



CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION DEPARTMENT REPORT

TO: Matthew R. Schmitz, MPA - City Manager
FROM: Bob Beatty – Parks & Recreation Director
DATE OF MEETING: October Report
ITEM TITLE: Department Report – Parks & Recreation

Forestry Department

Carl finished watering for the season and cleaned out all the pots and tanks throughout the City. We will soon start filling them with dirt for next spring. We will also be looking for a standardized pot we can purchase for the parks, so things look a little more uniform. We obviously won't have money to replace them all at once, but maybe a few each year. Carl has been an excellent employee and is dedicated to his position and to the city as a whole.

Parks

The parks guys remain busy getting projects done before winter. They landscaped the new Mayor's Park, installed new fencing at Third Ward Park, started on the River's EDGE awning, and trimmed trees. The last round of mowing was completed in early October. We may be out doing some leaf mulching in early November. They will also start getting snow equipment ready soon. We will move into winter projects at the FCC once the weather turns.

Recreation Department

Flag football wraps up the season on Oct 30. We had pretty good weather. We are still looking for an instructor to run the K-2 basketball program. All 3rd grade and up have moved to the AAU/Club basketball program.

River'sEDGE Facility

We will be setting January practice schedules in November. Working on a coach's meeting and getting Coach Shannon started with helping teams with skill development and practice plans. This will be especially important for the new teams and coaches. We will then get the schedules started and work on them over the next 3 months.

Falcon Civic Center

The FCC will undergo some space shuffling and a small weight room expansion. We will be moving around some of the storage areas. We also have some money allocated to replace some equipment.

Aquatic Center Facility

Closed for the season

RV Park Facility

The RV Park remains busy. Several have moved out and headed elsewhere. We have put out a notice that the water will shut off after 12 pm on October 31. The electricity will be shut off on November 15. We will then start on-site renovation.

Complex

We finished the tournament season in mid-October and will finish flag on October 30. Trenton started aerating, and we will sand and seed F4 & F5 this off-season. We may have a donor who would like to add scoreboards to each complex field. We are still working through the pricing and design.

Cemetery

The volunteers have had a busy summer and fall. They will also start winter meetings soon. We may mulch one more time, but mowing has ended.