



AGENDA
GREER RECREATION ASSOCIATION
Public Hearing and Business Meeting
May 12, 2022 @ 6:15 PM
Greer City Hall, Hall A

I. CALL TO ORDER

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| A. CALL TO ORDER | Trevor Hoffman, Chair |
| B. INTRODUCTION OF NEW TRUSTEE | Ann Cunningham, Director Parks and Recreation |

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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| A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE | Trevor Hoffman, Chair |
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III. INVOCATION

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| A. INVOCATION | Jason Bridwell, Trustee |
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IV. PUBLIC FORUM

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V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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| A. Approval of January 27, 2022 Minutes | Trevor Hoffman, Trustee |
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VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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| A. COMMITTEE REPORTS | Recreation Association Adhoc Representatives |
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VII. DEPARTMENT UPDATE

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| A. DEPARTMENT UPDATE | Parks and Recreation Department Staff |
| B. January 2022 Monthly Report | |
| C. February 2022 Monthly Report | |
| D. March 2022 Monthly Report | |

VIII. FINANCIAL REPORTS

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| A. FINANCIAL REPORTS | Red Watson, Asst. Director Parks & Recreation |
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IX. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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| A. DIRECTOR'S REPORT | Ann Cunningham, Director Parks & Recreation |
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X. OLD BUSINESS

A. 2022 Meeting Dates

Ann Cunningham, Director Parks & Recreation

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2022 Events

Ann Cunningham, Director Parks & Recreation

XII. ADJOURNMENT

A. ADJOURNMENT

Trevor Hoffman, Chair

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Approval of January 27, 2022 Minutes

Applicant:

Trevor Hoffman, Trustee

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**Greer Recreation Association Board Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2022**

Location: VIA ZOOM

Call to Order

Amanda Hopper, Vice-Chair – 6:15pm

The following members of the Board of Trustees attended:

Attended: John Bohannon, Christine Stroble, Amanda Hopper, Trevor Hoffman and Jason Bridwell

Absent: Melissa Padgett Smith and Marc Metcalf

Others Present:

Ann Cunningham (Director), Red Watson (Asst. Director), Robin Byouk (Cultural Arts Supervisor), Robbie Davis (Events Supervisor), Travis Durham (Interim Director Public Services), Cory Holtzclaw (Athletics Supervisor), Justin Miller (Recreation Supervisor), Jim Young (Greer Golf General Manager), Sally Wise (Administrative Assistant), Mary & Bob Reimer (SOAR Adhoc Representative) and Bill Harrill (Golf Adhoc Representative).

Trustee Introduction

Ann Cunningham, Director Parks and Recreation

Ann welcomed Dr. Christine Stroble as the Recreation Association Board Trustee for District 2. Councilman Karuam Booker appointed Dr. Stroble.

Election of Officers

Amanda Hopper, Vice-Chairperson

Action:

Nominations were opened for the position of Chairman for the Recreation Association Board. Amanda Hopper nominated Trevor Hoffman to the position of Chairperson of the Recreation Association Board. Jason Bridwell seconded the nomination. No other names were submitted for the position of Chairperson. Nominations were closed.

Vote:

The nomination was unanimous. Trevor Hoffman was elected as the Chairperson of the Recreation Association for 2022.

Action:

Nominations were opened for the position of Vice-Chairperson for the Recreation Association Board. John Bohannon nominated Amanda Hopper to the position of Vice-Chairman of the Recreation Association Board. Jason Bridwell seconded the nomination. No other names were submitted for the position of Vice-Chairperson. Nominations were closed.

Vote:

The nomination was unanimous. Amanda Hopper was elected as the Vice-Chairperson of the Recreation Association Board for 2022.

Pledge of Allegiance Invocation

Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson

Invocation

Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson

Public Forum

No one was present to speak.

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meetings

- Motion:
 - Jason Bridwell made a motion to approve October 28, 2021 minutes. Amanda Hopper seconded the motion.
- Vote:
 - Motion carried unanimously. The minutes were approved as submitted.

Committee Reports

Cultural Arts – Robin Byouk, Cultural Arts Supervisor

- The Greer Children's Theatre performed Disney's Descendants at the Cannon Centre October 22-31. All 6 shows were sold out at 130 seats per show.
- The Student Board dressed up in ugly Christmas sweater attire and sang carols at the City of Greer Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 3.
- Auditions for Little Mermaid Jr. were held on December 4 resulting in 38 performers being cast. Rehearsals are held every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights and all day on Saturdays at the Center for the Arts. Rehearsals will move to the Tryon Recreation Center beginning on January 31.

