

AGENDA GREER RECREATION ASSOCIATION

Public Hearing and Business Meeting

November 14, 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

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. INVOCATION

A. INVOCATION Marc Metcalf, Trustee

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

A. PUBLIC FORUM

V. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

A. Approval of August 22, 2019 Minutes Wayne Yount, Chairman

VI. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

A. COMMITTEE REPORTS Recreation Association Adhoc Representatives

VII. <u>DEPARTMENT UPDATE</u>

A. DIVISION REPORTS Parks and Recreation Department Staff

B. July 2019 Monthly Report

C. August 2019 Monthly Report

D. September 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

A. OLD BUSINESS

XI. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

A. 2020 Meeting Dates Wayne Yount, Chairman

B. Recognition Ann Cunningham, Director Parks and Recreaiton

XII. ADJOURNMENT

A. ADJOURNMENT Wayne Yount, Chairman

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11/14/2019

Approval of August 22, 2019 Minutes

Applicant:

Wayne Yount, Chairman

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Greer Recreation Association Board Meeting Minutes August 22, 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 August 22, 2019 at Greer City Hall, Hall A.

The following members of the Board of Trustees attended:

John Bohannon, Travis Ware, Amanda Hopper, Pamela Taylor, Jason Bridwell, Marc Metcalf and Wayne Yount.

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), Cory Holtzclaw (Athletics Supervisor), Sally Wise (Administrative Assistant), Bob and Mary Reimer (SOAR Adhoc Representatives), Don Poinsette (Cultural Arts Adhoc Representative), Robert Robinson (DAV Adhoc Representative) and Charles Ryan (Past Trustee).

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Wayne Yount

III. Invocation

Jason Bridwell

IV. Public Forum

No one was present to speak.

V. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings

Motion:

Marc Metcalf made a motion to approve the January 24, 2019 minutes.

Jason Bridwell seconded the motion.

Vote:

Motion carried unanimously. The minutes were approved as submitted.

Motion:

John Bohannon made a motion to approve the April 25, 2019 minutes.

Marc Metcalf seconded the motion.

Vote:

Motion carried unanimously. The minutes were approved as submitted.

VI. Committee Reports

- a) Cultural Arts Don Poinsette Adhoc Representative
 - Greer Cultural Arts Council (GCAC) was the beverage provider for Freedom Blast in partnership with the Knights of Columbus to sell the beer products. Sales were the best they have been in 10 years.

- Greer Idol and Greer Idol Jr were held during Tunes in the Park. Good weather was a great advantage and the crowds were very large this season. Mac Arnold and Plate O' Blues drew the largest crowd. The Greer Idol winner was Kendall Langford and the Greer Idol Jr winner was Brady Green.
- Three summer camps were held; 2 beginner and 1 advanced camp. All 3 camps were at capacity and additional students were admitted with eleven scholarships offered to students at the Needmore Summer Camp program at the first beginner camp. The advanced camp performed Willy Wonka Jr. at the Cannon Center, August 9 18. The performances were free and 4 of the 6 shows were at capacity.
- Greer Children Theatre cast Beauty and the Beast and started rehearsals at the Tryon Recreation Center. Performances will be November 8 17 on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays.
- The Grand Opening Gala for the Center for the Arts is scheduled for September 20 with entertainment including Emile Pandolfi, International Renowned Pianist, Noah Guthrie from America's Got Talent and Jarod Emerson, exceptional performance artist. Marcus Gaston will be the Master of Ceremony for the evening.
- b) Tennis Red Watson Assistant Director Parks and Recreation
 - Resurfacing of the clay courts was completed the end of April.
- c) Cheerleading Cory Holtzclaw Athletics Supervisor
- Marie Paris, Cheerleading Adhoc Representative, will be stepping down at the end of this year.
- d) **DAV** Robert Robinson Adhoc Representative and JC Crenshaw, DAV Commander
 - Bruce Clayton gave the DAV a price of \$40 per brick with the engraving included.
 - DAV continues to assist disabled veterans with necessities and rent as well as fixing their homes.
 - Robert thanked the Greer Parks and Recreation Department, Recreation Association Board and the City of Greer for all their support.

VII. Departmental Update

- a) Athletics Division Cory Holtzclaw, Athletics Supervisor
 - Foothills Soccer Club of Greer completed spring play for the 2019 season. The fall recreation league began the week of August 19. Fall 2019 academy soccer practices began in July after the completion of their spring season. Soccer programs are run Monday, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
 - Greer Baseball Club completed the 2019 spring season in June. Teams competed Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesday, Thursdays and Saturdays at Century Park, Country Club Road Park and Stevens Field. The 2019 6U, 8U, 10U and 12U all-star teams won their district championships and competed in state tournaments. The 6U team won the City of Greer Parks

- and Recreation Department's first ever South Carolina Dixie Youth State Championship.
- Greer Girls Softball completed the 2019 spring season in June. The 8U, 10U and 12U teams competed every Monday and Thursday nights at Victor Park and Tyger River Park. The fall 2019 season practices began the week of August 12th.
- Football currently has 20 combined teams including flag and tackle football.
 The flag football league has grown to the point where all games and teams
 are in house, meaning there is no need to travel to compete against other
 teams. This league is in its second year of participation. Flag football is one
 of the fastest growing programs offered.
- Cheerleading boasts approximately 60 girls cheering for both the flag and tackle football teams. A preseason cheer camp was held at Pelham Baptist Life Center where participants were introduced to stunts, cheers and routines during the week long camp. All cheer squads began their season on August 24 at the preseason tackle jamboree.
- The Men's Adult Baseball has six age 30 and over Wooden Bat Baseball teams competing Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at Steven Field. Teams and players come from all over the upstate to participate.
- American Legion Baseball completed their season at Stevens Field. The Greer Post 115 Senior Legion team won the South Carolina State Tournament.
- Wrestling registration will begin in October with conditioning at Riverside High School every Tuesday and Thursday. The season will run from November to March. Participants are not required to participate in tournaments but are encouraged to registered for the tournaments.
- Youth basketball registration will begin in October. The goal is to register enough participants to have all age groups play in house. The 8U division was completely in house last season. Youth basketball is another one of the fastest growing programs offered.

