Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Agenda Wednesday, March 21, 2018, 6:00 p.m. CenterPoint Energy Community Center 7008 5th Street, Bellaire, Texas 77401

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Announcement of a Quorum
- 3. Introduction of Ryan Smith, Recreation Superintendent and Grant Haynes, Administrative Assistant
- 4. Approval of Minutes from February 21, 2018 meeting
- 5. 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.

- 6. Reports
 - a. Reports from Other Boards, Commissions and Committees
 - **b. Reports from Council Liaison**
 - c. Reports from City Staff
- 7. Discussion regarding progress of the Parks sub-committee as related to the selection of playground amenities utilizing the Capital Improvement Funds allocated for playgrounds and shade shelters
- 8. Board Members Comments and Announcements
- 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 March 16, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

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Karl Miller, Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities

Upcoming Events and Meetings:

03/24/18: Wine and Tapas, Patrons for Bellaire Parks 04/06/18: Party at the Pavilion 04/12/18: Community Pathways Plan presented to Planning and Zoning for approval 04/14/18: 23rd Annual Trolley Run 04/27/18: Community Pathways Plan presented to City Council 05/07/18: City Council, Approval of Community Pathways Plan 06/01/18: Party at the Pavilion 06/04/18: First Day of Camp Paseo 07/04/18: Fourth of July Parade and festival 08/09/18: Dive-In Movie, Patrons for Bellaire Parks



Parks, Recreation and Facilities Update March 2018

ADMINISTRATION

- Heysel's last day with the Parks Department will be April 6. Grant Haynes, former Recreation Aide, will be stepping in to take her place.
- Ryan Smith has been promoted to Recreation Superintendent.
- Grant Haynes has been promoted to Administrative Assistant
- The Aquatics and Recreation Department are now hiring Lifeguards and all summer staff positions. Positions available are on the City website.
- Several staff members attended the Annual Texas Parks & Recreation (TRAPS) State Conference in Waco.

RECREATION

- Spring leisure classes and programs are open for registration and will run through the end of May.
- Summer activities and camps are now also open for registration. Summer programs run June August and we will have over seventy weekly specialty half or full day summer camp options from June 4 August 24.
- Camp Paseo registration is open.
- Session one of Camp Paseo will start on June 4.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- March 2 was the first Party at the Pavilion hosted by the City of Bellaire and Patrons for Bellaire Parks. Approximately 150 people showed up to listen to Big Al Bettis and enjoy pizza from Pinks Pizza.
- The next Party at the Pavilion will be April 6 at 7:00pm featuring Bayou Roux.

AQUATICS

- The Aquatics Supervisor attended the annual Texas Public Pool Conference in Conroe, TX on January 29 February 2.
- Swim team open registration began February 1 for returning members and tryouts begin in April for those interested in joining.
- Safe Slide Restoration provided minor repairs and painted the slide at the Bellaire Family Aquatic Center and a painting contractor is scheduled to paint the play features in April.
- Lifeguard training class for scout troop leaders and scouts, was held over the weekend of February 24 & 25. Eleven (11) leaders were certified.

ATHLETICS

- Youth soccer practice will start the week of March 19, with games starting April 7.
- Youth basketball finished up on March 8.

BLIFE

- Twenty-one (21) seniors attended Bingo in the month of February.
- Bunco had twelve (12) seniors in attendance.
- Movie day, featuring Paris Can Wait had thirty-one (31) seniors in attendance.
- Thirty-one (31) seniors went on the trip to the Bee Weaver Honey Farm in Navasota.
- Sixteen (16) seniors met at McHugh Tea Room for Let's Do Lunch.
- Twelve (12) seniors participated in Games Day.
- Eleven (11) seniors participated in Crafts Day.
- Fourteen (14) seniors attended the Speaker on Pain Resolution.
- The trip to Houston Baptist Museum had eighteen (18) seniors in attendance.
- BLIFE continues to have Bridge on Mondays and Fridays and Crafts and Conversation on Wednesdays.

PARKS

- Holly St. Trail received some trail maintenance adding crushed granite in low areas, following that up with tamping to level and compact. The Parks Crew added some more Asian Jasmine in the first median closest to S. Rice.
- Working with summer intern and arborist to complete tree inventory project, identifying all "unknown" trees, then update all maps and graphs.
- Working with Patrons to replace a bench in Loftin Park with a new bench and plaque as part of the Park Tribute Program.
- Adding soil and mulch to 7-8 trees where machine planted Oaks were poorly planted at Evelyn's Park.
- Parks Crew completed park inspection and clean up at Driscoll Park that included bench and granite gravel work, replaced some signage enhanced drain.
- The parking lot at Evelyn's Park, Mulberry side, was pressured washed in attempt to remove some tough stains.
- The Parks Crew is working with Clark Condon to address the foundation issues on the pavilion at the Great Lawn and also working with vendors to get pricing on refinishing the roof at the pavilion.
- Installed Little Free Library at Evelyn's Park.
- Removed graffiti at Joe Gaither Park.
- Installed new windscreen at Bellaire Tennis Courts.