Departmental Update

Athletics Division – Cory Holtzclaw, Athletics Supervisor

- Basketball – Plays nightly at Victor Gym on Tuesday-Friday, mornings on Saturday and some afternoon times on Sunday. The league has approximately 170 participants sharing one gym. Roughly 40 kids were placed on the awaiting list. Pre-season practices play four teams at a time utilizing half the court for each two teams. No practices are held once the season play begins due to court space. The court space is shared with the archery program on Mondays and Sundays, Senior Pickleball and Monday – Friday gym availability is at 6:00pm (Afterschool Program utilizes from 3:00pm – 6:00pm. Numbers continue to grow and began with 20 participants ages 5-12. The future goal is to provide court space to offer a designated girls league and designated boys league as well as a summer basketball league.
- Foothills Soccer Club of Greer – Registration for the spring season is underway with three of the four age groups on a waiting list. Waiting lists are created as field space, volunteers and parking are at a premium. The Academy Division teams are practicing at Greer City Stadium Monday, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Team will begin SCYSA (South Carolina Youth Soccer Association) statewide play on February 29.
- Greer Baseball Club – Registration is underway for the spring 2022 season. Based on current numbers, we expect to be at maximum capacity in all divisions by the end of registration. Approximately 450 participants will be playing baseball and softball this season with practices being held every day Monday – Sunday. We are utilizing Riverside Middle School fields, Davenport Field, Little Turner Field, Country Club Road Park and Century Park to accommodate the number of registrants.
- Greer Girls Softball – Registration is on track to reach maximum capacity for the program. Victor Park is home to six to eight teams each season. The field is utilized seven days a week to accommodate practice times for all teams.
- Cheer for Greer – Participated in the ACC Championship game in Charlotte, NC. The squad performed on the field prior to the Pitt Panthers and Wake Forest Demon Deacons kick off at the Bank of America Stadium. Participants and their parents enjoyed the experience and look forward to returning again in 2022.
- Rugby – This new program has right at 40 middle and high school participants from Easley, Chapin, Clemson and the upstate area call Greer their home base. Currently we are the only

provider of rugby in the upstate and midlands area. The only other rugby program in South Carolina is Wando. The Greer Christmas 7s Rugby Tournament was held at Country Club Road Park with teams from Indiana, Tennessee, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. The Atlanta Youth Rugby team won the JV High School Boys Division, Raptor Rugby team won the Varsity High School Boys Division, Roswell Rebels won the Varsity Girls Division and Clemson University won the Collegiate Division. The City of Greer is looking forward to hosting this tournament again in the Spring of 2022. The Economic Impact Study for the city was approximately \$70,000.

- Youth Wrestling – Registration numbers continue to reach maximum capacity. Capacity in this program is dependent on mat space. Currently practices are held at the Tryon Recreation Center and shares this facility space with the Cultural Arts Division. Our program is one of the biggest wrestling clubs in South Carolina which is attributed to great volunteer coaching and staff managing the program. The wrestlers have competed in two regional tournaments thus far this season and are set to host duals at Greer City Hall on January 28-30. At this time we are one of two municipal wrestling programs in South Carolina.
- Rentals – Six sets of rentals were completed in January at Century Park for a local high school program. There continues to see a rise in rental requests.

Cultural Arts Division – Robin Byouk, Cultural Arts Supervisor

- The Center for the Artist in Residence participated in the Greenville Open Studios on November 13-14. There were 126 guests that visited for two day event with five of the seven artists working in their studios. Their artwork was hung in the main gallery during the event.
- The Foothills Philharmonic performed at the Center for the Arts on November 20 with 39 guests in attendance.
- The 3rd Annual Gingerbread House Competition was held the end of November with 80 visitors viewing the displays. The Gingerbread Jamboree was held on November 30 with art classes, cookie decorating classes and the Carolina Bell Ensemble performing to approximately 65 guests.
- The Holiday Arts Fair was held on December 11 inside the Center for the Arts, due to inclement weather, with 20 vendors and 180 guests.
- Artwork for Created by Black Artists exhibit was received from 14 artists. The number of pieces received allowed for a double location show, highlighting one piece from each artist at Greer City Hall and the remainder was hung at the Center for the Arts. This response resulted in the largest amount of artwork to be hung to date and took five days to hang. Another day was utilized to change out the artwork of the Resident Artists.
- Upcoming Events:
 - February 1 – Created by Black Artist Exhibition Reception at the Center for the Arts with special guest speaker, Glenis Redmond.
 - March 4-13 – Little Mermaid Jr at the Cannon Centre
 - March 25 – Juried Arts Show Reception at Greer City Hall
 - TBA – Asian American Pacific Island Exhibition at the Center for the Arts

Events Division – Robbie Davis, Events Supervisor

The Events Division hosted the following events:

- Greer Farmers Market Chili Cook-Off – November 16
- Greer Christmas Tree Lighting – December 3
- Supper with Santa – December 3
- Breakfast with Santa – December 4
- Greer Farmers Market Holiday Fair – December 4-5

October 28 – January 27

- 69 – Internal Events
- 47 – Rentals
- 7 – Special Events
- 13 Weddings
- Total of 136 events that brought approximately 13,160 people to Greer City Park