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

- Veterans photos were hung in the Wall Gallery for Freedom Blast and Jennifer Mills artwork was displayed during the summer.
- Staff assisted with the entertainment for Freedom Blast; including the Pitchhitters (men's vocal group), stilt walkers, chalk artist and murals.
- Staff along with GCAC volunteers did face painting of superhero faces at National Night Out in Greer City Park on August 6.
- Robin Byouk and Sara Odom held interviews for the artist studios, classes, workshops and the gallery at the Center for the Arts
- The Grand Opening will be held on September 21 and 22. The Dedication Ceremony will be held at 10:45am on Saturday followed by indoor and outdoor entertainment on both stages. Inside will be Artists in Residence studios open, Featured Artist, Christina Laurel, pottery demonstrations by Dana Kimmell, Balloon Artist, and Magician JJ Pearson. In addition, the Quatrophonics, Sonny G, the cast of Beauty and the Beast, Greenville Dance Collective and the Greenville Jazz Ensemble will perform. Outside both the Main Street and Royal Blue Group will be on stage in the

amphitheater. The chalk artist will display their work outside the entrance to the Performing Arts. Food trucks, adult beverages and Pepsi will be available from 11am-4pm. On Sunday the center will be open for tours from 1pm-5pm.

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

- Greer Family Fest was held at City Park on May 3 and 4. This event is hosted by the Greater Greer Chamber of Commerce and the two day festival brought over 10,000 people into the park and downtown Greer Station.
- The Greer Farmers Market began on May 25 with the City of Greer as the main sponsor. The market has over 30 vendors and offers morning yoga classes, a plant sale and plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables from local vendors.
- Moonlight Movies commenced on June 6 and averages 800 people in attendance each week. In partnership with Greer Event Rentals, Community Chiropractic, Plate 108 and local churches movie goers have an opportunity to play on a jump castle, dance, enjoy a free craft and free raffles.
- The 11th Annual Freedom Blast was a success. Freedom Blast continues to increase in attendance with over 15,000 people enjoying the event. Ashland Craft headlined this year's event with 7 military and veteran groups and 11 food vendors being hosted.
- August 16 the Food Truck Rollout was held in Greer City Park. The City teamed up with Greer CPW as a sponsor where Call Before You Dig Celebration was held. There were five food trucks and one dessert truck. Eli Edwards Project performed for a crowd of 500 people.
- Since April 25, the Events Division has hosted:
 - o 117 internal events
 - o 102 rentals
 - o 32 special events
 - o 33 weddings

A total of 284 events that brought approximately 59,450 people to Greer City Park, Events Halls and the Cannon Centre.

• The Ambassadors Program Shuttles are running; Tuesday – Saturday 11am-2pm and 6pm-9pm with Sundays running from 10:30am-3pm. A total of 6,644 people have utilized the program since the January 15 start. The program numbers are being monitored to determine if we are meeting the demands. The peak shuttle shifts are Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The number of ride request have been 510 and are tracked from the ride hailing app Mytrax GPS. The program is currently averaging 20 people per day.

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

- New landscaping and sod, complete with drip and spray irrigation, was installed along Hwy 101/Line Street side of Victor Gym.
- Greer City Park lower fountain was re-waterproofed by WP Law.
- Staff received system training on the HVAC, irrigation, fire system and lighting at the Center for the Arts.
- New benches were installed at the Center for the Arts.

- The mobile stage was set up and removed for the Benson Car Show Classic at Greer First Baptist Church.
- New landscaping was installed along Oakland Avenue at the Tryon Recreation Center.
- Staff prepared athletic fields for the start of the fall season and continued to maintain all athletic facilities, recreational facilities, neighborhood parks, Greer City Park and Center for the Arts.
- Rainfall since the April 25 meeting was 14.00", this yields a -3.16 year to date.

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

- Summer Camp ended on August 9 with both camps at maximum capacity.
- India Jackson was hired as a part-time recreation leader working at the Needmore Recreation Center.
- Currently interviewing for a fulltime position as a Recreation Coordinator.
- New ham radio and Morse code classes will begin in the fall at the Victor Gym.
- The Needmore After School program will begin on August 19 and the Creative Advancement After School program will begin on September 3 at the Victor Gym.

