



AGENDA
GREER RECREATION ASSOCIATION

Public Hearing and Business Meeting

August 22, 2019 @ 6:15 PM

Greer City Hall, Hall A, 301 E. Poinsett Street, Greer, SC 29651

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. CALL TO ORDER Wayne Yount, Chairman

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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III. INVOCATION

A. INVOCATION Jason Bridwell, Trustee

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

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V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of January 24, 2019 Minutes Wayne Yount, Chairman

B. Approval of April 25, 2019 Minutes Wayne Yount, Chairman

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. COMMITTEE REPORTS Recreation Association Adhoc Representatives

VII. DEPARTMENT UPDATE

A. DIVISION REPORTS Parks and Recreation Department Staff

B. April 2019 Monthly Report

C. May 2019 Monthly Report

D. June 2019 Monthly Report

VIII. FINANCIAL REPORTS

A. FINANCIAL REPORTS Red Watson, Assistant Director Parks and Recreation

IX. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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

X. OLD BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2019 Events

Ann Cunningham, Director Parks and Recreation

B. 2019 Projects

Ann Cunningham, Director Parks and Recreation

XII. ADJOURNMENT

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AGENDA
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Approval of January 24, 2019 Minutes

Applicant:

Wayne Yount, Chairman

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Greer Recreation Association Board Meeting Minutes
January 24, 2019

Location: Greer City Hall, 301 E. Poinsett St., Greer, SC 29651

I. Call to Order

Wayne Yount (Chairman) called to order the regular meeting of the Greer Recreation Association Board at 6:17pm on January 24, 2019 at Greer City Hall, Hall A.

The following members of the Board of Trustees attended:

John Bohannon, Amanda Hopper, Wayne Yount, Pamela Taylor and Jason Bridwell.

Others Present: Ann Cunningham (Director), Red Watson (Assistant Director), Robbie Davis (Events Supervisor), Justin Miller (Recreation Supervisor), Travis Durham (Grounds Maintenance Superintendent), Cory Holtzclaw (Athletic Supervisor), Robin Byouk (Cultural Arts Supervisor), Sally Wise (Administrative Assistant), and Bob and Mary Reimer (SOAR Adhoc Representatives).

Introduction of Trustees – Ann Cunningham, Director

Travis Ware was reappointed for a second term in District 2.

Wayne Yount was reappointed for a third term in District 4

Jason Bridwell was appointed by Councilwoman Judy Albert in District 6. Jason has served 5 years on the Greer Baseball Club Board.

Action:

Nominations were opened for the position of Chairman for the Recreation Association Board.

Amanda Hopper nominated Wayne Yount to the position of Chairman of the Recreation Association Board.

John Bohannon seconded the nomination.

No other names were submitted for the position of Chairman.

Nominations were closed.

Vote:

The nomination was unanimous. Wayne Yount was elected as the Chairman of the Recreation Association for 2019.

Action:

Nominations were opened for the position of Vice-Chairman for the Recreation Association Board.

John Bohannon nominated Amanda Hopper to the position of Vice-Chairman of the Recreation Association Board.

Wayne Yount seconded the nomination.

No other names were submitted for the position of Chairman.

Nominations were closed.

Vote:

The nomination was unanimous. Amanda Hopper was elected as the Vice-Chairman of the Recreation Association Board for 2019.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Wayne Yount

III. Invocation

Wayne Yount

IV. Public Forum

No one was present to speak.

V. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Motion:

John Bohannon made a motion to approve the October 25, 2018 minutes.

Pamela Taylor seconded the motion.

Vote:

Motion carried unanimously. The minutes were approved as submitted.

VI. Committee Reports

a) Cheerleading – Cory Holtzclaw, Athletic Supervisor

- Marie Paris, Adhoc Representative and Cheerleading Coach requested the cheerleaders cheer for some of the basketball games at Victor Gym. The participants had a great time.

b) Cultural Arts – Robin Byouk – Cultural Arts Supervisor

- Greer Children's Theatre performed the full length version, Annie, at the J Harley Bonds Career Center on November 9-11 and November 16-18, 2018. Fox Carolina broadcast their early morning news report from the J. Harley Bonds Center with the Annie cast on opening day.
- Greer Cultural Arts Council (GCAC) sponsored the "Lest We Forget" Veterans Musical Tribute by the Upstate Men's Choir at the Cannon Center on November 11, 2018.
- Auditions and rehearsals for the Lion King Jr were held in November and December, 2018. The performances will be held at the Cannon Center March 1-3 and 8-10, 2019.
- GCAC along with the Greer High School Art Club provided face painting at the Christmas Tree Lighting on December 7, 2018.

VII. Departmental Update

a) Athletics Division – Cory Holtzclaw, Athletic Supervisor

- Youth basketball league play and practices were facilitated at Victor Gym every weeknight and Saturday mornings. The 8U league is completely in house and plays at 6:15pm and 7:00pm. Victor Gym also facilitates some of the 10U and 12U games at 7:45pm. The goal for the winter 2019 season is to facilitate both 8U and 10U completely in house.
- Youth wrestling practices were held at Riverside High School every Tuesday and Thursday. On October 27th the first dual meet of the season will be hosted at Victor Gym. Some wrestlers will compete in tournaments around the state on Saturdays and select Sundays.
- Registration is currently open for youth baseball, softball and soccer for the spring season. Registrations will conclude early February and practices will begin in late February for soccer and early March for baseball. Foothills

Soccer Club of Greer Academy participants began practice on January 14th and state wide games will begin on February 5, 2019. With the academy teams soccer is utilizing fields year around.

- Athletic staff attended the South Carolina Athletic Planners Conference in Myrtle Beach, SC on November 6-7, 2018.
- Silbo from Raleigh, NC handles the managing and booking of our sports officials. Games and tournaments with criteria are posted on the app, officials book the ones they will officiate, Silbo pays them on-line and sends notification to the Athletics Division and charges the City of Greer via a MasterCard transaction.