- Breakfast with Santa ticket sales took place on November 8 at 7:00pm. Guests were encouraged to purchase tickets online or by phone. A total of 64 tables were sold between 3 sessions at 8:00am, 9:30am and 11:00am with a sold out crowd of 500 people. Breakfast was provided by Laurenda's Family Restaurant. Free activities included free crafts, a Letter to Santa and children had the opportunity to see and talk with Santa. Family photo sessions were also available onsite. New this year was live Christmas music performed by His and Her during the entire event.
- The Greer Farmers Market Fall Fest and Chili Cook-Off was held on November 16. Over 12 different vendors competed in the Chili Cook-Off. Guests were able to purchase samples and submit their choice for the best chili. Over 30 vendors were onsite selling goods and food. It was an overall great time for all in attendance.
- Christmas Tree Lighting was held on December 3 and welcomed it's largest attendance with over 3,500 people in attendance. Mayor Danner and Santa helped celebrate the lighting of the Greer Christmas tree with live musical performances, five free craft stations, Christmas train rides, marshmallow roasting and an ice carving demonstration.
- Supper with Santa took place on December 3 with over 200 City of Greer employees and their families in attendance. All were provided an opportunity to have their pictures with Santa and enjoy free kids crafts. This event raised over \$1500 which was donated to the City of Greer Police Department Cops for Tots.
- The Greer Farmers Market Holiday Fair was held on December 4-5 with over 80 vendors. Guests were able to purchase gifts and items for the Christmas season. This event was a huge success and the Greer Farmers Market events have continued to see great success at Greer City Park.
- The Greer Farmers Market Sunday Brunch Market took place on January 9 at Greer City Park. The event has continued increasing in popularity with over 40 local artisans and vendors. The Sunday Brunch Markets will continue during the Market "off-season" on Sundays in February, March and April.
- Ambassadors
The Greer Station Shuttles continued to provide support to our local restaurants, shops and businesses in downtown Greer Station. In 2021, over 9,000 visitors were transported directly to their destination while providing information regarding the City of Greer, upcoming events and tours of the newly renovated downtown.

Golf – Jim Young, General Manager, Parks & Recreation Greer Golf

- Play was very good throughout November and December. January was a slow month due to the snow event and cold temperatures.
- Hiring of a fulltime grounds keeper I position is in process.
- Alec Pryor, intern from Greer Middle College Charter High School, worked with the grounds staff on clearing and cleaning landscape beds at the tee boxes on holes 4 and 6.
- Construction has started for a new driving range tee. The project will take 1-2 months for completion.
- The first six month of fiscal year 21/22 revenue has shown an increase of \$11,000 over fiscal year 20/21. The Golf Now app has contributed to this increase. The app allows people randomly searching for local golf tee times to access Greer Golf course. In October – December, there were 235 tee times booked, resulting in \$8,200 in revenue from Golf Now.
- Greer Golf is emphatically looking forward to the first complete calendar year with all 18 holes open and bringing back many tournaments of the past.

Grounds Maintenance Division – Travis Durham, Interim Director Public Services

Grounds staff:

- Installed and removed Christmas decorations throughout the City of Greer.
- Removed old and installed new safety fence topper at Victor Field.
- Prepared field for baseball, soccer, softball and rugby practices and games.

- City Park pond was drained, cleaned, holes in liner repaired and refilled week of January 27.
- Replaced yellow corrugated pipe at Victor Field.
- Recent snow event required 18 employees to work 1,115.46 hours.
- Division currently has four vacant positions; one fulltime groundskeeper I and three part-time groundskeeper I's. (One part-time position is Kids Planet and two part-time positions are Downtown Urban Park and Greer City Park).

Recreation Division – Justin Miller, Recreation Supervisor

- After School – Enrollment
 - Needmore 15 students
 - Creative Advancement at the Victor Gym 35-40 students
- Pickleball
 - Participants (2021):
 - Clinics – 504
 - Open Play – 435
 - Adaptive – Robert C. Peace Upstate Pickleball currently engaged in fund raising to purchase wheelchairs for pickleball.
 - Homeschool series is newest program with nine students.
 - January 11 Greer City Council approved ten pickleball courts at the Tryon Recreation Center Tennis Courts. A Better Court, Locust Grove, GA was awarded the bid.
- Archery
 - Participants 2021 were 731 an increase over the first year 2020 of 117.
- Grant
 - Biannual reports were being completed for Greenville County Redevelopment Authority (GCRA) for the Needmore Summer Camp and the Senior Out and Around (SOAR).
 - Applications for the fiscal year 22/23 deadline is February 8 for Needmore Summer Camp and SOAR program.
- Rentals (2021)
 - Kids Planet – 778
 - Recreation Centers – 125

Financial Reports – Red Watson, Assistant Director

- Program Funds – Supervisors are continuing to monitor the budgets to assure revenue continues to exceed expenses. Balances are back in line with pre-COVID numbers.
- Grants – A Letter of Intent was submitted for a Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant to assist in the conversion of H.R. Turner Field into a rugby complex/multi-purpose field. The grant application due date is March 14.
- Permission has been given to use two Parks and Recreation Development Fund (PARD) grants for the purchase of a pre-fabricated, two-unit restroom building for Victor Park. The fiscal year 22/23 budget request will include funds to construct the building.

Director's Report – Ann Cunningham, Director

- **Department Personnel Update**
 - One new fulltime employee was welcomed to the department in January. Phil Hembree, Athletics Coordinator, has been working with the department as a part-time Recreation Leader. Phil has been working in both the Athletics and Recreation Divisions for the past seven years. He formerly worked as a football and baseball coach with Woodruff High School for 22 years and served as the Director for the Woodruff Youth Association for approximately 11 years.

- **Current/Ongoing Projects**

Greer Golf

Staff met with consultants/designers of SGA Architectural Firm at Greer Golf in January to finalize plans for upgrades to the clubhouse and pool area. Currently SGA staff are working with

Parks and Recreation Department staff on a Request for Qualifications. The RFQ is scheduled to be advertised in early February. This design/build project will afford the architectural firm and department staff to interview construction firms and finalize design and budget as a team.