VIII. Financial Reports – Red Watson, Assistant Director

a) Program funds financials for the FY 18/19 finished as expected. All the projects from this fund budgeted for last year were funded.

b) Grants:

- The reimbursement forms for the Recreation Trails Program Grant in the amount of \$100,000 are in the process of being completed. This grant assisted in funding the trail at the Center for the Arts.
- Approximately \$29,000 in funds through the Accommodations Tax Grant are assisting in the purchasing of FF&E items for the Center for the Arts.
- Bids will be advertised for the outdoor restroom buildings at Victor Park and Turner Field as well as an accessible parking area at Turner Field. These projects will be partially funded by the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant of \$37,500 and the Parks and Recreation Development Fund Grant of \$49,910.
- The Greenville County Redevelopment Authority, Community Development Block Grant funds will allow for accessibility items such as pathways and parking spaces for the Kids Planet Renovation. This fund is expected to be between \$200,000 and \$300,000.
- Greenville County Redevelopment Authority, Community Development Block Grant – Sub Recipient Funds were approved to assist in the Needmore Summer Camp and Senior Computer Classes for the upcoming program year.
- Department staff will be reviewing options for the upcoming Parks and Recreation Development Fund Grant cycle.

c) Kids Planet:

- The approval for the Greenville County Re-Development Authority, Community Development Block Grant funds are huge for the Kids Planet Project. This grant freed up additional money to allow the completion of the entire project at one time instead of phases.
- Cunningham Recreation worked with department staff to complete colors for the pour in place surfacing and playground equipment. Bluewater Civil Engineering is also working with the staff to finalize the design allowing for construction documents to be submitted for permitting review by the City of Greer and for CDBG review by GCRA. Once this step is complete bids will be advertised.
- Kids Planet will be closed on September 3. The Grounds Maintenance staff will then start removing the personalized items throughout Kids Planet and store them in the Operations Center warehouse. After the project is complete and Kids Planet has re-opened, the Cultural Arts division will work to creatively display those personalized items in Kids Planet. If the public would like to collect their items and not have them displayed, they will have that option as well.
- Steve Owens, Communication Manager for the City, is creating a dedicated page on FutureGreer.com where the public can track the progress of construction throughout the project and to see firsthand the new Kids Planet as it is built.

IX. <u>Director's Report</u> – Ann Cunningham, Director

a) Center for the Arts

Punch lists for the facility interior, exterior and park are currently being worked on with the department staff and Hogan Construction. A temporary Certificate of Occupancy was given to the City for the facility. Outside equipment and signage will be installed by mid-September. The playground is scheduled to open mid-September. Inspections are in the process of being conducted for ADA compliance. Ann Cunningham presented pictures of the facility.

b) ADA Facility Renovations

The department staff is continuing to work with the City's ADA Manager on making improvements to facilities and parks that are outlined in the department's transition plans. The most recent projects in addition to the Center for the Arts and Kids Planet include Springwood Park, located at 601 West Arlington Avenue. Handicapped parking spaces will be added on Green Street to allow for access to the playground and surrounding park. An accessible walkway will be added to the outdoor restrooms at Tryon Park. The walkway will connect to the upper tennis courts.

c) HVAC System

There will be an HVAC system installed at the Victor Gym facility.

d) Streetscapes – <u>www.futuregreer.com</u>

Ann Cunningham gave an update on the project as construction crews are currently working on the 100 block of Trade Street. Some closure may affect commuters during this project.

Greer Station shuttles are available to deliver patrons to downtown destinations quickly and at no charge. Patrons and visitors can flag down the shuttle for a ride or download the MyTrax GPS app that allows them to track shuttle locations and request a pickup. Full details are available at http://www.futuregreer.com/greer-station-shuttles.

The Trade Street portion of the Streetscapes project is ahead of schedule. If the rate of work continues, weather permitting, Trade Street may reopen by early November. The intersections at Trade Street/Victoria Street and Trade Street/Randall Street will not be renovated until the spring of 2020.

The expansion of existing Christmas decorations for the acorn poles throughout downtown as well as new poles on Trade Street are in process of preparation.

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

Wayne Yount, Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 7:13pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 24, 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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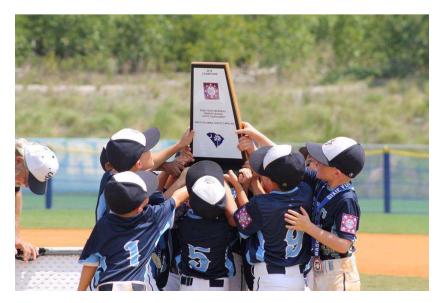
July 2019 Monthly Report

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City of Greer Parks & Recreation Department

Monthly Report for July 2019



Greer Recreation's 6U All-Star team won the Dixie Youth South Carolina State Championship.

"Creating Community through People, Parks and Programs"

Department Projects

- Center for the Arts:
 - Bi-weekly construction meetings were held.
 - Training on items such as irrigation and HVAC were conducted on July 17.
 - Staff attended a pre-bid meeting for window blinds on July 30.
 - On July 31, Ann Cunningham and Robin Byouk met with Angela Rodriguez of the Greenville News to highlight the new facility.
 - The playground is being installed and will be open to the public by mid-September.
 - Purchase requisitions were generated for FF&E items.
 - Sod installation, building painting, and landscaping are nearing completion
- Kids Planet:
 - Red Watson conducted media interviews for the upcoming renovation.
 - On July 11, a meeting was held with Robert Roux and Brandy Blake of the City's Building & Development Standards Department to discuss next steps and permitting. Plans will be submitted for review and it will be placed on the PAC meeting agenda for August 8.
 - Pour in Place colors were selected and a design review meeting was held on July 26 with the
 playground equipment provider, the Civil Engineer, and the project team from the Recreation
 Department.
- Dates were scheduled for the cleaning of office and restroom tile at the Operations Center, and epoxy coating of restroom tile at Victor Gym.
- An EV Shuttle Program review meeting was held on July 29 at Greer City Hall with Mr. Driggers, Ann Cunningham, Red Watson, and Robbie Davis.
- The entrance sign to Victor Park and Gym was removed for repair and painting.
- A pre-bid meeting was held for Victor Gym's HVAC project on July 30.
- All 15 mobile and facility AEDs were inspected on July 31 as part of the Fire Department's annual inspections.

Department Trainings

Department employees attended NAMI training in July.