b) **Cultural Arts Division** – Robin Byouk, Cultural Arts Supervisor

- The Giving Thanks Art Show reception was held at Greer City Hall before the City Council meeting on November 13, 2018. The theme was open to interpretation with 4 high schools participating welcoming double the amount of entries as last year.
- The entertainment for the Christmas Tree Lighting on December 7, 2018 was handled through the Cultural Arts Division.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Juried Arts Show on March 29, 2019 – City Hall
 - Friends of Lake Robinson Art Show on May 9, 2019 – City Hall

c) **Events Division** – Robbie Davis, Events Supervisor

- Since October 25th, the Events Division has hosted 60 internal events, 66 rentals, 9 special events, and 18 weddings with a total of 153 events that brought approximately 21,560 visitors to Greer City Park and Event venues.
- Christmas Tree lighting and Supper with Santa (City of Greer Employees) was held on December 7, 2018 with over 2,000 people at Greer City Park and the Cannon Centre.
- Breakfast with Santa was held on December 8, 2018 at the Cannon Centre with 500 people in attendance.
- Food Truck Rollout on January 19, 2019 was attended by over 1,000 people at Greer City Park. Greer CPW sponsored the event and a partnership with Greer Relief allowed for the sale of beer.
- Ambassador Program began on January 22, 2019. Three electric vehicles (shuttles) pickup patrons at area parking lots and deliver them to their destination in the downtown area. The shuttles run from 11am-2pm and 6pm-9pm Tuesday thru Saturday and Sundays from 2pm-6pm. This program is scheduled to run in conjunction with the Streetscapes project for the next 18 months. An app to track the locations of the shuttles and to request pickup is currently being evaluated.
- Upcoming Events:
 - Bridal Showcase on February 9, 2019 – City Hall & Cannon Centre
 - 6th Annual International Festival on April 27, 2019 – City Park

d) **Grounds Maintenance Division** – Travis Durham, Grounds Maintenance Superintendent

- Installation and removal of the Christmas banners along Hwy. 29, pole decorations on light poles throughout the downtown area and light pole garland within the downtown area and City Park.
- Travis Durham attended the Certified Playground Safety Inspectors course in Lexington, SC on November 1-2, 2018 and received his recertification.
- Four Grounds Maintenance staff attended the South Carolina Sports Turf Managers Association Conference in Myrtle Beach, SC on November 11-14, 2018.
- Grounds staff work an extra 312 man-hours during December of snow/ice removal, ice melt applications, clearing of sidewalks and steps and tree debris clean up at all parks and facilities.
- Carolina Parks and Play installed a new climber block unit and applied surrounding surfacing at City Park playground.
- The yearly process of the City Park pond cleaning will begin in February and should take approximately 5 working days with good weather.
- Rainfall for 2018 was 79.48” (33.91” above the yearly average). Only 2 months (March and June) recorded below the average monthly rainfall.

e) **Recreation Division** – Justin Miller, Recreation Supervisor

- The 17th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. luncheon was held on January 21, 2018 at Greer City Hall. Mayor Rick Danner was the keynote speaker and the food was provided by South House Restaurant. The event was a full house once again and everyone in attendance had a wonderful time.
- Summer Camp registration for both Camp Greer and Camp Needmore will begin on March 11th for City residents and March 18th for non-residents.
- Morse Code Classes began in January at the Victor Gym facility on Wednesday night with 12 students attending and the regular Ham Radio classes are held on Tuesday nights at the gym.
- The Seniors Out and Around (SOAR) group attended the BMW facility and enjoyed a tour.
- Indoor Pickleball was played at Victor Gym from 9am -12pm on Tuesday and Thursday. This programs has 30-40 participants at each session.

VIII. Financial Reports – Red Watson, Assistant Director

- a) Financials for the program funds in calendar year 2018 finished as expected. The funds finished in the black, which is our goal, and that money will be transferred to the cash balance account reserve fund.
- b) Fiscal Year 19/20 budget affords us the opportunity to start thinking about specific projects for the coming year.

Grants:

- Received confirmation and release of funds on both Parks and Recreation Development Grants for the outdoor restrooms at Victor Park and an accessible parking area at H. R. Turner Field.

- The Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant for the outdoor restrooms at H. R. Turner Field is scheduled to be completed in the Spring of 2019.
- South Carolina Parks, Recreation & Tourism questions were answered regarding the Recreation Trails Program Grant for the Center for the Arts and the grant was released to begin the project. The Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant, the SCPRT Grant and the 2 grants from GCRA will total just over \$200,000 for the year.

c) Kids Planet:

- Proposals were received from 8 playground companies for the project. Greer City staff project team met and evaluated the proposals and the field was narrowed down to 4 proposals. The 4 companies were contacted with additional questions about the details of their submittals. The City staff project team met again and selected a final 2 based on the feedback that was received from each company.
- A meeting will be scheduled with the full project steering committee and the 2 final playground equipment providers will make a formal presentation to the committee. A final recommendation will be presented to Greer City Council.
- Bluewater Civil Design, LLC Greenville, SC is developing the site plan, construction documents and a cost estimate for the site work.
- Kids Planet will remain open through Labor Day and demolition will be immediately after that day. The completion is estimated to be finished before Baseball Opening Day and the annual Easter Eggstastic event in the Spring of 2020.
 - Jason Bridwell inquired as to the type of structure that would replace the existing ones. Red Watson explained it is the department's desire for the new structures not to be wooden as there are safety issues and upkeep for that type of structure.

IX. Director's Report – Ann Cunningham, Director

a) Center for the Arts:

Demolition/construction has begun at the Center for the Arts. Electrical, plumbing and HVAC are in the process of installation; walls have been erected and sheet rock/mud are being applied. Concrete has been poured in the auditorium and the playground has been ordered and delivered to the Operations Center warehouse. Ann invited the trustees to contact her if they would like to visit the Center for the Arts during construction. Ann and Red showed a slide presentation to the trustees.

b) Downtown Walking & Bicycling Master Plan:

The Downtown Walking & Bicycling Master Plan was adopted by Greer City Council on January 12, 2016. Early planning stages with Alta Planning + Design will begin the process of obtaining cost estimates to develop proposed routes identified as priorities in making connections to parks, churches, library, schools, downtown for walking, bicycling, traffic calming and trails. Information is being planned to present the finding to Greer City Council at the Council Retreat in March.

- c) South Suber Road Park:
The brick house has been demolished and the well and septic tank were filled at the site adjacent to the park. This parcel was added to our South Suber Road Park property approximately 10 years ago. Once trees are removed, grading work to prepare the site will be self-performed by the Grounds Maintenance staff and crusher run gravel and fencing will be added. An exit only drive will be installed where the drive way is currently located to aid in safely leaving the site. Anticipated completion is mid to late spring 2019.
- d) Victor Park:
The gymnasium floor was refinished and Justin Miller and David Holtzclaw painted permanent pickleball court lines on the floor. This will allow the Parks and Recreation Department to save time and money on putting down tape lines for the court. This will also add a safer surface for play.
- e) Victor Gym:
New glass backboards with electric height adjusters have been added. Vanities in the restrooms have been replaced to comply with ADA standards. Fiscal year 19/20 final project for Victor Gym will be reglazing the bathroom floors.
- f) Streetscapes – www.futuregreer.com:
The 200 block of Trade Street is near completion. Sossamon Construction began breaking asphalt on January 24th for the 300 block of Trade Street. A portion of the street is blocked to all vehicle traffic although pedestrian access is available via the west sidewalk for County Bank, Pour Sports, Still Water Grill and Catering and Blue Ridge Brewing Company. Ambassadors are operating electric vehicles from various parking lots in the downtown area and shuttling patrons to their destinations in the downtown area.
- g) Operations Center Office Construction:
Renovations at the Operations Center for the Parks and Recreation Department administrative office space is in progress. Sheetrock work was completed, a new counter and window (ADA compliant) were installed and new carpet and paint will complete the project during January.
- h) Annual Report:
The department has been preparing for their upcoming Parks and Recreation Department Annual Report to be given to Greer City Council on February 12, 2019 in Council Chambers. Ann Cunningham invited the trustees to attend the meeting if their schedules permit.
- i) Tryon Tennis Facility:
Renovations to the outdoor restrooms at the Tryon Tennis facility are currently underway. New doors will be installed with time locks and the interior will get a new facelift.
- j) Department Participation:
 - On November 10, 2018 a Veterans Day event was held at Veterans Park. A World War I monument was unveiled and Dave Gorman, Retired Executive

