



**AGENDA**  
**GREER RECREATION ASSOCIATION**  
Public Hearing and Business Meeting  
**October 29, 2024 @ 6:15 PM**  
Greer City Hall, Hall A

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A. CALL TO ORDER Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Jason Bridwell, Vice-Chairperson

**III. INVOCATION**

A. INVOCATION Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson

**IV. PUBLIC FORUM**

A. PUBLIC FORUM

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Approval of July 25 Meeting Minutes Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson

**VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. COMMITTEE REPORTS Parks, Recreation & Tourism Department Staff

**VII. DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

A. DEPARTMENT UPDATES Parks, Recreation & Tourism

B. July 2024 Monthly Report

C. August 2024 Monthly Report

D. September 2024 Monthly Report

**VIII. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

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

**IX. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

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

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. NEW BUSINESS Ann Cunningham, Director/Parks, Recreation & Tourism
- B. 2024 Events - Upcoming List of events attached Ann Cunningham, Director/Parks, Recreation & Tourism
- C. Next Meeting Date - January 23, 2025

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

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Jason Bridwell, Vice-Chairperson

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**INVOCATION**

**Applicant:**

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**PUBLIC FORUM**



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# Greer Recreation Association Board Meeting Minutes

July 25, 2024

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

## **Call to Order**

Trevor Hoffman – Chairperson - 6:16 pm.

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

**Attended:** Lance Owens, Vincent Anderson Amanda Hopper, Trevor Hoffman, Jason Bridwell & Michael Wright

**Absent:** Melissa Padgett-Smith

## **Others Present:**

Ann Cunningham (Director), Red Watson (Assistant Director), Robin Byouk (Cultural Arts Supervisor), Robbie Davis (Events Supervisor), Cory Holtzclaw (Athletics Supervisor), Justin Miller (Recreation Supervisor), Bill Harrill, Bob Reimer, Mary Reimer, Jamie Karvellas (Administrative Assistant).

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

Amanda Hopper, Board Trustee

## **Invocation**

Jason Bridwell, Vice-Chairperson

## **Public Forum**

No one was present to speak.

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

**Action:** Trevor Hoffman made a motion to approve the minutes dated April 25, 2024. Amanda Hoffman seconded the motion.

**Vote:** The Trustees were polled individually and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting minutes were approved as submitted.

## **Committee Reports**

**Athletics – Cory Holtzclaw, Athletic Supervisor**

- No issues to report.



**Greer Cultural Arts Council (GCAC)** – Robin Byouk, Cultural Arts Supervisor on *behalf of Mandy Holbrook*

- The Greer Cultural Arts Council (GCAC) hosted three weeks of summer camps at the Center for the Arts. The last two weeks of camps in July reached full capacity.
- GCAC has been Freedom Blast's beverage provider since the beginning, and this year's sales were better than last year's. Two of the three Pepsi trailers sold out of product. GCAC also provides volunteers to help with Tunes in the Park and sells Pepsi and beer products at the event.

**Disabled American Veterans** – Justin Miller on behalf of Reverend Robinson

- Their monthly meeting moved from the third Thursday to the fourth Thursday of each month at the Needmore Recreation Center.
  - There are no issues to report.

**SOAR, Tennis & Pickleball** - Justin Miller, Recreation Supervisor

- There are no issues to report

**Golf Committee** – Bill Harrill, Greer Golf Adhoc Representative

- We are currently on pause patiently waiting for the golf course and clubhouse renovation to be completed. I can't express how much the course has changed for the better since the City has gotten involved. We appreciate all the hard work from Red (Watson), Ann (Cunningham) Jim (Young), and Sam (Merrell). I also want to thank Steven Thompson and the Grounds crew for transforming that golf course. We have many new faces and young people playing our course which bodes well for our community and the game of golf. "I'm a lifelong resident of Greer and I can't tell you how proud I am of everyone in this room for what the City of Greer has done in our community. Everything you do is first class, and I want to thank you for everything you do."

**Departmental Updates**

**Athletics Division** – Cory Holtzclaw, Athletics Supervisor

Greer Baseball Club

- Greer Baseball Club Spring and fall 2024 seasons passed over the 750 total participants mark for the year. Typically, in any given year the number varies from 575-650.
- Greer Baseball Club Spring 2024 regular season concluded. Each spring season begins with the Greer Diamond Dirt Classic tournament, followed by regular season games, and then the final playoff tournament, the Greer Upper State.
- Greer Baseball Club offers these programs in the following age divisions: 4U Tee Ball, 6U Coaches Pitch, 8U Coaches Pitch, 10U 46/60, 12U 50/70, and 14U 60/90.
- Greer Baseball Club claimed another state championship. This year our 12U Greer Baseball Club all-stars won the 12U South Carolina DYB state title. They will now head to Shreveport, Louisiana to represent the State of South Carolina and Greer. The Greer Baseball Club also garnered three District 1 championships and one top-three state finish in 10U.

### **Greer Softball Club**

- Our 2024 spring regular season concluded at Victor Park. We look forward to playing at our new home, Turner Park, currently under construction.
- Greer Softball Club players competed in a large municipal league comprised of teams from Mauldin, Simpsonville, Fountain Inn, and Greer recreation softball teams.
- Greer Softball Club's All-Star teams participated in district all-star tournaments this summer. Although the teams were competitive, none of them placed in the top 3.

### **Greer Tackle and Flag Football**

- Greer PRT Tackle Football registration has concluded. All youth tackle football players will begin conditioning this week at Greer City Stadium. Players reported yesterday to weigh-ins, sizing, and acclimatization conditioning.
- Greer PRT NFL Flag Football registration concluded as well. Practices will begin in August with league play underway in September and October.
- Close to 300 players will be participating in either flag or tackle this upcoming fall 2024.

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

- The Greer 76ers Junior Summer Flag program is currently underway at Country Club Park. This program provides an opportunity for our coaches to reach athletes interested in participating this winter in our youth tackle program. This past fall was our first-ever season offering junior tackle rugby. Junior 76ers program director, Andy Garcia, is hopeful to offer 10U and 12U tackle teams this upcoming winter.
- Registration began for the 2024 Greer Christmas 7s National Rugby Tournament. Greer PRT will host and facilitate the event at Country Club Park on December 7&8.
- Registration for the upcoming Varsity and JV Boys Rugby program begins on August 1, 2024.