Division Highlights

Athletics:

- Cheer for Greer hosted a preseason cheer camp at Pelham Baptist Gym. The camp is a week-long introduction to cheerleading, which is run completely by our volunteers.
- Division Staff:
 - Completed fall sports registration for Greer Baseball Club, Girls' Softball, and Foothills Soccer Club of Greer. Practices for these fall sports will begin in August.
 - Facilitated All-Star baseball practices at Century Park and Country Club Road Park. Greer
 Baseball Club had All-Star teams in 6U, 8U, 10U, and 12U age divisons. These teams competed
 in Dixie Youth State Tournaments throughout the state in July as District 1 Champions. The 6U
 All-Star team competed in Columbia and won the Dixie Youth South Carolina State
 Championship. This was the first ever Dixie Youth Baseball State Championship for Greer Parks
 and Recreation. The 8U National team played in Dillon finishing 8th, the10U National team played
 in Anderson finishing 10th, and the 12U team played in Bluffton finishing 6th.
 - Facilitated summer training for the FSCG academy fall soccer teams at Country Club Road Park on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights in July in preparation for the upcoming season.
 - Hosted a flag football coaches meeting on July 18 to discuss the upcoming season and complete team rosters. Practices will begin in August at Country Club Road Park.
 - Facilitated youth tackle football conditioning for 8U and 10U age divisions at Century Park on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights. Practices for these teams will begin on August 1 at Greer City Stadium.

Recreation:

- Interviews were held for a Recreation Leader position available at the Needmore Recreation Center.
- Questionnaires were sent out to 18 candidates for a new full time Recreation Coordinator position.
- The 2019 Summer Camps continued in July. Approximately 125 kids per day participate in an 8-week camp at Victor Park and the Needmore Community Center with tons of field trips, activities, games, and crafts.
- The Recreation Division continued to facilitate the following programs:
 - Senior Action Needmore Recreation Center, Mondays-Fridays (200 participants monthly)
 - Never Alone Tryon Recreation Center, Tuesdays (80 participants monthly)
 - Cutlery Club Tryon Recreation Center (20 participants monthly)
 - Artifacts Club Tryon Recreation Center (74 participants monthly)
 - Pickleball Victor Gym and Tryon Tennis Courts, Tuesdays and Thursdays (250 participants monthly)
- SOAR (Seniors Out and ARound)
 - On July 9, members met at Victor Gym and had delicious snowcones from Pinguinos Hermanos. There were 10 seniors in attendance for this fun outing.
 - SOAR had four Line Dance Classes this month on July 10, 17, 24, and 31 with an average of 29 seniors in attendance.
 - The monthly Movie Day was held on July 15. This month's movie was the drama, "The Professor and the Madman". There were 28 seniors in attendance to watch this wonderful movie.
 - Bingo was held on July 18 and 23 with an average of 24 members in attendance.
 - On July 26, a group of 16 members visited the Greer Heritage Museum. A great time was had by all while learning about Greer's rich history. After the museum visit, the group had a delicious lunch at Ira's Chicken.
 - Lunch Bunch this month was held on July 30 at Kustom Krust. There were 26 seniors in attendance to enjoy great pizza and fellowship.
 - The average attendance for the month was 22.

Cultural Arts:

- Robin Byouk conducted tours of the Center for the Arts with Crescom Bank's April Staggs, Jim Boyd, and Mindy Calvert, Citizens' Building and Loan's Jennifer Jones, Carlos Bulnes Metal Art, and Tom Ebetino and Truman Henderson.
- Jennifer Mills's artwork was hung in the Wall Gallery at City Hall.
- Camp ARK held Beginner Camp at the Tryon Recreation Center July 8-11 with a theme of 3-Ring Circus.
 Advanced Camp was held July 15-18 and 22-25. Attendance reached capacity at both camps. The
 Advanced Camp prepared the play Willy Wonka Jr to be performed at the Cannon Centre.
- Tunes in the Park had 3 very well attended nights in July. Greer Idol and Greer Idol Jr were held each week and drew a large crowd. The most attended week featured Mac Arnold and Plate Full O' Blues.
- Robin Byouk and Sara Odom met with 2 furniture companies and 2 blinds companies to get quotes for the Center for the Arts.
- Greer Children's Theatre held auditions for Beauty and the Beast at the Tryon Recreation Center on July
 22 and 24. Callbacks were held July 27. The cast list will be posted in August.

Events:

- The Events Division hosted 58 events, at which nearly 8,735 guests visited the City of Greer Events Center.
- The Parks and Recreation Department completed its 11th season of Moonlight Movies in the Greer City Park Amphitheater. The 8-week movie series hosted over 800 guests each Thursday night and continues to grow in popularity.
- The Greer Farmers Market will continue on Saturdays through October with assistance from the Events Division. The weekly market averages 35 vendors and about 500 guests.
- ◆ The Events Division Ambassador Program has continued to build awareness. July was the biggest month this year in ridership, with over 1,900 riders. The shuttles run Tuesday–Saturday from 11am-2pm and 6pm-9pm, and Sundays 10:30am-3:00pm.

Grounds Maintenance

- Trees Greenville installed new mulch to recently-planted trees throughout the disc golf course at Century Park.
- Dreamscapes Landscaping installed new landscaping at Tryon Recreation Center. Staff installed the drip irrigation system for this site.
- Division Staff:
 - Repaired transfer deck at Kids Planet playground.
 - Made application of plant growth regulator to City Stadium and Victor Field.
 - Assisted with setup for Moonlight Movies and Tunes in the Park.
 - Assembled new mower to be used at Center for the Arts.
 - Made irrigation repair at City Park.
 - Utilized the Aera-vator at City Stadium and Victor Field to help relieve compaction and allow oxygen flow to the root system of the turf.
 - Installed park benches at Center for the Arts.
 - Continued to maintain all neighborhood parks, recreational facilities, and City Park.

