



**AGENDA**  
**GREER RECREATION ASSOCIATION**  
Public Hearing and Business Meeting  
**April 25, 2024 @ 6:15 PM**  
Greer City Hall, Hall A

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A. CALL TO ORDER Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson

**III. INVOCATION**

A. INVOCATION Vincent Anderson, Trustee

**IV. PUBLIC FORUM**

**V. PRESENTATION**

A. CITY OF GREER PROJECTS Andy Merriman, City Administrator

**VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Approval of January 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson

**VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. COMMITTEE REPORTS Recreation Association Adhoc Representatives

**VIII. DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

A. DEPARTMENT UPDATE Parks, Recreation & Tourism Department Staff  
B. January 2024 Monthly Report  
C. February 2024 Monthly Report  
D. March 2024 Monthly Report

**IX. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

A. FINANCIAL REPORT Red Watson, Assistant Director, Parks, Recreation & Tourism

**X. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

A. DIRECTOR'S REPORT Ann Cunningham, Director, Parks, Recreation & Tourism

## **XI. NEW BUSINESS**

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| A. | 2024 Upcoming Events         | Ann Cunningham, Director Parks, Recreation & Tourism |
| B. | 2024 Remaining Meeting Dates | Ann Cunningham, Director Parks, Recreation & Tourism |

## **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

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| A. | ADJOURNMENT | Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson |
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Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson

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**INVOCATION**

**Applicant:**

Vincent Anderson, Trustee

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**CITY OF GREER PROJECTS**

**Applicant:**

Andy Merriman, City Administrator



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# **Greer Recreation Association Board Meeting Minutes**

**January 18, 2024**

**Location: Greer City Hall, Hall A**

## **Call to Order**

Trevor Hoffman, Vice-Chairperson - 6:21 pm

## **The following members of the Board of Trustees attended:**

**Attended:** Lance Owens, Trevor Hoffman, Jason Bridwell & Michael Wright

**Absent:** Vincent Anderson, Amanda Hopper & Melissa Padgett-Smith

## **Others Present:**

Ann Cunningham (Director), Red Watson (Assistant Director), Sara Odom (Cultural Arts Coordinator), Robbie Davis (Events Supervisor), Cory Holtzclaw (Athletics Supervisor), Justin Miller (Recreation Supervisor), Sam Merrell (Assistant General Manager, Greer Golf), Lindsey Shaffer (Tourism Specialist), Jamie Karvellas (Administrative Assistant), Marc Metcalf, and Reverend Rob Robinson (DAV)

## **Reappointments of Trustees by Greer City Council:**

Lance Owens was reappointed for a second term in District 1

Amanda Hopper was reappointed for a third term in District 3

Melissa Padgett-Smith was reappointed for a second term in District 5

## **Introduction of New Trustee**

**Ann Cunningham, Director, Parks, Recreation & Tourism**

Mayor Danner nominated Michael as an At-Large Trustee for the Recreation Association Board. The City Council approved him in December 2023. Michael owns Wright Contractors and The Moving Gurus and is a member of the Greer Chamber. Michael went to Clemson University and was a Greer First Presbyterian Church member. He has served on our planning commission and is a former soccer coach for our department. We are so happy to have him join the Board. Welcome!

We are grateful for the time and expertise our Board of Trustees dedicated to serving their community. Here are the responsibilities of our Trustees serving on the Greer Recreation Board.

## **Recreation Association Board of Trustees Responsibilities**

- The Board's primary purpose is to advise the Department of Parks, Recreation & Tourism leadership on programming issues and facility concerns.

- Serve as a liaison between our department and residents in your districts.
- There may be times we bring issues to you regarding our program's policies and procedures and ask for your guidance.
- We have called one emergency meeting in the past. Since I've been here, to address a volunteer issue.
- There may be a situation where we will present issues, projects, and activity ideas that we will be presenting to the City Council, asking for approval. If time allows, since we only meet quarterly, we may present it to you the Board of Trustees, before the City Council and ask for your approval first.  
If possible, we ask that you try to experience some of our events, programs, and activities as it suits your schedules throughout the year.
- Meet quarterly (4 times) throughout the calendar year.

### **Election of Officers**

Election of Officers:

Trevor Hoffman, Vice-Chairperson

#### **Action:**

Motion to open nominations for Chairperson made by Trevor Hoffman. Lance Owens nominated Trevor Hoffman for the position of Chairperson. Jason Bridwell seconded the nomination.

No other names were submitted for the position of Chairperson. Nominations were closed.

**Vote:** The Trustees were polled individually and the nomination was approved unanimously. Trevor Hoffman was elected Chairperson of the Recreation Association Board for 2024.

#### **Action:**

Motion to open nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson. Trevor Hoffman nominated Jason Bridwell to serve as Vice-Chairperson. Michael Wright seconded the nomination.

No other names were submitted for the position of Vice-Chairperson. Nominations were closed.

**Vote:** The Trustees were polled individually and the nomination was approved unanimously. Jason Bridwell was elected as the Vice-Chairperson of the Recreation Association Board for 2024.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

**Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson**

#### **Invocation**

**Jason Bridwell, Board Trustee**

#### **Public Forum**

No one was present to speak.

### **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting**

#### **Action:**

Lance Owens motioned to approve the Minutes from **October 26, 2023**. Trevor Hoffman seconded the motion.



**Vote:**

- The Trustees were polled individually and the motion carried unanimously. The minutes were approved as submitted.

**Committee Reports****Athletics – Cory Holtzclaw, Athletic Supervisor**

- No issues to report.

**Tennis & Golf Committee - Red Watson, Assistant Director**

- There are no issues reported to the tennis or golf committees. We will be scheduling an Adhoc committee meeting shortly to discuss fees and policy changes.

**Greer Cultural Arts Council (GCAC) – Sara Odom, Cultural Arts Coordinator**

- The Greer Children's Theatre held six (6) performances of Frozen Jr. at the Cannon Center. All the shows on the second weekend were sold out.
- Finding Nemo Jr. auditions were held on November 13, 14, and 16. Forty-two (42) children were cast and thirty-eight (38) have accepted their roles. Rehearsals are being held at both Tryon Recreation Center and the Center for the Arts.

**Disabled American Veterans – Reverend Rob Robinson, DAV Chapter 39 Representative**

- There are no issues to report. Thank you for what you do, and God Bless.

**SOAR (Seniors Out and Around) / Tennis & Pickleball - Justin Miller, Recreation Supervisor**

- Our seniors just returned from a trip to Hendersonville today, which included lunch at Haus Heidelberg and a visit to Grandad's Apples. There are no issues or concerns at this time.
- Tennis & Pickleball – Blue Ridge and Wade Hampton H.S. rented our courts for a fundraiser during their respective Spirit Weeks. PRT hosted the Round Robin Rumble Pickleball tournament October 18-22, at Tryon Recreation Center, benefiting our Adaptive Pickleball program. No issues or concerns to report.

