

**Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
Agenda
Wednesday, September 20, 2017, 6:00 p.m.
Evelyn's Park
4400 Bellaire Blvd., Bellaire, Texas 77401**

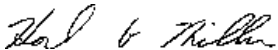
- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Announcement of a Quorum**
- 3. Approval of Minutes from August 16, 2017 meeting**
- 4. Public Comments**

Each speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes. A sign-up form by each speaker shall be required prior to the opening of the meeting.

- 5. Reports**
 - a. Reports from Other Boards, Commissions and Committees**
 - b. Reports from Council Liaison**
 - c. Reports from City Staff**
- 6. Discussion and possible action regarding Park Improvements in FY2017-18 with allocated funds.**
- 7. Board Members Comments and Announcements**
- 8. Presentation and tour of Evelyn's Park, Executive Director, Denton Ragland**
- 9. Adjournment**

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the agenda set forth above was posted on the bulletin board at the west entrance located at City Hall, 7008 South Rice Avenue, Bellaire, Texas on September 14, 2017 at 3 p.m.



Karl Miller, Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities

Upcoming Events and Meetings:

09/22/17: Pre-National Night Out, featuring the Klocks, 6:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m.
10/06/17: Party at the Pavilion, featuring Electric Circus
10/16/18: City Council meeting, Charter Review Town Hall Meeting @ 6:00 p.m.
10/26/17: The Great Pumpkin Hunt
10/28/17: Trolleywood Movie, Beauty and the Beast, 8:00pm
11/03/17: Party at the Pavilion, TBD
11/04-05/17: Tents N Town, Patrons for Bellaire Parks
11/06/17: City Council meeting, Landscape Maintenance Contract
11/30/17: Holiday in the Park
12/04/17: Evelyn's Park Conservancy Quarterly Update
12/04/17: City Council meeting, Bellaire Citizens Academy Graduation
12/27/17: Winter Camp Paseo



Parks, Recreation and Facilities Update August 2017

RECREATION

- Summer Specialty Camps concluded the week of August 24 with fencing camp, sports camp, tennis camp, princess camp and robotics.
- Fall 2017 Leisure Activities Guide was printed and distributed.
- Adult exercise classes concluded the week of August 24 for the summer season.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Party at the Pavilion, starring the BackBeat Band, was very successful on August 4th with approximately 200 in attendance.
- Dive in Movie was August 10th; it was an extremely successful event for Patrons for Bellaire Parks with over 200 in attendance.
- Planning is being done for the September 22nd Road to Recovery event featuring the Klocks, before the concert Bellaire Police Department will be hosting their Pre-National Night Out and giving away free hot dogs.

ATHLETICS

- Youth Soccer season begins September 9 with 146 kids registered.
- Youth Basketball registration begins in October.
- A quarterly Sports Association meeting was held in August.

AQUATICS

- Head guards led in-service training on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings to ensure that lifeguards sustain skills in water safety, customer service, professionalism, leadership and maintenance.
- The Aquatics Supervisor helped judge at the Gulf Coast Aquatic Association Guard Games on Aug 6th. The event was hosted by the City of El Campo.
- On August 3rd the Aquatic Supervisor and Pool Manager hosted an employee appreciation party for all aquatic staff. Head guards, lifeguards and aquatic aids were treated to pizza and ice cream and a pool party.
- Guards were recognized by management for their hard work and dedication with the following awards:
 - Leadership
 - Initiative

- Most Reliable
- Most Improved Guard
- Rookie of the Year
- Head Guard of the Year
- Lifeguard of the Year
- Maintenance Staff of the Year

BLIFE

- Twenty two (22) seniors attended Bingo in the month of August.
- The Men's/Women's club had five (5) people attend the meeting.
- Bunco's had eleven (11) seniors in attendance.
- Movie day, featuring *A Dog's Purpose* had thirty six (36) seniors in attendance.
- Seventeen (17) seniors went on a trip to the Lanier Theological Library in Houston.
- Thirty-six (36) seniors were signed up for a trip to Goya, due to Hurricane Harvey the trip was canceled.
- Fourteen (14) seniors participated in a chair volleyball tournament against West University Place.
- Eight (8) seniors attended a lecture on Parkinson's disease.
- Eight (8) seniors attended Coffee with a Cop.
- Three (3) seniors participated in a new program called Tuesday Tunes.
- Ten (10) seniors participated in Crafts Day.
- BLIFE continues to have Bridge on Mondays and Fridays and Crafts and Conversation on Wednesdays.

