



Staff Monthly Reports November 2023

Director:

- PCS Staff Report and Numbers Report.
- Patrick Baglietto has accepted the Park Maintenance Manager position and will start on Wednesday, December 6th.
- Mack Rusick has resigned from the Aquatics and Athletics Manager position.
- Rathgeber Park
 - Vision Plan Update
 - RVi will be at Christmas on Mercer at the PCS tent on Saturday, December 2nd.
 - Public Engagement Point/Meeting #1 will be held on Thursday, December 14th at 6:30 pm at City Hall.
- Skatepark
 - Staff is finalizing the Skatepark Rules Sign and park amenities.
 - SPA Schedule
 - Grading Permit in early December for earthwork in December/January.
 - Final Construction Plans in January
- Sports & Recreation Park
 - Working with DSYS on a plan to improve the Adult Softball fields.
- Scheduling of Park Tours with Commissioners.
 - DSRP – Hope Boatright
 - Veterans Memorial Park – Kristy Caldwell

Aquatics and Athletics:

Founders Pool:

- Pool is closed for the season.
- Andrew is working on the Tiger Splash agreement for 2024.

Community Events:

- **November Events:**
 - Run by the Creek
 - offered by Dripping Springs Running Club – (Special Event Permit)
 - November 12th
 - Holiday & Harvest Christmas Tree Sale
 - offered by the Little Longhorn – (Special Event Permit)
 - Began November 17th

- Runs through December 17th
 - Santa's Station (at the Station on Mercer St.)
 - offered by resident Bill Cafferata & family – (Special Event Permit)
 - Saturday, November 25th
 - *Holiday themed fundraiser for families in NICU*
- **December Events:**
 - Christmas on Mercer!
 - Dec 1st – tree lighting & holiday movie night
 - *The Santa Clause*, on the inflatable screen at the Stephenson Building
 - Vendor: Snowasis is bringing sno-cones and a cooler of pre-made snowballs for a snowball fight before the movie!
 - Sponsor: Sunrise Christian Schoolhouse (covers movie license fee)
 - 8-12 volunteers (4H)
 - Dec 2nd – Christmas on Mercer (day of event)
 - 21 Volunteers for set up, parking, and trash collection.
 - Homespun Holidays (Special Event Permit) at the Pound House
 - December 9th
 - Bird City Committee meeting
 - Initial review of new recertification requirements (2024)
 - *Plan to meet with Bird City Texas Audubon representative in January*

DSRP:

Highlights:

- The new sound installation hit some delays but it is back on track and will hopefully wrap this month
- We are full steam ahead with Western Wonderland. We will need sponsorships. Please share social media posts.
- We wrapped up our Haunted House and Family Fall Fest. It was fun to hear the Haunted House attendees that have come all 3 years say that this was the best year yet.
- Melanie Engels and Tina Adkins coordinated the planting of 50 trees at DSRP through the Apache Tree Gant. We had several volunteers for Hays County Master Naturalist, Hays County Master Gardeners, Boy Scout Troop 280 and Hudson Bend Middle School Day of Service.
- Coyote Kids Camp had 11 participants over Thanksgiving break.
- Family Campout on November 3rd and 4th had 8 families participate.
- Archery had 7 for Homeschool and 6 for after school.
- Skate Camp had 7 participants.
- Nature hikes had 12 participants over two dates.

DSRP Events in November:

CCA Banquet, Fences Over Bee Cave, Empty Bowls, Hope Annual Gala, Elections, Equestrian Vaulting, Blood Drive, Fall Classic, The Showcase Pig Show

Upcoming DSRP Events:

Western Wonderland, Vintage Market Days, CODS Blood Drive, Rough Out Ranch Rodeo Finals, Denbow Christmas Party

DSRP Programs:

Ranch Park Rec Days, Star Party, DSRP Riding Series: Holiday Classic Dressage Show, Skyhawks Sports weekly Program, Archery Club, Coyote Kids Winter Break Camp, Multiple Western Wonderland Micro Events

Farmers Market:

November FMC Meeting:

- Four of four vendor applications approved.

November Market recap:

- Volunteers helped plan/execute more market events. 11/1, 11/15 markets had kids activities; 11/29 market had a crossover book drop with Friends of DS Community Library.
- With 48 vendors, the 11/29 market had most since May 2023.