Upcoming Events

- Center for the Arts Grand Opening September 20-22
- Railfest September 28 (City Park)
- Food Truck Rollout October 18 (City Park)
- Artisan Makers Market October 19 (City Park)
- ♦ Beauty and the Beast November 8-10, November 15-17 (J. Harley Bonds Center)
- Tree Lighting December 6 (City Park)
 - Supper with Santa (Cannon Centre)
- Breakfast with Santa December 7 (Cannon Centre)
- Christmas Parade December 8 (Downtown)

Current Projects

- Center for the Arts Renovation
- Kids Planet Playground Renovation
- Streetscapes Ambassador Program
- South Suber Road Parking Area
- H. R. Turner Field and Victor Park Restroom Facilities
- H. R. Turner Field Accessible Parking Area

The City of Greer Parks and Recreation Department is committed to fulfilling our mission of providing quality recreational experiences while administering the values of community image, human development, preservation of environmental resources, health and wellness, economic development and cultural unity.

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AGENDA GREER RECREATION ASSOCIATION

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August 2019 Monthly Report

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City of Greer Parks & Recreation Department Monthly Report for August 2019



Cheer for Greer began practices in August at Greer City Stadium.

"Creating Community through People, Parks and Programs"

Department Projects

- Center for the Arts:
 - Bi-weekly construction meetings were held.
 - Hogan Construction is working on the completion of punch list items for the park. Installation of building signage was started by SignSouth.
 - Staff met with A-Oak Farms on August 14 to discuss Christmas decorations for the building.
 - Staff is installing FF&E items as they are received.
- Kids Planet:
 - BlueWater Civil Engineering is finalizing grading and site documents. They plan to submit them to the Parks and Recreation Department and GCRA for review in mid-September and advertise for bids the following Sunday.
 - Final color selections for the playground equipment have been submitted. A surveyor was brought back to add detail to the survey for the Civil Engineer to finalize plans and construction documents. Shealey Electric submitted a photometric plan for park lighting to Recreation staff for review.
 - Kids Planet will officially close on Tuesday, September 3. Department staff will be on site that day to begin the removal of pickets, tiles, painted boards, etc. Staff met with Chad Richardson of the Police Department and Steve Owens, the City's Communications Manager, last week to discuss security and communication for the project. Kudos to Steve for creating a Kids Planet page on the FutureGreer website and for designing banners that will be displayed on the fence along Brushy Creek Road. An LED sign was placed in the parking lot in August announcing the impending closure.
- Entrance sign installations at Country Club Road Park and South Suber Road Park are complete, as is the repairing and repainting of the entrance sign at Victor Gym.
- New lines were purchased for the clay tennis courts at Tryon Recreation Center.
- A bid opening was held at City Hall on August 7 for the HVAC system at Victor Gym. City Council gave approval to award the project to RSI of the Carolinas on August 13.

Department Trainings

Department employees attended NAMI training in August.

Department Participation

- A Recreation Board meeting was held at City Hall on August 22.
- Department staff met with members of the Police Department and Public Services as well as Chamber staff on August 23 for a build-out meeting regarding Blues on the Green, and again on August 26 for an on-site walk through.
- Justin Miller met with the Park Hop Committee on August 26 to discuss the closing ceremonies and park hop levels for various prizes for the 2019 summer program.

Division Highlights

Athletics:

- Division Staff:
 - Facilitated Greer Baseball Club practices at Century Park, Little Turner, and Country Club Road Park on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights. Games will begin in September and the season will conclude in October.
 - Facilitated Greer Baseball Club academy practices at Century Park and Country Club Road Park. Tourmament seasons begin in September at various parks around the state.
 - Facilitated girls' softball practices at Century Park and Victor Park on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights. These teams will compete against teams from District Five, Woodruff, District Six, Boiling Springs, and Inman. Games will be played at Victor Park, Tyger River Park, and various Spartanburg County Parks in September and October. Age divisions include 8U, 10U, and 12U.
 - Facilitated adult baseball games at Stevens Park on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights.
 - Facilitated FSCG academy fall soccer practices and games at South Suber Road Park and Country Club Road Park on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday nights. These teams compete in the South Carolina Youth Soccer Association and travel throughout the state.
 - Facilitated FSCG recreational soccer practices at South Suber Road Park on Monday and Thursday nights. Age divisions are U6, U8 U10, and U12. Games will begin in mid-September and conclude in October.
 - Hosted FSCG board meeting on August 5 at the Operations Center. Topics that were discussed include spring 2019 season, player registration, and any rules modifications prior to upcoming fall season.
 - Facilitated FSCG recreational soccer drafts with coaches at the Operations Center on August 12 and 13. Coaches selected players for the upcoming fall season.
 - Facilitated flag football practices at Country Club Road Park on Tuesday and Thursday nights.
 Age divisons for flag football are 6U, 8U, and 10U. The Greer Parks and Recreation Flag League
 is completely in-house this season. Games will begin in September and conclude with playoffs in
 October.
 - Facilitated youth tackle football and cheerleading practices on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights at Greer City Stadium. Age divisions are 8U, 10U, and 12U. Games will begin in September and conclude with playoffs in October.
 - Completed fall sports schedules for tackle football, flag football, baseball, girls' softball, and soccer.