H.R. Turner Park

Staff met with members of the Dodd Studio, Charlotte, NC and the City of Greer Building and Development Standards Department to discuss the H.R. Turner Park Master Plan. The plan is to add a large multi-use field (for rugby, football and soccer) fencing, sod, irrigation and field equipment as part of Phase I. Bid Proposals will be in early spring with construction starting in mid-summer. The LWCF grant funds will be utilized for Phase II and will allow for possibly add field lighting, parking lots, a field house, sidewalks and playground equipment.

City Hall Office Expansion

Bids were advertised from contractors to add additional office space on the second floor of Greer City Hall. The Events Division staff is beginning preparation to move from the first floor to the second floor to better serve renters using the Events Halls. The relocation of staff members from the first floor will allow the Finance Department to occupy the current events staff offices.

Operations Center Office Expansion

A new office will be added in the files/storage area and a new office will also be added in the athletics office space. These offices will assist in accommodating current Parks and Recreation Department staff.

South Tyger Greenway Trail

The City of Greer purchase one piece of property along Country Club Road, across from Country Club Road Park. Negotiations are currently underway with the property owners of the land adjacent to Greer Golf on the driving range side. Both parcels are planned for future development for trails and additional event programming.

Ann Cunningham and Justin Miller met with two consultants from Keck + Wood Design Consultants, Rock Hill, SC. The group spent January 25 and 26 walking the Country Club Road Park property, the new parcel the City of Greer recently purchased and the property currently being negotiated with the Home owners by Greer Golf for trail development.

Wards Creek Trail System

Ann Cunningham, Justin Miller and the two consultants from Keck + Wood Design Consultants also walked property along Wards Creek from Bible Brook Road to Wards Creek Park and private property to establish connections in the Sunny Dale community.

Trail System

The Keck + Wood Design Consultants staff will compile the information gathered for potential routes and prepare a proposal and recommendations for trail development along the South Tyger Greenway and Wards Creek Trail systems during the month of February.

- **Administrative Highlights**

- Staff attended the SCRPA Conference in Greenville, SC on December 6-8.

- **Old Business**

- **2022 Meeting Dates**

- April 28, 2022
- July 28, 2022
- October 27, 2022

- **New Business**

- Adhoc Nominations – Recreation Department Staff

The following adhoc representatives agreed to serve another term on the Recreation Association Board:

Jessica Hughes – Cheerleading

Nathan “Todd” Lea – Soccer

Patrick Wood – Tennis/Pickleball

Bob & Mary Reimer – SOAR

Bill Harrill – Golf

- Adhoc representative positions remain open for the following programs:

Baseball

Softball

Rugby

- 2022 Events listing attached to the agenda.

- **Adjournment**

- Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson, adjourned the meeting at 7:10pm.

- **Next Meeting:**

- Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 6:15pm.

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



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Parks and Recreation

January 2022 Monthly Report

Current/Ongoing Projects

Wards Creek Trail System & South Tyger River Greenway

- Tripp Barrineau, with Keck and Wood, met with Ann Cunningham and Justin Miller for an on-site visit on January 24 and 25 that included walking the properties along Wards Creek and the South Tyger River.

Greer Golf

- Staff met with Melissa Threatt (SGA Architecture and Design) on January 4 and January 20 to discuss Greer Golf clubhouse renovations, design and costs and moving forward with the project.

Needmore Recreation Center Pickleball Courts

- Staff attended the mandatory pre-bid construction meeting for Needmore Pickleball Courts on January 12.

Tryon Recreation Center Pickleball Courts

- On January 11, Justin Miller presented to Greer City Council information to seek approval of the Tryon Park lower courts resurfacing.

Victor Park

- Justin Miller attended the bid opening, on January 11, for the Victor Parking Lot project.

H.R. Turner Park

- Requested construction plans from consultant for the conversion to a rugby and multi-purpose complex

Department Highlights

Administration

- Ann met on January 6 at Greer City Park to discuss placement of the Bank Head Highway Historical marker.
- On January 7, staff met with Edwin Hutchison, Ice Age Ice Sculptures at Benson Automotive Kids Planet to discuss the on-site tree carving.
- Staff met with Mr. Merriman on January 7 to discuss youth rugby policies, procedures and pricing.
- The weight of ice and snow on the Operations Center roof caused it to flex and staff were re-located to the Center for the Arts January 18 – 21. The roof will be further evaluated for repairs.

Division Highlights

Athletics

- Facilitated youth basketball league play and practices Tuesday through Sunday at Victor Gym.
- Completed Youth Basketball Picture day on January 10.
- Facilitated Greer 76ers Rugby practices at Century Park Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Facilitated Tomahawk Youth Wrestling practices at Tryon Recreation Center every Monday and Thursday. Club competed in the Bearcat Brawl Wrestling Tournament at Lander University with 5 youth wrestlers placing in the event. Club also competed at the Tour of SC West Region Tournament at Anderson Civic Center.
- Registration is currently underway for Greer Baseball Club, Greer Girls Softball, Foothills Soccer Club of Greer Spring seasons and Greer 76ers Rugby Spring and Summer 2022 seasons.
- Cory Holtzclaw attended the Girls Softball Commissioners meeting at Tyger River Park on January 10.