### **Cheer For Greer**

- Cheer for Greer registration is complete. Summer Cheer Camp is currently underway at the Cannon Centre. Volunteers train participants in stunts, cheers, and dances for the upcoming season. All three age divisions are currently on waiting lists.

### **Foothills Soccer Club of Greer**

- Foothills Soccer Club of Greer (FSCG) Academy teams are practicing at Country Club Park for the fall '24 season. The Academy 17s won the South Carolina State Cup and advanced to the national tournament in Texas.
- Foothills Soccer Club of Greer Recreation teams will begin practice on August 12 at Suber Road Soccer Complex. We currently have waiting lists for all divisions.
- On average the FSCG Academy and Recreational League programs have 500 participants per year.

### **American Legion**

- Greer PRT staff facilitated all home Junior and Senior American Legion games at Stevens Field.
- The Greer PRT Senior Legion team is currently in the middle of a playoff run that will hopefully conclude with a state championship.
- Since our last meeting the athletics division has hosted numerous rentals including youth baseball tournaments, men's rugby matches, and soccer matches.

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

- The Friends of Lake Robinson art show was exhibited at City Hall in the Wall Gallery during May and June. Additionally, we displayed photographs of Greer Veterans for Freedom Blast.
- Our staff had two The Asian American Pacific Islander artwork was displayed in the gallery at the Center for the Arts during May and June. The Expressions of Valor Veteran art show was exhibited at the Center for the Arts in June and will be removed at the end of July.
- The first Tunes in the Park on May 18 was canceled due to inclement weather. The Carolina Coast Band performed on June 15 and the Mighty Kicks on July 20 both events were well attended.
- Greer Idol and Greer Idol Jr started with 11 contestants and they will all stay through until August 15, (due to rain cancellations) at that time we will have 5 contestants continue until August.
- Clay classes are scheduled for Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. We are in the process of interviewing additional ceramics instructors as our main instructor is leaving in September.
- Staff assisted with organizing entertainment for Freedom Blast and contributed to the design of the event's t-shirt.
- The Foothills Philharmonic performed at the Center for the Arts on Saturdays June 15 and July 13 at lunchtime. Both events were standing room only.
- We have two openings for artists in residence and are accepting applications until July 31, 2024.

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

The Events Division hosted the following events:

**Past Events**

May 12 – Food Truck Rollout

May 7 - August 27 – Greer Farmers Market

June 6 – June 27 - Moonlight Movies

June 29 – Freedom Blast

**Upcoming Events**

July 30 - August 27 – Greer Farmers Market

July 25 - August 1 – Moonlight Movies

August 16 – Food Truck Rollout

September 20 – Food Truck Rollout

September 28 - Railfest

October 6 & 7 – Upstate Renaissance Faire

**From April 26 – July 25 the Events Division has hosted**

79 – Internal Events

80 – Rentals

24 – Special Events

42 – Weddings

**A total of 225 events brought about 68,140 people to Greer City Park.**

- Moonlight Movies kicked off its summer series on June 6 and has been a great success throughout the season. Abbott's Frozen Custard has been on-site selling concessions. The Moonlight Movies series will continue every Thursday through August 1. A highlight from the last scheduled movie on Thursday, July 11, was a screening of Frozen. Attendees enjoyed a special snowy surprise with snow machines on stage and a visit from Anna and Elsa.
- The Greer Farmers Market summer series has continued to see at least 1,000 guests in attendance each week. Guests were invited to enjoy offerings from more than 40 different market vendors, live music, and food trucks. Each market features a scheduled event such as the Peach Cook-off. The market is scheduled every Tuesday through August 27th at Greer City Park.
- Freedom Blast was a tremendous success, continuing to grow in popularity and attendance each year. This year, the event attracted over 25,000 attendees, showcasing the community's enthusiasm and support for our veterans and service members. Thank you to all departments and staff for their hard work. Your efforts were instrumental in making this event a great success and providing a memorable experience for everyone involved.
- Our Ambassadors continued to support local restaurants, shops, and businesses in downtown Greer Station by transporting over 3,500 people throughout the year.

**Greer Golf** – Red Watson, Assistant Director of Parks, Recreation & Tourism on behalf of Jim Young General Manager, Greer Golf.

- Grounds Maintenance has been busy preparing the course for our upcoming tournaments. Here's a summary of what was done:
  - Added additional patches of sod to the greens
  - Rebuilt a section of the wall on the #2 green
  - Core-aerified and top-dressed tee boxes and greens
  - Applied several applications of liquid fertilizer to the greens
  - Verti-cut the greens twice
  - Added cart path yardage stripes to the cart paths
  - Added a water line to service the new driving range and trash containment area
- Grounds Maintenance is working with Gordon Langley to schedule all reel grinding on the mower blades for the next fiscal year. This will be a huge help and free up more time for Steven Thompson, our Grounds Superintendent, to manage the golf course.
- Greer Golf hosted the BMW Charity Pro-Am kickoff event on Saturday, June 1. Hundreds of people attended and enjoyed free clinics, inflatables, face painting, vendor booths, and food.
- The staff moved back into the clubhouse Pro Shop on Thursday, June 6.
- We have relocated our cart fleet operation to the newly renovated basement.
- We have increased our fees slightly for the new fiscal year. Cart and greens fees went up \$1 each, and memberships went up approximately \$10 per month.
- We are excited to announce that our next restaurant tenant will be White Wine & Butter. We expect them to open in late August/early September.
- Our new golf cart fleet was delivered on Tuesday, July 16. The carts are a newer version of our previous fleet and have been very well received by our customers.
- Our parking lot was re-striped on July 23 by the Public Services Department.
- Revenue for the 2023-24 fiscal year was \$1,180,125.97. This is 24% over the budgeted amount, and over \$190,000 more than last year's total revenue. This marks the first fiscal year that Greer Golf has recorded more than \$1,000,000 in revenue. We recorded \$82,647 in profit (revenues over expenditures) and this is our best fiscal year to date.
- We are hosting the Greenville County Amateur tournament this weekend and the Greater Greer Open on August 17 & 18.