Recreation:

- Interviews were held for the Recreation Coordinator position. Questionnaires were sent out to 18 candidates. The final round of interviews was conducted on August 27.
- The 2019 Summer Camps concluded on August 9. Over 140 kids participated in an 8-week summer camp at Victor Park and the Needmore Recreation Center with tons of field trips, activities, games, and crafts.
- Rentals for the month of August:
 - Kids Planet: 24
 - Recreation Centers: 6

- The Recreation Division continued to facilitate the following programs:
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 - Bingo was held on August 1 and 15 with an average of 22 members in attendance.
 - There were 3 Line Dance Classes this month on the 14, 21, and 28 with an average of 32 seniors in attendance.
 - The monthly Movie Day was held on August 19. This month's movie was the comedy, "Poms".
 There were 48 seniors in attendance to watch this fun movie.
 - On August 22, SOAR visited the Greenville State Farmers Market. This fun day began with a trip
 to Stax Original for a delicious lunch. After the meal, members traveled to the Farmers Market,
 where they had the opportunity to purchase fresh produce and homemade items. There were 20
 in attendance that day.
 - Lunch Bunch this month was held on August 27 at Harbor Inn in Greenville. There were 17 seniors in attendance to enjoy delicious seafood and great fellowship.
 - SOAR finished out the month with a Book Swap at Victor Gym on August 29. Seniors brought books they love and exchanged them for new books to read. The leftover books were taken by Mr. and Mrs. Reimer to be donated to the Greenville Literacy Association. There were 14 in attendance that day.
 - The average attendance for the month was 26.

Cultural Arts:

- Robin Byouk and Sara Odom moved into the new Center for the Arts facility on August 1.
- Robin and Sara with the help of Seth Williams, Lamar Whitman, Adam Burns, and Taylor Scott of the Grounds Division sanded down the 100-year-old Knabe baby grand piano in order to refurbish it. The piano will be on display in the performing arts lobby at the Center for the Arts.
- ♦ Three artists moved into their studios at the Center for the Arts. Kim Gilmore, a painter in Studio 5, and Blaine Owens, a photographer in Studio 7, are returning artists from before the renovation. Jim Simon, a painter, is new to the Center for the Arts and is occupying Studio 2.
- ◆ Tours of the new facility were given to Gene Krcelic with the Premier Foundation, Jennifer Jones with Citizens Building and Loan, Stanley Widener with Greenville Concert Band, John McClimon with the Greenville Jazz Ensemble, Kelsey Crum with Greenville Dance Collaborative, Scott Stephens with Greenville Event Rentals, and Allison Ringer, a neighborhood representative.
- The Arts Division interviewed 10 arts instructors to teach classes. They also interviewed 4 people for a part time position within the division.
- The last Tunes in the Park was held on August 2, with the band Rock n Roll Reunion performing. The finals of Greer Idol and Greer Idol Jr were also held during this event. Kendall Landford won Greer Idol and Brady Green won Greer Idol Jr. The event was held inside City Hall due to inclement weather and it was standing room only.
- The Greer Children's Theatre performed Willy Wonka Jr. at the Cannon Centre on August 9-11 and 16-18. This was a free show, and 4 of the 6 shows were "sold out" with people eventually being turned away. The show was performed by the advanced campers from Camp ARK, who learned the entire play in 2 weeks and rehearsed for 1 week.
- The Greer Children's Theatre started rehearsals for the fall show, Beauty and the Beast. This is a full production show with 62 cast members. Rehearsals are being held at the Tryon Recreation Center.
- Robin Byouk and Sara Odom toured the SC Inland Port on August 28 with one of the student winners from the 2019 Juried Art Show, whose piece was purchased by the Inland Port.
- GCAC has been planning the Fundraising Gala for the Center for the Arts to be held on September 20.
 There will be a full slate of internationally renowned performers including: Emile Pandolfi, pianist; Jared Emerson, painter; Noah Guthrie, singer/songwriter; Greenville Dance Collaborative; and Christina Laurel, paper artist.

The Arts Division is putting together the entertainment for the Grand Opening of the Center for the Arts on Saturday September 21 from 11am-4pm. Performers include Main Street Band, Royal Blue Band, the Quatrophonics, Sonny G, Greenville Jazz Ensemble, the cast of GCT's Beauty and the Beast, Marcie the Balloon Fairy, and JJ's Magic. There will also be food trucks, inflatables, and beer sales.

Events:

- The Events Division hosted 83 events, at which nearly 8,815 guests visited the City of Greer Events Center.
- The City of Greer Parks and Recreation Department assisted in the National Night Out event held at Greer City Hall on August 6. The community was invited to come to the park to learn about City Services and spend time with the Greer Police Department.
- The Greer Farmers Market will continue on Saturdays through October with assistance from the Events Division. The weekly market averages 35 vendors every Saturday and about 500 guests in attendance.
- The Events Division Ambassador program has continued to build awareness, with over 1,600 riders in August. The shuttles run Tuesday Saturday 11am-2pm and 6pm-9pm and Sundays 10:30am-3:00pm.

Grounds Maintenance

- Division Staff:
 - Aerated and top dressed the fields at South Suber Road Soccer Complex and Country Club Road Park.
 - Lined City Stadium for football, Stevens Field for baseball, and South Suber Road Soccer Complex fields for soccer.
 - Dragged baseball fields for practices.
 - Delivered bollards, pottery wheels, and indoor site furnishings to the Center for the Arts.
 - Moved the Construction Tube Dude to a new spot uptown.
 - Prepared Century Park for the Police Department's annual softball tournament.
 - · Repaired an irrigation leak at Century Park.
 - Continued to perform routine maintenance at all of the City's parks and facilities.