**Departmental Updates****Athletics Division – Cory Holtzclaw, Athletics Supervisor****Greer PRT Tackle Football**

- Greer PRT Tackle Football postseason tournaments concluded, and for the second year in a row, Greer played for a state championship. Greer competed against Mount Pleasant at West Florence High School in the title game and unfortunately came up short. Most of these boys will now move on to play for their middle school teams next season after back-to-back state title runs. We wish them well in their future athletic endeavors.
- Between all 3 forms of football we offer; 11 men, 8 men, and 7 v 7 passing league, nearly 300 participants are now learning the sport which was our goal when we first ventured into this divisional breakup.

**Greer Christmas 7s Rugby Tournament**

- The Greer Christmas 7s Rugby Tournament concluded on Sunday, December 10th. High School Girls and Boys Rugby programs from all over the eastern seaboard traveled to Greer to compete in this invitational tournament. Teams typically arrive on Friday, December 8th and then over the next 2-days compete in 6 different matches. This past tournament the rain started on Friday night and did not stop until the following Monday. The athletic staff,

officials and trainers worked through the bad weather conditions and we got every single match in. The Raleigh Redhawks won the girl's division, Pendleton Indiana Rugby won the Boy's Gold Division, and Rebels Rugby from Marietta Georgia won the Boy's Silver Division.

- The total economic impact of this tournament was \$90,310.00.

### **Greer PRT Youth Basketball**

- Youth basketball registration filled up within 9 days of registration notice. At one point close to 85 kids were on the waiting list. This season, Greer PRT athletics staff reached an agreement to rent additional gym space from New Jerusalem Baptist Church to accommodate youth basketball teams. I want to thank Pastor Watson and New Jerusalem Baptist Church for partnering with us for the 2nd straight year. If you combine the total number of participants with waiting list numbers it would have been possible this season to have 300 plus kids playing youth basketball in Greer. That would make basketball the 2nd largest sport by season next to baseball and followed by soccer.
- League seasons started January 4th at Victor Gym. Each league night roughly 240 spectators and 60 participants compete at Victor. Per week, just with our youth basketball league right at 1500 people are on site.

### **Greer 76ers Junior and High School Rugby**

- Our high school rugby program competed in two (2) preseason 7s tournaments. One in Atlanta, Georgia, and one in Greer, SC. Right now our high school kids are preparing for their next step which is the Rugby South Carolina Season. During this season they will travel to every part of the state for Jamborees. Greer is set to host our next Jamboree on January 27.
- 2024 marked a first for our rugby program by introducing junior tackles. This program is designed for 9-10-year-old kids wanting to learn the tackle version of the sport. In past years we hosted summer flag versions. They had their first match in Atlanta, GA in 30-degree weather and pouring rain.
- Rugby continues to be a very small number sport in our community and the upstate of South Carolina, but it is the most diverse group we have. Players from Clemson, Easley, Simpsonville, Anderson, and all over the upstate head to Greer 2-3 nights a week to train.

### **Tomahawk Youth Wrestling Club**

- Tomahawk Youth Wrestling is full once again this season. We have 24 first-time wrestlers, a record for our program. Wrestlers will begin competing in statewide tournaments on January 20th. Our second annual Tomahawk Invitational Tournament will be held at Greer High School on February 10th with an anticipation of 140 wrestlers competing in the tournament.

### **Cheer For Greer**

- Cheer for Greer completed their season in December after taking part in the pregame show at the ACC Championship game in Charlotte. The Cheer for Greer program reached maximum capacity again this past season.

## **Foothills Soccer Club of Greer**

- Foothills Soccer Club of Greer Academy's fall season will conclude on January 13th when the U17 team competes for the South Carolina Youth Soccer Association State Cup championship. The match was postponed to December due to the weather. The spring season will begin on January 15 and will be completed in early May. Essentially, soccer never stops.

## **Cultural Arts Division – Sara Odom, Cultural Arts Coordinator**

- The Center for the Arts hosted a delegation from the City of Newberry on November 9. The Parks, Recreation & Tourism staff hosted a presentation about our facilities and conducted a tour of the Center for the Arts and then the delegation went on to tour other City facilities.
- Robin Byouk and the Ceramics Instructor, Martha Grattan traveled to Newberry in December to consult with the staff on their new arts center plans and tour the facility.
- Four (4) of our Artists-in-Residence participated in Greenville Open Studios on November 11 & 12.
- During November both the Wall Gallery at City Hall and the Center for the Arts displayed the artwork from our in-resident artists, and is currently on display at City Hall.
- The Cultural Arts Division programmed the entertainment for the Tree Lighting Ceremony. Because of the rain, half of the performers canceled. But the carolers went up on the stage and the ice sculptor was a big hit.
- The Holiday Arts Fair was held on December 9. We had over 20 vendors and over 200 people in attendance.
- The Gary Huntoon Memorial Empty Bowls project was held during the Holiday Arts Fair on December 9. Over \$3000 was raised for the Recreation Division to be used for food, snacks, and art events.
- The Student Art Show, *Through the Eyes of a Child*, was hung in the Art Gallery in December. Over 140 people attended the Art Reception on December 5.
- The Annual Gingerbread House Display was held at the Center for the Arts for the first two weeks in December with over 200 people visiting.
- The current exhibition at the Center for the Arts is the Created by Black Artist Exhibition which will be on display through the end of February.

## **Events Division – Robbie Davis, Events Supervisor**

The Events Division hosted the following events:

- November 7 – Greer Farmers Market Chili Cook-off
- December 1 – Greer Christmas Tree Lighting
- December 2 – Breakfast with Santa
- December 2 & 3 – Greer Farmers Market
- January 14 – Greer Farmers Market – Sunday Brunch Market