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

- Summer Camp at the Needmore Recreation Center had 60 kids enrolled in the program.
- Tournaments
  - Hosted 2 disc golf tournaments at Century Park (3 this year with 3 more on books)
  - Hosted 3 Pickleball Tourneys at Tryon Park (4 this year)
- Elections- In addition to the state primaries, we hosted the early voting and the general primaries with about 1800 voters.
- The Eagle Scout project at Veterans Park – A flag retirement program that provides a bin/box placed in various locations around the city, typically made of wood, possibly hardy board, and painted in an American flag motif. Members of the community can deposit flags to be properly retired by this scout group. We have informed the American Legion and DAV of our intentions so they can share the information at their next meetings.
- Congratulations to Christie Hornbeck for her outstanding performance in our outdoor Archery Program. Last weekend, she emerged as the champion of the 2024 S3DA Eastern Outdoor Target National Championship in Williamsburg, Kentucky. She persevered through 5 rounds, including 3 eliminations to secure the National Championship in her division.
- Recreation Rentals since we last met in April:
  - Recreation Centers - 32 ....66 total for this year
  - Kids Planet - 309....493 total for this year

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

- The Tourism Division participated in the BMW Charity Pro-Am on June 6 – June 9 at the Discover Greer tent. We gave away over 600 branded Greer Golf chapstick golf balls and over 400 Discover Greer fans with a QR code linking back to the website. We received multiple comments complimenting Greer Golf and the renovations. We also spoke with residents from Kentucky, California, and Florida.
- Staff met with the Landrum Welcome Center manager to discuss placing Greer brochures in the state's nine welcome centers. We are working on getting the brochures to those locations.
- Six Special Event Permit Applications were approved:
  - Three Neighborhood Block Parties
  - Two Marathons
  - Greer Arts & Eats Festival
- We are currently planning holiday activities to encourage supporting local businesses and visiting downtown. One of those programs is a Holiday Passport where visitors will receive a stamp when they purchase at a participating business and will then be entered for a giveaway with downtown gift cards.
- For Discover Greer, we have had 9,261 website visits and 722 visitor guide views.

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

- Athletics
  - The Grounds staff and volunteers from the Greer Disc Golf Club installed new disc golf baskets on the course at Century Park.
  - Staff prepared the baseball fields for the district tournament held at Century Park baseball fields 1-3 on June 13-17. On Thursday 6/13 and Friday 6/14, 5 employees worked a total of 85.73 hours
- Urban Parks
  - Staff created a landscape bed with plants around the existing sign at the Center for the Arts. This area was grass before. 26 different plants were added and double-ground mulch to complete.
  - The staff planted over 50 multicolor Garden Phlox throughout downtown as part of the landscape bed renovation. These were planted in the concrete raised beds on Poinsett and in two island beds on Randall/Trade. Additionally, the staff planted 8 Crimson Fire Encore azaleas on Depot St in the island beds in front of Wild Ace.
  - Staff installed 46 patriotic banners in Greer City Park, 12 banners at Veterans Park, and 12 banners at the Center for the Arts Park “Get Your Art On”.
  - Staff changed out 36 fountain lights to red/white/blue for the summer season through Labor Day for Freedom Blast, and to celebrate Independence Day.
- Division/Department-wide
  - Grounds Staff installed 32 plants, 1 tree, and 11 cubic yards of mulch, landscape rock, and sod at the city offices on Berry Avenue.
  - All Public Service staff help with set-up, breakdown, and maintaining the trash of Freedom Blast on June 29, 2024. We had thirty-eight Public Service employees working with a total of 485 hours worked.
  - The Public Service Stormwater crew added landscape river rock at Century Park to help with the rainfall runoff from the upper sidewalk to the lower driveway.
  - Since the last meeting, we have received 9.63 inches of rain, which is +1.78 above the normal amount for the year.

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

- Program Funds -We finished the year in great shape. We exceeded our budgeted number for revenue, came in under our budgeted number for expenditures, and finished with a healthy surplus that will go into the cash balance to support programming, projects, etc. in the future.
- PARD Funds- Our requested monies for PARD projects were approved in the current FY budget. We will be meeting with Supervisors over the next month to identify potential projects to be completed over the next year.

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

### **Wards Creek Trail System**

- The City of Greer is in the process of reviewing the ROW boundary between Greenleaf and Biblebrook Drives with the City Attorney. This ROW may serve as a road and trail system that will connect residents in neighboring communities.

### **South Tyger River Greenway**

- The COG is creating an RFP to advertise for qualified contractors to build Phase 1 of the South Tyger River Greenway. The selected contractor will be required to have experience in trail development and construction.

### **Victor Park**

- Greer PRT will end all programming in Victor Gym and Victor Ball Field on August 31. Removing and relocating equipment and materials to other facilities will be completed by the end of August. A date to close the outdoor basketball courts will be determined at a later date. We will keep the courts open as long as possible until the dismantling of the goals is done. New outdoor basketball courts will be installed at Stevens Ball Field.
- Currently, we offer programming from Tuesday - Sunday. The gym schedule includes open play for basketball and pickleball and a pickleball clinic.

### **Turner Ball Park**

- Construction continues at Turner Park. Our consultants, Keck + Wood, are continuing all construction administration efforts to monitor change orders, pay applications, and general project correspondence.
- Currently, there are some differences between the design survey and the existing ground, and we are working on adjusting the curb line along Virginia Avenue to meet the existing ground correctly with the new parking and curb.
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- The field turf is planned for installation in early August and play is expected to begin at Big Turner Ball Field in September.

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- We are waiting on the installation of kitchen equipment at the cabana and in the kitchen. We anticipate WW&B will open in late August or early September. We will have a Grand Re-Opening around October 1 and we will make sure you receive an invitation.
- There are some small outstanding items that still need to be completed inside the clubhouse and at the cabana.
- The Public Services Department re-stripped the parking lot on Tuesday, July 23.

## **New Business**

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

- 2024 Upcoming Events – Events were included in the meeting packet for the Trustees to review.
- 2024 Remaining Meeting Date of October 24, 2024 – We will confirm a quorum as we get closer to the meeting date and offer alternatives if needed.

## **Adjournment**

- Trevor Hoffman, Chairperson, adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

## **Next Meeting**

- Thursday, October 24, at 6:15 pm.



