




TOWN OF ASHLAND CITY
Parks Advisory Board
Date: May 28, 2024
Minutes



Call to Order	Michael Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.
Roll Call	Present: Michael Smith, Matt Waldron, Renee Cannon, Brandy King, Sammy Naquin, AC Clark and Mayor JT Smith
Approval of agenda	Mayor JT Smith made a motion to approve the agenda, Sammy Naquin seconded motion, approved by all
Approval of minutes	Mayor JT Smith made a motion to approve the agenda, Sammy Naquin seconded motion, approved by all
Public Forum	Tracey O'Neil – Ms. O'Neil with Preserve Cheatham County addressed the board wanting to do the Cheatham County Sasquatch Festival on October 26 th . She said they would have their own insurance for the event. Mayor JT Smith provided her with the information for the next City Council meeting which is where she would need to present this idea to for approval. Michael Smith said he would get Ms. O'Neil on the agenda for the next meeting.
Partner reports	<u>Soccer</u> – Renee Cannon reported that CCSA ended their Spring season last Saturday. They had 250 kids this season and the tournament went smoothly. Renee Cannon reported that the Fall 24/Spring 25 year will be CCSA's 25 th anniversary. They plan to give gifts out to all the kids each weekend. Online registration is open and they plan to have 1 in person signup in June. <u>Baseball</u> – AC Clark reported that Baseball season is just about over, they have all stars left. <u>Softball</u> – Matt Waldron reported they have 1 week left for the season. They will be hosting the 10u district tournament June 14/15. This will bring 6 other teams to the park/city. <u>Football</u> – AC Clark reported that Football has split from PV and will be on their own this season. The season should start around July and registration is open.
Parks Reports	<p>AC Clark reported that they have finished repairing the trail. They have removed all the roots that were coming through the pavement and patched them. He reported that gravel was taken down to Caldwell Park for the parking lot.</p> <p>AC Clark reported that everything is still on schedule for the trail expansion with TDOT to start in July. He has been meeting with Kimberly Horne to make sure everything gets started. The City has done everything that is needed on their side, they are just waiting for TDOT to begin.</p> <p>Matt Waldron inquired where we are with the new park. AC Clark reported that Phase I is still the first step which would have 2 quad ball fields and the RV Park.</p> <p>Matt Waldron said he would like to see the Parks Board be more involved in this new development and wanted to see if we could get some updated drawings or information on the project. AC Clark reported that Josh Wright is still on this development and AC Clark hopes that once the budget is approved by the City we can push movement on this development.</p> <p>Michael Smith inquired about how the development looked after the heavy rain we had the past couple weeks. AC Clark reported that the part of the development where they have started to build up looked good and wasn't flooded.</p>
Old Business	
Caldwell Park	AC Clark reported that gravel and railroad ties were taken to Caldwell Park parking lot. Sammy Naquin inquired why/what can be done with this park. Matt Waldron provided a brief history of the park and what has been done. AC Clark reported that the park department does still maintain the park and that it would take a significant amount of money to get his park usable for everyone. Michael Smith closed the agenda item.

Touch A Truck/KidsFest	Renee Cannon reported there are 10 vendors setup, bringing 13 vehicles/equipment. She reported there are 7 KidsFest vendors signed up. She has some decorations and some large letters that will be setup at the event.
Food Truck Monday	AC Clark reported that it is going well. He has heard from some of the vendors that lunch is a better time than dinner. He did say that we are promoting people that aren't showing up, Renee Cannon said she would start reaching out to the vendors a week before to see what their status is for attending.
New Business	
Music in the Park 615 Day	AC Clark reported that council wanted to fill the time between the Farmers Market and the Music in the Park event. AC is working on pulling together a 615 Day, he has reached out to a petting zoo, facepainting and tie dying booth. He has ordered 50 white shirts for the kids to tie dye. He is looking for some large yard games, such as jenga, cornhole or connect 4. This event will run from 2 to 5 pm. Sammy Naquin did remind the board that there is a finishing tournament that week and that depending on the turn out we may need to move the 615 day to the top parking lot at Riverbluff.
Movie in the Park	AC Clark updated the board that we need to pick our September and October movies and get them order so he gets the 3 movie discount. Brandy King said she would look at the movies and get us some options at the next meeting.
Farmers Market	Renee Cannon reported there are 29 full season vendors, 13 half season vendors and 3 food trucks. She has 3 events planned throughout the season.
Other Items	
Next Meeting	Next Meeting will be June 18 th 6:00 pm
Adjournment	Mayor JT Smith made a motion at 7:00 pm to adjourn the meeting, Brandy Kind seconded motion, approved by all.


Chairman Michael W. Smith


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