Director of the Washington Headquarters DAV, was the guest speaker. Approximately 60 people attended the event. Ann Cunningham invited the trustees and the public to stop by Veterans Park and see the beautiful new monument, the wall of honor as well as the park itself.

- Several Parks and Recreation Department staff attended the South Carolina Recreation and Parks Association conference in Greenville, SC on November 12-14, 2018.

X. Old Business

- a) Meeting Dates for the 2019 year were reviewed and trustees were asked to put these dates on their calendars. A copy of the list is attached to the agenda.
- b) Ann Cunningham reminded the trustees if they have not done so to please make an appointment with Steve Owens, Communications Manager, to have their picture taken for the City of Greer website.

XI. New Business

- a) Adhoc Representative Nominations:

Action:

Cory Holtzclaw requested Marie Paris remain as the Cheerleading Adhoc Representative.

No other names were submitted for the position.

Wayne Yount made a motion to accept Marie Paris as the Cheerleading Adhoc Representative.

John Bohannon seconded the motion.

Vote:

Motion carried unanimously. Marie Paris will remain as the Cheerleading Adhoc Representative.

Cory Holtzclaw requested Rodney Purvis remain as the Football Adhoc Representative.

No other names were submitted for the position.

Wayne Yount made a motion to accept Rodney Purvis as the Football Adhoc Representative.

Pam Taylor seconded the motion.

Vote:

Motion carried unanimously. Rodney Purvis will remain as the Football Adhoc Representative.

Robin Byouk requested Don Poinsette be nominated as the Cultural Arts Adhoc Representative.

No other names were submitted for the position.

Wayne Yount made a motion to accept Don Poinsette as the Cultural Arts Adhoc Representative.

Pam Taylor seconded the motion.

Vote:

Motion carried unanimously. Don Poinsette will serve as the Cultural Arts Adhoc Representative.

Red Watson requested Robert Robinson remain as the DAV Adhoc Representative.

No other names were submitted for the position.

Wayne Yount made a motion to accept Robert Robinson as the DAV Adhoc Representative.

John Bohannon seconded the motion.

Vote:

Motion carried unanimously. Robert Robinson will remain as the DAV Adhoc Representative.

b) 2019 Events – Ann Cunningham

A list of upcoming events is attached to the agenda.

c) 2019 Projects – Ann Cunningham

A list of highlighted projects is attached to the agenda.

XII. Adjournment

Wayne Yount, Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 7:20pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, April 25, 2019 at 6:15pm

City of Greer

Greer City Hall, Hall A

301 E. Poinsett St.

Greer, SC 29651

Minutes submitted by: Sally Wise, Parks and Recreation Department Administrative Assistant

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Approval of April 25, 2019 Minutes

Applicant:

Wayne Yount, Chairman

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Greer Recreation Association Board Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2019

Location: Greer City Hall, 301 E. Poinsett St., Greer, SC 29651

I. Call to Order

Amanda Hopper (Vice-Chairman) called to order the regular meeting of the Greer Recreation Association Board at 6:16pm on April 25, 2019 at Greer City Hall, Hall A.

The following members of the Board of Trustees attended:
Amanda Hopper, Pamela Taylor and Marc Metcalf.

Others Present: Ann Cunningham (Director), Red Watson (Assistant Director), Robbie Davis (Events Supervisor), Justin Miller (Recreation Supervisor), Travis Durham (Grounds Maintenance Superintendent), Robin Byouk (Cultural Arts Supervisor), Sally Wise (Administrative Assistant), Bob and Mary Reimer (SOAR Adhoc Representatives) and Don Poinsette (Cultural Arts Adhoc Representative).

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Amanda Hopper

III. Invocation

Amanda Hopper

IV. Public Forum

No one was present to speak.

V. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Minutes were not approved as there was not a quorum present.

VI. Committee Reports

a) **Cultural Arts** – Don Poinsette – Adhoc Representative

- Greer Children's Theatre held 8 performances of Lion King Jr on May 1-3 and May 8-10 at the Cannon Centre. Four of the performances were sold out with more than 220 people in attendance at each performance.
- Greer Cultural Arts Council (GCAC) along with the Greer High School National Honor Society offered face painting at the Eggstastic event.
- GCAC will host the craft area for the International Festival on April 27th. Volunteers from Greer Middle College, Leadership Greer, members of the Cultural Arts Theater group, and GCAC Board and Student Board of Directors. Greer Middle College Leadership Board assisted with the crafts.
- On May 11th a Yartsale will be held with the proceeds benefiting GCAC.
- Greer Idol and Tunes in the Park will begin on June 14th.

b) **Tennis** – Red Watson – Assistant Director Parks and Recreation

- Resurfacing of the clay courts began the week of April 22, 2019 and will be completed by the end of the day on April 29, 2019.

