

# Berthoud Board Update

June 2022 Report

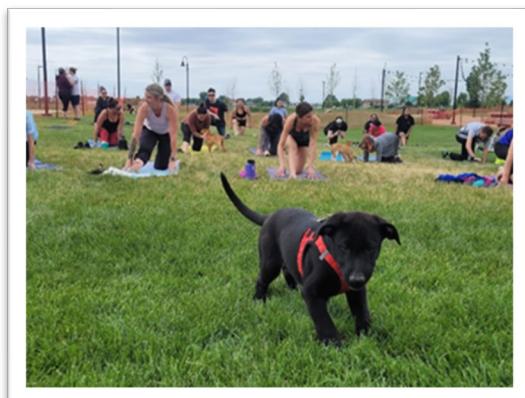


## Recreation Department in Review

The Recreation Center continues to enjoy many firsts in our inaugural season as we continue thru summer into fall. We continually appreciate the support from our Berthoud Community, Town Board, and Administration. Recreation is happy to announce that we are negotiating with Tivity Health (SilverSneakers®) and hope to have a contract soon! We hosted our first summer sizzler on the patio in June, and what a great turnout. Many families enjoyed some live local music, food trucks, and lawn games.

The operations team has been reviewing the policies and procedures of every aspect of the department. This has allowed the team to keep their staff updated with current trends and ensure that tasks are completed consistently. For example, the team uses to connect two concepts to illustrate to part-time staff what duties they must complete during open, mid-day, and evening shifts. In addition, the team has identified multiple items that need addressing to allow staff to be more efficient in their duties. Also, Recreation hosted its first concert series on the patio at the recreation center. Lastly, the team began coordinating the following upcoming fall special events; Summer Sizzler, Family Campout, Daddy Daughter Dance, and Winter Craft Show.

This month the marketing team accomplished some substantial tasks that took a lot of team effort to complete. First, completing the fall brochure took place along with rolling out the virtual tour created through google. Customers can now walk through the facility with a click of a button and view all of the amenities the recreation center offers. Furthermore, the marketing team collaborated with the aquatics department and the contracted photographer to create a series of lifeguard videos that will be used to market our lifeguarding positions. Lastly, the team planned the recreation center's first member appreciation day, which will take place on July 16.



## Sports & Programs

Sports has been plugging along and working hard, offering large sports and summer camps. Baseball, T-ball, and softball are always a hit for the Berthoud Community. We did hire a new Sports Coordinator, and please help us welcome Kaitlynn Zerr; she brings a wide variety of sports and camp knowledge to our team.

### Summer Registration Numbers

<u>Program</u>	<u>Total Participants</u>	<u>Revenue</u>	<u>Reg. Period</u>	<u>Program Runs</u>
Little Sluggers	27	\$1,943	4/1 – 5/24	6/7 – 6/30
T-Ball	149	\$10,281	4/1 – 5/9	5/23 – 7/22
8U Baseball	60	\$4,521	4/1 – 5/9	5/23 – 7/22
10U Baseball	62	\$5,356	4/1 – 5/9	5/23 – 7/22
12U Baseball	29	\$2,394	4/1 – 5/9	5/23 – 7/22
14U Baseball	28	\$3,673.75	4/1-5/2	5/9-7/22
Martial Arts – Session 1	16	\$1216	4/1 – 5/24	5/24 – 6/30
50+ Pickleball League	0		4/1 – 6/7	6/7 – 7/18
50+ Shuffleboard League	0		4/1 – 6/7	6/6 – 7/17
Men's 5 V 5 Outdoor	-			
Adult Softball	8 free agents			
CARA Track	32	\$3,520.50	4/1 – 5/24	6/7 – 7/20
CARA Tennis	53	\$6,043	4/1 – 5/24	6/6 – 7/20
Multi-Sport Camp	77	\$8,505	4/1 -	Varies
Summer Day Camp	58	\$6,371	4/1 -	Varies
Family Olympics	2 families	\$32	4/1 – 7/8	7/16
<b>Recreation Program Total</b>		<b>\$50,587.00</b>		

## Fitness

Fitness is going strong, and the outdoor fitness area has been a great addition and a big hit. We have seen 35 personal training sessions purchased and 64 sessions redeemed and completed 17 youth fitness orientations and seven adult fitness orientations. In addition, we held our first Puppy Yoga that ran with a registration of 40 participants – 1 puppy was adopted that day as well.

