



AGENDA ITEM 6C Town of Atherton

PARK & RECREATION COMMITTEE STAFF REPORT

TO: PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

FROM: STEVE TYLER, PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT

DATE: OCTOBER 7, 2015

SUBJECT: PARK GOINGS ON SEPTEMBER 2015

REGULAR STAFF

For the month of September

- Inspect Irrigation System- Inspect and remove/replace systems in the project areas in park.
- Other Irrigation-Goes along with inspect irrigation above.
- In house Pruning- Goes along with tree/brush cutting above.
- Building Misc. Maintenance – Maintain and supply restrooms as need.
- Play court Maintenance- Remove pine needles, weeds and trash bags on tennis courts.
- Drinking fountain Maintenance- Unclog and clean as required drinking fountain structure.
- Spot spray to control undesirable weeds throughout the property.
- Playground structures are being inspected and maintain as required once a week.
- Main House elevator is being inspected and maintain as required once a week.
- Main House elevator telecom unit got replaced by a more heavy duty and efficient device. The ventilation fan was also replaced.
- Spread of wood chip in open landscaped areas is in process as the loads get delivered (for free” from local tree companies.
- Install of tree ID plaques throughout park is still in process of completing.
- Water holding tank compressor got replaced due to malfunction of older one.
- Urinary and toilet motion sensors are being replaced at Little League Field building.
- AC furnace at Pavilion building got regular maintenance and repairs completed by Certified Tech vendor.

Work continued on the installation of the plant ID signs on the trees in the park.

HAPPENINGS

The Atherton Art Show took place Friday, September 11, 2015 and was a large success.

Player Capital Tennis was given a 3 year contract extension to provide tennis services at the Holbrook Palmer Park tennis facility. Michael Jessup signed the agreement and presented the Town with a check for \$15,000 for future tennis court maintenance.

Jennings Pavilion – the Pavilion got a new “cool roof” designed to the latest standards for thermal efficiency. Also, the Pavilion kitchen had its old over stove ventilation system removed and a new system complete with “return air” was installed.

All six tennis courts completed their resurfacing by the 1st week of September. The colors were changed to “US Open Colors” and so far, everyone seems to enjoy the new playing surface.

A new air compressor unit was added to the old park well, which should keep it pumping away with proper pressure and reliability for the next few years.

Nuts were removed (again) from the grove of Monkey Puzzle trees (*Araucaria araucana*) at the E end of the water tower lawn. These nuts are a hazard for whatever gets in between them and the ground when they decide to fall from the tree.

The new Event Garden was postponed from its original start dated of September 15, staff awaits word on when the Foundation plans to begin this project.

New touchless flushing mechanisms were installed at the new LL Field restrooms as the ones installed as part of the project constantly malfunctioned causing a huge waste of potable water.

Plans have been finalized, and a purchase order has been issued, to install security cameras in the rear of the park between the LL restrooms and the Felton Gables gate.

See attachments for June and September financial recaps.

TENNIS

Hours of court usage (# of crts x time) 548 hours

Clinics: 295

Lessons: 202

Events: 4- weekly coaches meetings and 1 USTA league match

Total # of students: 497

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