### **Upcoming Events**

- March 15 and April 12 – Food Truck Rollout
- April 20 - International Festival

## The Events Division Event Totals - October 26 – January 18

- 111 – Internal Events
- 41 – Rentals
- 5 – Special Events
- 17 – Weddings

*\* A total of 174 events brought about 17,580 people to Greer City Park*

- The Greer Farmers Market Fall Fest and Chili Cook-off took place on Tuesday, November 7. With over 12 different vendors competing in the Chili Cook-off, guests had the opportunity to purchase samples and vote for their favorite chili. Additionally, more than 35 vendors were onsite, offering a variety of goods and food. It was an overall great time for all in attendance.
- Despite heavy rains, the Greer Christmas Tree Lighting took place on Friday, December 1, with over 2,000 people in attendance. Mayor Danner and Santa helped celebrate the lighting of the Greer Christmas tree with live musical performances, 5 free craft stations, Christmas train rides, marshmallow roasting, and an ice carving demonstration.
- Supper with Santa took place on Friday, December 1, with a record-breaking 308 City of Greer employees and their families in attendance. Guests had the opportunity to take pictures with Santa and enjoy free kids' crafts. This event raised over \$1,850, which was donated to the City of Greer Police Department's Cops for Tots. The Cops for Tots event occurred on Saturday, December 16, at the City of Greer Event Halls.
- Breakfast with Santa took place on Saturday, December 2, with a sold-out crowd of 500 people. The breakfast, provided by Laurenda's Family Restaurant, was accompanied by various activities, including free crafts, Letter to Santa stations, a live musical performance by His and Her, and an opportunity for children to see and talk with Santa.
- The Greer Farmers Market Christmas Festival took place on Saturday, December 3, and Sunday, December 4. With over 80 vendors, guests had the opportunity to purchase gifts and items for the Christmas season. The two-day event saw over 3,000 people in attendance.
- The first Greer Farmers Market Sunday Brunch Market took place on Sunday, January 14, at Greer City Park. This event has continued to increase in popularity, featuring over 35 local artisans, food trucks, free yoga, and live music by TC Costello. The Sunday Brunch Markets will continue once a month through April, with the regularly scheduled Tuesday markets starting on May 7.

## Ambassadors

The Greer Station Shuttles continued to support our local restaurants, shops, and businesses in downtown Greer Station by picking up over 9,773 people throughout the year.

### Greer Golf – Sam Merrell, Assistant General Manager, Greer Golf

- Staff evaluated and made recommendations for a new golf cart fleet that will be delivered in December of this year.
- Our Grounds Maintenance staff over-seeded select tee boxes with winter rye grass throughout the course. This will help to protect our warm-season grass during its winter dormancy.
- We are now operating out of the “Cabana”, or the old “Pool House”, while construction takes place in the clubhouse.

- Staff has been working on producing new pricing recommendations for golf and the driving range. We will also work with the Events Division to establish policies and fees for our rental amenities after construction.
- We recommend advertising an RFP for restaurant services to bring a restaurant vendor. Finance currently has the document and we hope the advertisement goes out this month
- We recorded just under \$600k in revenue in the first 6 months of this Fiscal Year, which is over \$100k more than the same period last year.

#### Upcoming Events

- We are partnering with the Greenville County Golf Association to host multiple competitive tournaments this year, attracting top golfers from across the state to play on our course.
- We will host a robust slate of private outings/tournaments, group leagues, and events throughout the year.
- In partnership with the 1st Tee and Grow Golf, we will offer structured group classes and lessons.
- We will be hosting both boys' and girls' golf teams, again this year, from local high schools in the spring and fall.

#### **Recreation Division** – Justin Miller, Recreation Supervisor

- Our Recreation Centers are successfully implementing Division Programming for seniors, afterschool programs, clubs, civic groups, community programs, and events.
- The Recreation Department – Final Numbers for 2023
  - Recreation Center Rentals - 124
  - Kids Planet Shelter Rentals - 846
  - Pickleball Programming – 1,366 - 63% (863ppl) took our Introductory/Beginner Class
- The MLK Jr. Celebration Luncheon took place on Monday, January 23 at the Event Halls located inside Greer City Hall. The event featured performances by the Saint Mark Vessels of Praise Choir and the James Brothers, along with a keynote speech by State Representative Wendell Jones. Peggy's Diner provided the catering for the event, which was sold out with tickets priced at \$10.00 each. The RB Sullivan Sr. Legacy Award went to Pastor Steve Watson. The Samaritan Awards went to Eric Burnside, Marshall, and Leon James (James brothers).

#### **Tourism Division** – Lindsey Shaffer, Tourism Specialist

- Fourteen approved Special Event Permit Applications and two filming permits.
- For *Discover Greer*, we had 9,765 website visits, over 800 visitor guide views, and 20,000+ followers on social media.
- We received approximately \$13,000.00 in grant funding for tourism marketing for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

- The Tourism Division hosted Live Window Displays during the Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday, December 1 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. as a means to encourage people to visit downtown while they waited for Santa to arrive at Greer City Park. Four stores participated and we received good feedback from people who viewed the displays. We hope to continue the event next year and have more stores participate.
- One of our upcoming projects includes updating the Downtown Historic Walking Tour in partnership with the Greer Heritage Museum. The tour will be available in a print/digital format and ultimately will be made into an interactive online experience as we work with our GIS Department.

**Grounds Maintenance - Urban Parks Division** – Red Watson, Assistant Director of Parks, Recreation and Tourism *on behalf of Public Services.*

Veterans Park:

- The areas around the Monument received new, seasonal flower installs by Felicity's Flowers.
- New gloss-black benches were installed throughout the park. 8 benches were installed.
- The bollards and chains surrounding the front section of the monument, and the gate between the walls were also sprayed with a new coat of gloss black by staff to repair scratches and weather-worn marks.
- Staff installed 14 new banners from the acorn light poles in replacement of old, worn-out banners

Needmore Center::

- ADA parking spaces and curb lines were repainted by staff where this had faded from the weather elements
  - Staff removed 6 overgrown holly trees from the front left side of the building. New landscaping in this area is planned for the spring.

Center for the Arts:

- Staff installed 18 new banners at the park. Center for the Arts did not have banners on the poles and these were added to match many of the other City facilities.

City Park:

- Staff installed a new aerator motor in the City Park pond to replace the existing aerator motor that had blown out

Grounds Maintenance – Athletics:

Country Club Road Park:

- Staff Painted the Greer "G" in red white and blue and also the Family Dental logos for the Rugby tournament that was held at Country Club on Fields 1 and 2 in December and for the upcoming games in January and February

In-House Turf Management Program:

- Staff continued with the In-House Turf Program with all over-seeded athletics fields which are City Stadium, Country Club Fields 1 and 2, and Suber Soccer Fields 1 and 2

General:

- "Staff members are currently performing winter pruning across the entire park system.
- Mason McCravy was promoted to Urban Parks Grounds Supervisor. Will specifically oversee City Park, Center for the Arts, and the Downtown Urban Park.
- Installed and removed all of the Christmas decorations throughout the City of Greer, Center for the Arts, and City Park.
- Fourteen staff members assisted with the Christmas tree lighting, totaling 63 hours of work.
- Staff assist with the Christmas Parade using 28 employees at 187 hours
- Rain total Since the last meeting, we have received 9.93 inches of rain as of January 16, 2023

**Greer Golf Financial Reports – Red Watson, Assistant Director – Parks, Recreation and Tourism**

- Program Funds - We have started the fiscal year off strong with fall program registration and revenue and expect another good year.
- We anticipate the completion of the improvements for PARD Funds (Golf Course Practice Green) by the end of November. These upgrades will feature a containment area for the ball dispensing machine and dumpster, a synthetic turf hitting area on the tee box, and new signage.