Pers Train Sessions Purchased	35	\$1,375	June	June
Redeemed training sessions	64	-	June	June
Personal Buddy Training Sess.	-	-		
<b>Paid Fitness classes still Participants</b>		<b>Enrollments summer session 1</b>		
Monday Soul Fusion	6	\$192.50	4/1 – 5/16	5/16 – 6/24
Monday TRX	8	\$253.75	4/1 – 5/16	5/16 – 6/24
Monday Stroller Shapers	5	\$175	4/1 – 5/16	5/16 – 6/24
Tuesday Kickboxing	0	Cancelled	4/1 – 5/16	5/16 – 6/24
Wednesday Stroller Shapers	6	\$192.50	4/1 – 5/16	5/16 – 6/24
Wednesday Deep-Water Aerobics	5	175	4/1 – 5/16	5/16 – 6/24

Friday Deep Water Aerobics	7	\$218.75	4/1 – 5/16	5/16– 6/24
Thursday Soul Fusion	6	\$183.75	4/1 – 5/16	5/16– 6/24
Sunrise Strength Friday	13	\$376.25	4/1 – 5/16	5/16– 6/24
Strength Cycle Friday	5	\$140	4/1 – 5/16	5/16– 6/24
Strength Cycle Wednesday	0	Canceled		
Drop-In Attendance for the month	25	\$154.00		
High School Strength Training	4	\$113.75	4/1 – 5/18	5/18-6/15
<b>Fitness Total</b>		<b>\$2,175.25</b>		

## Aquatics

Summer started with a splash in the pools. The open swim was popular with families and middle schoolers running wild. The lifeguard staff worked hard to educate and support all who used the pool. As June went along, we continued to see safe pools and patrons enjoying the water while following the rules.

The lifeguard staff worked hard throughout June to sharpen their lifeguard skills. The team worked on basic lifeguard skills such as simple rescues and CPR. Staff also worked on more technical skills, such as getting a victim off the bottom of the 11-foot-deep end and honing in on their customer service skills. Other skills covered during the training were professionalism, rule enforcement, customer service/experience, Drennan's Dreams, and the severity of missing a save.

We were able to create three new classes in an attempt to provide lessons to the nearly 70 kids waiting for a class spot to open. The CARA swim team maxed out and completed two swim meets with a strong showing in both meets. The lifeguard class ran in early June with 6 participants, and five of them joined our lifeguard team, with six more participating in the lifeguard class at the end of June. All have joined the team as slide attendants and will transition to lifeguards once they are certified in the coming days. With the turnover of more than 25% of the staff, these classes have been a blessing, and with the recent partnership with a Water Safety Instructor Trainer, we will be able to offer a class and gain more instructors by the end of July.

The end of June saw the completion of five short video clips to go with our marketing campaign to recruit more lifeguards. In addition to these videos, Aquatics applied and were awarded the Pools and Initiative grant from the state. This money will be used to support the recruitment and retention of the lifeguard team.

- Learn to Swim
  - Spring session II –Ended May 14; next session starts June

## Maintenance:

On top of his regular scheduled cleaning and maintenance, our Maintenance Supervisor, Al Loera has been working hard on some PM maintenance of fitness equipment, changing HVAC pool air filter units and Town hall projects, and demo of the dumbwaiter.

## Parks, Forestry, Open Space, and Public Works in Review

The Forestry Department's objectives this summer ARE to keep our Town's trees healthy and safe for an attractive town. We had both major pruning contracts wrap up, leaving our town park and street trees cleaned up and clear of dangerous branches. We finished up planting the rest of our trees received in spring by adding new trees along the Waggener Farm Trail and restocking the Hillsdale Nursery.

During June, staff responded to fallen branches from storm damage, kept up watering routines on newly planted trees, and connected with citizens regarding tree health. In addition, staff responded to 20 voicemails and received and approved 10 street tree work permits.

Brandon Koons joined the Forestry Department from Open Space and is already applying his knowledge and skills to the department. He received training on safe chainsaw operation and what to focus on regarding hazardous tree limbs.