VII. Departmental Update

a) Athletics Division – Red Watson, Assistant Director Parks and Recreation

- The athletics division is currently facilitating programming 7 days of the week.
- Opening Day for baseball and softball participants was held on March 29th. Teams were introduced, Homerun Derby competitions were held, and the coach of the year, Ashley Hughes – Cheerleading, was introduced. Michael Roth, former California Angels MLB player and Greer native, visited to throw out the first pitch.
- Greer Baseball Club practices and games for all participants ages 3-14 are currently underway. Stevens Field, Riverside Middle, Century Park, Country Club Road Park, Little Turner Field and Davenport Field are utilized to practice and play games for nearly 500 kids.
- Greer softball participants practice and play games Monday – Saturday at Victor Park, Riverside Middle School and Tyger River Park. All players competed in the Diamond Dirt Classic preseason tournament at Tiger River Park.
- Foothills Soccer Club of Greer is currently in season at South Suber Road Park and City Stadium. Recreational and Academy teams are competing 4-5 days each week.
- Flag football, tackle football and cheerleading registration will begin on May 1st for City of Greer residents and May 8th for all participants. The goal this year is to play all age groups in house at Country Club Road Park. This will depend on the number of participants in each age group. Two competitions for all cheerleaders are planned for the preseason. Cheerleaders will cheer for flag and tackle teams during the season.

b) Cultural Arts Division – Robin Byouk, Cultural Arts Supervisor

- The 2019 Juried Art Show reception was held on March 29th in the Wall Gallery at Greer City Hall. The 2 themes this year were: Where we have been and Where we are going. The entry turn in was light but the quality was very good. The City of Greer purchased 4 of the winning pieces.
- The Cultural Arts Division is responsible for the International Festival entertainment.
- Robin Byouk visited a clay coop studio in Charleston, SC. A few important changes, gleaned from her visit, were made to the new pottery studio at the Center for the Arts prior to construction completion.
- Applications for Artist in Residence and instructors have been sent out for the Center for the Arts this fall.

c) Events Division – Robbie Davis, Events Supervisor

- The Greater Greer Bridal Showcase was held on February 9th and hosted over 150 current and potential clients. Guests had an opportunity to talk with local wedding vendors and caterers and to also view set up options inside the Greer City Hall Event Halls.
- Planning for the International Festival on April 27th with over 26 countries featured, 13 non-profit organizations, 8 sports, and 12 food vendors. There are 17 performances schedule inside Greer City Hall and on the

Amphitheater. Free crafts and a petting zoo are also offered. Kids are given a map and will be able to travel to the different countries and receive a sticker at each stop.

- The Greer Council of Garden Clubs was recently rewarded a grant through the Greer Development Corporation to create a butterfly garden in Greer City Park. The Nancy Welch Butterfly Garden will be dedicated at the International Festival at 11am on April 27th.
- The Food Truck Rollout will be held May 17th. There are 6 trucks lined up for the event. Mark Webb Jr. will be performing during the event.
- Moonlight Movies series will start on June 6 with the following movies:
 - The Incredibles 2
 - Small Foot
 - Hook
 - Ralph Breaks the Internet
 - Space Jam
 - Cars 3
 - The Grinch
 - How to Train You Dragon
- The 11th Annual Freedom Blast will be held on June 29th. Meetings have been held with all the military organizations and the details are being finalized. The event will be held at 6:00pm until 10:30pm with the fireworks display taking place at approximately 10:00pm.
- Since January 24th the Events Division has hosted 102 internal events, 54 rentals, 9 special events and 16 weddings with a total of 173 events that brought approximately 12,490 people to Greer City Park, Events Halls and the Cannon Centre.
- The Greer Station Shuttles are running Tuesday – Sunday; Tuesday – Saturday 11am-2pm and 6pm-9pm with Sundays running from 10:30am-3pm. The program numbers are being monitored to determine if we are meeting the demands. The peak shuttle shifts are Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The Ambassador Program is currently averaging 11 people per day. An app to track the locations of the shuttles and to request pickup is currently being evaluated.
- Marc Metcalf gave kudos to the staff for a great job during his son's birthday party at the picnic shelter. He commented several people from the downtown Greenville area who did not realize the park existed. Marc said this gave his wife and he a great opportunity to brag on Greer.

d) Grounds Maintenance Division – Travis Durham, Grounds Maintenance Superintendent

- New Basketball backboards and rims were installed at Victor Gym outdoor courts.
- Stevens Field, Century Park, Needmore Recreation Center and South Suber Road Park landscape beds were mulched. Pine straw was added to Country Club Road Park landscape beds.
- Staff assisted in replacing the well pump at City Park pond.
- Modern Turf laser graded and added infield clay to the baseball infields at Country Club Road Park.

- Ryegrass was removed from City Stadium and South Suber Road Park.
- New landscape was installed along Hwy 14 side of the City of Greer Courthouse and new landscape and mulch was installed within Greer City Park.
- A new ADA sidewalk was installed at the Century Park pedestrian bridge.
- Installation and removal of the Christmas banners along Hwy. 29, pole decorations on light poles throughout the downtown area and light pole garland within the downtown area and City Park.
- Staff continued to prepare athletic facilities for spring practice and games. They also continue to maintain the City of Greer neighborhood parks and recreation facilities.
- Rainfall since the January 2019 meeting was 18.5", this yields a +3.75" since January 24th and +9.82" since January 1st.

e) **Recreation Division** – Justin Miller, Recreation Supervisor

- Summer Camp registration began mid-March and both camps are completely full.
- Summer camp counselor positions have been interviewed with several counselors returning from last year.
- The Eggstastic Easter event saw the biggest crowd to date with approximately 2,300 attendees. A big thank you to Suber Road Baptist Church volunteers, Texas Roadhouse, Residences at Century, Greer Cultural Arts Council and the Parks and Recreation staff.
- Senior Computer classes began in March and the last session will be held April 30th.
- The Recreation Division will be staffing the Sports Zone at the International Festival.

VIII. Financial Reports – Red Watson, Assistant Director

- a) Financials for the program funds for the 2019 calendar year is doing really well. Revenue for baseball is up due to increased participation. Revenue for soccer is on target. Overall all the program funds have seen an increase in sponsorships. Kudos to Justin Miller for getting out there and chasing down money to support his programs.
- b) Grants:
- Bid specs have been completed for the outdoor restroom buildings for Turner Field and Victor Park. This project will be funded by the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant. Currently a site plan is being developed and when completed advertising for bids will proceed. The Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant for the outdoor restrooms at H. R. Turner Field is scheduled to be completed in the Spring of 2019.
- c) Kids Planet:
- On March 17th, the 2 playground equipment provider finalists presented their proposals to the Kids Planet Steering Committee at Greer City Hall. The committee scored each one based on a series of criteria and 1 vendor

was selected for recommendation. The information was presented to Mr. Driggers along with the recommendation and it was agreed to move forward to present the recommendation to Greer City Council on May 14th. A Community Development Block Grant through the Greenville County Redevelopment Authority is being pursued to assist in paying for the grading of the site and sidewalks.

IX. Director's Report – Ann Cunningham, Director

a) Annual Report

Ann Cunningham gave a brief overview of the Parks and Recreation Department's Annual Report to Greer City Council on February 12th. The printed annual report was given to each Recreation Association Board member.

b) Ann thanked her staff for all the work and time for the projects and events. She also thanked the Cultural Arts Council, the Recreation Association Board and the Adhoc Representatives for all their time and support throughout the year.

c) Streetscapes – www.futuregreer.com

Ann Cunningham gave an update on the project as the mason's installed pavers in the 300 block of Trade Street. Utility work is being done on the 200 block of Trade Street. She reminded everyone to sign up for the futuregreer.com to stay informed of the progress of the project.

X. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

XI. New Business

a) 2019 Events – Ann Cunningham

A list of upcoming events is attached to the agenda.

b) 2019 Projects – Ann Cunningham

A list of highlighted projects is attached to the agenda.

XII. Adjournment

Amanda Hopper, Vice-Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 7:05pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 6:15pm
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Minutes submitted by: Sally Wise, Parks and Recreation Department Administrative Assistant

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April 2019 Monthly Report

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City of Greer Parks & Recreation Department

Monthly Report for April 2019



The 6th Annual Greer Goes Global: International Festival was held April 17 in Greer City Park.

"Creating Community through People, Parks and Programs"

Department Projects

- ◆ Summer Camp Counselor interviews for returning and new hire candidates continued through the month of April. The Recreation Division will have 10 spots to fill for the summer camp programs.
- ◆ Bi-weekly construction meetings continued to be held on site at the Center for the Arts. Attendees included staff from the Parks and Recreation Department, IT Department, Public Services, Hogan Construction, and SGA Architecture. The facility remains on schedule to begin occupancy in mid-June and the park in mid-July. A Grand Opening is planned for the fall.
- ◆ Quotes were obtained from contractors for tile cleaning and restoration at the Operations Center and Victor Gym.
- ◆ Red Watson met with Mike McNabb of Bluewater Civil Design to evaluate the lot at Suber Road identified for future parking. It was determined a site plan and survey will be needed to turn the parcel into a gravel parking lot.

Department Participation

- ◆ Throughout the month of April, the department participated in Project Pinwheel in support of Child Abuse Prevention Month. Pinwheels were placed in landscaped beds at City Hall, Needmore Recreation Center, Victor Gym, and Kids Planet at Century Park.
- ◆ Ann Cunningham, Red Watson, and Robin Byouk met with students from Sevier Middle School about a potential "Kindness Project" at one of our parks.
- ◆ On April 4, Ann Cunningham participated in the Transportation Element Steering Committee Meeting at City Hall. The City of Greer hired a transportation planning consultant, Frank Curti with Mustang Consulting, LLC, to assist in the preparation of the transportation element contained in the Comprehensive Plan. This was a goal setting and information gathering session.
- ◆ On April 10, Ann Cunningham and Travis Durham met with Justin Pitts, NGU Walt Brazier Campus, to discuss possible park ideas for their campus.
- ◆ The Parks and Recreation Department held its quarterly meeting of the Recreation Association Board on Thursday, April 25, at Greer City Hall. Due to scheduling conflicts of several of the Trustees, a quorum was not held. Voting will be deferred to the July meeting.
- ◆ Department staff members are reviewing budgets for FY 19-20.

Department Trainings

- ♦ Red Watson, Cory Holtzclaw, David Holtzclaw, Justin Miller, Sarah Chapman, and Sally Wise participated in Edmonds Financial Software training at City Hall on April 17.

Division Highlights

Grounds Maintenance

- ♦ Division Staff:
 - Prepared Century Park ball fields for a Mungo Homes kickball tournament on April 2.
 - Removed the insulation panels on Victor Gym louvers and installed the louver motors for the season.
 - Began the process of ryegrass removal at South Suber Road Soccer Complex.
 - Applied fertilizer and fire ant control at City Stadium and Victor Softball Field.
 - Applied fire ant control to Century Park fields 2 and 3.
 - Repaired irrigation at Veterans Park.
 - Vertical-sliced and topdressed Greer City Park turf areas.
 - Rescued ducklings from Greer City Park storm water drains on two occasions.
 - Installed annual flowers in Greer City Park promenade bed.
 - Coordinated the replacement of the Greer City Park pond aerator.
 - Continued to prepare all baseball and softball fields for games and maintain all neighborhood parks and recreation facilities.

Athletics:

- ♦ Division Staff:
 - Facilitated spring baseball practices and games at Century Park, Country Club Road Park, H. R. Turner Park, Riverside Middle School, and Stevens Field. Age divisions for the spring season include 4U, 6U, 8U, 10U, and 12U. Games will continue through early May and conclude with a postseason tournament.
 - Facilitated girls' softball practices and games at Victor Park. Age divisions for the spring are 8U, 10U, and 12U. Games will continue through early May and conclude with a postseason tournament.
 - Facilitated Academy Soccer practices and games at Greer City Stadium and Country Club Road Park for the 2019 spring season. There are three spring academy teams that will compete in South Carolina Youth Soccer Association games throughout the state. The season will continue through early May.
 - Facilitated youth soccer practices and games at South Suber Road Soccer Complex. Age divisions include U6, U8, U10, and U12. Games will continue play through mid-May.

Recreation:

- ♦ The Recreation Division hosted the April 10 Park Hop meeting to discuss the 2019 summer program and the registration process that will be underway this month. Scavenger hunt clues will go live on the official kickoff day, May 18.
- ♦ The 2019 Eggstastic Easter event was held at Century Park on April 13 and hosted a record crowd! Over 2,200 people enjoyed the egg hunts, field games, crafts, face painting by GCAC, and inflatables.
- ♦ The annual Senior Computer class concluded at City Hall April 30, with 40 seniors completing the three-week course in basic computer functions, navigation, and internet usage.
- ♦ The Recreation Division continued to facilitate the following programs:
 - Senior Action – Needmore Recreation Center, Mondays-Fridays (200 participants monthly)
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- Ham Radio Classes – Victor Gym (40 participants monthly)
- Morse Code Classes – Victor Gym (48 participants monthly)
- ♦ SOAR (Seniors Out and AROUND)
 - SOAR offered four Line Dance Classes this month on April 3, 10, 17, and 24 with an average of 29 seniors in attendance.
 - Bingo was held on April 4 and 18 with an average of 17 members in attendance.
 - Lunch Bunch this month was held on April 11 at Maple Street Biscuit Company. There were 20 seniors in attendance to enjoy great food and fellowship.
 - On April 16 a group of 14 seniors participated in an Easter craft making bunnies in a flower pot for the holiday.
 - The monthly Movie Day was held on April 29. This month's movie was the drama, "Green Book", with 20 members in attendance that day.
 - The average attendance for the month was 21.

Cultural Arts:

- ♦ Robin Byouk took the former artists in residence for a tour of the Center for the Arts, 3 of whom will be returning after the new facility opens.
- ♦ Robin Byouk gave individual tours of the Center for the Arts to Katie Howell of Greer Development Corporation, David Merhib, the new Greater Greer Chamber president, Sharon Murray with the Spinning Jenny, and Evan Duke with the Foothills Philharmonic.
- ♦ On April 28, Robin Byouk and Sara Odom traveled to Lake City, SC, for the Art Fields exhibit. The entire town hosts art in their businesses, and large installations of art were showcased in a warehouse.
- ♦ Robin Byouk attended the Senior Showcase for the GCAC intern from Greer Middle College.
- ♦ Robin Byouk applied for the 2019 Accommodations Tax Grant for Marketing the Arts.