**Director's Report – Ann Cunningham, Director**

**Staff Recognition**

The South Carolina Recreation and Parks Association's Programming Branch created a new award category this year: "Programmer of the Year". The recipient of this award must have done impactful & meaningful work in the community and deserve this recognition amongst their peers.

Justin Miller, Recreation Supervisor, meets all of the criteria outlined and required to receive this award.

Congratulations to Justin for receiving this first-ever award by SCRPA's Programming Branch for "Programmer of the Year"!

The next award that I would like to mention on behalf of the South Carolina Recreation and Parks Association is for the "Professional of the Year Award." This is the most prestigious award that is given to an individual from SCRPA.

There was a clear winner this year and the recipient of this award was Red Watson, Assistant Director. To quote Jim Headley, Executive Director with SCRPA, "While you all see Red from the Greer side of things, we get to see him from a statewide perspective. Be assured that Red is loved, trusted, and respected just as much across the state and in our profession as he is at home in Greer."

Red was given this award at the SCRPA Annual Awards Banquet during our joint state conference in Wilmington, NC, on Wednesday, December 10. His wife Amy and their two boys, Cash and Whit were present when Red received this award.

Congratulations Red!

## **Current/Ongoing Projects**

### **Wards Creek Trail System**

- The SCDOT LPA (Local Public Agency (LPA) Qualifications Evaluation Form for applying for the City of Greer to be an LPA for the administration of Ward's Creek Greenway Trail Phase 1 is under final review with Keck + Wood, our consulting firm. Once it is complete, we will send a draft to SCDOT for their review and consideration.
- This phase extends from Biblebrook Drive to Wards Creek Park. The length is approximately .45 miles. The total amount we are requesting from SCDOT is \$1,090,345.60. The City of Greer's local match is \$272,586.40. That is 20% of the total estimated project cost of \$1,362,932.00.

### **South Tyger River Greenway**

- Keck + Wood has received approval from the Plan Review process with the City of Greer. The City has signed the maintenance agreement for SCDOT. We have attempted to keep communication with SCDOT ongoing to determine what our next steps will be, but anticipate very few additional requirements from this point forward.
- We have obtained easement approvals from both properties associated with the trail that are not owned by the City of Greer (Greenville School District and Cypress Landing HOA).
- Two new nature trails are nearing completion at Country Club Road Park that will connect with the South Tyger River Greenway. There is one trail that is for strolling and is ADA compliant and then there is a more rugged trail that is narrow and very little of the natural rock, tree roots, and plants have been disturbed. Signage for the trail is being determined and will complement the South Tyger River Greenway signage.

### **Victor Park**

- The City is earnestly taking the necessary steps to acquire land and planning for a new recreational sports facility.
- We plan to vacate Victor Gym in late spring and the ball field in early summer. The ball field will be reconstructed at Turner Park. Many of our programs will be moved to other facilities.

### **Turner Ball Park**

- The City has selected a contractor and awarded the project to Sexton Design and Development, and the contract has been signed by both parties. We will be meeting on-site with the contractor very soon to plan the construction process moving forward.

### **Greer Golf - Clubhouse and Pool Area Renovation**

- Concrete was poured around the former pool opening, but had to be removed due to an issue with the pattern and color.
- We have installed steel beams and posts in the basement.
- Interior framing on the main floor is almost complete.
- The exterior fire vault has been installed and inspected, and the sprinkler system is 50% complete.
- We are anticipating construction to be completed in late April.



## **Davenport Park**

- At the beginning of the year, we received additional stormwater information to share with Keck + Wood, our consultants, who will assist with the design process and strategy of these designs. Once complete, we will present it to the City Administrator and Mayor for further review.

## **Kids Planet Improvements**

- Construction drawings for Phase II to address stormwater issues were submitted for the review process, to begin with, the City of Greer. Keck + Wood will monitor and be on the lookout for reviews received by the City in the permitting process of these drawings.

## **Old Business**

- Approve the 2024 Proposed Meeting Dates
  - April 25, 2024
  - July 25, 2024
  - October 24, 2024

### **Action**

Motion: Trevor Hoffman made a motion to accept the dates for the remaining 2024 meeting dates. Jason Bridwell seconded the motion.

### **Vote:**

The Trustees were polled individually and the motion carried unanimously.

## **New Business**

- Approval of ADHOC Representatives

### **Action**

Motion: Trevor Hoffman made a motion to vote on approving the nominations of the Adhoc Representatives. Michael Wright seconded the motion.

### **Vote:**

The Trustees were polled individually and the motion carried unanimously.

1. Tennis Representative – \* Patrick Wood
2. Baseball Representative – Heath Pittman (New)
3. Seniors Representatives – \*Bob & Mary Reimer
4. Football Representative – Todd Stafford (New)
5. Cheerleading Representative– \*Allison Plumley
6. Girls Softball Representative – Tina Hillock (New)
7. Golf Representative - Bill Harrill
8. Disabled American Veterans – \*Reverend. Robert Robinson

*\* Returning Representatives*

## **Adjournment**

- Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson, adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

## **Next Meeting**

- Thursday, April 27, 2024, at 6:15 pm.



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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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Recreation Association Adhoc Representatives



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# **Parks, Recreation & Tourism**

## **January 2024 Monthly Report**

### **Current/Ongoing Projects**

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#### **Turner Ball Park**

- This project was put out for bid on October 6, 2023, and awarded to Sexton Design and Development. It is our understanding the contractor has returned the construction contract to the City with some changes and is currently being reviewed by the City. Keck + Wood will continue to assist the City with construction administration for this project going forward, and will collaborate with the City to schedule a pre-construction meeting once the construction contract is final.

#### **Greer Golf - Clubhouse and Pool Area Renovation**

- Exterior doors are installed (minus the new entry door).
- Cutting for louver openings and transformer upgrade is complete.
- Drywall finishing, electrical rough-in, and sprinkler system installation are nearly complete.
- Basement HVAC and tile in men's and women's restrooms are ongoing.
- Interior trim and interior door frames installation has begun.
- The ADA Sidewalk and Parking schedule has not been finalized yet.

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## **Division Highlights**

### **Athletics**

- Staff facilitated Greer 76ers Juniors and high school rugby practices at Country Club Park. Greer 76ers Juniors competed in Atlanta, Georgia. Greer 76ers varsity boys competed in the first Rugby South Carolina Festival of the season in Mount Pleasant. Greer PRT also hosted the second Rugby South Carolina Festival at Country Club Park.
- Staff facilitated Tomahawk Youth Wrestling Club practices and duals at Cannon Centre. The wrestling club competed in the first wrestling tournament of the season at the Florence Civic Center.
- Staff facilitated youth basketball league games at Victor Gym throughout the week and weekend.
- Registration opened for the 2024 spring season of Greer Baseball Club, Foothills Soccer Club of Greer, and Greer Fast Pitch Softball.
- Staff and participants completed the Foothills Soccer Club of Greer Academy season in January. The Foothills Soccer Club of Greer U17s won the South Carolina Youth Soccer Association PMSL Cup.
- Staff recruited recreational wrestling organizations in the area to attend the annual Tomahawk Invitational, to be held in February.
- Athletics staff met with Dick's Sporting Goods in regards to a possible partnership.
- Staff scheduled a youth night for all Greer PRT basketball participants with Greer High Basketball Coach, Devin Liferidge. Teams will be recognized at halftime and compete in shooting competitions.