- Facilitated Byrnes High School Softball practices at Century Park. Facilitated FSCG Academy practices at Greer City Stadium every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evening.

Cultural Arts

- On January 3, a Parent/Cast meeting was held for the production of Little Mermaid Jr. Rehearsals continued at the Centre for the Arts on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights and all day Saturdays. Set building began, on January 22, at the Tryon Recreation Center.
- On January 4, Robin Byouk met with the Studio artists to discuss their participation in events and First Friday's.
- Robin interviewed a new artist, Jennie Kim, on January 4, for potential renting of Studio 4 at the Center for the Arts.
- On January 6, Production's Unlimited repaired the Cannon Centre theatre lighting panel.
- Solutionz repaired issues with the Audio/Visual System at the Center for the Arts.
- GCAC's Inclusion and Outreach Committee met via Zoom on Jan 6 to review the calendar of events for 2022.
- In conjunction with Black History Month, the "Created by Black Artists" Art Exhibit will be displayed in the Center for the Arts and Greer City Hall, January 25 through March 15. The drop off dates for art entries were January 11 and 15. There are 15 artists; the largest number of participants ever, with one piece from every artist being hung at Greer City Hall. This is the first time a show was exhibited in both buildings.
- Gary Huntoon's Ceramic Classes began January 20 with two classes on Tuesdays and two classes on Thursdays.

Events

- Total rentals 44: Internal 20, External Rentals 19, Special Events 1, Weddings 4.
- The first Greer Farmers Market Sunday Brunch Market took place, on January 9, at Greer City Park. This event has continued increasing in popularity with over 40 local artisans and vendors. The Sunday Brunch Markets will continue during the Market "off-season" on Sundays in February, March, and April.
- The Events Division continues to prepare for upcoming events such as International Festival, Moonlight Movies, Food Truck Rollouts, and Freedom Blast.
- The Ambassadors continued to provide excellent customer service to our citizens by picking up over 505 riders in January. The Ambassadors provided service for over 9,275 passengers in 2021.

Golf

- Construction on a new driving range tee is in progress with assistance from the Public Services Department.
- Grounds staff is putting together specs for the "Early Order Program" for chemicals and herbicides on the course through the growing season.
- Grounds staff has been working on clearing debris and underbrush from areas that grow during the summer.
- The course was shut down January 16 – January 21 due to the snow event.
- Cody Norris and David Duffy assisted the Public Services Department with the snow event the weekend of January 15 – 18. They came in Saturday night at 10:30pm and worked until 11:30am Tuesday morning.
- Staff have been working with the "Communicating Results Group" to fine tune the new website in preparation for release to the public.
- Mike Harvey (A&N Fencing) is currently replacing the gate to our maintenance facility.

Recreation

- Justin Miller attended the Greenville County Park Hop 2022 committee kick off meeting on January 15.
- The 20th Annual MLK Day of Celebration Dinner was held on January 24 at Greer City Hall. The event was rescheduled from January 17 due to inclement weather.

- Other Programs:
 - Archery met at Victor Gym on Monday nights and City Stadium on Wednesday nights.
 - Artifacts Club hosted their annual banquet at Tryon Recreation Center on January 10.
 - Never Alone continued on Tuesdays at the Tryon Recreation Center.
 - Hosted six Pickleball clinics at Victor Gym (97 participants).
 - Hosted four open play pickleball days at Victor Gym (72 total participants).
 - Hosted a new Homeschool Pickleball three-week course at Victor Gym with eight participants.
 - Began a coastal line dancing class at Cannon Centre on two Mondays with 27 people in attendance.
- Seniors Out and Around (SOAR):
 - Hosted Line Dancing sessions at the Cannon Centre on Wednesdays with 71 in attendance.
 - Hosted Bingo days at Greer City Hall on two Thursdays with 48 in attendance.
 - Hosted a Whist Card Game Day with five in attendance at Victor Gym on January 13.
 - Hosted a Virtual Reality and Movie Day with 15 in attendance.
- After School:
 - The Needmore and Creative Advancement Afterschool programs continued to meet every weekday when Greenville County schools resumed after the holiday break.
- Senior Action:
 - Met at Needmore Recreation Monday-Fridays for activities inside and lunch (20-25 seniors daily).
- Rentals:
 - Kids Planet Shelters 10
 - Recreation Centers 4
 - Buses 2

<u>Upcoming Events</u>	<u>Current Projects</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday Brunch Markets – February 13, March 13 and April 10 (City Park) • Created by Black Artists Exhibition – January 25-March 15 (City Hall and Center for the Arts) • Created by Black Artists Opening Reception – February 1 (Center for the Arts) • Foothills Philharmonic – March 12, April 9 (Center for the Arts) • Little Mermaid Jr – March 4-6 and 11-13 (Cannon Centre) • Food Truck Rollout – March 17 (City Park) • Greer 76ers Rugby Festival – March 19 (Country Club Road Park) • Opening Day Baseball/Softball – April 2 (Century Park) • Easter Eggastic – April 9 (Century Park) • International Festival – April 23 (City Park) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victor Park Restroom Facility & Parking Lot • Greer Golf Redesign Clubhouse & Pool Area • Cannon Centre Deck Renovation • H.R. Turner Park • South Tyger River Greenway • Wards Creek Trail System • Needmore Recreation Center Pickleball Courts • Tryon Recreation Center Pickleball Courts

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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February 2022 Monthly Report

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Parks, Recreation and Tourism

February 2022 Monthly Report

Current/Ongoing Projects

Wards Creek Trail System & South Tyger River Greenway

- On February 22, staff met with Tripp Barrineau, with Keck and Wood, along with staff from GIS, Engineering and Building and Development Standards Departments to discuss master plans for the Wards Creek Trail and South Tyger River Greenway.