Events:

- ♦ The Events Division hosted 67 events, at which nearly 10,100 guests visited the City of Greer Events Center.
- ♦ The Parks and Recreation Department hosted the 6th annual Greer Goes Global: International Festival on April 27 with over 4,000 guests in attendance. The festival featured country booths, sports, entertainment, and food from over 26 different countries.
- ♦ The Events Division Ambassador Greer Station Shuttles picked up a total of 608 people this month.

Upcoming Events

- ♦ Moonlight Movies – June 6 – August 1 (City Park Amphitheater)
- ♦ Tunes in the Park & Greer Idol – June 14 – July 26 (City Park Amphitheater)
- ♦ Freedom Blast – June 29 (City Park)
- ♦ Camp Ark 2019 (Tryon Recreation Center)
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Monthly Report for May 2019



The U8 Team World Cup Spring Champions.

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Department Projects

- ◆ Bi-weekly construction meetings were held on site at the Greer Center for the Arts. Attendees included staff from the Parks and Recreation Department, IT Department, Public Services, Hogan Construction, and SGA Architecture. An owner/architect/contractor walkthrough was held on May 29 for punch list items. The facility remains on schedule to begin occupancy in mid-June and the park in mid-July. Grand Opening activities are in the planning stages for the weekend of September 20.
- ◆ Kids Planet: Red Watson presented proposals for playground equipment and grading/site work to Greer City Council on May 28. City Council approved the project at 100%.
- ◆ Erik Horton of Blue Line Consulting has been contracted to develop a proposal for the parking lot at South Suber Road Soccer Complex, the accessible parking spaces at Turner Field, the site plan for the outdoor restrooms at Turner and Victor Fields, and the storm water runoff issues at Century Park.

Department Participation

- ◆ Staff evaluated the department's current budget position and remaining projects for the current fiscal year. Staff also reviewed the proposed budget for fiscal year 2019/2020.
- ◆ Parks and Recreation Department staff members prepared for and operated the City of Greer's tent throughout Greer Family Fest, May 3-4. Information was distributed for various departments in the City, as well as Streetscapes hard hats for children and information regarding the project. An estimated 10,000 guests attended the two-day event in downtown Greer.
- ◆ Staff presented a "Quality of Life" session for Leadership Greer at the Greer Center for the Arts on May 7.
- ◆ Justin Miller attended the May 8 Park Hop meeting at the Mauldin Sports Complex. The summer-long scavenger hunt will begin May 18 in parks throughout Greenville County.
- ◆ The 2019 World Qualifiers Skyhoundz Disc Dog event was held at Century Park on May 25-26. Participants throughout the southeast came to compete in Classic Championship, Disc Dogathon, and Xtreme Distance categories. There were also opportunities for amateurs to showcase their dogs' and their abilities.
- ◆ Ann Cunningham, Red Watson, and Justin Miller attended the Creative Advancement end of the year awards program on May 31 at City Hall. Justin gave the welcome to the estimated 100 people in attendance.

Department Trainings

- ♦ Justin Miller participated in the Food and Nutritional Services Greenville County Schools Summer Feeding training at the MT Anderson building on May 6.
- ♦ Sarah Chapman, Meredith Anzur, Lindsey Shaffer, and Emma Hagg attended an SCRPA customer service training seminar in Cayce on May 16. This training focused on leadership and providing excellent customer service based on Chick-fil-A's S.E.R.V.E. model.

Division Highlights

Grounds Maintenance

- ♦ Dreamscapes installed sod and plant material at Victor Gym along the Line Street side of the building.
- ♦ WP Law performed waterproofing of the City Park lower fountain and also did the bi-annual systems check of the City Park musical fountain.
- ♦ Wigginton Enterprises topdressed City Stadium with 25 tons of topdressing sand.
- ♦ Division Staff:
 - Installed spray and drip irrigation systems at Victor Gym along the Line Street side of the building.
 - Installed "gator bags" on the trees recently planted at Stevens Field and Victor Park. These bags are filled with water every 3 days and provide 2-3 days of water to the trees.
 - Removed the foot valve from the river on the Country Club Road Park irrigation system. Staff will be replacing the sifting screen on this unit to prevent debris from entering the system from the river.
 - Aerified City Stadium and the fields at the South Suber Road Soccer Complex.
 - Made fertilizer applications to City Stadium and Victor Field, and applied sod along Brushy Creek at Kids Planet Park.
 - Replaced irrigation heads at City Stadium.
 - Installed annual, seasonal flowers at City Park at the promenade entrance, flag pole entrance, and clerk's office.
 - Continued to maintain all athletic facilities and fields, recreational facilities, City Park, and neighborhood parks.

Athletics:

- ♦ Division Staff:
 - Facilitated spring baseball practices and games at Century Park, Country Club Road Park, Turner Field, Riverside Middle School, and Stevens Field. Age divisions for the spring season include 4U, 6U, 8U, 10U, and 12U. Games and post-season tournaments were concluded in each age division.
 - Facilitated girls' softball practices and games at Victor Park. Age divisions for the spring are 8U, 10U, and 12U. Games and post-season tournaments were concluded in each age division.
 - Facilitated baseball and girls' softball All-Star team practices at Century Park, Country Club Road Park, and Victor Park. Baseball teams will compete in Dixie Youth Baseball District Tournaments in mid-June and girls' softball teams will compete in early June.
 - Hosted girls' softball All-Star meeting at the Operations Center on May 1. Representatives from District 5 and Boiling Springs were in attendance to discuss the All-Star games, including location and dates. The district All-Star tournaments will be held at Byrnes High School on June 3-8. Greer will have an 8U team and a 12U team competing.
 - Facilitated Academy Soccer practices and games at City Stadium and Country Club Road Park for the 2019 spring season. There are three spring academy teams that will compete in South Carolina Youth Soccer Association games throughout the state. Teams completed their season, and tryouts for the 2019/20 season were held at City Stadium on May 13-17.
 - Facilitated youth soccer practices and games at South Suber Road Soccer Complex. Age divisions include U6, U8, U10, and U12. Teams completed the season on May 13.