### **Cultural Arts**

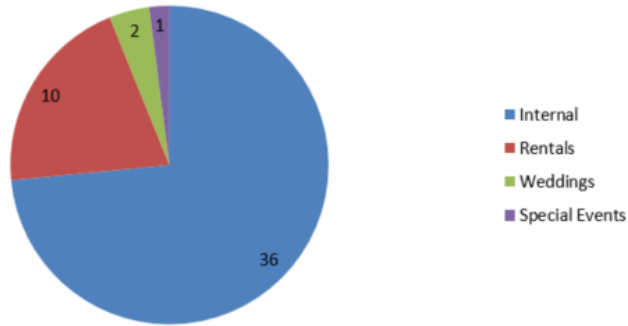
- The Center for the Arts hosted two rentals this month. A wedding on Sunday, January 14 and a dance recital on Saturday, January 20.
- Staff worked on upcoming events, graphic designs, and logistics.
- Clay classes continue on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
- Afterschool art and Zumba classes continue on Wednesdays.
- Staff did a Zoom call with the South Carolina Commission on Minority Affairs to discuss our upcoming events and how they can support us. We talked about the grants they provide and how to reach more people with their help.
- The Greer Children's Theatre rehearses Monday, Thursday, and Saturday at Tryon Recreation Center and Tuesday at the Center for the Arts.
- Pottery classes continue on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturdays.
- On January 29, the Communication Division recorded a video of the "Created by Black Artists" exhibition at the Center for the Arts for social media.

### **Events**

- Events staff are planning and finalizing details for our upcoming spring events.
- The Greer Farmers Market Sunday Brunch Market took place on Sunday, January 18, at Greer City Park. The event hosted over 40 farmers, artisans, and food trucks. Guests had the opportunity to participate in a free 45-minute yoga class and listen to live music by TC Costello.

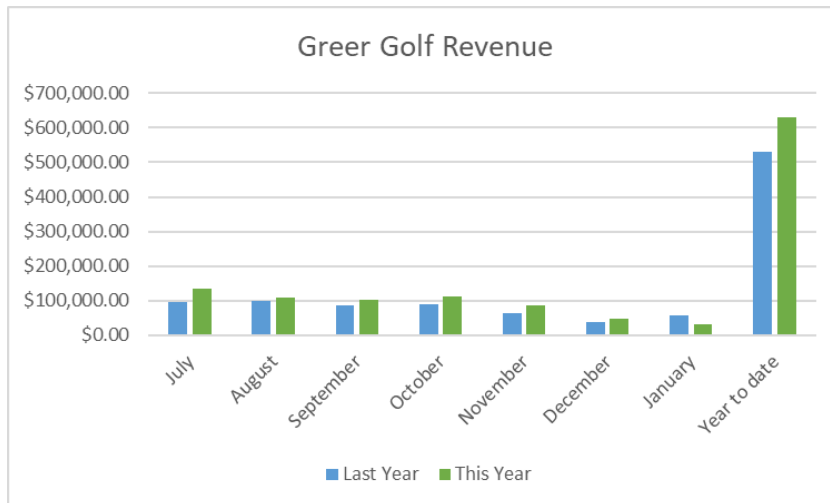
**The Events Division hosted 49 total events – Internal: 36, Rentals: 10, Special Events: 1, Wedding Events: 2. A total of 3,967 guests visited the City of Greer Events Center. The Ambassadors have continued to provide excellent customer service to 441 passengers in downtown Greer Station in the month of January.**

## Rentals



## Greer Golf

- Staff has been working on producing new pricing recommendations for golf and the driving range. We will also be working with the Events Division to establish policies and fees for our rental amenities, after construction has concluded. All golf staff have been working on preliminary budget tasks, such as obtaining pricing, and evaluating equipment.
- Grounds staff are working with Public Services to pour a concrete apron on the outside of our trash containment area.
- Our Restaurant Services RFP was advertised on January 21.
- Staff has been purchasing accessories for the driving range, such as sand divot buckets, trash cans, and range balls. These purchases will complete the driving range project.
- We recorded \$32,715 in revenue for the month of January. This is less than last year's January total (due to extreme cold and wet weather), but we are approximately \$97,000 over last year's year-to-date revenue mark.



## Recreation

- Rentals: Recreation Centers- 8, Kids Planet -4
- Senior Action met at Needmore Recreation Monday-Fridays for activities and lunch (20-25 seniors daily).
- Never Alone, Narcotics Anonymous continued on Tuesdays at the Tryon Recreation Center.
- SOAR hosted five Line Dancing sessions with 128 in attendance at the Cannon Centre.
- SOAR hosted two Bingo Days at City Hall with 50 participants.
- SOAR hosted a Book Club meeting at the Center for the Arts with eight participants.
- SOAR hosted a Movie Day with 25 participants.

- SOAR hosted a trip to Warehouse at Vaughn's with 16 participants.
- Staff hosted pickleball clinics, open play sessions, and one adaptive pickleball session at Victor Gym and Tryon Park.
- Staff hosted the Artifacts Club for their annual banquet and "Best of the Year Finds" meeting at the Tryon Recreation Center.
- Staff hosted the 22nd Annual MLK Jr. Celebration Luncheon at the Events Center at City Hall.
- Staff hosted the Disabled American Veterans for their monthly meeting at Tryon Recreation.
- The Creative Advancement afterschool program continued at Victor Gym every weekday.
- The Needmore afterschool program continued at Needmore Recreation every weekday.

### Tourism

- Lindsey Shaffer attended VisitGreenvilleSC's Tourism Industry Forecast on Tuesday, January 9. Primary takeaways are Greenville's tourism industry has grown substantially compared to 2019 and business travel will continue to recover and increase this year.
- The Finance Department hosted an ACOG meeting on Thursday, January 11 and Lindsey Shaffer provided an overview of the Tourism Division and how we collaborate with business licensing while planning events and securing vendors.
- Assisted the Communications Department with interviewing Chef Mike Sibert of Anonymous Burgers on Tuesday, January 23 for his latest achievement of being selected as a 2024 SC Chef Ambassador.
- A Filming Permit Application was approved for Thursday, January 25. Filming was conducted in Greer City Park and Downtown Greer for a TV show.
- The Tourism Division finished 2023 with 14 approved Special Event Permit Applications and two filming permits. For Discover Greer, we had 9,765 website visits, over 800 visitor guides, and more than 20,000 followers on social media.

