



TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY

Parks Advisory Board

June 23, 2026, 6:00 PM

Minutes

Chairman: Michael Smith

Council Members: Vice Chairman Matthew Waldron, Renee Cannon, Brandy King, Valerie VanOstenbridge

CALL TO ORDER

Michael Smith called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

ROLL CALL

Present: Michael Smith, Matt Waldron, Renee Cannon, Brandy King, Valerie VanOstenbridge

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Matt made a motion to approve the agenda, Valerie VanOstenbridge seconded the motion, approved by all.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Brandy made a motion to approve May 27, 2026, minutes, Valerie seconded the motion, approved by all.

PUBLIC FORM

Vicki Cannon with Cheatham County Soccer Association attended the meeting to discuss fixing the fields at Riverbluff after Summerfest. Their season starts in 6 weeks and the fields are currently not in playable condition. She expressed that is an urgent need that needs to be fixed, she said these are their home field and have been for 25 years. She stated around 2004, when they redid the fields, helped add the pavilion and playground they had a verbal agreement with the City that they (CCSA) had priority over the fields in Fall and Spring for soccer.

Matt Waldron suggested that when next year's Summerfest contract comes before council, we should look at including a provision restricting the placement and/or operation of equipment on the field during wet or unfavorable ground conditions. He noted that Riverbluff Park is a city-owned facility and stressed the importance of taking reasonable precautions to minimize damage and protect the park's field. Michael Smith suggested that the contract include requirements that Midway (Summerfest) be made to repair any damage and restore the field to the condition in which it was found prior to the event.

PARTNER REPORTS

Renee Cannon reported that CCSA has started online registration for both Summer Camp and the Fall 2026 season. Camp will be July 27th, 28th & 29th from 6pm to 8pm. Practice for the Fall season will start August 3rd and the season will start August 22nd and go through October 24th skipping September 5th (Labor Day Weekend) and October 17th (Fall Break).

Matt Waldron reported that softball did not go to tournaments this year due to lack of kids and help. We were slated to host the tournament this year but without the help they were unable to host. Football is about to startup and without another place for them to practice we are unable to have a Fall softball league. They go to PV and stay there for Fall and spring which hurts both seasons.

Matt Waldron reported that they are still working on the baseball fields. The drainage work is ongoing as well as the concrete work. The infields will also be worked on next.

PARKS REPORTS

AC Clark is not present. Michael Smith updated Mayor Greer and Allen Nicholson about Vicki Cannon's concern and both agreed that this was a priority once AC Clark got back on Monday. Allen Nicholson said that AC Clark has already talked about a plan to fix the ruts, but he was unsure about the extent of the plan.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Arts Festival Event (05/15/27) – The arts league has a meeting July 16th and would like the logo approved so they can begin advertising. Brandy King made a motion to approve the logo, Valerie VanOstenbridge seconded motion, approved by all. Allen Nicholson mentioned that they are working on a grant for us to use for this festival (\$5,000.00).

Parks Advisory Board Discussion – Tabled

Food Truck Frenzy/Music in the Park (06/13/26) – Michael Smith and Valerie VanOstenbridge reported that event went well, they both reported that there was around 500 people in attendance.

EAT to the bEAT in chEATham/Music in the Park (07/11/26) – Renee Cannon reported that she and AC Clark met with Kelly Ellis and developed a plan for the event. The plan is to do 5 time slots that correspond with the 5 bands. At each slot we will have vendors set up to give away samples of their product. These vendors must be Cheatham County businesses. We will then have some food trucks set up at the 5pm to 8pm time slot. There are currently 3 people registered.

Touch A Truck (07/25/26) – Renee Cannon reported that there are 7 vendors currently signed up. She said she will continue to reach out to business to see if she can get more signed up.

NEW BUSINESS

OTHER

ADJOURNMENT

Matt Waldron made a motion to adjourn at 7:15pm, Brandy King seconded motion, approved by all.

Next meeting July 28th at City Hall.

Chairman Michael W. Smith

Recorded by Renee Cannon

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