Recreation:

- ◆ The Recreation Department hosted the annual Palmetto Cutlery Show at the Tryon Recreation Center on May 3-4. Approximately 20 vendors from around the southeast and more than 200 people were in attendance for the 2-day show.
- ◆ The spring recital of Piano Performers was held on May 19-20 at the Cannon Centre. Over 50 students played beautiful music from Disney selections. Over 200 people were in attendance.
- ◆ On May 23, a beginner Pickleball clinic was hosted at Victor Gym where 5 players received 1-on-1 specialized training from Pickleball instructors. More clinics are planned for June.
- ◆ The Recreation Division continued to facilitate the following programs:
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- ◆ SOAR (Seniors Out and ARound)
 - SOAR had four Line Dance Classes this month on May 1, 8, 15, and 29 with an average of 24 seniors in attendance.
 - Bingo was held on May 2 and 16 with an average of 19 members in attendance.
 - On May 9, SOAR went on the annual trip to Strawberry Hill. Members enjoyed breakfast at the café and shopping at the shed for fresh strawberries. There were 22 seniors participating in this fun outing.
 - The monthly Movie Day was held on May 13. This month's movie was the Drama, "Stan & Ollie". There were 12 members in attendance that day.
 - On May 17 a Plant Exchange was held at Victor Gym. Seniors brought plants, clippings, and bulbs to exchange for other plants to take home. There were 7 seniors participating that day.
 - On May 13 a group of 13 seniors participated in a Spring Craft making melted crayon "Stained Glass" bookmarks.
 - Lunch Bunch this month was held on May 23 at Kanpai of Tokyo. There were 25 seniors in attendance to enjoy great food and fellowship.
 - SOAR finished out the month with a trip to Happy Cow Creamery on May 30. Participants enjoyed a tour of the farm and the milking parlor along with shopping in the general store. They also were treated to samples of Happy Cow milk and ice cream. There were 22 seniors in attendance for this fun trip.
 - The average attendance for the month was 18.

Cultural Arts:

- ◆ The Friends of Lake Robinson Juried Art Show was hung at Greer City Hall in the Wall Gallery. An opening reception was held in the lobby of the Wall Gallery on May 7. The top 3 places were announced.
- ◆ Robin Byouk and Sara Odom toured the Mauldin Cultural Arts Center on May 8.
- ◆ Robin Byouk and Sara Odom, along with GCAC volunteers, cleaned out props and costumes and held a YART Sale on May 11 at the Tryon Recreation Center. The GCAC Student Board organized, ran, and cleaned up the sale. They raised \$410 for the Center for the Arts. Most of the remaining items went to Goodwill, Greer Community Ministries, and other non-profit organizations.
- ◆ GCAC held several meetings to work on the Center for the Arts opening Gala on September 20. Robin Byouk met with Chef Musco from the Bonds Center culinary program about being involved in the opening weekend for the Center for the Arts. She also met with representatives from Homes Catering and LaBouteille to set up the food selections for the Gala.

- ◆ Greer Idol and Greer Idol Jr. auditions took place at Greer Family Fest. There was a great turnout of 25. Call-backs were held May 23 at the Tryon Recreation Center, and 8 Idols and 5 Jr. Idol contestants were chosen to compete during Tunes in the Park.
- ◆ Robin Byouk and Sara Odom met with Doug Young at Veterans Park to talk about a sculpture for the fountain. Doug has created several of the sculptures in downtown Greenville, including Water Blessing and Shoeless Joe Jackson.
- ◆ Robin Byouk gave tours of the Center for the Arts to several GCAC Board members as well as Stanley Widener with the Greenville Concert Band, Kelsey Crum with the Carolina Dance Collaborative, Carlos Bulnes of Bulnes Metal Art, and watercolor artist Tom Forrester.
- ◆ Greer Children's Theater held their first production meeting for their fall show, Beauty and the Beast, on May 28.

Events:

- ◆ The Events Division hosted 77 events, at which nearly 17,585 guests visited the City of Greer Events Center.
- ◆ The Greer Farmers Market season kicked off in Greer City Park on May 25 with sponsorship from the City of Greer. The weekly market will go through October with 30 vendors every Saturday and about 500 guests in attendance.

Upcoming Events

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June 2019 Monthly Report

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Monthly Report for June 2019



The 11th Annual Freedom Blast celebration was held in City Park on June 29.

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Department Projects

- ◆ Staff have been working towards completing projects prior to the end of the fiscal year. Several projects have been delayed due to time constraints/scheduling for contractors. We will request carrying these funds forward into FY 19/20.
- ◆ The Center for the Art's renovation project is nearing completion on the interior of the facility, with only minor issues to address. Decisions regarding furniture, window treatments, signage, etc. are being finalized. Robin Byouk and her staff will begin moving into their offices once art camps and Tunes in the Park conclude on August 2. This will give the contractor time to complete all of the landscaping and final preparations of the surrounding parking lots.
 - Landscaping in the park has begun with the installation of plant materials.
 - Most of the trail and concrete sidewalks have been completed with the exception of the limestone walkways that will be added in early July. CPW has begun installing parking lot and decorative acorn light poles throughout the park. The surrounding streetlights will also be changed to match the park LED light bulbs.
 - Exterior painting, final landscaping, installation of arbors, a kiosk, signage, playground equipment and parking lot modifications are scheduled to be completed in July.
 - Grand Opening activities are in the planning stages for the weekend of September 20..
- ◆ On June 5, the Parks and Recreation Department's management team met with David Langley, Ruthie Helms, and Dan Fowler at the Country Club Road Park concession/press box facility to discuss options for repairing the leaks in the roof over the bathrooms. David Langley originally designed the structure.
- ◆ Color samples for pour in place surfacing and playground equipment were obtained for the Kids Planet Renovation Project. The contract with Blue Water Civil Engineering has been revised and updating of construction documents is in process. A pre-construction meeting will be held in July to prepare for bid advertisement.

- ◆ Two shade structures were installed in the seating areas at Country Club Road Park. While 4 were originally budgeted at this site, we saw an opportunity to provide shade in a more crucial seating area at another facility. The remaining 2 shade structures were installed at Victor Park. It is our intention to install the 2 shade structures at Country Club Road Park in the current budget year with dollars that were already budgeted for shade structures at Victor Park.

Department Participation

- ◆ Interviews were conducted for the Full Time Cultural Arts Coordinator. Congratulations to Sara Odom, who was promoted from Part Time Cultural Arts Assistant!
- ◆ The Parks and Recreation Department hosted the SCRPA Western District workshop at City Hall. Approximately 40 people participated in customer service and human resources training.
- ◆ Red Watson conducted media interviews to distribute information about the upcoming renovations to Kids Planet.
- ◆ The City of Greer hosted the 11th Annual Freedom Blast on June 29. It is estimated that over 15,000 guests attended the downtown celebration. The Cultural Arts Division mounted veteran's pictures to be displayed on the Wall Gallery at Greer City Hall. Greer Cultural Arts Council (GCAC) was the beverage provider and with great weather the sales doubled from prior years.

