TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY
Parks Advisory Board
Date: October 24, 2023
Minutes

Call to Order	Michael Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm
Roll Call	Present: Michael Smith, Matt Waldron, Renee Canon, Brandy King, Nerissa Aquino Absent: Anthony Clark, Mayor JT Smith
Approval of agenda	Matt Waldron motioned to approve agenda, Brandy King seconded motion, approved by vote
Approval of minutes	Michael Smith tabled approval until next month.
Partner reports	Soccer – Renee Cannon reported there are 2 more Saturdays left in the season. Baseball/Softball – Matt Waldron reported that the season is over.
Parks Reports	No Report
	Old Business
Music on Main Wrap up	Renee Cannon reported that everything ran smoothly, the only reports she received was the music being too loud. Matt Waldron said that next year we need to direct all vendors to come in Oak Street to Sycamore Street then we can direct them to their spot. Cumberland Street vendors need to come in first then Main street vendors. This will help with the flow of traffic and help prevent cars not being able to go through due to the street being blocked. Renee Cannon said she would like to get some high school students who are interested in visual arts to come down and do pictures/video to help promote and document the years.
October Festival	Renee Cannon reported that there are 20 vendors signed up, we could use more. Everything is ready to go, she will block off access to the Lacrosse Pavilion around 1:00 pm on Saturday to keep cars out of the area until the event starts. Anthony Clark has the movie for the event, Renee Cannon said she would reach out to the Parks department to make sure they have everything to set up the movie.
	New Business
Christmas Parade	The board discussed the best way to get everyone lined up and do judging. Matt Waldron prefers Ashland City Elementary School to line everyone up. Renee Cannon said she would reach out to the school to make sure we are ok to use the facility. All participates will be on one list given to judges, make number big enough to see. Michael Smith said he would check with Violet Black to see if how we can work on transitioning this event to the Parks Board/Event Coordinator.
Mistletoe Trail	Michael Smith reported that the City Council voted to take this event over. Renee Cannon will organize and promote with guidance from the Parks Board. Renee Cannon and Michael Smith are going to set up a time to meet with Valerie Kemp to get this transitioned over. Michael Smith will get with Anthony Clark and the Parks Department to see if we need to get bids for the trees now that this is going to be done through the City. Matt Waldron made a motion to budget the event at $15,000 including the trees, Brandy King seconded motion, approved by vote.
Next Year Calendar	Matt Waldron made a motion to table this until next month, Nerissa Aquino seconded motion, approved by vote.
	Public Forum
Trail update	Tony Young inquired on where the city was with the update to the trail for the parts that are closed. Michael Smith reported that the city had signed the 25-year agreement. The city is waiting on TDOT to begin their part before the City can proceed on their end. According to the timeline we are on track. Matt Waldron reported that in Hopkinsville they have an excellent bridge and greenway we could look at for implementing over Cumberland Street by Midway. Sandra Gregory reported the Friends of the Trail will start working on clearing from the Co-Op to city hall since that will not mess anything up with the grant.
Adjournment	Matt Waldron made a motion to adjourn, Brandy King seconded motion, approved by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned at 7:34 pm.

Chairman Michael W. Smith

Recorded By Renee Cannon