

Recreation Board Meeting:

- The Recreation Board met on Wed., June 4th at 5:30p at City Hall.
 - The Board received updates on the following:
 - Event Season including the Memorial Service, Jazz in the Park, the Main Event and 4th of July.
 - Pool Opening Weekend Report
 - Jeffrey Summer Camp Opening
 - Pickleball/Tennis Court Update
 - Pump House Park Lease Agreement

Event Season

- The event season opened memorial weekend with the kick off Jazz in the Park event at Havenwood Park on Mon., May 26th.
 - We had an amazing turnout for the Jazz in the Park with perfect weather and a great partnership with the Bexley Area Chamber of Commerce Food Truck Festival.
- The first Main Event, scheduled for Fri., May 30th was rained out and rescheduled for this past Fri., June 20th.
 - The event included music by the Shazzbots, games and activities, and the showing of the movie, The Wild Robot. Although it was a fairly hot evening, turnout for the event was good.
 - We were also able to honor Mrs. Lori Ann Feibel for her many year chairing the Bexley Celebration and Events Team and overseeing so many of our wonderful community events. Thank you Lori Ann!!!
- Preparation for the 4th of July is underway. Once again, the festivities will get kicked off with the John Barr 4th of July 5K run at 8a. (To register - www.runsignup.com/bexleyjohnbarr5k)
 - The amazing 4th of July parade will begin at 930a. We currently have just over 80 floats registered for this year's parade. Huge thank you to Natalie Vawter for all her organization and work on the parade.
 - The evening activities will start at 6p on Capital's front Lawn. It will include food, activities, music and of course, fireworks.
 - The logistics team, which includes staff from Bexley PD, Capital PD, Capital Facilities, Bexley Service, Bexley City Hall and Bexley Rec and Parks, met a few weeks back to go through the checklist.
 - For more information on the 4th of July festivities visit www.bexley.org/fouth.

**Pool Opening:**

- The David H. Madison Community Pool Opened on Sat., May 24th.
- Attendance for opening weekend was a bit light due to the cool weather. However, as you can imagine, attendance has steadily picked up, especially with the significant heat wave we are experiencing.



- Memberships have also continued to rise. Currently we have issued 3592 individual memberships compared to a total of just over 3800 in 2024.
- Pool staff has done a good job with pool safety as well as working to keep the facility in good condition.
- We do continue to have intermittent issues with the splash pad, which we continue to try and work through.

Pickleball/Tennis Lighting Project:

- Last week was the deadline for the pickleball/tennis court lighting RFP.
- We received 4 quotes for new lights and are currently going through the quotes to make sure they are complete.
- We are hopeful to provide a recommendation in the next week or so to the Board of Controls for awarding the contract.
- A number of bids fall within our budget, which includes funding support from City of Bexley Capital Funds as well as the Bexley Community Foundation and The Ryan Solomon Memorial Fund.
- We hope to have lightening work completed in the Fall of 2025.
- Huge thank you to Matt Klingler for his work on this project!