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MAN RESCUED FROM CENTRAL PARK POND

SEAGOVILLE, TX- On the morning of 04/09/2020, Seagoville 9-1-1 received a call of an elderly man possibly drowning in the pond at C.O. Bruce Central Park. The Seagoville Fire Department and Police Department were dispatched. First Responders arrived to discover a man clinging to the center fountain, struggling to stay afloat and unable to swim back to shore.

Seagoville Fire Fighters trained in Swift Water Rescue were able to retrieve the man to safety. It was determined the man, a 67 year old Mesquite resident, was operating motorized radio controlled watercrafts in the pond. One of the boats became entangled in the underwater support cables for the fountain and commenced to sink. The man attempted to swim to the middle of the pond to retrieve his hobby watercraft and became physically overwhelmed.

Seagoville City Ordinance Article 15.02 prohibits these acts in the Central Park pond. Under Section 15.02.071, Prohibited Acts, subsection (8), persons are prohibited to swim, bathe, wade in or pollute the water in any fountain, pond, lake or stream. Subsection (23) of this ordinance prohibits anyone to operate any engine-powered model aircraft, model watercraft or model land vehicle except in designated areas

These ordinances are enacted to ensure the safety of the Citizen's enjoying the park.