Greer Golf

- The contract for professional services was received and is currently being reviewed.

Needmore Recreation Center Pickleball Courts

- With no contractors placing a bid in January or February, the project was submitted for rebid with bids due on March 18 to Greenville County Redevelopment Authority.

Tryon Recreation Center Pickleball Courts

- The contractor will begin work with the return of weather. The weather will need to be 53° or higher for the court resurfacing and paint to cure.

Victor Park

- The City of Greer Project Manager submitted the project for rebid. The pre-bid meeting will be held on March 17 with the bid opening scheduled for March 24.

H.R. Turner Park

- Red Watson participated in a mandatory Land and Water Conservation Fund virtual workshop on February 11. Staff met with Dan Dodd of The Dodd Studio to discuss the next steps in the H.R. Turner Renovations Project.

Department Highlights

Administration

- Staff met with Ron Hamlin of Virtual Reload E-Sports Gaming, on February 2, to discuss future potential programming opportunities.
- On February 10, staff met with Brent Munnerlyn of Munnerlyn Pyrotechnics (Lexington, SC) to discuss close proximity vs traditional fireworks shows.
- Ann Cunningham and Steve Owens participated in a virtual meeting with members of Stamp (a marketing firm) to discuss how to attract a new audience for our programs and facilities.
- Staff met with all Parks, Recreation and Tourism Division supervisors to discuss the growing event vendor needs and to create a set of procedures to simplify the application process for event vendors.

Division Highlights

Athletics

- Twenty-four teams with over 200 players competed at Victor Gym in basketball league play.
- End of season tournament for all 10U and 12U youth basketball teams were held February 1-16 at Victor Gym.
- Hosted the 8U Western District All Star Basketball Tournament at Victor Gym the weekend of February 27.
- Competed in NUWAY regional wrestling tournaments in Newberry on February 5 and Anderson on February 19.

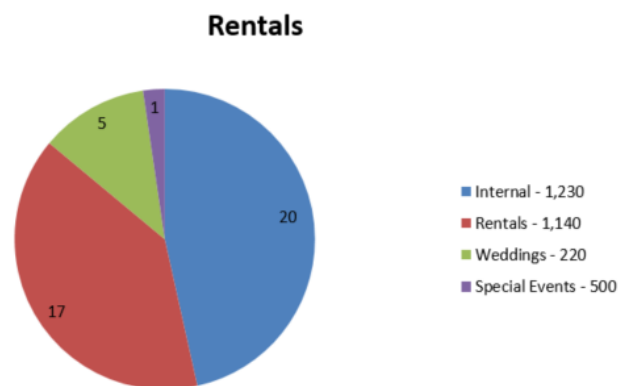
- Registrations were completed for recreation and academy baseball, recreation and academy soccer and fast pitch softball for the spring 2022 seasons.
- Baseball Field FF&E project to replace all L-Screens was completed prior to the start of the spring season.
- Rugby teams competed in Rugby festivals in Alpharetta and Roswell, GA every weekend in February.
- Teams from North Carolina, Georgia and South Carolina competed in the Rugby Match Day at Country Club Road Park on February 27.

Cultural Arts

- On February 1, the Created by Black Artists Exhibition reception was held at the Center for the Arts. Approximately 150 people were in attendance. Nationally known poet, Glenis Redmond was the guest speaker. Food was provided by White Wine and Butter. One piece of artwork from each of the 15 participating artists was hung at Greer City Hall and the Center for the Arts. The exhibit has attracted an array of visitors throughout the month.
- On February 3, local art teacher, Anna Humphries toured the Center for the Arts facility.
- Martha Grattan taught a polymer clay class on February 5.
- Interviews were conducted via ZOOM on February 13 for How I Became a Pirate with the GCAC Student Board.
- On February 14, GCAC held their Student Board Meeting via Zoom and the Adult Board Meeting in person at the Center for the Arts.
- On February 22, Robin Byouk spoke at Southside Christian School regarding careers in art.
- Robin Byouk met with the International Dance Conservancy on February 25 to assist with grant writing and contacts.
- Foothills Philharmonic string quartet performed at the Center for the Arts on February 26 with 60 people in attendance.
- Ceramic classes have been postponed due to the instructor, Gary Huntoon, undergoing emergency surgery.
- The Center for the Arts participated in the Metropolitan Arts Council First Friday's Greenville Art Crawl. All Artists in Residence were in attendance at the Center for the Arts.

Events

- Currently finalizing all entertainment and vendors for the International Festival.
- Hosted Rogers Group Inc. for their annual five-day training at City Hall.
- The Ambassadors continued to provide excellent customer service to our citizens. After completing its 3rd full year of service, the ambassadors picked up 9,275 guests in downtown Greer Station. In three years of service, they have picked up **28,323** guests.



Golf

- Play rebounded well from the snow event in January with several days posting revenue from \$1,500 - \$2,000 each day.

