



City of Abilene

Parks and Recreation Board Agenda

Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Parks and Recreation Board of City of Abilene to be held on July 20, 2021 at 8:30AM at City Hall, 555 Walnut Street, Council Chambers, Abilene, Texas, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items.

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments on Any Item on the Agenda

MINUTES

1. Minutes (Discussion and Action)

AGENDA ITEMS

2. Service Award (Discussion)
 - Angela Koonsman - 10 Years
3. Request to Name the Lake at Nelson Park In Honor of Jimmy Tittle (Discussion and Action)
 - Mr. Tittle was original architect of the Abilene Zoo at its current location in Nelson Park.
 - Request to name lake after Jimmy Tittle.
4. Request to Rename Kirby Lake Park Softball Field 1 In Honor of David "Oly" Olson (Discussion and Action)
 - Mr. Olson was long term umpire for Wylie softball.
 - Request to name field "David 'Oly' Olson Field".
5. Parks Bucks Marketing Campaign Update (Discussion)
6. Aquatics Report (Discussion)
 - Dive in Movies

- Champion's Day
7. Seniors Report (Discussion)
 - Activities
 - Talent Show
 - Pool Tournament
 8. Parks Report (Discussion)
 - Plant Replacement
 - Johnson Park Dock Repair
 - Statue Installation
 9. Recreation Report (Discussion)
 - After School Sign Ups
 - Summer Camp Field Trips
 - Youth Flag Football
 10. Zoo Report (Discussion)
 - Animal Update
 - Animal Dispositions
 - Animal Acquisitions
 - Summer Zoocation

ADJOURNMENT

Notice

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify the above meeting notice was posted on the bulletin board at the City Hall of the City of Abilene, Texas, on the 16th day of July, 2021, at 9:10 a.m.

*Kaitlin Richardson, Deputy City
Secretary*

Service Award



Request to Name the Lake at Nelson Park After Jimmy Tittle



Lake at Nelson Park

- 1964 City bond passed to build a new city zoo, including creation of a lake south of the formerly known body of water called T&P Lake.
- Jimmy Tittle was primary architect on the project and main supporter to build lake.
- 1966 damn created and digging of new lake completed.



Request to Rename Kirby Lake Park Softball Field 1 to David “Oly” Olson Field



Kirby Lake Park Softball Field 1



Parks Bucks Marketing Campaign Update



City of Abilene Parks Bucks



**Make an impact in your
community for just \$1 a month!**



Through your water bill payment, you can donate \$1, \$3, or \$5 a month to the Parks Bucks Program to help provide outdoor recreational activities, improve parks, and contribute to expansions. You can register by mail-in or email.

Mail-In

Fill out the form on the back then return form with water payment
(P.O. Box 3479 Abilene, Texas 79604)

Email

Fill out the Parks Bucks Form found online at www.abilenetx.gov/parksbucks and email it to parksandrec@abilenetx.gov

Aquatics



Aquatics - Dive-In Movies

- Next Dive-In Movie July 23rd, featuring the Christmas movie Elf.
- Last Dive-In Movie of the season will be August 13th, featuring The Peanuts Movie.



Aquatics - Champion's Day

- Champion's Day on August 7th from 9am-11am.
- Free entrance for persons with disabilities and a reduced rate of \$4 per person for up to four family members.



CHAMPIONS DAY
Saturday, August 7
9am-11am

Person with Disabilities: FREE!
Reduced rate of \$4 per person for up to four family members.*
Enjoy the summer with your family at Adventure Cove!

*Any additional family members will incur full admission cost. Only four family members per disabled guest. If a family has more than one guest with special needs, then reduced rate still only allows four per that family.

All pool/facility rules still apply to all patrons (i.e. no medical devices allowed on slides, height requirements still apply, all personal flotation devices must be marked as US Coast Guard Approved).

Seniors



Seniors - Activities

- Lots of activities taking place ranging from exercising to pool to karaoke.



Seniors - Talent Show Auditions

- Senior Talent Show Auditions July 23rd & 30th
- 2021 Talent Show taking place on August 21st at Rose Park Senior Activity Center
- Free to audition



Seniors - Pool Tournament

- Friday, August 6th at
Rose Park Senior
Activity Center



Parks



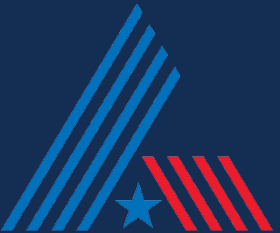
Parks – Plant Replacement

- Removed damaged and dead Indian Hawthorne from winter storm in beds on Pine St.
- Replaced Hawthorne with Juniper ground cover



Parks – Johnson Park Dock

- Removed damaged dock component
- Replaced damaged piece with new component



Parks – Otis the Tractor Statue Installation

- Poured piers and installed “Otis the Tractor” statue at Convention Center for C.A.L.F.



Recreation



After School Sign-Ups

- First day of after school starts August 19th
- Registration opens July 19th
- Open to children ages 6-13
- Register online at www.abilenetx.gov/signup



After School Program

Ages 6-13
3pm-6pm
\$15 per person
per week

- Enriched Learning
- Healthy Snacks
- New Experiences
- Homework Help
- Fun Activities
- Gym Games

Safety precautions will be taking place at all recreation centers by staff and students.

Cobb Rec • Daniels Rec
Rose Rec • Sears Rec

Fee is waived for those on the free or reduced lunch program.
Documentation must be provided, email documentation to
parksandrec@abilenetx.gov

*Transportation is not provided

*Not licensed by the State of Texas

2021 - 2022
Registration
opening July 19!