<u>Upcoming Events</u>	<u>Current Projects</u>
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**February 2024 Monthly Report**

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# **Parks, Recreation & Tourism**

## **February 2024 Monthly Report**

### **Current/Ongoing Projects**

#### **Wards Creek Trail System**

- Keck + Wood received the remaining information needed for the LPA Evaluation Application from the City on Friday, February 9. After assisting the City with submitting the first application to SCDOT, they provided some comments. These issues have been addressed and the revised form was returned to the City of Greer on February 19. Our consultants are waiting for SCDOT to complete their second review of the application and will continue to assist the City in this process.

#### **South Tyger River Greenway**

- Keck + Wood submitted the requested maintenance agreements and letters to SCDOT on January 30. We have received confirmation of receipt and staff with SCDOT will review it. We anticipate the issuing of the encroachment permit in the near future. Keck + Wood has provided a cost estimate for Phase 1 of the Greenway and will continue to work with the City on phasing for this project.

#### **Victor Park**

- The City is earnestly taking the necessary steps to acquire land in preparation for a new recreational sports facility.
- Greer PRT will tentatively be vacating Victor Gym and Victor ball field in early summer. The ball field will be reconstructed at Turner Park. Many of our programs will be moved to other facilities.

#### **Turner Ball Park**

- A pre-construction meeting was held on February 19. The meeting discussed standard construction procedures, the importance of keeping communication open between all contractors, the owner, design team, and getting the long lead time elements of the site (restroom, shade structures, and playground equipment) ordered and processed to have the project completed within the contractual time. Keck and Wood will set up bi-weekly construction meetings every other Tuesday for the duration of the project until it is determined that the frequency of these meetings needs to be changed.
- Construction commenced on February 22, with silt fence installation and clearing/tree removal.
- Substantial grading has begun. The Contractor found an underground spring in an area designated for storm water retention, resulting in having to drop the outlet a few inches to keep the area dry in the future. The staff has been working with Keck + Wood along with Sexton Design and Development to iron out the details for the playground, restroom, and lights.

#### **Greer Golf - Clubhouse and Pool Area Renovation**

- Interior painting, tile work, bathroom work, and trim work are ongoing. Electrical trim out has started and mechanical trim out is mostly complete. Millwork began installation and will continue until finished.

#### **Davenport Park**

- Design and survey efforts have been put on hold.

#### **Kids Planet**

- Keck + Wood received comments from eTrakit and re-submitted the drawings for review.

## **Division Highlights**

### **Athletics**

- Greer 76ers won the South Carolina High School Varsity Boys state championship in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina on February 25' defeating Oceanside Collegiate 20-14.
- Foothills Soccer Club of Greer Recreational League practices are currently running at South Sober Road Park.
- Foothills Soccer Club of Greer Academy league practices and SCYSA matches are currently underway at Greer City Stadium.
- Greer Baseball Club 4U, 6U, 8U, 10U, 12U, and 14U Leagues are now practicing at Stevens Field, Country Club Park, Century Park, Riverside Middle, and Little Turner Field.
- Greer Softball Club 8U, 10U, and 12U teams are now practicing at Victor Park and Century Park.
- Greer PRT Youth Basketball postseason tournament teams competed in district tournaments on February 24th and 25th. Our program finished with two district runner-ups.

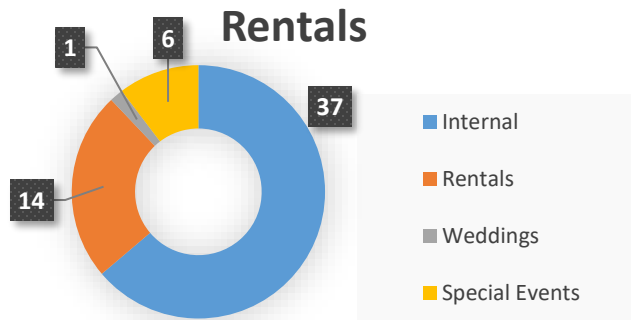
### **Cultural Arts**

- On February 12, Robin and the artists from the Created by Black Artist Exhibition appeared on WSPA 7NEWS Your Carolina.
- The Created by Black Artists Exhibition reception was held on Tuesday, February 20. Poets, Davelyn Hill and Shay Black, Artist John Daso, Mayor Danner, and Councilman Karuam Booker briefly spoke. There were 70 guests.
- Art and Clay classes continue at the Center for the Arts.
- Staff worked on the Greer Children's Production of Finding Nemo.
- The Foothills Philharmonic String Quartet performed on February 17 at the Center for the Arts. There were 95 people present.
- Artwork was accepted for the 2024 Juried Art Show, which will be hung at the Center for the Arts in March.

### **Events**

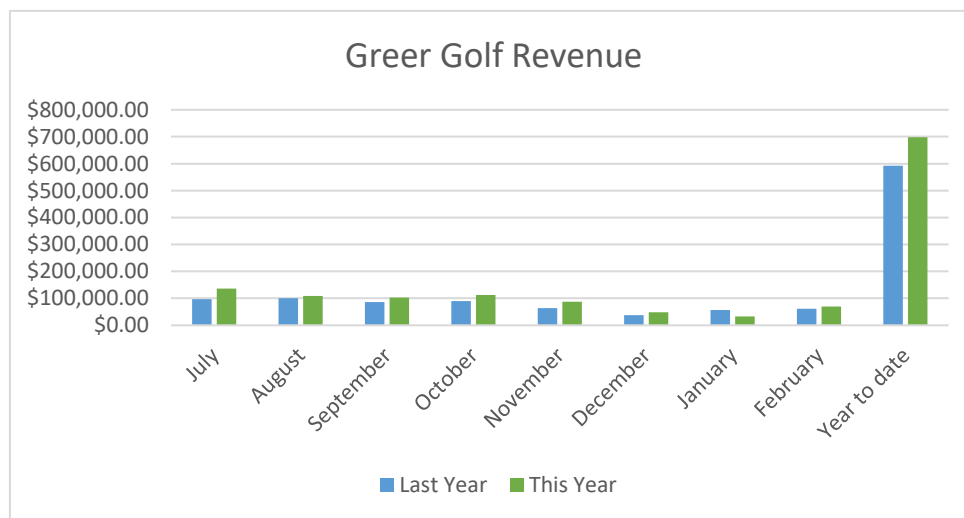
- The Events Division began two improvement projects for the Event Halls. The first project aimed to replace the can lights in the Halls and convert them to LED, along with upgrading the touch panels to improve ease of use. The second project involved sanding and re-staining the hardwood lobby floors, as well as replacing the shoe molding to match the original design.
- Jacob and Emma both attended the SFEA conference for Festival and Event professionals on Jekyll Island, GA. The three-day conference provided our staff with the opportunity to learn about new trends and bring back valuable insights to enhance our events.
- Robbie attended the Programming Summit organized by SCRPA, where programmers from all over the state gathered to share their ideas about trends and programs.

