



**Recreation & Parks
Department Report
October 2022**

- Six groups used the Hughes Center during the month of September for a total of 155 hours. Events included the Canady-Coverson family reunion, U.S. Navy training and a birthday party.
- For the month of September the Russellville Aquatic Center had nineteen regular parties and seven private parties for a total of 59 hours. Learn to Swim lessons were held for a total of 16 hours. Shallow Water Aerobics, Deep Water Aerobics and Try Scuba classes were held for a total of 27 hours. The Russellville High School Swim Team started swim practice for the year on September 26.
- The Parks Commission did not meet in September. Minutes from previous meetings are available for viewing at www.russellvillearkansas.org.
- The department had 16 park pavilion rentals in September.
- As part of the Department's safety plan, department offices and fire extinguishers were inspected. Maintenance held four weekly safety meetings during the month of September.
- Pleasant View Park was the host site for two softball tournaments in September. The tournaments brought forty teams to compete in Russellville
- The Russellville Youth Baseball Association (RYBA) began their fall season on September 13. Games are played on Tuesday and Thursday nights at M.J. Hickey Park.
- The Arkansas Valley Soccer Association (AVSA) fall season began at the Russellville Soccer Complex. Games are played on Saturdays and practices are throughout the week.
- The River Valley Boys and Girls Club began their flag football season on September 19. Games are played on Tuesday and Thursday nights and Saturdays.
- Demolition on the old City Park splash pad began when it closed on September 26. A new commercial splash pad will be constructed at City Park.
- Additional improvements at City Park include the renovation of the bathrooms. Maintenance installed new mirrors, bathroom partitions and automatic flushers and painted the building. The equipment for the all-inclusive playground has been ordered with an expected shipping date in November.
- Demolition and repairs have started at M.J. Hickey Pool. Sections of concrete deck, the fiberglass liner, old piping and the old filter system have been removed.
- Construction began on the Pine Knob Bike Park at Confederate Mothers Memorial Park. Trails have been laid out and lots of brush has been cleared. The parking lot was enlarged and covered with new gravel.