Register at
www.abilenetx.gov/signup

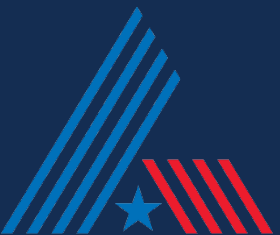
Be ready for the
first day of school
on August 19!

Have questions? Email us at
parksandrec@abilenetx.gov



Summer Camp Field Trips

- Sears, Rose, and GV Daniels go on different Field Trips each week.
- Places include the Abilene Zoo, Adventure Cove, Family Life Center, Johnson Park, and many others.



Youth Flag Football

- Open to ages 5-12
- \$75 per player
- Registration open now through August 11th
- Four Divisions: 6 under, 8 under, 10 under, & 12 under

YOUTH FLAG FOOTBALL

Registration
OPEN THROUGH AUG. 11

Games at Lee Athletic Complex

**GAMES START SAT, SEPT. 11
THROUGH SAT, OCT. 23
BYE WEEK ON SAT, OCT. 9**

\$75
per player

Open to ages
5-12 

DIVISIONS: 6 & UNDER • 8 & UNDER • 10 & UNDER • 12 & UNDER

Winners of each division will be automatically entered into the state tournament in Waco, Texas on November 11-12.

No pre-formed teams allowed. Player draft August 16, Times TBA.

Coaches needed. If interested in coaching, email
parksandrec@abilenetx.gov.

Coach look on August 13. Times TBA.



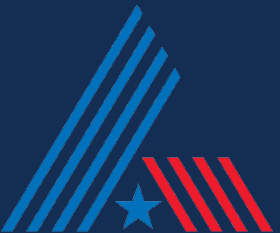
REGISTER ONLINE AT
WWW.ABILENETX.GOV/SIGNUP





Animal Updates

Albert the Alligator



Animal Dispositions



Animal Acquisitions



Addax

Addax nasomaculatus



Habitat: Sand dunes and desert terrain of the Sahara Desert

Diet: Desert grasses, seeds, succulents and scrub brush. They get most of their water from the plants they eat.

Conservation Status: Critically Endangered

Threats: Over hunting and habitat destruction due to oil exploration and civil unrest in its native habitat.

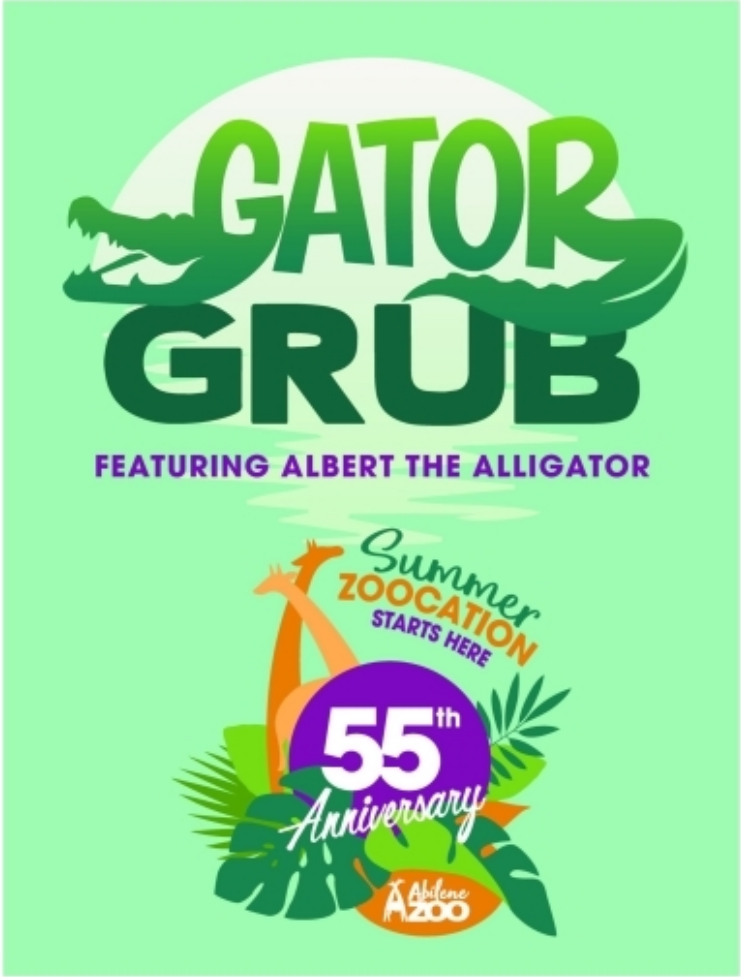


DID YOU KNOW?

- Addax are considered the slowest runners of the antelope
- They differ from other antelope in their square shaped teeth and the horns being the same size in males and females— which can be up to 3 feet in length!
- Addax give birth to one offspring that will develop the characteristic x-shaped face pattern and "toupee" as they grow!



Summer Zoocation



KEEPER CHAT SCHEDULE JULY 11 - 17						
SUNDAY JULY 11	MONDAY JULY 12	TUESDAY JULY 13	WEDNESDAY JULY 14	THURSDAY JULY 15	FRIDAY JULY 16	SATURDAY JULY 17
11:00 AM	11:00 AM	11:00 AM	11:00 AM	11:00 AM	11:00 AM	11:00 AM
 Watch Albert eat lunch	 Meet the Lemur Troop in Madagascar	Meet the Aldabra Tortoise in Giraffe Safari	Meet Einstein the Great Horned Owl at the Education Station in Bird Gardens	Meet a surprise Ambassador Animal at the Education Station	Meet a Prehensile-tailed Porcupine at the Education Station	 Meet Lesser Flamingos at Nakuru Lagoon
2:00 PM						2:00 PM
 Meet the Giraffe Herd						 Meet the Lion Pride
FREE WITH ADMISSION!						
*Keeper Chats are dependent on weather and animal welfare. Some changes may occur.						