**The Events Division hosted 58 total events – Internal: 37, Rentals: 14, Special Events: 1, Wedding Events: 6. A total of 6,100 guests visited the City of Greer Events Center. The Ambassadors have continued to provide excellent customer service to 550 passengers in downtown Greer Station in the month of February.**



### Greer Golf

- Range supplies (bag stands, trash cans, water coolers, etc.) have been ordered and will begin arriving over the next few weeks.
- Staff met with our potential restaurant vendor on February 21 to discuss their proposal.
- Grounds maintenance is working on installing yardage stripes on cart paths and applying water seal/clear coat to all water cooler encasements on the course.
- Revenue for the month of February was \$69,261.52. This is \$8,405.94 more than last year's total for the month of February. Fiscal year to date, this is \$106,255.89 more than last year's total for the same date range.



### Recreation

- Rentals: Recreation Centers- 2, Kids Planet- 25
- Senior Action met at Needmore Recreation Monday-Fridays for activities and lunch (20-25 seniors daily).
- Never Alone, Narcotics Anonymous continued on Tuesdays at the Tryon Recreation Center.
- SOAR hosted two Line Dancing sessions with 47 in attendance at the Cannon Centre and Tryon Recreation Center.
- SOAR hosted a Bingo Day at City Hall with 25 participants.
- SOAR hosted a Book Club meeting with 5 participants.
- SOAR hosted a Valentine's Party with 35 participants.
- SOAR hosted a Movie Day with 13 participants at City Hall.
- Hosted Pickleball Clinics, open play sessions, and one adaptive pickleball session at Victor Gym and Tryon Park.

- SOAR hosted a trip to Inky's restaurant and shopping in Easley, South Carolina on February 29 with 118 people.
- PRT hosted the Republican Primary Election at Tryon Recreation Center with 346 voters.
- The Creative Advancement afterschool program continued at Victor Gym every weekday.
- The Needmore afterschool program continued at Needmore Recreation every weekday.
- PRT staff continued to plan the 2024 Eggstastic Easter Event.

## Tourism

- Lindsey Shaffer attended the Southeast Festivals & Events Association Annual Conference in Jekyll Island, Georgia on February 11-14. Lindsey currently serves as Board Chair.
- Attended the BMW Charity Pro-Am Event on Tuesday, February 20 where event details were announced for the June tournament. Tourism and Economic Development are currently assessing ways the City can be involved during the tournament this year.
- Lindsey Shaffer met with Heidi Henry, owner of Harvest Kitchen, on February 22 regarding downtown updates and events.
- Lindsey Shaffer met with Saki Koyama, Sales & Marketing Coordinator with the Hampton Inn Greer, on Tuesday, February 27 for a tour of the Event Halls. The Hampton Inn will continue to recommend the venue to inquiring guests.

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**March 2024 Monthly Report**

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# **Parks, Recreation & Tourism**

## **March 2024 Monthly Report**

### **Current/Ongoing Projects**

#### **Wards Creek Trail System**

- Very little change has taken place since February. Our consultants are waiting for SCDOT to complete their second review of the LPA Evaluation Application and will continue to assist the City in this process.

#### **South Tyger River Greenway**

- We anticipate the issuing of the encroachment permit from SCDOT in the near future. Keck + Wood has provided a cost estimate for Phase 1 of the Greenway and will continue to work with the City on phasing for this project.
- Staff walked and flagged the proposed trail alignment for Phase 1 on March 7, 2024.

#### **Victor Park**

- Greer PRT will end all programming in Victor Gym and Victor ball field on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Removing and relocating equipment and materials to other facilities will be completed by June 27<sup>th</sup>. A date to close the outdoor basketball courts will be determined at a later date. We will keep the courts open as long as possible until the dismantling of the goals is done.

#### **Turner Ball Park**

- Substantial grading of the property continues. The Contractor found an underground spring in an area designated for storm water retention, resulting in having to drop the outlet a few inches to keep the area dry in the future. Our staff has been working with Keck + Wood along with Sexton Design and Development to iron out the details for the playground, restroom, and lights.

#### **Greer Golf - Clubhouse and Pool Area Renovation**

- Concrete pours have been completed between the Cabana and Clubhouse, in front of the ramps on the putting green, and at the Cabana (former pool opening). The synthetic turf has been installed at the Cabana, along with string lights on the perimeter. Light fixtures are installed in the clubhouse, and all millwork has been installed in the Pro Shop.

#### **Kids Planet**

- Keck + Wood received comments from eTrakit and re-submitted the drawings for review.

### **Division Highlights**

#### **Athletics**

- Greer 76ers Varsity Boys Rugby completed their 2023-2024 season at Ruggerfest in North Carolina, on March 2 and 3.
- Tomahawk Youth Wrestling program concluded the 2023-2024 season on March 2 in Myrtle Beach where Coy Barnett won his 5th straight state championship title.
- PRT Staff facilitated Greer Baseball Club practices Monday-Sunday at Century Park, Little Turner Field, Country Club Park, Stevens Field, and Riverside Middle School.
- Staff completed all scheduling of the Greer Diamond Classic Baseball Tournament set to be held on Saturday, March 30 at Century Park, Country Club Park, and Victor Park. Staff also completed all Greer
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- Baseball and Softball Club Homerun Derby schedules and assignments for Friday, March 29 at Country Club Park.
- Staff facilitated Greer Softball Club practices Monday-Saturday at Victor Park and Riverside Middle School.
- Staff facilitated Foothills Soccer Club of Greer recreational and academy practices and games at Greer City Stadium and Suber Park.
- The Athletics Supervisor completed budget proposal items and all division employee evaluations.
- The Athletics division staff worked the Easter Eggstastic Event that occurred on Saturday, March 23.
- Athletics Coordinator, Phil Hembree, met with local municipal athletic supervisors to create a new baseball and softball tournament called the “MB6 Upstate All Star Tournament” which will be held in the upstate from May 27 through Saturday June 1.
- Greer PRT athletics division was awarded the Division 1 and Division 2 South Carolina District Tournament, this event is set to be hosted at Century Park Thursday, June 13 through Thursday, June 20.