Department Trainings

- ◆ Justin Miller held 2 sessions of CPR, First Aid, and AED trainings for summer camp counselors and Cultural Arts camp teachers.
- ◆ Summer camp counselors participated in Active Shooter training with the Greer Police Department.

Division Highlights

Grounds Maintenance

- ◆ Division Staff:
 - Installed summer annuals at Barnett Bridge.
 - Installed wildlife signage at Country Club Road Park.
 - Continued to prepare Stevens Field for junior and senior Legion games, and Country Club Road Park and Century Park for all-star baseball practices.
 - Began the growth regulator plan on the Victor Park softball field and at City Stadium.
 - Completed an application of Ronstar pre-emerge herbicide to Center for the Arts in preparation for sod installation.
 - Delivered trash cans and benches to Carolina Chem-Strip to begin the powder coating process.
 - Continued to maintain neighborhood parks, athletic facilities, recreational facilities, and Greer City Park.

Athletics:

- ◆ Fall sports registration opened for baseball, softball, and soccer. Registration will conclude on July 14.
- ◆ Division Staff:
 - Facilitated All-Star baseball practices at Century Park and Country Club Road Park. Greer Baseball Club will have All-Star teams in the 6U, 8U, 10U, and 12U age divisions. These teams competed in Dixie Youth District Tournaments throughout the upstate in June. The 6U, 8U National, 10U National, and 12U teams won District Championships and will compete in the Dixie Youth State Tournaments in July. The 6U will play in Columbia, 8U in Dillon, 10U in Anderson, and 12U in Bluffton.
 - Facilitated the Frohawk Creek Scramble baseball tournament at Century Park and Victor Park on June 1-2. Age divisions for the tournament included 6U, 8U, 10U, and 12U. Twenty teams from around the upstate competed in the tournament.
 - Completed girls' softball All-Star practices at Victor Park. The 8U and 12U All-Star teams competed in tournaments at Byrnes High School on June 3-8 against teams from District Five, Woodruff, and Boiling Springs.
 - Attended Dixie Youth District 1 meeting in Belton on June 7. The meeting was to discuss the upcoming District tournaments, deliver team books, and receive tournament schedules.

- Facilitated Cheer for Greer uniform sizing at Victor Gym on June 25. Cheerleaders were custom fitted for uniforms for the upcoming cheerleading season.

Recreation:

- ♦ Justin Miller held 2 parent orientations for Camp Greer and Camp Needmore. This gave parents the opportunity to obtain information regarding camp policies, receive field trip calendars, meet some of the staff, and obtain group assessments for the summer.
- ♦ The 2019 summer camps began on June 10. Approximately 125 kids per day will participate in 8-week camps at Victor Gym and the Needmore Community Center.
- ♦ The Recreation Division continued to facilitate the following programs:
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 - On June 4, SOAR took a trip to Big Ben's Desserts in Lyman. Members enjoyed sundaes, banana splits, cupcakes, and more. They also got to hear Big Ben's inspirational story of how his business got started. There were 20 seniors in attendance that day.
 - There were Line Dance Classes this month on June 5, 12, 19, and 26 with an average of 25 seniors in attendance.
 - Bingo was held on June 6 and 20 with an average of 25 members in attendance.
 - On June 11, a group of 14 of members got together to make handmade cards for soldiers. These cards were sent to America's Adopt a Soldier Program to be delivered to veterans and active duty troops overseas.
 - Lunch Bunch this month was held on June 14 at Della Ventura's. There were 26 seniors in attendance to enjoy great food and fellowship.
 - The annual SOAR Picnic was held on June 18 at Century Park. Members brought their favorite picnic foods and enjoyed games and great fellowship. There were 22 seniors in attendance that day.
 - The monthly Movie Day was held on June 24. This month's movie was the dramedy, "The Upside". There were 39 seniors in attendance to watch this wonderful movie.
 - The average attendance for the month was 24.

Cultural Arts:

- ♦ Meetings were held with Laura Williams of CBI Workplace Solutions regarding furniture styles and fabrics and with Chris Craft with Sign Source regarding signage for the Center for the Arts.
- ♦ On June 7, the Greer Cultural Arts Council (GCAC) Student Board painted a mural of hands on the front bar on the arts side of the Tryon Recreation Center. This project was selected in lieu of a Senior Prom this year.
- ♦ Robin Byouk and 4 GCAC board members attended a tasting on June 9 at Holmes Catering to select food for the Center for the Arts Gala to be held on September 20. A meeting with representatives of Mission Grape to discuss supplying product for the Gala was also held at La Bouteille.
- ♦ The GCAC Board toured the new Center for the Arts on June 10.
- ♦ On June 11, Robin Byouk spoke at the Lions Club meeting regarding the new Center for the Arts and the arts programming in Greer.
- ♦ Tunes in the Park kicked off on June 14 with the Mighty Kicks, a Motown band. Greer Idol and Greer Idol Jr. competitions were held with very large crowds in attendance. There were 8 Greer Idols and 5 Greer Idol Jr. contestants. The band on June 21 was the Song Band.

- ◆ Mia Wade and Caroline Robertson met with Robin Byouk on June 17 to discuss orchestrating the Lions Club Art Contest and Show. The goal is to display the artwork from these events in one of the galleries at the Center for the Arts.
- ◆ Sara Odom and Robin Ryouk interviewed an artist, Hillary Frye, for an instructor position at the Center for the Arts.
- ◆ Princesses and Pirates Art Camp was held on June 24-27 at the Tryon Recreation Center. Eight children from the Needmore Summer Camp program attended the camp.
- ◆ A production meeting for Beauty and the Beast was held on June 24.

Events:

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- ◆ The Greer Farmers Market continued throughout the month of June. The City of Greer continues to offer a sponsorship for this event. The weekly market will go through October with 30 vendors every Saturday and about 500 guests in attendance each week.
- ◆ Moonlight Movies started June 6 and will run throughout the summer until August 1. Activities include inflatables, crafts, games, and dancing.

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Applicant:

Ann Cunningham, Director Parks and Recreation

ATTACHMENTS:

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❏ 2019 Projects	8/15/2019	Cover Memo

Current Projects

- ◆ Center for the Arts Renovation
- ◆ Kids Planet Playground Renovation
- ◆ Streetscapes Ambassador Program
- ◆ Suber Road Parking Area
- ◆ H.R. Turner Field and Victor Park Restroom Facilities
- ◆ H.R. Turner Field Accessible Parking Area
- ◆ Bankhead Highway Historical Marker for Poinsett and Depot Street Intersection – Received on February 6 – To Be Installed During City Streetscape Project
- ◆ Bicycle Racks for the Downtown Area of Greer – 5 Installed; 12 Racks and Fix-it Stations in Storage Awaiting the City Streetscape Project