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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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Parks, Recreation & Tourism Department Staff

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**DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

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Parks, Recreation & Tourism



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## Athletics

- Athletics facilitated the Greer American Legion Junior and Senior baseball programs at Stevens Field.
- Facilitated Greer Baseball Club practices at Country Club Park and Century Park.
- Competed in the 10U and 12U SC Diamond Youth Baseball State Championships. The event is a 12-team bracket, week-long tournament.
  - Greer Baseball Club 10U All-Stars competed in Columbia, SC July 6 through July 11.
  - Greer Baseball Club 12U All-Stars competed in Sumter, SC July 6 through July 11.
  - Greer PRT - 12U Greer Baseball Club All Stars are 2024 South Carolina State Champions, and will now represent the State of South Carolina in the Diamond Youth Baseball World Series in Louisiana.
- Greer 76ers Youth Flag Rugby completed their athletics sessions at Country Club Park, leading current junior flag players into the winter tackle season.
- The Greer 76ers Varsity Boys and Junior Varsity Boys registration begins August 1.
- The registration started for the Greer Christmas 7s, 2024 National Rugby Tournament.
- Staff completed Foothills Soccer Club of Greer 2024 Fall Recreation Registration.
- Staff completed Greer PRT Tackle Football 2024 Fall Registration.
- Greer Baseball, Adult Baseball and Softball Club 2024 Fall Registration has been completed.
- Greer PRT NFL Flag Football 2024 Fall Registration Completed.
- Athletics hosted the preseason Greer PRT Tackle Football meeting at the Operations Center. Coaches received playbooks, conditioning plans, and preseason schedules.
- The 2024 Fall Academy of Foothills Soccer Club in Greer has completed the summer workouts.
- PRT hosted the SC LEAD program in which our division participated. The program, designed to produce future PRT directors, was a two-day event, on July 11 & 12.

## Cultural Arts

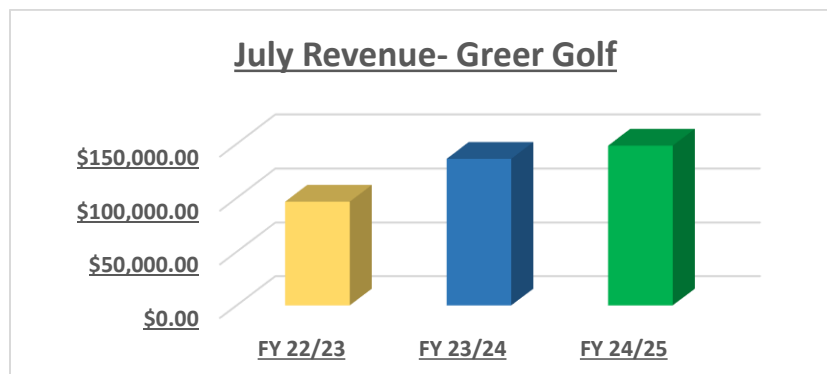
- Staff met with two of the performers for the Day of the Dead festival to coordinate logistics and sound setup. The festival will take place on November 2 at the Center for the Arts.
- Tunes in the Park took place on July 20 featuring a performance by The Mighty Kicks. The rain held off, and there was a good turnout. All of the food and beverage vendors had a successful day.
- GCAC completed two weeks of art camps, one from July 8 to 11 and another from July 15 to 18. Both camps were fully booked. Special guests included Wildlife Rehab of Greenville, Marci the Balloon Fairy, Science Heroes, JJ's Magic, and Jeff Lambdin, a mime actor.
- Robin Byouk was part of the team that presented at the SC LEAD conference which was held at Greer City Hall, July 11 and 12, 2024.
- Staff worked on the Special Event beer/wine licenses for Tunes In the Park.
- Staff worked on artwork for upcoming events and logistics for the Day of the Dead festival.
- Staff worked on updating our website content and adding social media postings.
- The Greer Cultural Arts Council (GCAC's) Wizard of Oz production team met on Tuesday evening July 16 to prepare for upcoming auditions.
- Tunes in the Park was scheduled for May 18 but was rescheduled to July 26. Mac Arnold and Plate Full O' Blues performed, and the amphitheater was packed. However, the event was interrupted by a sudden rainstorm at 8:45 pm. As a result, the Greer Idol Jr voting and the Greer Idol competition were unable to be completed, and the R&B music round was cancelled. The next round will take place on August 17, featuring country music.

## Events

- Preparations are underway for the Food Truck Rollout on August 16 and Railfest on September 28.
- The Greer Farmers Market continued its summer series on July 9 and July 16, attracting at least 1,000 visitors each day. Attendees enjoyed offerings from over 40 vendors, live music, and food trucks. The July 16 market featured the Peach Cook-off. The market will be open every Tuesday through August 27 at Greer City Park. For more information, visit: [www.greerfarmersmarket.com](http://www.greerfarmersmarket.com).
- The Moonlight Movies series resumed on July 11 with a screening of "Frozen". Attendees experienced a touch of winter in July with snow machines and a visit from Anna and Elsa. Abbott's Frozen Custard provided concessions at the event. The series will continue on Thursdays through August 1.
- In July, Ambassadors provided exceptional customer service, assisting over 890 passengers in downtown Greer Station.
- **The Events division hosted a total of 64 events, categorized as follows: Internal Events- 29, Rentals - 20, Special Events – 9, Wedding Events - 6**

## Golf

- On July 12, Greer Golf hosted the Baker Wedding Rehearsal Dinner, which was our first event since re-occupying the Pro Shop. The event was a great success and we received numerous compliments. White Wine & Butter provided the catering, and the party made use of the dining room and the Cabana.
- Grounds Maintenance is coordinating with Gordon Langley to schedule all reel grinding for the upcoming fiscal year, allowing the Grounds Superintendent to have more time to manage the golf course.
- Our new golf cart fleet was delivered on Tuesday, July 16. The carts are a newer version of our previous fleet and have been very well received by our golfers.
- The Grounds Maintenance team has been carrying out regular maintenance on the golf course, specifically focusing on preparing the greens for the Greenville County Amateur Tournament on July 26, 27, & 28. One hundred and forty-four (144) of Greenville County's best golfers competed in this event. We received mostly rave reviews of our facilities and the course, although some golfers expressed a desire for new grass on our putting greens.
- Revenue for July was \$148,381.91, \$12,000 more than last year, starting the fiscal year strong.



