



Recreation & Parks
Department Report
March 2022 

- Nine groups used the Hughes Center during February for a total of 133 hours. Events included a New Starts Winter Jam and a Delta Waterfowl Banquet.
- For the month of February, the Russellville Aquatic Center had 22 regular parties and 7 private parties for a total of 65 hours. Classes held in February included Try Scuba, Water Aerobics, Silver Fins, Aqua Zumba and swim lessons for a total of 25 hours. The aquatic center hosted the high school district swim meet on February 8 with 7 teams participating.
- The aquatic center hosted the 5A State swim meet on February 26 with 17 teams and 244 athletes participating. The center sold 476 tickets to the meet. The Russellville Girls Swim & Dive team won the state championship for the second year in a row.
- The Parks Commission did not meet in February. Minutes from previous meetings are available for viewing at www.russellvillearkansas.org
- The Russellville Youth Baseball Association held registration for the 2022 season. Their online registration began in February and will end on March 3.
- Arkansas Valley Soccer Association held registration in February for their spring season. League play begins on March 12 and will end on May 14. There are 628 participants for the season.
- The Russellville Cyclones baseball and softball teams began practices on Field 1 and Field 6 at M.J. Hickey Park. The first home game for baseball is scheduled for March 15 and the first home game for softball is March 4.
- The maintenance department has been working hard getting parks, pavilions, fields and bathrooms ready for the 2022 spring season.
- Work continued on the James School Park basketball court project. All of the fence has been installed and the courts will be painted once the weather turns warmer.
- Two applications of pre-emergent and fertilizer have been applied to all sports fields. The maintenance department also sprayed the downtown crepe myrtles and the evergreen bushes to prevent black mold, mites and bagworms.
- Due to the ice storms in February the Hughes Community Center was closed twice. Maintenance staff worked diligently cleaning up the parks from the ice damage to the trees.