Upcoming Events

- Center for the Arts Grand Opening September 20-22
- Railfest September 28 (City Park)
- Food Truck Rollout October 18 (City Park)
- Artisan Makers Market October 19 (City Park)
- Beauty and the Beast November 8-10, November 15-17 (J. Harley Bonds Center)
- Tree Lighting December 6 (City Park)
 - Supper with Santa (Cannon Centre)
- Breakfast with Santa December 7 (Cannon Centre)
- Christmas Parade December 8 (Downtown)

Current Projects

- Center for the Arts Renovation
- Kids Planet Playground Renovation
- Streetscapes Ambassador Program
- South Suber Road Parking Area
- H. R. Turner Field and Victor Park Restroom Facilities
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AGENDA GREER RECREATION ASSOCIATION

11/14/2019

September 2019 Monthly Report

City of Greer Parks & Recreation Department

Monthly Report for September 2019



Internationally renowned pianist Emile Pandolfi enchanted guests at the Grand Opening Gala for the Center for the Arts.

"Creating Community through People, Parks and Programs"

Department Projects

- Center for the Arts:
 - The Greer Cultural Arts Council held a fundraiser on Friday, September 20, "Spotlight on the Arts Gala". There were approximately 140 people in attendance that enjoyed entertainment provided by Emile Pandolfi, Noah Guthrie, and Jarod Emerson.
 - The Grand Opening of the Center for the Arts was held on Saturday, September 21. A
 Dedication Ceremony was held at 10:45am, followed by entertainment and activities inside the
 facility and throughout the park from 11:00am–4:00pm, that included tours, pottery wheel and
 origami demonstrations, inflatables, balloon animals, open studios, and indoor and outdoor
 entertainment.
 - On Sunday, September 22, tours were available to the public from 1:00pm-5:00pm.
 Approximately 225 guests attended.

Kids Planet:

- Kids Planet was closed on Tuesday, September 3. Staff began removing personalized items at that time to be stored and later incorporated into the new playground facilities.
- The City of Greer Parks and Recreation Department solicited bids for the demolition of Kids Planet Playground. Eleven different companies attended the Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting on September 13. One addendum was issued on September 17, asking that the price for one of the trees included in the demolition plan be listed as an alternate. Bids were opened on September 20. Bids were accepted from Sterling Structure, Martin & Son Contracting Inc., and Wilma's Pump & Tank. Staff will follow up with each company that submitted a bid to review information contained in their bid packets such as references, pricing, required permitting and licensing, etc. and make a recommendation to City Council to award the bid in October.
- Department staff members are working with Greer CPW to disconnect and remove all security lighting and light poles from Kids Planet.
- Staff will look into preventive measures during demolition and construction to save trees not marked for removal.
- BlueWater Civil Design is planning to submit all plans for full review to the City of Greer in October.

- Staff is working with Jonathan Nett of Civil SD to develop site plans for the outdoor restrooms at Turner and Victor Fields, and the accessible parking area at Turner Field. Mr. Nett is also working with the City of Greer in designing ADA accessible parking at Springwood Park.
- Bathrooms floors at Victor Gym had an epoxy covering installed over the existing floors.

Department Trainings

• Justin Miller, David Holtzclaw, Robin Byouk, and Sara Odom attended the Sound and Light training for the new Center for the Arts facility on September 17.

Department Participation

- Staff met with J.C. Crenshaw of Greer DAV and Bruce Clayton of Clayton Monuments on September 19 regarding a memorial brick fundraising campaign for the Greer DAV.
- Ann Cunningham, Red Watson, Cory Holtzclaw, and Brian Wilson attended the SCRPA/NCRPA joint state conference in Myrtle Beach on September 16–18.
- Justin Miller worked the Wellness Committee table at the 2019 Benefits Fair. Employees were able to obtain information and participate in activities that relate to the City's Wellness program.
- Justin Miller, India Jackson, and Clara O'Neal attended the 2019 Wellies, hosted by LiveWell Greenville.
 At the event, the Needmore Recreation Center was recognized for integrating healthy eating and active living policies, systems, and environments into their programs.

Division Highlights

Athletics:

- Division staff facilitated:
 - Greer Baseball Club practices and games at Century Park and Country Club Road Park on Tuesday and Thursday nights. The fall season will conclude in mid-October.
 - Girls' softball practices and games at Century Park and Victor Park on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights. These teams will compete against teams from District Five, Woodruff, District Six, Boiling Springs, and Inman. Games will be played at Victor Park and Tyger River Park through mid-October. Age divisions include 8U, 10U, and 12U.
 - Adult baseball games at Stevens Park on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights.
 The season will conclude with playoffs in late October.
 - Flag football practices and games at Country Club Road Park on Tuesday and Thursday nights. Age divisons for flag football are 6U, 8U, and 11U. 6U and 8U leagues have already concluded. 11U division concludes October 22.
 - Youth tackle football and cheerleading practices and games on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday nights at Greer City Stadium. Age divisions are 8U, 10U, and 12U. The fall season will conclude with playoffs in October.
 - FSCG academy fall soccer practices and games at South Suber Road Park and Country Club Road Park on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday nights. These teams compete in the South Carolina Youth Soccer Association and travel throughout the state.
 - FSCG recreational soccer practices and games at South Suber Road Park on Monday and Thursday nights. Age divisions are U6, U8 U10, and U12. The fall season will conclude in late October.