### Cultural Arts

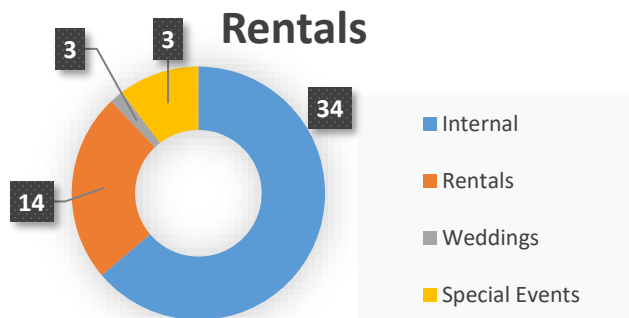
- The Greer children’s Theatre performed Finding Nemo Jr. at the Cannon Center, March 1-10, 2024. All shows were very well attended with the last show being sold out.
- The 2024 Juried Art Show reception was held on Tuesday March 19. We had 29 people attend.
- Clay Classes continue five days a week including Saturday. Our new instructor starts next week which will give us a third instructor. Most of our classes have a waiting list.
- Robin Byouk attended the 2024 South & Appalachia Creative Placemaking Summit in Atlanta Georgia March 6-8.
- The Recreation and Arts Division hosted Junior Leadership Greer at the Center for the Arts on Tuesday, March 12. We presented for the City of Greer Departments and painted butterflies with the participants.
- Staff hosted several rental tours.
- The Foothills Philharmonic Woodwind Quartet preformed at the Center for the Arts on March 16, with 67 people in attendance.
- A Free Open House Zumba class was held on Tuesday, March 12.
- The directorial team for the GCT fall production of the Wizard of Oz met on Monday, March 18.
- Staff and GCAC volunteers helped with Face painting at the Eggstastic event on Saturday, March 23.

### Events

- The Greer Farmers Market Sunday Brunch took place on Sunday, March 10 with a St. Patrick’s Day theme. This included food trucks serving Irish food, Celtic music, and also included a visit from Merida from the Disney movie Brave. The market had over 40 vendors and the best attendance of all the Sunday Brunch Markets.
- We are currently planning and finalizing details for our upcoming spring events such as Food Truck Rollout on April 12, International Festival on April 20, and Moonlight Movies starting June 6.
- The first Food Truck Rollout of 2024 occurred on Friday, March 15, with an estimated 300 attendees. The event featured five food trucks, with Greer Relief providing beer and wine, and live music by Away Team. Due to wet grass, the band was moved inside. However, attendees enjoyed both inside and outside areas, making the event a success. Additionally, the City of Greer Communications Department set up a booth to provide information regarding recycling and litter pickup, while the Leadership Greer class was raising awareness for their project.
- The Events Division has blocked off the Cannon Centre for scheduled painting during the week of March 25-29.



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### Greer Golf

- Greer Golf hosted the Upstate Amateur Players Tour on March 2. 92 tournament organizers from upstate South Carolina and western North Carolina competed.
- Staff is evaluating equipment upgrades requested by a potential restaurant vendor for our restaurant. We are meeting with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendor on March 12 to discuss this matter.
- Grounds maintenance is working on installing yardage stripes on cart paths as well as applying water seal and clear coat to all water cooler encasements on the course.

### Recreation

- Senior Action met at Needmore Recreation Monday-Fridays for activities and lunch (20-25 seniors daily).
- Never Alone, Narcotics Anonymous continued on Tuesdays at the Tryon Recreation Center.
- The Cutlery club met for their monthly meeting at Tryon Recreation Center on March 5.
- SOAR hosted two Line Dancing sessions with 53 in attendance at the Tryon Recreation Center on Wednesdays.
- Staff hosted our Archery Club on Wednesdays at City Stadium.
- Staff hosted a Sweet Bites of Italy baking workshop at the Cannon Centre on March 15 with seven participants.
- SOAR hosted a Movie Day with 13 participants at City Hall on March 11.
- SOAR hosted a book club meeting on March 19 at the Center for the Arts with eight participants.
- SOAR hosted a bingo day on March 21 at City Hall with 21 participants.
- Staff hosted Pickleball Clinics and open play sessions at Victor Gym and Tryon Park.
- Staff started Summer Camp Registrations and currently have 84 on the waitlist.
- Staff continued Summer Camp Counselor interviews.
- The Creative Advancement Afterschool Program continued at Victor Gym every weekday.
- The Needmore Afterschool Program continued at Needmore Recreation every weekday.
- Recreation Staff hosted the 2024 Eggstastic Easter Event at Greer City Park, with an estimated 2,200 people who attended.
- Rentals: Recreation Centers- 2, Kids Planet- 37, Buses – 2 (Leadership Greer)

### Tourism

- Tourism staff assisted Communications with writing captions, making reels, and getting new pictures for the City's social media accounts. Staff also sent weekly events taking place in Greer to Communications for "This Weekend in Greer" Instagram story series.
- Tourism Assistant, Lauren Grishhaber created the City of Greer article for the Summer 2024 Issue of SCRPA Magazine as well as completed the monthly newsletter.

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**FINANCIAL REPORT**

**Applicant:**

Red Watson, Assistant Director, Parks, Recreation & Tourism

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**DIRECTORS REPORT**

**Applicant:**

Ann Cunningham, Director, Parks, Recreation & Tourism

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**2024 Upcoming Events**

**Applicant:**

Ann Cunningham, Director Parks, Recreation & Tourism

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## 2024 Upcoming Events (April – December)

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- Greer Farmers Market *Sunday Brunch Series* - April 14 (City Park)
- Food Truck Rollout – April 12, May 17, August 16, September 20, October 18 (Greer City Park)
- International Festival – April 20 (Greer City Park)
- Greer Farmers Market – May 7 - Aug. 27, Tuesdays (Greer City Park)
- Tunes in the Park – May 18, June 15, July 20, August 17, September 14 (Greer City Park)
- Family Golf Day - BMW Junior Clinic – June 1 (Greer Golf)
- Arts In Action Summer Camps June 17-20, July 8-11 & July 15-18 (Center for the Arts)
- Moonlight Movies – June 26- June 27, July 11- August 1, Thursdays (Greer City Park)
- Freedom Blast – June 29 (Greer City Park)
- Greenville County Amateur – July 26-28 (Greer Golf)
- Greater Greer Ministries – August 10 & 11 (Greer Golf)
- Upstate Renaissance Faire- September 6-7 (Greer City Park)
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- Artisan Makers Market – October 19 (Greer City Park)
- Greer Christmas Tree Lighting – December 6 (Greer City Park)
- Breakfast with Santa – December 7 (Cannon Centre)
- Greer Farmers Market Christmas Festival – December 7-8 (Greer City Park)
- Holiday Arts Fair – December 9 & 10 (Center for the Arts)
- Greer Relief Christmas Parade – December 8 (Downtown Greer)

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**2024 Remaining Meeting Dates**

**Applicant:**

Ann Cunningham, Director Parks, Recreation & Tourism

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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## GREER RECREATION ASSOCIATION REMAINING 2024 MEETING DATES

- July 25, 2024 (*Alternate Date Options – August 22 or September 5*)
- October 24, 2024

### **School Spring Break**

Greenville County - March 18-22, 2024

Spartanburg County - April 1-5, 2024

### **2024-2025 School Year: Greenville County**

August 8, 2023 – First Day for Students

May 22, 2024 – Last Day for Students

### **2024-2025 School Year: Spartanburg County**

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Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson