and fields. Turf fields proposed a higher rate of \$100/day more than regular fields. With these recommendations we are still low compared to other cities. Cleaning \$65,000 to clean restrooms and facilities, compared to the \$45,000 we bring in with rental fees. The board discussed increasing the rates as proposed with the exception of the daily admission doing a \$5 resident and \$8 nonresident daily admission. All Monthly/Yearly rates stay as proposed. Board Member Giner Bosse asked about the select teams price for year moving from \$250/year to \$350/year. Board Member Bill Betts stated that we need to reevaluate these rates again next year.

A motion was made by Board Member Delbert Boeker and seconded by Board Member Ginger Bosse to approve the proposed rates with the change of \$8 instead of \$10 for nonresidents as well as increasing select teams from \$250/year to \$350/year.

Chairperson Bill Betts called for a vote. The motion passed with the Board voting as follows:

Board Member Andrea Fischer	Absent
Board Member Bill Betts	Yes
Board Member Courtney Mason	Absent
Board Member Delbert Boeker	Yes
Board Member Dusty Robinson	Yes
Board Member Ginger Bosse	Yes
Board Member Lee Chalmers	Yes
Board Member Tina Henderson	Yes
Board Member Wendy Buth	Yes

6. Parks and Recreation Staff Updates

- Public Works Director Dane Rau tagged on to Casey & Tammy with updates to the Parks and Recreation Team.
- Aquatics & Recreation, Superintendent Tammy Jaster reported statistics for the Blue Bell Aquatic Center, staffing, maintenance, programs for recreation, and usage/participation. 2 new free little libraries going up at Hohlt Park soccer side and Blue Bell Aquatic Center. Kid Fish is Saturday fishing beginning at 9am.
- Parks Superintendent Casey Redman reported on maintenance updates. Tournaments, seasons still in session for WCYSA, BFFL, St. Paul's & 1st Baptist flag football, Rankin men's & women's soccer. are wrapping up for the year but already getting requests for the next year. With maintenance, rye grass planted, removal of dead trees. Contract for 23 trees to be removed at Hohlt Park so they are not a danger to anyone. Some concrete work at the Pickleball courts for benches. Also did some drainage work at Jackson Street Park. Staff is keeping busy.

7. Adjourn

Chairman Bill Betts adjourned the meeting.

Bill Betts, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Tammy Jaster, Staff Liaison



To: Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

From: Tammy Jaster, Aquatics & Recreation Superintendent

Subject: 2024 Meeting Dates

Date: November 21, 2023

Meeting Schedule: Every other Month, 2nd Wednesday at Noon.

Below outlines the set meeting dates for 2024.

- January 10, 2024
- March 13, 2024 (Spring Break)
- May 8, 2024
- July 10, 2024
- September 11, 2024
- November 13, 2024



City of Brenham Blue Bell Aquatic Center

To: Parks Board
 From: Tammy Jaster, Aquatic & Recreation Superintendent
 Subject: Aquatics & Recreation
 Date: November 21, 2013

Personnel Update

- Hiring Lifeguards – for Spring 2023 / Summer 2024

Update on Projects

- Locker rooms –finishing up contracts for final approval to start project.
- Working on new budget projects: sound system; chemical room doors; new storyboard displays

Pool Usage:

- **Private Party** – booking fall/spring parties with inflatables.
- **Brenham Swim Club** – Daily 4:15pm – 5:15pm
- **Brenham High School & Junior High** - Daily 6a–8a & 230pm – 4pm
- **La Grange High School** – coming to swim 2-3 days a week in the afternoons

High School Swim Meets – Swim Meets @ Home

- o **December 7th – HOME against Bryan**
- o **January 11th – HOME against LaGrange**
- o January 26th – **DISTRICT** away in Magnolia
- o February 2nd – **REGIONALS** away in College Station
- o February 15th – **STATE** away in Austin

BBAC Usage

BBAC USAGE	October	PARK CENTRAL USAGE (RENTALS)	October
TOTAL VISITS	2416	CAROUSEL RIDERS & RENTALS	213
PASSES SOLD	92	FIREMAN'S PARK KITCHEN	10
PHONE CALLS TO PARK CENTRAL	323	FIREMAN'S ROCK ROOM KITCHEN	9
BRENHAM STATE SUPPORTED LIVING CENTER	27	FINKIE PAVILION RENTAL	1
KRUSE VILLAGE VISITS	16	HENDERSON PARK KITCHEN	6
RENEW ACTIVE VISITS	109	AMPHITHEATRE	1
SILVER SNEAKER VISITS	289	ALL SPORTS BUILDING	8
SILVER & FIT VISITS	35	JACKSON STREET PARK KITCHEN	8
SWIM TEAMS	4		

Recreation

- **CAROUSEL**
 - o Closed for Season.. Rest and Recovery.. Will reopen March 2024
- **STORYWALK** –New Children's Book @ ½ mile trail at Fireman's Park (each month) PO for new displays being entered.
- **Walk with a DOC** –1st Tuesday of month at Blinn Kruse Recreation Center @ Noon
 - o Averaging 27 – 36 participants
- **LITTLE FREE LIBRARY**–2 new library's in, one at the Blue Bell Aquatic Center and one by the bridge entrance to soccer fields at Hohlt Park.
- **Pop Up Play Days**
 - o November 11- Hattie Mae Flowers Park – great turn out.
- **Brenham Boo Bash**
 - o Oct. 31 from 6pm – 8pm
 - o Almost 1200 participants
- **Christmas Stroll & Lighted Parade**
 - o Saturday, December 2nd