**Recreation**

- Senior Action continued meeting at the Tryon Recreation Center and met Monday-Fridays for activities and lunch (20-25 seniors daily).
- Never Alone Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous continued meeting on Tuesdays at the Tryon Recreation Center.
- Seniors Out and Around (SOAR) hosted the following activities for our seniors during July.
  - Four Line Dancing sessions on Wednesdays at the Cannon Centre with a total of 116 seniors.
  - Hand and Foot card game on July 10 with 10 seniors.
  - A Book Club meeting on July 16 July at the Cannon Centre with a total of 8 seniors.
  - Bingo on July 18 with 8 seniors.
  - Movie Day at City Hall on July 22 with 28 seniors.
- The Recreation Division hosted the following activities open to the public during July.
  - Archery Club on Wednesdays at City Stadium.
  - Pickleball Open Play sessions at Victor Gym and Tryon Recreation Center.
  - Open Play Basketball sessions at Victor Gym.
  - The monthly Artifacts meeting at Tryon Recreation Center on July 22.
- Summer camp at the Needmore Recreation Center continues to operate Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 5:45 pm, with 60 kids daily.
- The Recreation Division participated in SC LEAD on July 11 and 12, involving department presentations, tours, and activities.
- **Rentals: Recreation Centers – 4; Kids Planet- 57; Buses- Summer camp daily**

**Tourism**

- Special Event Permits were approved for the Never Forget 9:11 Endurance Challenge on September 8, and 2Slow4Boston Marathon on April 27, 2025. Both events will take place in the Turner Park Neighborhood.
- Staff met with Greer Relief on Wednesday, July 17, to discuss logistics for the Greer Christmas Parade scheduled for December 8.
- Staff assisted the Economic Development Department on Wednesday, July 17, with inviting downtown merchants to a free, Digital Marketing Workshop scheduled for September 16. This is part of an effort to provide resources to merchants to help support them in promoting their businesses and downtown.

<u>Upcoming Events</u>	<u>Current Projects</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moonlight Movies –August 1, Thursdays (Greer City Park)</li> <li>• Food Truck Rollout – August 16, September 20, October 18 (Greer City Park)</li> <li>• Greater Greer Open – August 17 &amp; 18 (Greer Golf)</li> <li>• Tunes in the Park – August 17, September 14 (Greer City Park)</li> <li>• Greer Farmers Market – Tuesdays until August 27 (Greer City Park)</li> <li>• Upstate Renaissance Faire- September 6-7 (Greer City Park)</li> <li>• Railfest – September 28 (Greer City Park)</li> <li>• Greer Arts &amp; Eats Festival, October 5 (Greer City Park)</li> <li>• Artisan Makers Market – October 19 (Greer City Park)</li> <li>• Dia De Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) Festival – November 2 (Center for the Arts)</li> <li>• Greer Christmas Tree Lighting – December 6 (Greer City Park)</li> <li>• Breakfast with Santa – December 7 (Cannon Centre)</li> <li>• Greer Farmers Market Christmas Festival – December 7-8 (Greer City Park)</li> <li>• Greer Relief Christmas Parade – December 8 (Downtown Greer)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greer Golf Redesign of Clubhouse &amp; Pool Area</li> <li>• H.R. Turner Park Renovation</li> <li>• South Tyger River Greenway</li> <li>• Wards Creek Greenway</li> <li>• Davenport Park Renovation</li> <li>• Kids Planet</li> </ul>

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**August 2024 Monthly Report**

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# Parks, Recreation & Tourism

## August 2024 Monthly Report

### ADMINISTRATION:

#### Wards Creek Trail System

- The City of Greer's attorney is working on acquiring a right-of-way for the first phase of the Wards Creek Trail system. Once this is resolved, we will resume moving forward with the development of this phase.

#### South Tyger River Greenway

- Keck & Wood consultants are working on a colored rendering for Phase 1A of the trail construction. City staff is creating an RFQ to advertise for qualified contractors in early 2025.

#### Victor Park

- Greer PRT ended all programming in Victor Gym and Victor Ball Field on August 31. Staff from our department, the Public Services Department, and the Engineering Department are removing and relocating equipment and materials to other facilities.
- A date to close the outdoor basketball courts will be determined later. We will keep the courts open as long as possible until the dismantling of the goals is complete.

#### Turner Ball Park

- Construction continues at Turner Park. Keck & Wood, our consultant, will continue all construction administration efforts to monitor change orders, pay applications, and general project correspondence.
- Laser grading of the playing field and installation of field turf is complete.
- The curb line along Virginia Avenue was adjusted to meet existing ground correctly with the new parking and curb, and paving for road-side parking spaces. The parking lot should be completed in early September.
- Sod installation for the commons areas began last week and is expected to be completed in early September.
- Cunningham Recreation is scheduled to complete the installation of playground equipment and pour-in-place safety surfacing by late September.
- Staff has ordered wind-screen banners to be displayed at our Grand Opening, scheduled for September 16.

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

- Installation of the kitchen equipment is ongoing. The remaining equipment to be installed is scheduled to ship on September 9.

### DIVISIONS:

#### Tourism

- Staff met with Greer Golf and White Wine & Butter on Thursday, August 15 to discuss marketing plans for the restaurant opening.
- Lindsey Shaffer and Reno Deaton met with Patrick McKenna, of Southern Dance Connection, on Thursday, August 15 to discuss SDC's plan for a cheer complex and bringing in organizations from across the country to compete in Greer.
- Lindsey Shaffer met with Katie Collins, CEO of the Greater Greer Chamber of Commerce, on Monday, August 19 for a tourism overview.
- Staff completed Discover Greer's advertisement for the 2025 South Carolina Vacation Guide, which will highlight 5 popular locations in Greer. The ad is primarily funded through the Accommodations Tax Grant.
- Special Event Permits were approved for the Police Department's Trunk or Treat on Trade (October 31) and the Greer Christmas Parade (December 8).