Recreation:

- The Recreation Division continued to facilitate the following programs:
 - Senior Action Needmore Recreation Center, Mondays-Fridays (200 participants monthly)
 - Never Alone Tryon Recreation Center, Tuesdays (80 participants monthly)
 - Cutlery Club Tryon Recreation Center (20 participants monthly)
 - Artifacts Club Tryon Recreation Center (74 participants monthly)
 - Pickleball Victor Gym and Tryon Tennis Courts, Tuesdays and Thursdays (250 participants monthly)

- SOAR (Seniors Out and ARound)
 - SOAR held four Line Dance Classes this month on September 4, 11, 18, and 25 with an average of 25 seniors in attendance. On September 25, Line Dance Classes were held at their new home at the Center for the Arts.
 - Bingo was held on September 5 and 19 with an average of 27 members in attendance.
 - On September 6, SOAR visited Molly & Myles Ice Cream in Greenville. There were 20 seniors who enjoyed sweet treats that day.
 - Lunch Bunch this month was held on September 10 at Tacos and Mas in Greer. There were 20 seniors in attendance to share in authentic Mexican fare and great fellowship.
 - SOAR visited Creative Soul Studio in Lyman on September 12. A total of 11 seniors enjoyed painting a coffee cup on a canvas to take home.
 - September 17 was the quarterly Potluck Luncheon with 15 seniors in attendance who brought their favorite homemade dishes to share.
 - The monthly Movie Day was held on September 23. This month's movie was the Drama, "Astronaut". There were 33 seniors in attendance to watch this touching movie.
 - SOAR finished out the month with a great trip to Flat Rock Playhouse on September 26. The day started with a delicious lunch from Never Blue in downtown Hendersonville, NC. After lunch, the group traveled to the Flat Rock Playhouse for a production of "Cinematastic: The Music of the Movies". This trip was filled to capacity, with 30 seniors in attendance.
- The average attendance for the month was 23.

Rentals for the month of September:

Recreation Centers: 5

Mobile Stage: 1

Neighborhood Parks: 1

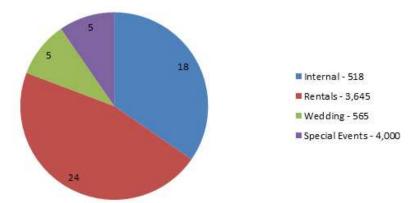
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Cultural Arts:

- Sara Odom met with Christina Laurel, the first artist who will be exhibiting at the Center for the Arts, to show her the art hanging systems. They also met to discuss Christina teaching some workshops later in the fall.
- Sara attended the Greer Chamber First Friday Luncheon with GCAC Board members Tim Lincolnhol, Barbara Bohley, and Brian Martin to talk about the Spotlight on the Arts Gala and the Center for the Arts Grand Opening. Tim spoke about the Gala and Sara talked about the Grand Opening.
- The baby grand piano that Robin Byouk and Sara painted and refurbished was tuned on September 11 so that it could be played during the Opening Weekend.
- On September 13, Robin and Sara met with Debra Lincolnhol, an advisor at NGU, and Web Drake, the NGU Dean of the College of Communications & Fine Arts, to take them on a tour of the Center for the Arts and to discuss ways to coordinate and cross-promote programs.
- Robin and Sara installed the Railfest artwork display in the Wall Gallery on September 24.

Events:

 The Events Division hosted 51 events, at which approximately 6,728 guests visited the City of Greer Events Center.



- The Events Division hosted Railfest on September 28 from 10:00am-2:00pm with over 1,500 people in attendance. This festival included information on train safety and history, performances from Cannonball Paul and Bookworm Bonnie, trackless train rides, and kids crafts. Over 9 railroad and model train groups were in attendance providing information about their organizations.
- Google reviews posted in the month of September:



Wonderful city park. Lots of green spaces, plenty of shade. There is a large playground for the kids, indoor bathrooms and walking paths. We attended the Railroad festival and had a great time. The rides, face painting, balloon animals and commemorative photo were all free! That just never happens. Great way to spend the day...well done Greer!



Just had our son's wedding today at the Cannon Centre. We just can't say enough about this venue AND their staff. They all took great care of us. They were flexible, helpful and just easy to work with. And if you get some string lights hung from the ceiling, it's just magical in there!! Would recommend highly!

 The Greer Farmers Market will continue on Saturdays throughout October and November with assistance from the Events Division. The weekly market averages 15 vendors and approximately 250 patrons every Saturday.

Grounds Maintenance

- Division Staff:
 - Installed picnic tables, benches, trash cans, and baby changing stations at Center for the Arts.
 - Made repairs to Victor Gym outdoor basketball goal rims and backboards.
 - Contracted to have sod installed along the mulch bank adjacent to Field #1 at Century Park
 - Installed straw matting and grass seed to new ADA sidewalk area at Tryon Tennis Center.
 - Applied starter fertilizer to the ryegrass at City Stadium and South Suber Road fields.
 - Delivered tractor sprayer to H&H Farm Equipment to have upgraded spray boom and foam marker installed.
 - Contracted to have a new 3-rail fence installed along the right side of the lower entrance at Century Park.
 - Made application of Fall pre-emerge herbicide to Victor Park and Country Club Road Park baseball fields.

Upcoming Events

- Beauty and the Beast November 8-10, November 15-17 (J. Harley Bonds Center)
- Gingerbread Jamboree December 5 (Center for the Arts)
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2020 Meeting Dates

Applicant:

Wayne Yount, Chairman

ATTACHMENTS:

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GREER RECREATION ASSOCIATION 2020 MEETING DATES

January 30, 2020

April 30, 2020

Grnvl Cnty School Spring Break 4/13/20-4/17/20

Sptbg Cnty School Spring Break 3/30/20-4/3/20

July 30, 2020

October 29, 2020