Future Programs & Events

- **FALL Hours**
 - **Monday - Friday**
 - **INDOOR POOLS 6am - 1pm & 4-7pm**
 - **Saturday Indoor POOLS - 9am - 1pm**
 - **Sunday ALL POOLS CLOSED**
- **November 27-28 - La Grange Swim Team 530pm - 7pm**
- **November 29 - PARKS BOARD MEETING - NOON**
- **December 2 - Breakfast with Santa - ticket required**
- **December 2 - Indoor Pools Open 9am - 1pm**
- **December 2 - CHRISTMAS STROLL & LIGHTED PARADE 6pm - downtown**
- **December 4-5 - La Grange Swim Team 530pm - 7pm**
- **December 5 - Walk with a Doc - NOON**
- **December 6 - KBTX Food for Families Food Drive**
 - **Washington Co Fair Grounds 6am - 7pm**
- **December 7 - Brenham Swim Meet - Home**
 - **COMP POOL CLOSED 4pm - 7pm**
- **December 8 - Blood Drive - Mobile Unit in BBAC Parking Lot**
- **December 9 - Indoor Pools Open 9am - 1pm**
- **December 9 - Private Pool Party 130pm - 330pm**



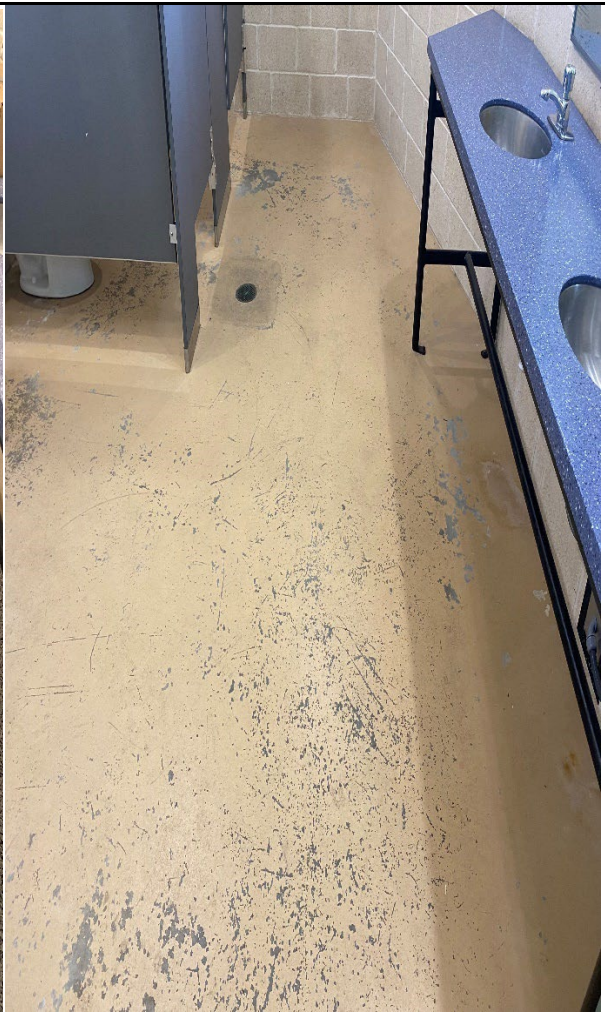
Memo

To: Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Members
From: Casey Redman, Parks Superintendent
Date: November 29th, 2023
Re: Park Maintenance and Tournament Update

Park Maintenance:

- Concrete for tables and benches poured at Hattie Mae and Firemans
- 23 dead trees removed from Hohlt Park
- Firemans restrooms floor refurbished
- Ongoing flowerbed trimming and adding mulch
- Woodmen of the world group donated and planted trees at Hohlt Park
- Linda Anderson home plates and mounds on 2 fields converted to Turf
- Firemans field concrete poured at mound and home plate
- Firemans restroom doors repainted
- Installed 2 Little Free Libraries-Hohlt and BBAC









Tournaments:

OCTOBER					
1st	S.T.Y.S.A.	Soc		500 participants	
	Texas Twelve	BB	Alex Bee	4 teams	
7th-8th	Santiago	SB	Santiago	16 teams	50 campers
	Texas Twelve	BB	Alex Bee	4 teams	
14th-15th	Texas Baseball Tournaments	BB	Frank Cruz	12 teams	
	Cowart Sporting Events	SB	Cindy Cowart	51 teams	
	Texas Twelve	BB	Alex Bee	4 teams	
21st-22nd	Play F.A.S.A.	SB	Shannon Holland	29 teams	
	Texas Twelve	BB	Alex Bee	6 teams	
29th-30th	Proform S.B.	SB	Kenny Bruce		
NOVEMBER					
4th-5th	Santiago	SB	Santiago Nunez	30	
	Texas Twelve	BB	Alex Bee	6 teams	
11th-12th	Texas Baseball Tournaments	BB			Rained out
18th-19th	RCI Sports Management	BB	Amber Guthire	6 teams	