- On February 10, staff met with architect Jeff Lawrence of Lawrence Golf Design in Greer, SC, to discuss a grass remediation/maintenance plan for the upcoming growing season.
- Bids were opened on February 18 for the Early-Order Programs for grounds granular and chemical grass treatments. The bids are currently being reviewed.
- Grading on the new practice tee surface is complete. Staff are working on irrigation upgrades, and pricing for sod and sprigs to complete the project.
- Staff are working with Stanley Martin Homes to secure a partnership to include a paid membership for one year with the purchase of a new home. This offer is for the subdivision being built directly across from the course.

Recreation

- Completed Youth and Senior GCRA fiscal year 22/23 applications for the CDBG Grant funding.
- Summer Camp information packets were released to the public. City of Greer residents' registration will open on March 14 and on March 21 for all registrations.
- Seniors Out and Around (SOAR):
 - Concluded a Coastal Line Dancing program at the Cannon Centre on Mondays.
 - Hosted a Euchre Card Game Day at Victor Gym on February 10.
- Rentals:
 - Kids Planet Shelters 33
 - Recreation Centers 5

<u>Upcoming Events</u>	<u>Current Projects</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday Brunch Markets – March 13 and April 10 (City Park) • Created by Black Artists Exhibition – January 25-March 15 (City Hall and Center for the Arts) • Foothills Philharmonic – March 12, April 9 (Center for the Arts) • Little Mermaid Jr – March 4-6 and 11-13 (Cannon Centre) • Food Truck Rollout – March 17 (City Park) • Greer 76ers Rugby Festival – March 19 (Country Club Road Park) • Opening Day Baseball/Softball – April 2 (Century Park) • Easter Eggstastic – April 9 (Century Park) • International Festival – April 23 (City Park) • Asian American-Pacific Islander Arts Exhibition Reception – April TBA • Greer Farmers Market – May 3-August 30, Tuesdays (City Park) • Greer Children's Theatre Performance – May 6-15 (Cannon Centre) • Arts in Bloom Craft Fair – May 7 Tentative (Center for the Arts) • Tunes in the Park – May 14 (City Park) • Food Truck Rollout – May 14 (City Park) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greer Golf Redesign Clubhouse & Pool Area • Cannon Centre Deck Renovation • H.R. Turner Park • South Tyger River Greenway • Wards Creek Trail System • Needmore Recreation Center Pickleball Courts • Tryon Recreation Center Pickleball Courts

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March 2022 Monthly Report

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Parks and Recreation

March 2022 Monthly Report

Current/Ongoing Projects

Wards Creek Trail System & South Tyger River Greenway

- On March 18, Tripp Barrineau of Keck & Wood performed additional surveying for the South Tyger River Greenway. The Wards Creek Trail options are under review.

Greer Golf

- A contract was signed with SGA Design for the Clubhouse renovations, and staff met with architects on March 23 to discuss next steps.

Needmore Recreation Center Pickleball Courts

- The Needmore Pickleball courts project was advertised again by the Greenville County Redevelopment Authority. One bid was submitted and is being reviewed by GCRA and City of Greer staff.

Tryon Recreation Center Pickleball Courts

- The contractor is tentatively scheduled to start in Mid-April.

Victor Park

- A second pre-bid meeting and bid opening occurred in March for the parking lot and basketball court renovation to begin in April, after a change of scope in the project.

H.R. Turner Park

- The Dodd Studio, LLC finalized the design proposal for complete delivery of the H.R. Turner Park Rugby construction project. Staff is currently reviewing the proposal.

Department Highlights

Administration

- Ann Cunningham attended a meeting at City Hall on March 1 to discuss ADA improvements.
- Red Watson completed and submitted the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant on March 4 for funds to be used in the construction of a Rugby field at Turner Park.
- Staff met with Mr. Merriman and Susan Howell on March 9 regarding funding of the Greer Golf Clubhouse Renovation.
- Staff met with Mr. Merriman on March 14 to discuss the current Rugby season.
- On March 29, staff met with Kelly Long (Council of Garden Clubs) to discuss the placement of a butterfly garden at the National Certification for Wildlife Community Habitat Event to be held on May 24 at the City of Greer Center for the Arts.

Division Highlights

Athletics

- Concluded the Youth Basketball Season with the Greer 8U All Stars winning the District Championship and then going to Florence, SC on March 5 to compete for the state title.
- Competed in Ruggerfest, one of the nation's premier Rugby tournaments, on March 5 and 6 in Charlotte, NC.
- Competed in State Wrestling Championship on March 5 and 6 in Camden, SC and finished season with 1 State Champion and 2 Runner-ups.
- Greer 76ers Rugby team hosted a Rugby Festival on March 19 at Country Club Park with teams from NC, SC and Georgia competing.