## Athletics

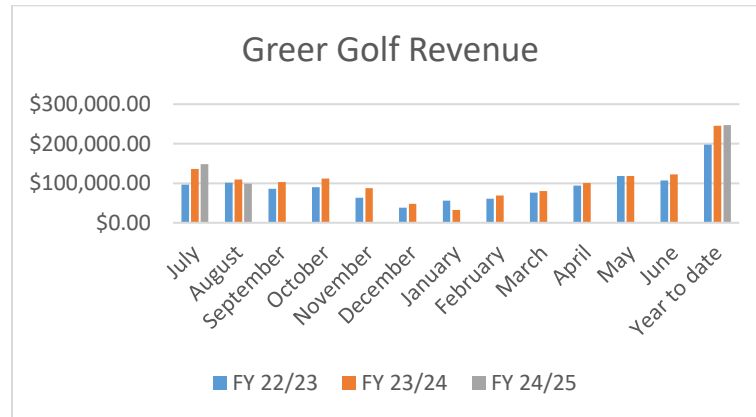
- The following activities were facilitated:
  - Greer PRT Tackle Football practice and league play at Greer City Stadium, Country Club Road Park, Suber Road Park, and other municipal fields.
  - NFL Flag Football:
    - Practices and games are held at Country Club Road Park.
    - League games are scheduled for Country Club Road Park every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday.
    - Currently, Country Club Road Park is home to soccer, baseball, tackle football, and flag football practices.
  - Foothills Soccer Club of Greer Recreational League practices are held at Suber Road Park.
  - Foothills Soccer Club of Greer Academy League practices and games are held at Suber Road Park and Country Club Road Park.
  - Greer Baseball & Softball Clubs':
    - Fall 2024 recreation practices and games are held at Century Park, Country Club Road Park, and Riverside Middle School.
    - Greer Baseball Club Fall 2024 academy practices at Century Park.
    - Greer Softball Club Fall 2024 practices at Riverside Middle School.
- PRT Cheerleading hosted all Cheer For Greer games, practices, and training at Greer City Stadium and other municipal fields.
- Participants were registered for the upcoming Greer 76ers 24-25 High School and Youth Rugby Season.
  - New Greer 76ers windscreens will go up in the next two weeks at Country Club Road Park.
- The celebration of our 2024-2025 Varsity Boys South Carolina State Champions is scheduled for Tuesday, October 8th (recognition by the council).
- Teams/Clubs were registered for the upcoming Greer Christmas 7s Tournament set for December 6th, 7th, and 8<sup>th</sup>.
  - We currently have clubs committed to play from Indiana, Georgia, South Carolina, and North Carolina.
  - Registration concludes in November.
  - Practice begins September 9th, for our Varsity Boys 7s team competing this fall in Charlotte, SC.
- The finalized Opening Day date for Turner Park is Monday, September 16.
  - Opening day is designed to be a celebration of girls' softball in our community.
- PRT hosted the following events:
  - South Carolina Youth Soccer Association statewide soccer matches were held at Suber Road Park.
  - Greer Adult Baseball league games are held at Stevens Field.
    - League plays every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at Stevens Field.

## Cultural Arts

- A new Artist in Residence, Claudia Holmes, a fiber artist took possession of Studio 4.
- Staff met with Greenville SC Digital about a marketing campaign for the Day of the Dead festival.
- Staff organized 26 artists for the upcoming Hispanic/ Latino art exhibit. Artists have already started dropping off their work.
- Clay classes (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday) and the Wednesday after-school art class continued.
- Wizard of Oz rehearsals continue on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday evenings, and Saturday mornings.

## Golf

- Grounds staff received and installed a power module at our irrigation pump station in an effort to resolve an issue that shuts our irrigation pumps down at night.
- Revenue for the month of August was \$98,745.05. This is \$10,699.87 less than last year and includes an adjustment of -\$18,142.39 due to staff reconciling member accounts and writing off past due balances from 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023.
- Staff is working with Greer CPW to enhance parking lot lighting at Greer Golf, because White Wine and Butter plans to operate at night.

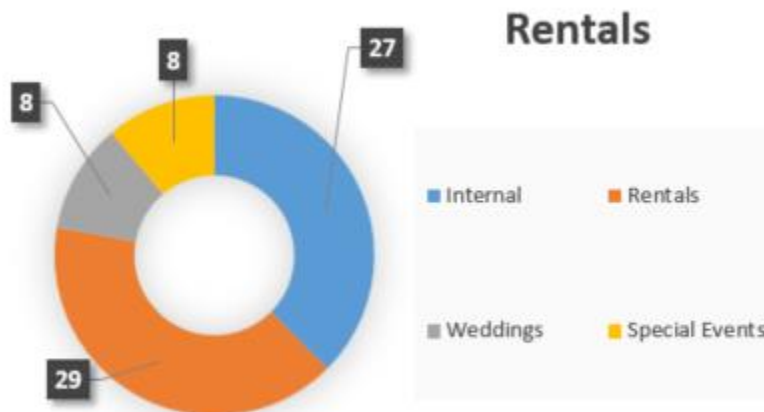


## Recreation

- Never Alone, Narcotics Anonymous continued on Tuesdays at the Tryon Recreation Center.
- SOAR activities included:
  - Weekly Wednesday Line Dancing sessions were held at the Cannon Centre. There were 112 in attendance.
  - Bi-Weekly card games were held with 14 seniors in attendance.
  - Three Bingo Game Days were held during the month of August with 97 seniors in attendance.
- The following activities were hosted:
  - Pickleball open play sessions were held at Victor Gym and Tryon Park.
  - Open Play Basketball sessions were held at Victor Gym.
  - The monthly Artifacts Club meetings was held on 8/26 at Tryon Recreation.
  - The Flex Disc Golf Tourney was held at Century Park on August 31, with 53 participants in attendance.
- Our afterschool programs continued:
  - Needmore Recreation Center operates with 10 kids.
  - Creative Advancement Afterschool is operating at the Tryon Recreation Center with approximately 40 kids.
- Recreation submitted the GCRA Annual report and reimbursement request for the youth summer camp program.
- Rentals: Recreation Centers -7, Kids Planet- 49