Both Parks and Open Space are in full summer mode with routine maintenance, athletic field preparations, and irrigation needs in both recreational and non-recreational turf.

Parks started the month preparing for the Annual Berthoud Day by putting up orange fence, mowing, weed mitigation, and plotting out vendor booths.

Open Space has been focusing on mowing natural areas, working with Eagle Scouts, and the installation of the new Berthoud Reservoir sign.

- Nielson Drainage cleanout
- Storm drain cleanouts in Gateway, Collins Park & Mathew's Farm
- Painted curbs red by fire hydrants throughout Town

*Streets Department staff cleaning downtown in preparation for Berthoud Day.*





## Berthoud Day Parade

The Streets Department came in early to set up cones and barricades for the parade.

## Pedestrian Signs

Streets installed 19 Yield to Pedestrian signs throughout the Town.



## Grading Gravel Roads

Streets Department road grading the Wastewater Departments roadway.

## Nielson Greenway Storm Drain

The Street Department cleaned all the algae and debris from the storm drain.





## Curb Painting

Staff painted curbs in front of fire hydrants throughout Town.

## Keeping Town Banners Updated

Here, staff replaced the banner over Mountain Avenue from the Berthoud Day Banner to the Town of Berthoud's Firework Festival.



## Sharing Knowledge with Citizens

Staff answered 20 voicemails this month with the most questions regarding Street Tree Work Permits and tree consultations. Berthoud Local Community Garden hosted a fruit tree maintenance and care class with speakers Town Forester, Paul Furnas, and Amy Lentz.

## Sharing knowledge with citizens Cont.

We received many calls from homeowners concerned about trees on their property. Helping keep our citizens informed about their tree's health is essential to a healthy urban forest.





## Planting Trees From Spring Order

Here, the staff finished restocking Hillsdale Nursery with leftover trees from our spring order of 125 trees from "Trees Across Colorado."

## Planting Trees From Spring Order Cont.

Staff installed 30 new trees along the trail leading to Waggener Farm Park Recreation Center. Four varieties were planted with space for trees to be planted in future years.



## Staff Training to Achieve Forestry's Goals

The Forestry staff is learning to use our ToolCat's auger attachment to punch holes for planting new trees at Waggener Farm Trail.

## Irrigation Repairs and Watering Trees

Drip systems to our park and street trees are being checked frequently to correct malfunctions and leaks.





## Storm Damage Mitigation

Older trees in Town grow brittle in their old age and will drop branches in even mild windstorms. Staff responded to one emergency branch clean-up and two other large branches falling in our parks.

## Storm Damage Mitigation Cont.

A branch broke above 7th and Mountain and needed to be dealt with immediately. Blue River Tree Care was able to help respond to the break within the week. Thanks to the Streets Department and the Larimer County Sheriff's Office for helping with the road closure.



## Berthoud Day

An estimated 6,000 people came out to show support for our annual event.

## Edging Sidewalk

Staff began edging sidewalks around Town.





## Eagle Scout Project

Local Eagle Scout members installed two ADA stone benches around the Berthoud Reservoir.

## Artificial Turf Cementing

Parks crew used a specific adhesive called TurfBond to adhere the turf to the cement. Before applying, they also had to prep both batting cages. Then, staff had to use trowels to spread the material evenly, roll the turf as it was being applied, and follow with a weighted roller.



## Weed Mitigation

Staff has been diligently pulling weeds in all our town-maintained areas.

## Athletics

Bein Baseball Complex and Town fields had many games this past month.





## Mowing

Both Parks and Open Space are busy mowing their summer schedules.

## Irrigation

Staff performs weekly irrigation audits to inspect for breaks, leaks, or anything else that needs attention.



## New Pressure Washer

Staff is cleaning pavilions and cement areas with the new pressure washer.

# Parks Usage

## Community Comment

Date	Comment	Follow-Up
6/6	Staff was thanked for all their hard work and preparations for Berthoud Day. (In-Person)	No Follow-Up is needed.
6/15	Resident called in about a broken irrigation line at Pioneer. (Phone Call)	Staff went out and assessed the break and made the proper repairs.
6/21	Resident inquired about why staff are irrigating in the native areas during the middle of the day. (Email)	Staff informed them that it was a re-seeded area and need to be watered more frequently throughout the day. Staff also posted signs along these areas informing of these watering times.