PARKS

- The Holly St. trail received some trail maintenance adding crushed granite in low areas, following that up with tampering to level and compact.
- Parks crew is working on a plan to add plant/color at the railroad tracks and Bellaire Blvd. where we lost our City of Bellaire entry marker. Staff is working CenterPoint to remove the utility pole in this area and re-locate power across the street, this has been delayed due to Hurricane Harvey.
- The Parks crew did a thorough cleaning at Driscoll Park to remove all heavy debris, deadwood and fallen branches, cleared storm drains and added granite gravel underneath all picnic benches.
- The Parks crew and landscape contractor have been preparing the Lafayette Soccer Field for the upcoming Fall Season, this includes; aeration, weed control, goal preparation and field striping.
- The landscape contractor removed and replaced color around the Gazebo.
- A Purchase Order has been procured to top off the Loftin Park playground with Engineered Wood Fiber (EWF), "play surface".

FACILITIES

- Four (4) new cameras were installed in front of the Recreation Center as a result of vehicle breakings this summer.
- The front of the aquatic center has been repainted.
- Two (2) chiller coils were replaced on the rec center chiller.
- All the gym lights in the Recreation Center have been replaced. This is done once every seven years as part of our light replacement program.

HARVEY REPORT

- The ceiling grid in City Hall fell in a couple of areas due to the building shifting during the storm.
- Due to the hurricane, the foundation at City Hall move significantly causing multiple doors to shift and drag which resulted in an interior window in the Council Chamber to crack due to pressure and ceiling grid to fall.
- The Waste Water Treatment Plant received substantial damage during the hurricane. From a building prospective, there was minimum damage to the building, i.e. sheetrock, carpet HVAC, etc.
- A small amount of water came in the front door of the Public Works administration area of the trailer. That area of carpet has been removed and will be replaced in mid-October. Underneath the trailer was a vapor barrier that covered insulation, it was ruined by flood waters. The barrier and insulation has been removed. The goal is to have it reinstalled in the next couple of weeks.
- During the storm, the roof hatch blew open at the Library damaging some ceiling tiles on the 2nd floor. The tiles have been removed and the carpet on the 2nd floor has been professionally cleaned.
- Contractor completed sanitizing and cleaning the following parks; Lafayette, Evergreen, Russ Pitman. This included all play structures as well as trash enclosures, picnic tables and park benches. The same type of work was completed at the Evergreen Pool.
- The landscape contractor has replaced the irrigation control systems at BFAC and Lafayette and will be replacing the control system at Evergreen Park.
- Ongoing cleaning efforts at all parks and right of ways being taken care of by both contractors as well as Parks Crew at no additional costs to City for these services.
- Starting next week Parks crew began repairs on the Holly Street trail, labor will be done in-house.
- Mosquito fogging and the larvicide program began the first week of April and will continue through October. The City of Bellaire has doubled up on fogging through September and will continue into October if necessary due to Hurricane Harvey.
- Hurricane Harvey flooded the pump room at Bellaire Family Aquatic Center. All motors, chemical feeders and breakers were turned off prior to the storm to reduce potential damage to the equipment. Motors did need to be removed, kiln-dried and rebuilt before reinstalling. Electrical was checked before reinstalling and were found to be in working

order. One GFCI in pit area was replaced. UV system for BFAC Leisure pool will need to be completely replaced.

- The Evergreen Pool was under 12 inches of flood water. All motors in the pump room were destroyed and new ones were purchased. Electrical system is still being evaluated as there are issues when both pool motors are on at the same time.
- Chlorinator for Therapy pool was damaged in the flood water and will need to be replaced as well as the pulsar pump for the big pool.
- The Evergreen pool and Therapy pool will both be drained and cleaned by an outside company. Both pools have significant level of contaminated water present and acid-washing the plaster is recommended.
- Therapy Pool heater was under approximately 12 inches of water and will need to be replaced.
- The guard room at Evergreen Pool had standing water causing damaged to the sheetrock, cabinets, equipment, rugs, and supplies.
- Both facilities have been closed since August 25th and will reopen on a date to be determined.