## Events

- The Events Division hosted 72 total events – Internal: 27, Rentals: 29, Special Events: 8, Weddings: 8. A total of 15,000 guests visited the City of Greer Events Center.
  - Upcoming events include the Food Truck Rollout on September 20 and Railfest on September 28.
- The Upstate Renaissance Faire took place on Friday, September 6, and Saturday, September 7, with another increase in attendance. Over the course of this two-day event, it's estimated that 25,000 people attended (final numbers will be confirmed). This festival offered an immersive experience with more than 200 vendors, entertainers, live performances, and interactive quests, truly embracing the spirit of the Renaissance. Support for the event came from various departments, including the PRT - Events Division, Public Services, Facilities, Police, and Fire, all working together to ensure its success and safety. The event paid the City of Greer \$30,381 for facility rentals and operational services, making it the largest rental in the city. In the coming weeks, staff will meet to discuss their thoughts and experiences with the Renaissance team to further enhance the event. The Upstate Renaissance Faire serves as a significant economic catalyst for the city.
- The last Greer Farmers Market of the summer took place on Tuesday, August 27. Guests were invited to enjoy offerings from more than 40 vendors, live music, and food trucks. The Greer Farmers Market will kick off its fall series in partnership with the Food Truck Rollout on Friday, September 20.
- Throughout August, the Ambassadors provided excellent customer service, assisting over 750 passengers in downtown Greer Station.



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# Parks, Recreation & Tourism

## September 2024 Monthly Report

### ADMINISTRATION:

#### Wards Creek Trail System

- The City of Greer's attorney is continuing to work on acquiring the right-of-way for a trail extending from Biblebrook Drive to Greenleaf Drive. Once this is resolved, we will resume moving forward with the development of this phase.

#### South Tyger River Greenway

- City staff is in the process of creating an RFQ to advertise for qualified contractors in early 2025.

#### Victor Park

- On Wednesday, September 18, the outdoor basketball court goals were dismantled and relocated to the Operations Center for storage. These were the last pieces of property scheduled to be removed before the sale of Victor Park.
- The closing date on the sale of the property was September 26, 2024.

#### Turner Ball Park

- On September 16, we celebrated the opening of Big Turner Field to begin our fall softball season. Mayor Danner and Councilman Bettis welcomed everyone to our newly renovated field and thanked the community for their support in improving this great facility. Our four softball teams started the season by each having representatives throw out the first pitch together.
- Keck & Wood continues to monitor all construction administration efforts to complete this project for the remaining portion of the park.
- The following outstanding items will need to be addressed before construction is final: sod installation, top-dressing for commons areas, plumbing, and debris removal.
- The parking islands and retention pond sod installation are expected to take place the latter part of this month.
- The installation of pour-in-place safety surfacing at our playground was completed on September 21. Fencing around the playground is expected to be completed within the next two weeks.

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

- The remaining equipment installation started the week of September 16 and is expected to conclude on September 23. Following completion, we will call for an inspection and obtain our Certificate of Occupancy.

## DIVISIONS:

### Athletics

- The Greer 76ers Varsity Boys Rugby season is now underway, with teams participating in the North Carolina Rugby Union Fall 7s League
  - The Greer 76ers High School Boys Tier 2 team went 3-0 during the first weekend of play.
  - The Fall 7s season serves as a valuable training period for new players in preparation for the Greer Christmas 7s tournament and the official South Carolina High School Rugby 15s season. Greer is aiming to return to the state title game during the 2024-2025 season.
- Athletic Program Registrations
  - Tomahawk Youth Wrestling: Registration runs from September 30 to November 2, and space is limited for K5 through 6th grade. Participants must be 6 years old by November 1, 2024.
  - Greer 76ers Rugby U12 Tackle roster is now full, marking the first season for U12 tackle.
  - Greer 76ers Rugby U10 Tackle roster is still open for registration as it enters its second season.
  - Greer 76ers Varsity Boys Spring 15s registration is underway
- Greer PRT will host junior tackle rugby events for the first time in the program's history, made possible with assistance from the North Carolina Rugby Union and partners in the Charlotte area. The first event is scheduled for January 18th at Country Club Park and will feature players aged 6-12 years old.
- Greer 76ers Varsity Boys Tier 1 and Tier 2 teams are registered for the Greer Christmas 7s Tournament, which will be hosted by Greer PRT from December 6-8, 2024, at Country Club Park. The tournament is currently half-full and on track to be the largest event to date.

### Athletic Leagues currently running for the month of September

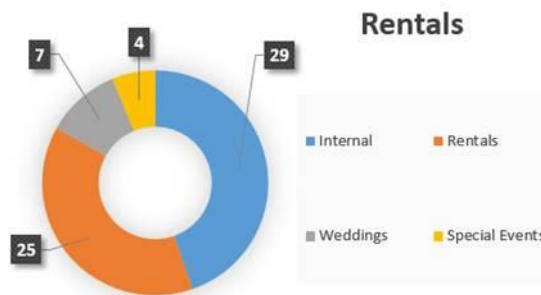
- Greer PRT Tackle Football: Practices and league games were held at Greer City Stadium and various local municipal fields.
- Foothills Soccer Club of Greer: Academy and Recreational League participants competed at Suber Road Park and Country Club Park.
- Cheer for Greer: Participants performed nightly at youth tackle football games, showcasing stunts, routines, and cheers. Cheer for Greer director Allison Plumley continues to do an outstanding job leading the group.
- Greer PRT NFL Flag Football: League play continued at Country Club Park.
- Greer Baseball Club: League play was held at Century Park and Country Club Park.
- Greer Adult Baseball Program: Competitions took place every night of the week at Stevens Field.
- Greer PRT Softball League: Practices and games began at their new home, Turner Park.
- Greer 76ers Varsity Boys Rugby: The team continued its regular practice schedule at Century Park and Country Club Park.

### Cultural Arts

- Staff hung the Hispanic/Latino Heritage Art exhibition at the Center for the Arts. The art reception was rescheduled from October 1 to October 22, due to the hurricane.
- Staff worked on logistics for the GCT production of Wizard of Oz, the Day of the Dead festival, and the Hispanic/Latino Art reception.
- Clay classes and after-school art classes are ongoing. Two new clay instructors will start in October.
- Greer Children's Theatre (GCT) hosted a meeting for parents and the cast of Wizard of Oz at the Tryon Recreation Center on Saturday, October 5. Costuming and rehearsals took place at the Tryon Recreation Center on both Saturday and Sunday. The play is set to open on October 25.

