

TOWN OF COLLIERVILLE
Parks, Recreation, & Cultural Arts Advisory Board
July 11, 2023 – 5:30pm
Agenda

CALL TO ORDER Chairman Derenburger

APPROVE AGENDA Chairman Derenburger

REVIEW / APPROVE – June 13, 2023 Minutes Chairman Derenburger

PUBLIC COMMENTS

ITEMS:

1. CSA Service Provider (Annual Review) Greg Clark

2. Athletic Programming Mark Ellis **(DEFERRED)**
(Youth & Adult Sports) Brad Heacox

DIRECTORS REPORT..... Greg Clark

OTHER BUSINESS Chairman Derenburger

ADJOURN: Next Meeting – August 8th, 2023



COLLIERVILLE
PARKS

Parks Advisory Board Meeting – July 11, 2023

Members Present: Chris Armour, Corinne Derenburger, Michael Ebbs, Maureen Fraser, Micah Miller, Katie Mims, Jeremy Smith, Kathy Thiele, Jimmy Turner

Members Absent: NONE

Staff Present: Greg Clark, Tress Shields

Guest(s) Present: NONE

Corinne Derenburger called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Katie Mims made a motion to approve the agenda. Micah Miller seconded the motion. The board approved the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

Katie Mims made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2023 meeting. Chris Armour seconded the motion. The board approved the minutes.

Public Comments

NONE

Greg Clark asked if there were any comments from the board members. Kathy Thiele reported that Collierville Arts Council's production of *Titanic* went very well. More Ostrander judges came out to see the production than normal. They had the first production meeting for *Twelfth Night* last night. Rehearsals for the production start July 31st. Auditions are next weekend for *Elf*. Camps are going really well for New Day, and they are working on *Mean Girls* at night.

Katie Mims inquired about the fireworks show. Greg Clark stated that the show was outstanding. He added that the new software that we recently received was used to get an estimate of the attendance at the park. It estimated that 17,800 people were in the park. Greg said that they will expand the boundaries from Byhalia to Peterson Lake and White Road to Shelton to get the number of people in that square quadrant. He surmised that the Independence Day Celebration was very successful.

Items

1. CSA Service Provider Annual Review – Greg Clark informed that last July, the Parks Advisory Board (PAB) renewed the 5-year agreement with Collierville Soccer Association (CSA) and made the recommendation to the Board of Mayor

and Aldermen (BMA) for approval. The BMA approved the recommendation in August subject to an annual review by the PAB. This is the first annual review. Paul Furlong, CSA Executive Director, apologized that he could not attend tonight's meeting; he had a speaking engagement pertaining to youth soccer. Greg mentioned that we have had no issues and no complaints with CSA this past year. Therefore, we recommend a favorable review and approval for the fall of 2023 and the spring of 2024. Micah Miller made a motion to approve the CSA for the year/season. Michael Ebbs seconded the motion. The board approved.

2. Athletic Programming – Greg Clark deferred the presentation until next meeting due to illnesses of both athletic coordinators.

Director's Report

Greg Clark reported that the synthetic turf bid was approved by the BMA last night. We are installing turf at all five fields at Cox and replacing the existing turf at the 2 fields at Johnson. We hope to have the Johnson fields open by September. Because of the major construction at Cox, we will lose the fall soccer season there. Greg stated that we are giving CSA temporary fields at Suggs and Hinton for recreational play and practices. The fields do not have lights. CSA will schedule games during daylight hours on Saturdays. This will allow them to have some fall registrations and a fall season. When it starts to get darker earlier, we will try to give them lighted fields for practices.

Greg Clark informed that Camp Smile, our special needs camp, is this week and next at the W.C. Johnson house. Both weeks are full. We also have the performing arts camp this week and next. Registration is ongoing for fall sports (baseball, softball, flag football, and volleyball). Registration ends August 6th.

Greg Clark reported that he met with the BMA about two weeks ago about the Frank Road Landfill property. To use that property, we are going to have to do a new environmental study on it. The property is 132 acres behind West Collierville Middle School. We have a 99-year lease on the property. Until we officially close the property, we cannot use it. We have to decide if we want to do a new environmental study. It would cost from \$115,000 to \$120,000. The last study was done in 1998. The study will enable us to formulate an official closure plan to submit to the State of Tennessee along with our plan for use of the property. The balloon festival committee has looked at the property as a potential site for the festival.

Greg Clark stated that the Main Street concerts start back this Thursday. He announced that Thursday, October 5th, we will have the Parks Hall of Fame Ceremony in the Harrell

Theatre. He will provide more information about it as plans develop. Pickleball courts open up for bids next Wednesday. There was no additional business. Jimmy Turner made a motion to adjourn. Micah Miller seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:09 p.m.