## Streets Department Concern Log and Stats

Citizen Concerns	Date	Follow-up
<b>Citizen called and asked if we could street sweep in front of their house if they moved their vehicles</b>	6-8-22	We let resident know sweeping was scheduled for the following day.
<b>Citizen called about a street sweeping schedule</b>	6-8-22	I called back and explained when we would be there to sweep. I also mentioned we are making a final revision on the schedule and hopefully it will be on the Town website here shortly.
<b>Citizen called and asked if we are going to paint the curb by the hydrant next to her house</b>	6-9-22	I called and told her that we would be out there next week to paint the curb
<b>Citizen emailed about a rock from a mower on hwy 56 hit the vehicles windshield</b>	6-16-22	I emailed her back and told her that it was CDOT'S section that they mowed, I provided her with CDOT claims phone number

### Sign/Post replacement

1-Installed one pedestrian sign that was hit on 1st street roundabout

19-Installed yield to pedestrian signs throughout town

## Water Department in Review



### **The Town's new LG Sonic Buoy has launched!**

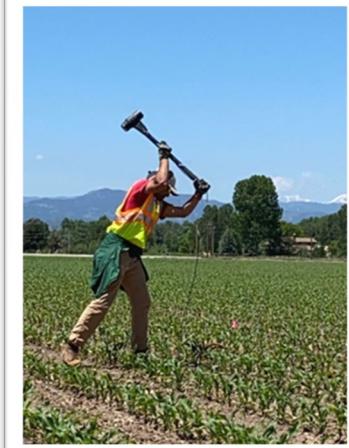
Thanks in part to a grant from Larimer County, the fully solar-powered buoy is now floating in the east cell of Berthoud Reservoir. It sends ultrasonic waves that gently knock down the blooming algae while not harming its cell wall to prevent the release of toxins into the water. These algae blooms are the

leading cause of taste and odor issues when treating water from the reservoir. The ultrasonic treatment is safe for fish, plants, zooplankton, and insects and will also monitor our water quality. We are excited about this added layer of protection to our drinking water. Keep an eye out for the Town's Name the Buoy contest!

A) Setting up for a reading



B) Introducing a seismic wave



C) A seismic wave sensor



## Geophysical Science meets Hydrology.

The Town is investigating the development of alluvial wells along the Little Thompson River. JR Geophysics performed electromagnetic resistivity and seismic surveys of the subsurface geology along the Little Thompson River, adjacent to the Town's wastewater treatment plant. (By striking an aluminum plate with a hammer, they can map the area based on how the vibrations travel underground.)



Test wells were programmed for the area using the geophysical mapping data from the electromagnetic resistivity and seismic survey. Two wells on the north side and two wells on the south side of the river were drilled. The wells were then pump-tested for yield and water quality.



## Construction sometimes leads to destruction.

This time it led to a leak. Located on Bunyan and 7th, a pipe was hit, and a minor leak was sprung. Luckily it was spotted, shut off, and repaired without a major loss of water. This repair provided an opportunity to examine the Town's old delicate AC waterline infrastructure and also install a system valve.



## Administration in Review



## Town of Berthoud Website

The Town has engaged with Civic Plus to design and implement a new website for the Town of Berthoud over the next 12 months. The new website will encompass all departments and be a new, redesigned experience.

The redesigned site will focus on creating an improved and easy-to-use structure to provide consistent and concise information to the public. In addition, navigating the new website will be simplified and optimized for both desktop and mobile users. Updates will be provided as this project moves forward. It is anticipated that a new site will be unveiled after the new year.

## Building and Planning in Review

- Town staff has continued working with Studio Terra and Sopher Sparn on the landscape guidelines.
- The first 1st Street Corridor open house has been scheduled to be held at Northern Water on July 21 at 6:00 pm. Business and property owners and residents will be able to meet with Town staff and consultants to ask questions and help guide the project's direction.
- Planner, Adam Olinger, is working towards gaining his AICP designation from the American Planning Association.
- Permit activity has remained strong since last month.