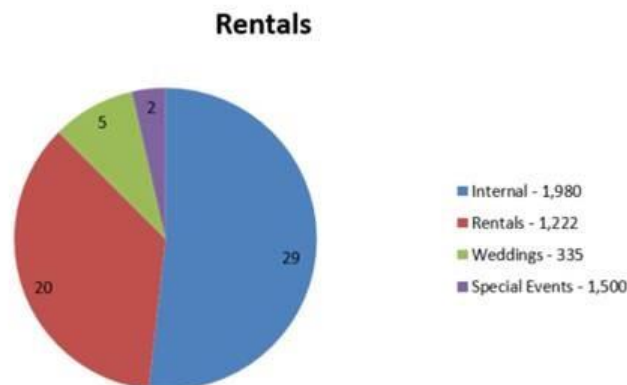
- Completed drafts and started practices for all Greer Baseball Club Recreational teams with teams practicing Mondays – Saturdays at various fields.
- Started Greer Baseball Club Academy team practices, with teams competing on weekends at various sites in SC, NC and Georgia.
- Began practices for the Greer Girls Softball teams at Victor Park on Mondays – Sundays and kicked off season competing in the Diamond Dirt Classic on March 26 at Tyger River Park.
- Facilitated FSCG Recreation and Academy soccer practices and games at Greer City Stadium and South Suber Road Park on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays.

Cultural Arts

- Little Mermaid, Jr. opened its first weekend of performances on March 4-5 and completed its final weekend of performances on March 11-13, with all four shows completely sold out, entertaining 520 audience members.
- Martha Grattan hosted a free, two-part ceramics class for the SOAR group which began March 11.
- The Foothills Philharmonic Woodwind Quintet performed at the Center for the Arts on March 12 with approximately 40 people in attendance.
- Greer Children's Theatre held auditions on March 15 for its next production, *How I Became a Pirate*, and then held a parent/cast meeting on March 28. The student-led production has 24 cast members with shows to be held at the Center for the Arts in May.
- On March 24, artwork for the 2022 City of Greer Juried Art Show was hung at the Center for the Arts, with 63 entries, the most ever received. A reception for the artists was held the following evening, with Mayor Danner awarding certificates to the winners.
- Cecelia Witcher held an Alcohol Inks class and Martha Grattan held a Ceramics class, both on March 26.

Events

- Staff is currently reviewing bids which were opened on March 17 for the fireworks provider for the City of Greer Freedom Blast.
- Event staff met with departments and volunteer organizations regarding Freedom Blast and International Festival.
- The Events Division hosted the Greer Police Department and officers from around the state for a week-long training at the Events Halls.
- The Ambassadors continued to provide excellent customer service to our citizens.



Golf

- Don Garrett, of Clemson University and the Walker Course, led a roundtable discussion with staff and employees of other Upstate golf courses on March 2 to discuss maintenance practices for Diamond Zoysia putting greens.

- Staff met with the contracted marketing and advertising team on March 10 about the upcoming season for events and information.
- The Spring class for the First Tee at Greer Golf is now full with a waiting list, with plans for additional classes in the Summer and Fall.
- Currently facilitating two high school golf teams from Greer High School and Greer Middle College for the Spring season.
- Secured an agreement with Stanley Martin Homes that guarantees the purchase of one membership for each new home sold in Oakton (new housing development directly across from the course) in exchange for one comped corporate golf membership.
- Reported an increase in revenues for the month of March compared to last year generated from cart fees, greens fees, member dues and the range.

Recreation

- Summer Camp registrations began on March 14, with Camp Greer at Victor Gym filling all spots within an hour.
- Hosted Pickleball Clinics (154 participants) and Open Play Pickleball days (125 participants) at Victor Gym throughout the month and hosted one Adaptive Pickleball Session on March 24 with 21 participants.
- Hosted four Open Play Basketball sessions at Victor Gym (120 participants).
- Senior Action continued to meet at Needmore Recreation Center each weekday for activities and lunch, with 20-25 attendees daily.
- Archery met at Victor Gym on Monday/Thursday nights and City Stadium on Wednesday nights.
- Seniors Out and Around (SOAR):
 - Hosted Line Dancing on Wednesdays at Cannon Centre or Tryon Recreation Center with an average attendance of 27 each week.
 - Hosted Bingo, Card Game day, Movie/VR day, and Book Club day throughout month.
 - Took a day trip to Landrum and Tryon for lunch at Southside Smokehouse and shopping at Old Mill Market Square on March 31, with 32 participants.
- Rentals:
 - Kids Planet Shelters - 97
 - Recreation Centers - 4

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2022 Events

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Upcoming Events 2022

- Greer Farmers Market Every Tuesday (City Park) May 3-August 30
- Greer Children's Theatre Performance (Cannon Centre) May 6-15 TBA
- Arts in Bloom Craft Fair (Center for the Arts May 7 (Tentative)
- Tunes in the Park (City Park) May 14
- Food Truck Rollout (City Park) May 19
- Frohawk Creek Scramble (Century Park) June 4 and 5
- Summer Camps (Needmore & Victor) June 6-August 5
- Greer Upper State One Day Tournament (Century Park) June 11
- Moonlight Movies Thursdays (City Park) June 9-June 30
- Dixie Youth District Tournaments (Century Park or Country Club Park) June 16-21
- Tunes in the Park (City Park) June 18
- Clay and Paint Camp (Center for the Arts) June 20-24 & 27-31
- Freedom Blast (City Park) June 25
- Broadway Backwards Event LGBTQ Month (Center for the Arts) June (TBA)
- Tall Tale Tuesdays (Center for the Arts) June/July TBA
- Theatre Camp (Center for the Arts) July 11-15, 18-22, 25-29
- Moonlight Movies Thursdays (City Park) July 14-August 4
- Tunes in the Park (City Park) July 16