



Recreation & Parks
Department Report
October 2020

- Five groups used the Hughes Community Center during September for a total of 82 hours. Events included the Fit Girlz exercise classes, Pickleball and a bladder control seminar.
- For the month of September the Russellville Aquatic Center had 3 private parties for a total of 9 hours. Classes resumed in water aerobics, Silver Fins and Tone Zone for a total of 12 hours. The aquatic center hosted a Racers swim meet in September.
- The Parks Commission met on September 10. Minutes from previous meetings are available for viewing at www.russellvillearkansas.org
- The department had six park pavilion rentals in September.
- In safety matters, department offices and fire extinguishers were inspected.
- The Department will not have the annual KidsFest event this year due to Covid-19 restrictions. The event will be greatly missed by our staff as it is one of our favorites.
- The park master plan was officially accepted by the Russellville City Council during their September meeting.
- Pleasant View Park was the host site for three softball tournaments in September. The tournaments brought 68 teams to compete in Russellville.
- Park events in September included an Americorps 9/11 service event at Veterans Park, a Girl Scout Experience with drive thru stations at Pleasant View Park and the Hobie Bass Open Series kayak fishing tournament registration in the parking lot of the Hughes Community Center, a Arkansas Youth BASS Nation fishing tournament at Illinois Bayou Park and a fall pull up concert hosted by Rev Radio at Pleasant View Park.
- The M.J. Hickey backstop project designed by Barrett & Associates has been sent out for bids. The project will replace backstops on Fields 2, 3, 4 & 7. Construction should begin in November.
- New LED scoreboards were installed on Fields 2, 3 & 4 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.