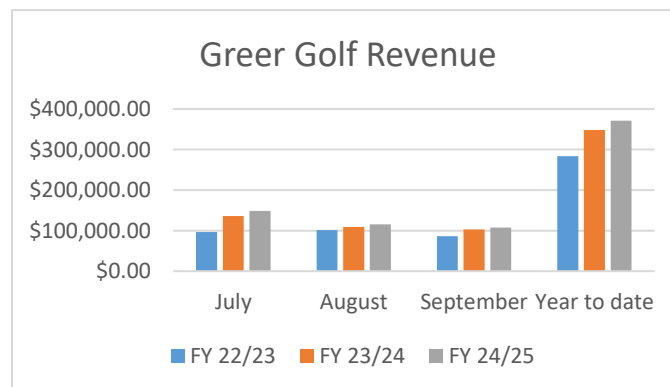
## Events

- Despite Hurricane Helene, the events division hosted the majority of the scheduled rentals. This was largely due to the assistance of the Public Services Department and the Facilities Department. Thank you to those who helped ensure these rentals could take place.
- Unfortunately, Railfest, which was scheduled for Saturday, September 28, was canceled, and we are unable to reschedule this event.
- Throughout September, the Ambassadors provided excellent customer service, assisting over 950 passengers in downtown Greer Station.
- 68 total events- Internal: 29, Rental: 25, Special Events: 7, Wedding Events: 5. A total of 32,000 guests visited the City of Greer Events Center.
- The Ambassadors have continued to provide excellent customer service to 800 passengers in downtown Greer Station in the month of September.



## Golf

- Greer Golf was closed from September 27 through October 4 due to Hurricane Helene. All staff worked on the course to remove debris and get the course back to a playable condition. Approximately 40 trees fell that had to be removed.
- We have made a recommendation and are in the hiring process of filling the vacant Groundskeeper 1 position.
- White Wine & Butter is working towards completing all City obligations to occupy the dining room and kitchen. We are waiting to get an updated opening date from them.
- Revenue for September was \$107,691.37. This is approximately \$5,000 more than last year's revenue for September (\$102,761.29). Fiscal year to date, we have collected \$371,318.11 in revenue. This is approximately \$13,000 more than last year.





## Recreation

- The Artifacts Club meeting on September 23 at Tryon Recreation Center.
- The DAV meeting on September 24 at Tryon Recreation Center.
- Seniors Out and Around (SOAR) hosted 3 line dancing session at the Cannon Centre with 78 attendees., 2 bingo days with 75 attendees, and 1 book club day with 6 attendees. Unfortunately, several SOAR events had to be canceled or postponed due to the storm, including a line dancing session, a field trip to Greenville Zoo/Willy Taco, and a movie day.
- Pickleball Open play continued at Tryon Park although we had to cancel the Middle Tyger Community Pickleball Fundraiser and Minor League Pickleball Tourney/Event due to Hurricane Helene.
- The afterschool program continued at the Needmore Recreation Center with 10 kids.
- Creative Advancement Afterschool continued their program at the Tryon Recreation Center with around 40 kids.
- Justin Miller presented an educational session on Monarch butterflies at the Lions Club lunch meeting at Wild Ace in Greer.
- Rentals: Kids Planet- 101, Recreation Center rentals- 3; 2 recreation center rentals canceled due to Hurricane Helene.

## Tourism

- Lindsey Shaffer attended the BMW Charity Pro-Am 2024 Check Presentation on Tuesday, September 24. The tournament raised \$625,718.00 for eight Upstate nonprofits. The City of Greer was a 2024 tournament sponsor.
- Staff met with Bob Hiller, owner of The Blue Ridge Brewing Co., on Tuesday, September 24 to discuss tourism and event efforts.
- The October Discover Greer newsletter was published on Tuesday, September 24. The newsletter featured the upcoming Greer Heritage Museum Ghost Tours, fall events, and new downtown businesses.
- A downtown photoshoot for an upcoming advertisement was scheduled for Tuesday, October 1, but was canceled due to the effects of Hurricane Helene. The Tourism Division is working with the ad agency and downtown businesses for a rescheduled date.
- Lindsey Shaffer attended the SC Welcome Center Brochure Swap in Gaffney, SC on Wednesday, September 11 to distribute Greer brochures to the nine welcome centers.
- The PRT Department hosted the Southeast Festivals & Events Association for a one-day seminar in Greer on Tuesday, September 17. There were 20 attendees and session topics included benefits of economic impact reports, interviewing/communicating with the media, and planning inclusive events to meet the needs of our communities.

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**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**Applicant:**

Red Watson, Assistant Director/Parks, Recreation & Tourism

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**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**Applicant:**

Ann Cunningham, Director/ Parks, Recreation & Tourism

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**2024 Events - Upcoming List of events attached**

**Applicant:**

Ann Cunningham, Director/Parks, Recreation & Tourism

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## 2024 Upcoming Events (October– December)

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- Foothills Philharmonic- Saturday, October 12 (Center for the Arts)
- Food Truck Rollout – Friday, October 18 (Greer City Park)
- Artisan Makers Market – Saturday, October 19 (Greer City Park)
- GCT presents The Wizard of OZ, October 19-27 (Cannon Centre)
- Greer Arts & Eats Festival, Saturday, October 26 (Downtown Greer)  
*(Rescheduled from October 5 due to the hurricane)*
- Greer Farmers Market – “Trick or Treat” Tuesday, October 15 (City Park)
- Trunk or Treat on Trade – Thursday, October 31 (Trade Street)\*
- Day of the Dead Festival – Saturday, November 2 (Center for the Arts)
- Greer Christmas Tree Lighting – Friday, December 6 (Greer City Park)
- Breakfast with Santa – Saturday, December 7 (Cannon Centre)
- Greer Farmers Market Christmas Festival – December 7-8 (City Park)
- Greer Relief Christmas Parade – December 8 (Downtown Greer)
- Holiday Arts Fair – December 9-10 (Center for the Arts)

*\*Greer Police Department’s inaugural event.*

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